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Lawson Completes Hockley Discovery

A small discovery from the San Andres, upper Permian, in Northwest Hockley County was completed by Edward C. Lawson, of Tulsa, Okla.

On a 24-hour potential, Lawson's No. 1 George L. White pumped 93.82 barrels of oil per day. Gravity was 31.9 degrees. The gas-oil ratio was too small to measure.

In addition to the oil pumped on the test, 12 per cent water developed. Production was after the San Andres pay zone between 4,617 feet and 4,648 feet received a 1,000-gallon acid treatment.

This new pay zone is 440 feet from south and east lines of labor 16, league 704, State Capital Lands survey, abstract 236, A. Taylor original grantee, about 18 miles northwest of the town of Levland.

Nearest production is in the Yellowstone field, a few miles to the southeast.

Pecos Gets Another Shallow Prospector

Pecos River Oil Company, of Fort Worth, is to start December 30 on a 3,000-foot, cable tool wildcat in North-Central Pecos County.

It is to be that, concern's No. 1 W. C. McCaskey, located 1,125 feet from east and north lines of section 88, block 10, H&G survey. That puts it about five miles southeast of the town of Imperial.

Extension To Lubbock Is Put On Production

An extension to the Lubbock field of Central Lubbock County was completed by Tobe Foster, et al, at their No. 1 Travis, 330 feet from north and 890 feet from east lines of section 4, block A, Gibson survey.

This project, located about four miles northeast of the city of Lubbock, pumped 24 hours on an initial production test and made 108.4 barrels of oil, with a gas-oil ratio of 100-1.

Gravity of the petroleum was 23.6 degrees. Of the total fluid developed on the test, three per cent was water.

The pay section at 4,863-4,990 feet was acidized with 16,000 gallons of acid, by stages.

Stanolind Tests Again In Reagan Ellenburger

Another drillstem test was run in the Southeast Reagan County Ellenburger at Stanolind-Columbia Gas Company No. 1 E. Price Miller deep wildcat three miles east of Big Lake.

Total depth was 9,710 feet, with the packer set at 9,944 feet. The length of the examination was not reported.

Recovery was a 1,000-foot water blanket and 960 feet of drilling mud. There were no indications of oil or gas.

The venture is to drill ahead from 9,710 feet in line and test again shortly.

It has encountered very slight signs of oil and gas since entering the deep zone.

Location is in the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 226, block 1, TP survey.

Wildcat Flows Oil In Upton Pennsylvania

Richardson & Bass No. 1 Neal, East-Central Upton County wildcat, about seven miles northwest of the discovery for Ellenburger production in the Benedum field, and 600 feet from north and 1,800 feet from east lines of section 9, block Y, G&SFP survey, was flowing at the average rate of 14 barrels of clean oil per hour from perforated section in the Pennsylvania time at 10,300-960 feet natural.

That flow had been underway for several days. It is expected that operators will shortly take potential test and complete this discovery.

It found water in the Ellenburger. Shows oil production in the Devonian and in the lower Pennsylvanian, which were logged while drilling was in progress failed to develop on production tests and the prospector had the rig moved back into the upper sections of Pennsylvania.

Placid Develops More Indications In Scurry

Placid Oil Company drillstem tested the Northeast Scurry County Ellenburger with its No. 1 Cornelius Davis, wildcat, six and one half miles northeast of the town of Snyder and 600 feet from north, 1,000 feet from east lines of section 387, block 97, H&TC survey.

The tool was open 50 minutes at 7,783-7,830 feet. A slight blow of air held at the surface for part of the period.

Recovery was 150 feet of very slightly oil and gas cut drilling mud. Salt content of the mud was 10,000 parts per million.

Last report had the prospector making hole deeper into the Ellenburger below 7,850 feet in line.

Scurry Venture Will Core In Ellenburger

A core was to be taken in the Ellenburger of extensive Northeast Scurry County at Sun Oil Company and the Ohio Oil Company No. 1 Helms, wildcat, 680 feet from south and west lines of section 636, block 97, H&TC survey, about 20 miles northeast of Snyder.

Total depth was 7,320 feet. Top of (Continued on page 6)

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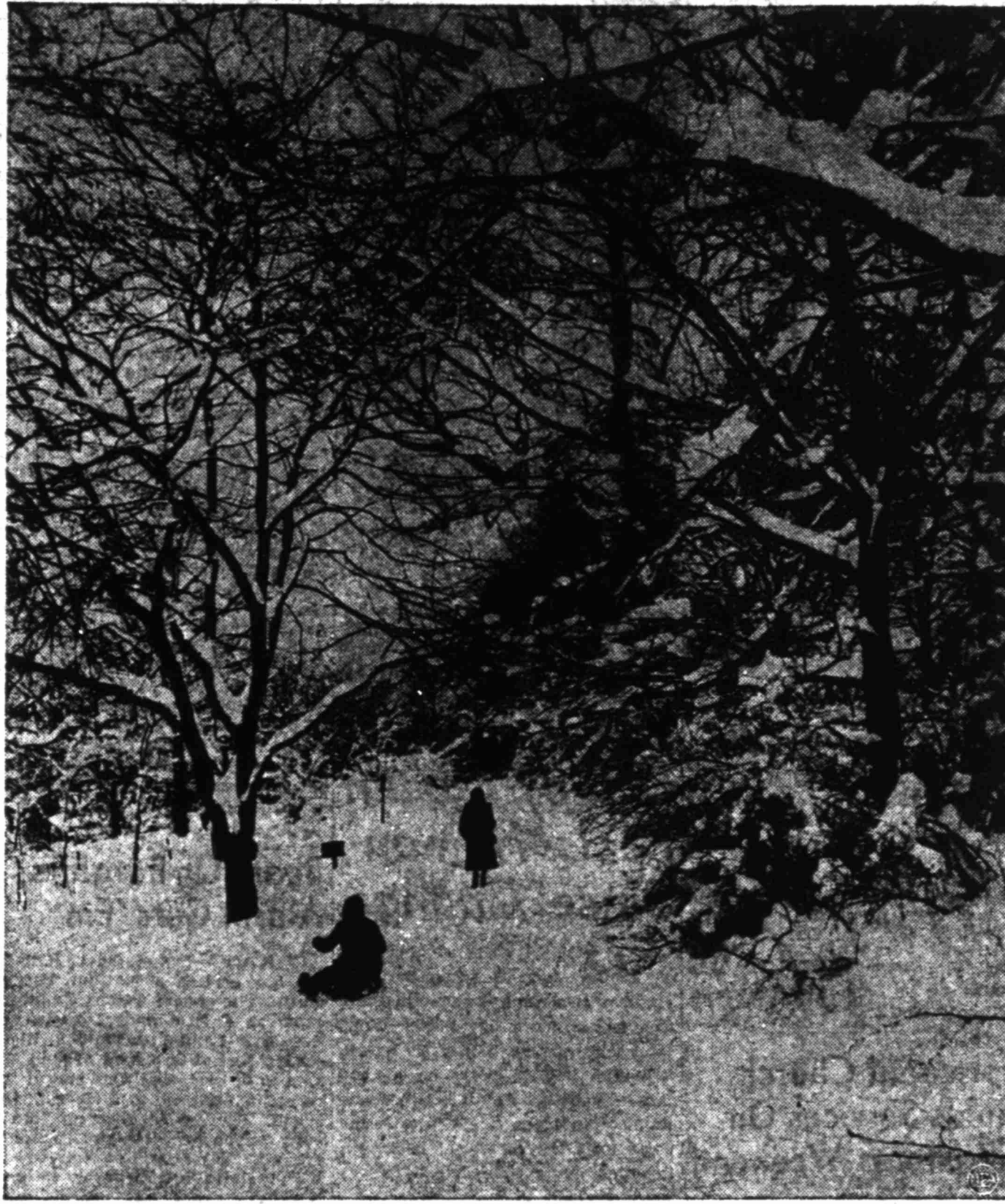
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Red Broadcast Dims Hope Of Chinese Peace

NANKING—(P)—Hopes for peace in China faded Monday.

Communist radio broadcast of a list of "war criminals" to be punished by a "peoples court" sent them grimacing.

Heading the list were Chiang Kai-Shek, Madame Chiang, Premier Sun Fo and most of the nation's top military and political leaders.

Surprise that the Communists would publish such a list at this time, when there seemed a possibility of the warring factions reaching some sort of agreement, was expressed in both foreign and Chinese quarters.

"Communists by their action have definitely closed the door on any hope of ending the war by negotiation," said one official.

From a study of recent troop movements, it seems the government is hopeful of holding the Nanking-Shanghai area indefinitely with its west flank beginning on the Wuhu River, 50 miles southwest of Nanking, and extending southward along the former Wuhu-Hweichow rail line. The railroad now operates only between Wuhu and Nanking.

Meager Battle Reports

Meager reports reaching here late Monday said that fierce fighting raged north of Kaoyu, 60 miles northeast of Nanking.

There was no mention of the situation of Gen. Tu Li-Ming's trapped armies near Pengpu. Tu's men are without food and bad weather kept planes from airlifting them supplies.

In Shanghai, despite the pessimism here, the edition of the Central Daily, an official organ of the Chinese government, forecast "imminent important changes" in the present political situation in China.

In the former French Colony of Kwangchow in South China, Gov. T. V. Soong's Tenth Regiment, multiplied and killed its two top commanders. The mutineers joined nearby bandits in a raid on Tschitshou, where shops were looted.

Senate Report Calls For New Ilse Koch War Atrocities Trial

WASHINGTON—(P)—Seven senators joined Sunday night in a formal demand that Ilse Koch be punished anew for her part in the atrocities of Buchenwald Concentration Camp.

In a report which censured Army officials for reducing her life sentence to four years, the Senate Investigating Committee, headed by Senator Ferguson (R-Mich) declared:

"If it is legally possible Ilse Koch should be brought to justice in a United States military court."

Falling in that, the report said the American Military Government of occupied Germany should move to have her tried in German courts for crimes committed against German nationals.

Frau Koch's four-year sentence will expire next October. Before then, the senators said, it is "highly important that Ilse Koch receive the punishment she so justly deserves without doing further violence to long-established safeguards of democratic justice."

Those who signed the report with Ferguson after lengthy, closed door hearings are Senators Bricker, (R-Ohio); Hoyer (D-NO); Ives (R-NY); McClellan (D-Ark); O'Connor (D-Md) and Thye, (R-Minn).

Express And Post Office See Speedy Parcel Clearance

The Midland post office will clear out most of the Christmas parcel post packages Monday, Postmaster N. G. Oates said. The only parcels left in the office Monday night will be those carriers have not been able to deliver because the addressee is still out of the city, he predicted.

There also will be a few parcels addressed to box numbers which have not been picked up. Christmas parcels still are arriving in small numbers but carriers will be able to take care of them as they arrive, Oates said.

Nineteen extra workers were employed at the Midland post office during the Christmas rush and the postmaster said the office came through in better shape than it has in many years.

A. S. Hollingsworth, Railway Express manager, said Monday that by Tuesday night express parcels should be completely cleared out except for those expressions will be unable to deliver because of residents moving and being out of the city. Railway Express trucks operated Christmas day and Sunday as did post office trucks, and both services stated the parcel situation is in good shape. Five extras were hired at the Railway Express office and employees worked overtime enough to keep the situation under control, Hollingsworth said.

Postmaster Oates announced Monday that the station in the Dugan Sales warehouse is no longer in use and all postal business is being conducted at the main post office.

DOG SMOTHERS CHILD

VANNE, FRANCE—(P)—The family dog climbed into the cradle of eleven-month-old Marcel Raoul here Monday and went to sleep on the baby's chest. The child died of suffocation.

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Gales Slow Carrier On Rescue Trip

ABOARD USS SAIPAN ENROUTE TO GREENLAND—(P)—Slowed almost to a snail's pace by lashing winds, this carrier hoped for better weather Monday as it plowed on toward Greenland to attempt the rescue of 13 stranded Air Force men.

The Saipan, which left Norfolk Saturday, is due off the rescue launching point Wednesday. Even with improved weather, however, there is doubt it can keep that schedule.

The Saipan was moving along at 27 knots until it encountered winds up to around 100 miles an hour Sunday.

While the Saipan took a fierce battering, five helicopters and two torpedo bombers lashed down with cables on the hangar deck escaped damage.

Crew Seasick

The ship's doctor reported a third of the crew seasick. Through it all, officers in charge of "Operation Ice Cap" continued confident their helicopters can effect the rescue of the stranded airmen.

"See no insurmountable obstacles to completion of the mission," Capt. J. L. Kane radioed Naval chiefs.

Capt. William V. Davis, Jr., in charge of the actual flying operation, said rescue flights will be made only in clear weather. And the "windmills" as the helicopters are called, will go up only if winds do not exceed 40 miles an hour.

Seven of the airmen originally stranded December 9. The others joined them at intervals—two more on Christmas Day—in futile plane and glider rescue attempts.

Former Official Of State Department Is Found Nearly Frozen

WASHINGTON—(P)—Sumner Welles, former undersecretary of state, was reported "reacting favorably" Monday to treatment for exposure suffered when he lay unconscious several hours in a snow-flecked field early Sunday.

Welles' fingers and toes were frozen when a farmer, living near the diplomat's Oxom Hill, Md., estate, found him. His condition remained serious.

Welles apparently had lain in the field several hours. The temperature was about 15 degrees above zero when he was found.

Welles regained consciousness Sunday afternoon but was unable to say what had happened, his physician, Dr. George R. Huffman, said.

The doctor added it would be a day or two before he would know whether any of Welles' fingers or toes might have to be amputated.

A son, Arnold Wasson, said the family believes he suffered a heart attack while out walking. He was stricken with a heart ailment 18 years ago and has been under treatment for it since then.

Friends also reported Welles has been deeply upset by the death in New York December 30 of Laurence Duggan, a close personal friend. Duggan, a protégé of Welles in the State Department, was killed when he fell or jumped from his sixteenth floor office window.

*** LATE NEWS FLASHES ***

FRANKFURT, GERMANY—(AP)—German Police reported late Monday that six Americans were arrested by the Russians Sunday on the U. S.-Soviet border in Germany. None has yet been returned, they said.

MOSCOW—(AP)—Dispatches received here Monday from Soviet-occupied Northern Korea reported rebel attack on a provincial governor in American-occupied Southern Korea in which nine policemen were said to have been killed.

CLEARFIELD, PA.—(AP)—His parents insist the song had nothing to do with it, but the Christmas baby born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Liberty had two front teeth.

Holiday Violence Kills 65 Texans

By The Associated Press

The Christmas holiday in Texas was marred by at least 65 violent deaths, and as expected, most were caused by traffic accidents.

Reports to The Associated Press and the Department of Public Safety showed 34 persons died in traffic, 10 were shot to death, nine were stabbed or slashed fatally.

Four persons died of burns, an overdose of sleeping pills was fatal to one, another person was poisoned, a man was decapitated, and a beating proved fatal.

Over the nation, deaths directly attributable to the holiday took 395 lives. Of that number, 276 were caused by traffic.

Latest reports of deaths included: Homer Lee Harris of Dallas was killed Sunday when his car struck an underpass in Dallas. Three others in the automobile were injured.

Butch Winters, 18, Uvalde, died Sunday of injuries received when his automobile overturned near Uvalde Christmas Day.

Salome Cortez, about 70, of Corpus Christi was killed instantly when he was struck by a hit-and-run truck about 8:30 p. m. Sunday in a Corpus Christi residential district. The driver of the truck was arrested by police.

At Houston, James H. Sharp was killed and four others were hurt when two cars collided head-on on the Gulf Freeway Superhighway Sunday. Mrs. Geraldine Sandstrum, 36, was critically injured in the accident and her husband, Eugene Milton Sandstrum, 29, also was hurt.

Worker Decapitated

Henry N. Harrison, 45-year-old oil field worker of Humble, Texas, was decapitated in a freak accident in the Hastings oilfield near Alvin, Texas, Sunday. The heavy lead line to the king's well's drilling rig snapped and struck Harrison as he was working nearby.

Houston homicides included Harry Russell, 47, who died from stab wounds, and Eugene Loving, 24, who was shot and killed.

Apparent Murders

Alfred Milton Fairchild, 40, Mount Pleasant laborer, was accidentally shot Christmas Day and died a few minutes later.

Billy Jackson, 28, Cleveland, Texas, grave digger, died from gunshot wounds at Romanov Liberty County. The Highway Patrol called it "apparently a homicide."

Oren Gillory, 30, China farmer, was "apparently murdered" early Christmas Day at China, Jefferson County. The Highway Patrol said. The cause of death was not reported.

O. Simoneaux, 64, a Beaumont farmer, died when struck by a car at Beaumont.

Walker Lewis Latimore, 34, Neches, Texas, peasant, was killed in a traffic accident near Neches.

Ralph Clarence Menefee, 74, retired mail carrier of Tenaha, Texas, was fatally injured when his car and train were in collision at Tenaha.

UN Authority Challenged In Two Sections

PARIS—(P)—United Nations observers in Palestine Monday accused Israel of breaking the Holy Land truce by attacking Egyptian forces in the Negev Desert.

The charges were contained in a lengthy report to the UN Security Council over the signature of Ralph J. Bunche, acting UN mediator in Palestine.

The report, slated for discussion by the Council Monday, supported Egyptian complaints that Israeli forces reopened hostilities in violation of the Council's truce order.

Bunche declared "I have no knowledge of any incidents which could be claimed as a provocation for the fighting in the Negev."

The Council will hold a private meeting to determine its schedule for the immediate future.

It faces challenges to its authority in Palestine and Indonesia. The Council has ordered Netherlands authorities to halt the fighting in Indonesia and free Republican leaders captured by Dutch forces.

A further hint of Dutch defiance of the United Nations Security Council was the announcement in The Hague Monday that leaders of the Indonesian Republic captured December 19 are being moved to Javanese mountain hotels. The Council ordered their release last Friday.

No Cease-Fire Order

An official spokesman said the Dutch government had not ordered a cease-fire in the East Indies. The Dutch position was announced by The Netherlands delegate to the UN when he was given the floor in the Security Council Monday.

Bunche reported that on December 21 the Israeli government expelled UN observers from their posts with Israeli forces. On the next day, he continued, Israel declared it felt "bound to reserve its freedom of action."

The negotiator then asserted: "In view of all the above circumstances I must report to the Security Council my inability to supervise effectively the truce in the Negev."

The Palestine report was received at UN headquarters here Monday morning.

Persistent Policy

M. Fawzi, Egypt's UN delegate, meanwhile charged in a letter to the Council that the Jews were following a "persistent policy" of violating the Holy Land truce "in defiance of the Security Council's orders and decisions."

He complained that the committee appointed by the council to implement its truce order thus far had failed to present a report to the Council despite "new violations" of the truce.

Fawzi said "It does not seem to me that the matter has been taken up either by the Security Council or its committee, in a manner commensurate with its seriousness and urgency."

Fighting in the Negev meanwhile was reported raging with new intensity and some observers expressed fear full-scale warfare might break out.

On the basis of reports from Holland and from both sides in the Indonesian fighting, the Council faced defiance of the cease-fire order by both the Dutch and the Republicans.

Texas Has Cloudy, Warmer Weather

By The Associated Press

The weather over Texas Monday generally was cloudy and mild. Early morning temperatures ranged from 24 at Clarendon, to 52 at Corpus Christi.

A trace of rain fell at numerous places, including Big Spring, El Paso, Fort Worth, Wink, Childress, Midland, Amarillo, Lubbock, Palestine and Wichita Falls.

Maximum temperatures Sunday ranged from 56 at Del Rio to 33 at Texarkana. Amarillo's maximum was 45 degrees.

Show that fell in sections of the Panhandle and South Plains Saturday night melted Sunday.

The forecast for the next 24 hours for the state as a whole was for cloudy and warmer weather with occasional light rain.

It's A Fur Cry

It's a fur cry from the sunny beaches of Florida to the wintry blasts up north, but this outfit is good both places. See Gammeter, "Fur," Column of 1948.

The message will be written into final form following Truman's return to Washington Wednesday.

A high point will be recommendations on legislation substituting a new labor relations formula for the Taft-Hartley Act, against which the President campaigned.

The message will also call for a whole series of civil rights laws, outlawing among other things, lynching, the poll tax as a requirement for voting and racial and religious discriminations in hiring.

Other phases will cover housing, anti-inflation, social security expansion, a broad national health program and kindred proposals for which Truman spoke in his 31,500 miles of stumping.



Survives

(NEA Telephone)

Russell Anthony Latona, 13-year-old cabin boy, who survived 40 hours in the shark-infested waters of the Caribbean Sea after leaping to the aid of a shipmate. The youth's father said his son ran away on August 12 to go to sea.

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★ IN HOLLYWOOD ★

Here's Movie Yarn That Curled Mrs. Johnson's Hair

By ERSKINE JOHNSON
NEA Staff Correspondent

HOLLYWOOD—Samuel Goldwyn recently ran a private showing of his picture, "Enchantment," for the operators at the House of Westmore, the famous Hollywood beauty mill where movie stars have their faces lifted so they won't have their options dropped.

Goldwyn, a great believer in word-of-mouth advertising, knows there's no better place to get a rumer started than a beauty parlor. So, feeling there might be a story lurking behind this unique tactic, I decided to see how the hair twisters, cuticle trimmers and mid packers reacted to Goldwyn's picture.

Inasmuch as this called for an experienced undercover agent to pump the gals and find out what they thought about it all, I set about securing the services of such a person. I wanted the best eavesdropper money could buy. So, sparing no expense, I went to my wife (who could worm the innermost secrets out of a clam) and confided my plan.

Our strategy was for Mrs. J., in the guise of an Iowa tourist, to stroll into Westmore's, ask for a beauty treatment, and let nature take it from there.

Didn't Quite Work

I could tell from my wife's expression when she came home that things hadn't worked out as

District Officer To Make Formal Visit To OES Chapter Here

Mrs. Lola Wilson of Crane will pay her first official visit as Deputy Grand Matron of the Order of Eastern Star for this district to the Midland chapter of the order Tuesday night.

She will be the special guest at a regular Eastern Star meeting in the Masonic Hall, beginning at 8 p. m. Mrs. Riley Parr, worthy matron, announced Monday, Mrs. Wilson was named Deputy Grand Matron for District Two at the annual state meeting of the order in October. She succeeded Mrs. Erma Hyde of Midland in the office.

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Coming Events

MONDAY
Woman's Society of Christian Service of Asbury Methodist Church will meet at 3 p. m. in the church.

A square dance will be held at the Midland Youth Center, beginning at 8 p. m.
First Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service will have an executive meeting at 2:15 p. m. in the church, followed by a business session at 3:15 p. m.

TUESDAY
A regular meeting of the Order of Eastern Star will start at 8 p. m. in the Masonic Hall.

WEDNESDAY
All-student dance at the Midland Country Club will begin at 9 p. m. for children of members and their dates.

Choir rehearsal in the First Methodist Church will begin at 7:15 p. m.
Boy Scout Troop 152 will meet at 7:30 p. m. in the First Methodist Church.

Delta Gamma Alumnae Association will entertain active members and pledges of Delta Gamma who are at home from college, with a coffee at 10 a. m. in the home of Mrs. Robert LeBlond, 214 South L Street.

THURSDAY
Young people of the Presbyterian Church will have a breakfast at 9 a. m. in the home of Mrs. J. L. Greene.

Mrs. James L. Daugherty will be hostess to the Lucky 13 Club at 7:30 p. m. in her home, 411 North D Street.

FRIDAY
Executive board of the First Christian Woman's Council will meet at 3 p. m. in the home of Mrs. E. N. Gideon.

DYT Sewing Club will have a progressive dinner party, beginning at 7:30 p. m. in the John Sewell home, 1402 West Ohio Street.

A semi-formal New Year's Eve dance will be held in the Midland Youth Center.

Episcopal Church Holds Services On Christmas Weekend
A series of programs and worship services marked the Christmas weekend in the Trinity Episcopal Church, closing with regular Sunday services. Special music and the traditional observance of Holy Communion were arranged for a Christmas Eve service beginning at 11 p. m. Friday.

The choir, with Mrs. Preston J. Lea, organist and director, sang Christmas anthems and an antiphonal carol with Mrs. Harvey Herd as soloist. The Rev. R. J. Snell, rector, was in charge of the services. A half-hour service of Holy Communion was held on Christmas morning.

Children of the church enjoyed a Christmas tree and the Sunday School program which was presented Thursday in the church and the Parish House.

Midlander Helps Entertain Orphans
One hundred English war orphans of Plymouth, England, were invited to a party and movie Christmas Day, aboard the heavy cruiser USS Columbus, and an antiphonal carol with Mrs. Harvey Herd as soloist. The Rev. R. J. Snell, rector, was in charge of the services. A half-hour service of Holy Communion was held on Christmas morning.

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Arrangements were made with the Social Welfare Secretary for the lord mayor of Plymouth to have the youngsters, whose ages ranged from seven to nine, arrive by motor launch. They were personally escorted about the ship by 100 sailors who acted as their "big brothers" for the day.

The party included a turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Santa Claus arrived in a helicopter with candy, fruit and presents for the guests.

Youngsters enjoy open-face peanut butter sandwiches when they are cut in fancy shapes and garnished with halves of whole roasted peanuts.

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Seaweed Scanty



These trim "scanties," part of a display of new woolen lingerie shown by the International Wool Secretariat in London, are partly made from seaweed. Designed by Berly Wilcken, the pale blue lingerie is made of lightweight wool yarn which uses, as a "carrier thread," calcium alginate derived from seaweed.

Ex-Spy Queen Feels Human Since Change

NEW YORK—(NEA)—Elizabeth T. Bentley sat in an overstuffed chair with a white cat on her lap. She looked more like a New England schoolmarm than a spy queen. In the last 15 years or so, she has been active. As an active Communist espionage agent who broke away from the party, she became a headline figure when her story was revealed last summer. Now with Communism out of her life, Miss Bentley said:

"It's the first time in 13 years I've felt like a human being."
In the Catholic residence club for business women where she lives, Miss Bentley stays out of the limelight except for lecture appearances she is making. Later, she'll probably go back to school-teaching.

A tall, slender woman dressed in a blue suit with lace blouse and a crucifix on a chain about her throat, she spoke with complete frankness of her shadowed past and the future she looks forward to with confidence.

For 13 years, she had lived a strange and strained life. First, on guard as a Communist party member; later as an active espionage agent; then, after she left the party, working undercover with the FBI and facing grand juries and the House Un-American Activities Committee.

She is not the dramatic type you might expect a headline spy queen to be.

Tell Your Friends
"Just tell your friends," she instructed dryly, "not to bring up their children to be spies."

Discussing her recent conversion to Catholicism, she said it was not on sudden impulse. Even as a student at Vassar, she related, she studied the life of St. Francis of Assisi and was greatly inspired.

At the time of the hearings in Washington, she met Louis Budenz, the former Daily Worker editor who had embraced Catholicism. She spoke to him of the whole problem and told him she wanted to receive religious instruction. This she received from Monsignor Fulton J. Sheen.

She is glad she was slow in making her decision, because "the longer you have to think about things, the surer you are in the right place. That's the trouble with me as a Communist. I just jumped in feet first."

She added that she did wish the public would make it easier for others to come out of Communism.

"In my case, I'm lucky. But others receive a bad reputation. What bothers me is that in a lot of these cases I know they would have come out if they had known they wouldn't be kicked in the teeth."

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Students On Vacation To Have Big Share Of Year-End Parties

Students on vacation, both the home-from-college crowd and the high school group, are taking the social spotlight in Midland for year-end activities. Most of this week's calendar events are for the youngsters, in addition to their informal gatherings.

A square dance in the Midland Youth Center building Monday night and a semi-formal dance on New Year's Eve are scheduled, and the Youth Center is open each afternoon and night through the week. Open hours are 3 to 5:30 and 7:30 to 11 p. m.

An all-student dance in the Midland Country Club is slated for Wednesday beginning at 9 p. m. Members' children of high school and college age, and their dates, are invited for this party.

Two recent dances with high school social clubs as hostesses have included collegians among the guests. The QVV Club entertained Thursday night and the Sub-Deb Club Saturday night, both with their annual presentation dances in the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Schaubauer.

Young people's organizations of the various churches have included the college students in holiday parties, and the First Presbyterian Church has arranged a breakfast for those who are at home from college. It will be on Thursday morning in the home of Mrs. J. L. Greene.

Girls who are members or pledges of Delta Gamma Sorority in various colleges have been invited to a coffee Wednesday morning by the Delta Gamma Alumnae Association of Midland. It will be in the home of Mrs. Robert LeBlond, 214 South L Street, beginning at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Ronald Jarrett is president of the hostess association.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Butler on the birth Sunday of a daughter, Naomi, Josephine, weighing seven pounds, 12 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Lawson on the birth Sunday of a son, not yet named, weighing eight pounds, four ounces.

FIREMEN EXTINGUISH BLAZE ON LIGHT POLE
Firemen answered a call to extinguish a blaze on a Texas Electric Company light pole at the corner of Tennessee and C Streets about 4:30 p. m. Sunday. A transformer and several feet of the pole burned. No estimate of the damage has been made.

LICENSE ISSUED
A marriage license has been issued to Billy Gene Culp and Betty June Thomas at the Midland County Clerk's office.

VISITORS FROM LUBBOCK
Mattabel Downing and Mary Margaret Richey of Lubbock visited in the home of Mrs. Jessie Downing during the holidays.

VISITING HERE
Mr. and Mrs. Marvin L. Taylor and daughter, Jean, of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Deavenport of Fresno, Calif., are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Davis.

HAVE GUESTS
Mr. and Mrs. Rufe Deavenport of Temple are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Deavenport.

PAIR OF COLLISIONS REPORTED BY POLICE
Two collisions were reported by Midland police Sunday.

Cars of D. K. Ham and J. F. Norris collided at the intersection of Wall and Loraine Streets.

Cars of B. C. Lewis and Delmar Simson, both of Odessa, collided on East Wall Street.

A delicious dish for Sunday night supper is made by combining canned crabmeat with a cream sauce flavored with a little dry mustard. Sprinkle with shredded yellow cheese and a dusting of paprika and brown lightly under the broiler.

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By RUTH MILLET
NEA Staff Writer

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Two. Treat Mrs. Employer like a Very Important Person. If her husband is too busy to speak to her, explain why—and assure her that he'll call right back. See that she does, too.

Three. While it is important to dress in a manner that is in quiet enough good taste to get by with the boss's wife.

Four. Don't discuss your personal life with the boss. It will get back to his wife, and she may resent your being so confidential terms with him.

Five. Don't act too chummy with the boss when his wife stops by the office. That's the time to be strictly business.

If you should be tempted to hoot at these suggestions and tell yourself, "After all I'm not working for HER," remembers this:
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DOWN SPORTS LANE

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BLUE MONDAY RAMBLES . . . Congratulations to the Monahans Lobos, who smashed the New Braunfels myth, made monkeys of the forecasters, won the first Class A football championship . . . All West Texas is proud of the boys who didn't read the papers or listen to the radio, and went out to win . . . We have received hot communications by telephone and letter from AAU and so we remind the Midland FVW it must take out papers and pay entrance fees into the AAU before it can stage its Golden Gloves district tourney here . . . We have the necessary papers if some one in authority will please come by the office and get them . . . Pat Ankenman, past manager of the Oklahoma City Indians in the Texas League, will manage a bowling alley at Houston . . . Lightweight Ike Williams and rookie Middleweight Rocky Castellani have won the Ring Magazine's two major boxing awards for 1944 . . . Williams, a champ, was named "Fighter of the Year" . . . Castellani, a great prospect, was tabbed "Rookie of the Year" . . . Kentucky vs. St. Louis, the game fans have been yelling for, finally may be played this week . . . Both are entries in the Sugar Bowl basketball carnival and may get together if both win early round titles . . . The University of Oklahoma squad began practice for the Sugar Bowl game at Biloxi, Miss., Monday . . . Texas Mines and West Virginia, Sun Bowl opponents, were to start intensive workouts Monday in El Paso . . . Thirty-two teams were to see action Monday in the Dr. Pepper high school invitational cage meet at Dallas . . . Two gyms were to be used . . . Carl Price, Waco coach, won the state title his first year as head man grid tutor . . . North Carolina opened its hard work for the Sugar Bowl game Monday at Hammond, La. . . Sightseeing and parties are banned for the Tarheels . . . Filled on the free substitution rule, University of Mississippi footballers favored it 29-0 . . . When Myrtle Greathouse, the great Oklahoma linebacker, was quizzed who was the best blocker he ever had tried to avoid, he replied: "Dee Andros of Oklahoma. I ought to know because I scrimmaged against him every week" . . . Barbara Ann Scott, the Canadian beauty and ice skater, was presented a pair of skates worth \$5,000 for her debut as a professional at New York . . . They presented her the high-powered skates tied with a gala red ribbon . . . Opposing each other across the lines in the Dixie Bowl game will be two Baptist ministers: Ray Mayfield of Baylor and Bob Aufarth of Wake Forest . . . Fardon us, the Reverends Mayfield and Aufarth go for strays, if the boots you got for Christmas don't fit, stretch 'em.

PGA Tabs Hogan Top Money Winner

CHICAGO—(P)—Ben Hogan, golf's man of the year, was tabbed officially by the PGA Monday as 1944's leading money winner. Vardon Trophy winner and leader of the Ryder Cup listings.

Hogan was credited with a certified total of \$32,112 in tournament earnings. Lloyd Mangrum was second with \$31,289.

Mangrum, however, was the biggest over-all winner with \$45,898.32, after grabbing \$14,608.33 in competition not sponsored by the PGA. Hogan captured only \$4,700 in unofficial competition.

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Family Secrets



Northwestern's football players receive aid from the home front in their plans to repel California in the Pasadena Rose Bowl. Jan. 1. Going over players with their wives in front are, left to right, Al and Helen Thomas, Capt. Alex and Ann Sarkisian, Don and George Stonieser, Pee Wee and Midge Day and Ed and Kaye Tunnickoff.

TEXAS OIL ROUNDUP— Bitter Tideland Battle Shapes Up For Next Year

By MAX B. SKELTON

HOUSTON—(P)—By the time tempers simmered down last week one could only conclude Washington will be quite a tideland battleground next year.

State officials reacted with strong words Tuesday when informed Attorney General Tom Clark had asked the Supreme Court to recognize the federal government's "paramount" rights to the tidelands of Texas and Louisiana.

The battle lines already were formed. Clark's action simply added a tightening effect.

The action had been expected off and on ever since the Supreme Court, by a six to two decision, recognized a government claim to California's tidelands June 23, 1947.

The Texas-Louisiana action points to another long congressional fight between state and federal ownership advocates.

State officials contend it is time to head off congressional legislation favorable to the states.

Chances are neither side will win next year in Congress.

Earlier this year, a Senate committee, in reporting favorably on the California decision, said that congressional legislation would be necessary before the federal government could assume management of the tidelands.

The head of Standard Oil Development Company stated sufficient underground oil now is in Texas to supply the world another 250 years and that the United States can expect great finds of its own.

Falling temperatures were accompanied by a slight decline in reserve stocks of light fuel oils but crude, gasoline and heavy fuel oils continued to climb.

Gas, oil and distillate fuel stocks, the American Petroleum Institute reports, dropped 1,335,000 barrels during the week ended December 18 but the 81,071,000 total still was approximately 30,000,000 above the same period last year.

Residual fuel oil totaled \$2,217,000 barrels, an increase of about 600,000 and 35,000,000 ahead of the comparative 1947 figure.

Gasoline stocks for the week jumped 1,115,000 barrels to 98,225,000 compared with 87,056,000 a year earlier.

Crude production increased 25,100 barrels above the previous week to a daily average of 5,645,250 compared with 5,284,489 the same week last year.

Burglars Get \$5,000 From Amarillo Bank

AMARILLO—(P)—Burglars took \$5,000 from the night depository of the American National Bank here Christmas night.

The theft was discovered Sunday by V. I. Voorhes, bank janitor.

Entrance to the bank was gained when the burglars knocked a hole in the roof.

Recruiting Services Use Joint Facilities

Recruiting services and facilities of the Army, Navy and Air Force will be used jointly by the three services as a result of recommendations by investigating groups of the Armed Forces, it was announced by M/Sgt. Ted Dykes, in charge of the U. S. Army and U. S. Air Force Recruiting Station in the Midland County Court House.

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Joe Pale, Greatest Texas Loop Hurler, Dies In New Orleans

PORT WORTH—(P)—Joe Pale and Jake Atz reunited in Baseball's Valhalla Monday to swap yarns about the mightiest winning streak in minor league history.

The state retained its public lands, held under the Republic of Texas, when it was admitted to the union.

Clark, a native Texan, maintains in his court petition that Texas was admitted "into the union on an equal footing with the original states in all respects whatsoever."

Both states stand to lose heavily financially.

Louisiana estimates the state has received \$34,250,000 in bonuses and rentals on leases of offshore lands, including bays and inlets.

Only last week Texas announced leasing of another 79,000 acres of tidelands with bonuses totaling \$2,055,709. The money goes into the permanent school fund, an endowment now totaling nearly \$140,000,000.

PRODUCTION

Snow storms in the Midwest and East didn't dampen growing optimism over the nation's future oil supplies.

The Interior Department has given indication the government soon may lift all bans against the use of oil.

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BUGS BUNNY Coloring Contest



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That's a good tip from Petunia, youngsters. Don't miss the fun of coloring and the chance to win a prize. And be sure to complete the sentence that appeared with the first sketch Sunday. There will be four more sketches. Watch for another one tomorrow.

Indians Race For Sun Carnival Honor

CHIHUAHUA CITY, MEXICO—(P)—Nine Tarahumara Indians Monday were running toward El Paso, each hoping to be the one that will light the urn starting the Southwestern Sun Carnival Tuesday afternoon.

The runners started late Sunday afternoon.

AIR FORCE IS SHORT OF FIRST-LINE PLANES

WASHINGTON—(P)—The Air Force says it lacks enough planes to provide the entire Air Force Reserve with first-line aircraft for training purposes.

C. W. Whitney, assistant secretary of air, made this comment in a letter to Senator Wiley (R-Wis.), who had asked information on plans for Air Force Reserve units.

Sports

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Fans Predict Oregon To Make Trouble For Ponies

DALLAS—(P)—The railbirds are pretty well convinced Southern Methodist will have its hands full with Oregon in the Cotton Bowl. However, they hastily add that this would be nothing new—anybody, it seems, can give SMU a tough ball game.

The Methodists were staggering in the final month of the Southwest Conference campaign. Winless Texas A&M almost beat them. They had to score as the last gun fired to down Arkansas. Baylor was in the ball game until the last and it required a 99-yard drive in the final minute to gain a tie with Texas Christian.

Oregon's big, tough line has impressed the fans watching the Webfoots in their work-outs. They not only are ponderous but fast. The line has been considered SMU's weakest point all season, although, as Coach Jim Aiken of Oregon observed, "They must have something up front to win all those ball games."

The backs can't do it all.

A comparison of the two lines through the statistics indicates Oregon has much the better of it. The Methodists wall has given up 1,818 yards rushing in 10 games this year while Oregon allowed 1,456. SMU has gained 1,872 yards rushing while Oregon has rolled up 2,345.

In passing, where Southern Methodist's star-studded backfield comes in, SMU has made 1,461 yards while Oregon has 1,034.

In the overall, Oregon has gained 3,379 yards to 3,133 for Southern Methodist.

The offensive power of the two teams indicates a high-scoring game.

Both teams returned to the practice field Monday after time off for Christmas.

Bowl Odds Wizards Pay Little Heed To Statistics Of NCAB

NEW YORK—(P)—It's obvious the wizards of odds didn't let a little thing like a statistic stand in their way when they laid down the favorites for next Saturday's bowl games.

The National Collegiate Athletic Bureau, which specializes in such things, has ground out another batch of figures giving up principals in some of the main January 1 football attractions.

These statistics show, among other things, that five of the eight teams which have been underdogs in the bigger bowls actually have better offensive records than their favored adversaries.

This is true in the cases of California in the Rose Bowl, Oklahoma in the Sugar, Oregon in the Cotton, Oklahoma A&M in the Delta and Wake Forest in the Dixie.

The exceptions—that is, chosen eleven with superior attacking records—are Georgia in the Orange, Missouri in the Gator and Nevada in the Harbor Bowl.

SMU, Baylor, Georgia

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Bruins Arrive At Rose Bowl Site To Find Cats Favorites

PASADENA, CALIF.—(P)—California's unbeaten Golden Bears moved into the Rose Bowl sector Monday, ready for the final tuneup before tangling with the Northwestern Wildcats in the third renewal of the Big Nine-Pacific Coast Conference postseason series.

This 1948 Golden Bear is a large, rugged critter who rolled up 277 points against 10 opponents, including Navy by a 21-7 count and a weak Big Nine eleven from Madison, Wis., by 40-14.

It has three dangerous backs in Jack Jensen, Jack Swanner and Billy Main; a powerful line that averages nearly 100 yards per game and scored 215 points to 147.

Georgia, a seven-point choice over Texas at Miami, leads the Longhorns in every offensive phase except rushing.

Monahans Jubilant At Lobos' Victory In Class A Football

MONAHANS—(P)—Monahans is the Class A state schoolboy football champion.

If you want to know how the Lobos won the title, ask anybody in town.

Practically the entire population of this West Texas city went to Odessa Christmas Day and watched the Monahans team smash New Braunfels 14-0 in the championship game.

Victory for the Lobos was a surprise, even though they were undefeated and unbeat New Braunfels had rolled up 568 points in fourteen games against only 69 for the opposition. And the Unicorns were top-heavy favorites to become the first state Class A champion.

But Coach F. O. Scroggins' handful of players worked the T formation to perfection and charged the heavier Unicorns almost out of the stadium.

"We just took a country licking," said New Braunfels coach Weldon Byrum after the game.

Monahans players were too happy to say much after the ball game. And Scroggins was too busy being congratulated by his players to have an opportunity.

Pistol Pete Williams Paces South To Win

MIAMI, FLA.—(P)—"Pistol Pete" Williams 70-yard run in the North-South football game was the North's alibi for losing 24-14.

The South gained 307 yards rushing to 27 for the North. The latter completed 21 of 36 passes for 240 yards while the South connected with three of 13 for 40 yards.

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Injuries Plague Texas Longhorns

AUSTIN—(P)—The University of Texas Longhorns brushed up on defense Monday as Coach Blair Cherry predicted "It looks like we are in for hard sailing" against Georgia in the Orange Bowl game New Year's Day.

Three more Longhorn football players have been added to the casualty list—pass catching specialists Ben Proctor and Peppy Blount, both ends, and reserve back Frank Guess. Proctor is abed with a cold and a fever. Blount is bothered with weak arches that made running difficult and Guess has an injured shoulder.

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Southwestern Loop Cagers Slate Week Of Heavy Activity

By The Associated Press

Rice, one of the big question marks in the coming Southwest Conference basketball campaign, opens an eastern tour Monday night in New York City while three other conference members are in action in the All-College Tournament at Oklahoma City.

The Owls catch Long Island University at New York Wednesday they play Temple at Philadelphia and New Year's Day they meet Niagara at Buffalo.

Texas, Southern Methodist and Baylor are conference members in the college tournament.

The Longhorns from Texas tackle Colorado A&M Monday, Southern Methodist meets Alabama and defending conference champion Baylor takes on Auburn.

Aggies Go Traveling

The Texas Aggies hit the East and Midwest this week, playing Siena College at Albany, N. Y., Tuesday; Seton Hall at South Orange, N. J., Wednesday, Baldwin-Wallace at Cleveland Friday and Akron at Akron, Ohio, Saturday.

Arkansas and Tennessee vie at Memphis Thursday.

Texas Christian takes on Abilene Christian College at Abilene Tuesday, Hardin-Simmons at Abilene Wednesday and Stephen F. Austin at Nacogdoches Friday.

Southern Methodist comes home from the Oklahoma City tournament to play host at Dallas to Notre Dame Thursday.

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The UN's Human Rights Bill

It is easy to be cynical about the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights. Here is a document that is not binding on the UN or any of its members. It has no legal force. It commits no government to action. It has no immediate practical significance.

The UN Social Committee used up two years in high-sounding, high-minded debate before the declaration was finally drafted. Some of its provisions are violently opposed by governments whose boundaries contain great sections of the earth.

Russia and her satellites are against it, naturally. They will never approve it so long as the present governments or their Communist descendants control those countries. For the declaration is built on a foundation of individual rights and freedoms, which is the antithesis of Marxist philosophy.

But what seems significant to us is not the opposition, but the support it received from so many governments. It is remarkable and hopeful that the representatives of peoples so different in history, religion, customs and living standards could agree on so many points.

Thus the world's Declaration of Human Rights is born into a quite different atmosphere from that in which the American Declaration of Independence and Bill of Rights found themselves. These brave manifestoes were political heresy. They were launched into a hostile world.

Even though we may not always live up to the ideal of their sentiments, the rights and beliefs expressed in those documents have changed man's thought and aspirations everywhere. They appeared helpless and hopeless at birth. But today they rank with the Magna Charta, the English Bill of Rights, the French Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen, the Communist Manifesto among the most profound political influences on human history.

Proof of this is found in the UN's action on the new declaration. For the declaration took much of its inspiration from the American Bill of Rights, and it won the support of a majority of world governments.

The principal difference between the American and the world Bill of Rights is one of scope. For the new document does not stop with a declaration of the individual's rights of personal security and political liberty. It goes on to support his rights of social and vocational security.

The UN declaration stresses the right to social security, adequate living standard, education, rest, leisure and paid holidays; the right of equal pay for equal work; equal rights in marriage and divorce, and the right to equal social protection without discrimination for illegitimate children.

Perhaps some day in the distant, doubtful future there will be a world in which all these freedoms—personal, political and social—are universally accepted as "certain inalienable rights." The prospect is no more hopeless than that which confronted any other great step in mankind's progress toward liberty and equality.

In the meantime we may safely put down the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights as a brave beginning. And we may be thankful that in an organization so embroiled in power politics and nationalistic striving, at least one of its branches has spent two years in discussing and defining the rights of the almost-forgotten man, and has reached majority agreement.

Money doesn't go as far as it did, but it still does a swell job of going.

A French girl is seven feet tall and still growing. If she's depressed now, she may be in for a circus later on.

It's an ill wind that blows a man's own horn.

Screen Actress crossword puzzle grid with clues for words like 'Most mature', 'Metal', 'Spread', 'White', 'Prison', 'One time', 'Hurries', 'New Mexico', 'Rested', 'Of the ear', 'Essential oil', 'Walks in', 'Hold back', 'Egyptian sun god', 'Ancestors', 'Anger', 'Beverage', 'Enchantress', 'Approaches', 'Boy's nickname', 'Street (ab.)', 'Pronoun', 'Atop', 'Ignited', 'Impresses', 'Greek letter', 'Learning', 'Bushman case', 'She is a', 'million picture', 'Surprised', 'Task', 'Ghost', 'Befute'.

The Man Who Shot Santa Claus



WASHINGTON COLUMN

Hoffman's Shanghai Remarks Require Fuller Explanation

By PETER EDSON NEA Washington Correspondent WASHINGTON—Economic Co-operation Administrator Paul Hoffman returns to Washington after his quick trip around the world to check up on the Marshall Plan. At the top of the heap of what he said in Shanghai, China, December 13.

Necessary condensation for cabled reports of his press conference there gave the distinct impression that Hoffman had talked out of turn. It was generally believed that the ECA administrator had spelled out a new U. S. policy for aid to China in the event Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist government fell to the Communists.

So definite was this belief that the State Department next day made clear that Hoffman was speaking for himself alone, and not for the U. S. government. Any new policy on aid to China, it was explained, would be announced by the White House only.

It was known, however, that Hoffman had conferred with both President Truman and Acting Secretary of State Robert A. Lovett, before he left Washington. Consequently there was some basis for a suspicion that Hoffman had been authorized to work towards the creation of a new Chinese coalition government containing Communists.

Test questions in Washington got so many queries on this matter that it finally had a full transcript of Hoffman's Shanghai statement and his press conference questions and answers cabled back. This full transcript puts a somewhat different emphasis on the matter.

"The purpose of my visit," said Hoffman in his opening statement, "is not to determine or define the policy of the United States toward China. I haven't the qualifications or authority to settle the complex military and political issues that are involved."

That should have taken him out of the State Department's hair, but the point was re-emphasized later in the conference.

"On the basis of information furnished you, do you see any possibility of a coalition government?" Hoffman was asked.

"Our ECA field is the economic field," he replied. "If you have any political questions to ask, if the ambassador (J. Leighton Stuart) wants to answer them, O. K. We have no military man present so we cannot answer any military questions."

A reporter then asked: "What does the ambassador say now? Ambassador Stuart answered: 'Nothing!' That was that. So no new China policy was announced.

Rice For Chinamen At Stake Reporters naturally tried to draw Hoffman out on what conditions would be imposed on any new Chinese government that might ask for continued U. S. aid. "That was an obvious line of questioning. A bowl of rice for millions of Chinese depends on the outcome."

Questions and Answers

Q—Will the bills that were pending when the 80th Congress adjourned be acted upon by the new Congress?

A—All legislation pending when the 80th Congress adjourned will automatically die Jan. 3, 1949. Any pending legislation to be considered by the new Congress must be reintroduced after the 81st Congress convenes.

Q—From what racial stock did the Welsh people come? A—The Welsh are a Celtic people. During the Anglo-Saxon invasion, the Celtic inhabitants of Britain fled into the Welsh mountains, where they were merged with their native kinsmen.

Q—How much does the human brain weigh? A—The average weight of the adult brain is 49 ounces; that of an adult female, 44 ounces. Although the brains of men weigh more than those of women, the relative weights of the brain and body of the two sexes are about the same.

Q—What was the real name of Voltaire? A—Jean Francis Marie Arouet adopted the name of Voltaire when he was about 24 years of age.

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Speech Conference Slated At Odessa

AUSTIN—Three speech conferences will be sponsored by the University of Texas Interscholastic League in January. R. J. Kidd, director, announced. The first conference will be January 8 at Texas College of Arts and Industries in Kingsville; the second will be at Southwestern University, Georgetown, January 15 for all areas schools in Conferences A and B and the third will be in Odessa January 22.

Typical of all conferences will be the one at Georgetown where demonstrations will be given by outstanding speech and drama contestants.

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Electric Needle Only Safe, Lasting Hair-Removal Method

By EDWIN F. JORDAN, M. D. Written for NEA Service Many women are disturbed because they have more hair on their faces, arms, or legs than normal and feel that this interferes with their "feminine" appearance. The causes of the wide variation in the amount of hair on the bodies of both men and women are not well understood. But it is almost exclusively in women that this is any kind of a problem.

It is only rarely that excessive hairiness is caused by disease. When hair starts growing rapidly careful physical examination and diagnostic studies should be made. In the vast majority, the hairiness of the face or arms is unexplained except that some inherited factor from one or the other parent may be responsible. What To Do?

What can be done about this condition which bothers so many? The hair can be shaved. This is satisfactory for a short time but generally results in a gradual thickening of the hair and its even more conspicuous appearance as time goes on. The hair can be bleached or dyed, but this does not really solve the problem in most cases and anyway does not last very long. The hair may be taken out with hair removers which generally consist of some kind of wax which fastens to the hairs and pulls them out by the roots. This is painful and, of course, the hair will grow again.

Most doctors believe that there is only one safe method of permanent removal of excessive hair. That is treating the roots of the hair by electric needle. It is painful, rather expensive, and takes a lot of time. It is used frequently, however, especially for hair on the face.

Another method of removal consists of destroying the roots of the hair by means of X-rays. Skin specialists and official medical organizations have warned against this treatment because of serious injuries to the skin which have occurred. This danger appears to be a serious one.

McKenney on Bridge

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY America's Card Authority Written for NEA Service

There are a great many people to whom I would like to extend my best wishes during the Christmas holidays. A very happy and prosperous New Year to Mrs. Leon Radler, of New York City, for her wonderful volunteer work for the children's unit at Memorial Hospital. She devotes many hours every week for the benefit of the children there.

Mrs. Radler is not the bridge-playing member of her family. Her husband, Leon, plays a good game of rubber bridge. Many tournament players might miss today's hand, but when Leon made the right play, he said that a good rubber bridge player never should miss it.

He won the opening lead of the five of spades with the ace. He could count three spades for four diamonds, and a club—eight tricks. How should he play for the ninth? I am sure that a good many players would make the mistake of leading a club and finessing the ten. Finishing that no great harm could be done, as they could come back and finesse the club again. They would not stop to consider that the king-jack-nine of clubs could lay over the ace-queen-ten.

Needless to say, only one more trick. Leon decided to establish a heart trick and laid down the king of hearts. West won and came back with a spade which was won in dummy with the king. Now he led the heart to his jack, and when West won with the queen and returned the third round of spades, Leon won with the queen. He had his nine tricks now, without bothering to take a club finesse.

Q—Will the bills that were pending when the 80th Congress adjourned be acted upon by the new Congress?

A—All legislation pending when the 80th Congress adjourned will automatically die Jan. 3, 1949. Any pending legislation to be considered by the new Congress must be reintroduced after the 81st Congress convenes.

Q—From what racial stock did the Welsh people come? A—The Welsh are a Celtic people. During the Anglo-Saxon invasion, the Celtic inhabitants of Britain fled into the Welsh mountains, where they were merged with their native kinsmen.

Q—How much does the human brain weigh? A—The average weight of the adult brain is 49 ounces; that of an adult female, 44 ounces. Although the brains of men weigh more than those of women, the relative weights of the brain and body of the two sexes are about the same.

Q—What was the real name of Voltaire? A—Jean Francis Marie Arouet adopted the name of Voltaire when he was about 24 years of age.

Q—In how many states can matter exist? A—Matter exists in three states—solid, liquid and gaseous.

Army Seeks 4,150 Graduate Nurses

The American Nurses Association, in a meeting with representatives of the Army Nurse Corps in the office of the Surgeon General, took on the responsibility of recruiting 4,150 nurses needed by the Army for extended active duty before next June 30, it was revealed here by M/Sgt. Ned Dykes in charge of the U. S. Army and U. S. Air Force Recruiting Station in the Midland County Courthouse.

Lt. Col. A. L. Short, ANC, of Headquarters Fourth Army at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, said "Besides the nurses needed for the present expansion, the Army is trying to build the Army Nurse Corps Reserve to 29,000. We are now 20,000 short of this goal. About 24,000 of these reserve nurses are to keep up their reserve status and training but remain in their civilian jobs, except in the case of a national emergency."

The requirements for the ANC are: Age between 21 and 45; registered graduate nurse; citizen of the United States; recommendation, if no prior military service, and proper physical qualifications.

Created brussels sprouts are delicious served with cooked, sliced, smoked pork shoulder butt.

DREW PEARSON ON THE WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

WASHINGTON — Although the State Department tried to throw a monkey wrench in his typewriter, Maj. Gen. Claire Chennault of the famed Flying Tigers has defiantly gone ahead with his memoirs. Now he is ready to set the match to a literary explosion that will rattle the windows inside Secretary of State Marshall's office.

The China ace tells his own story as he lived it—shooting from the hip. Summing up Marshall's mission to China in his unpublished memoirs, Chennault observes sourly: "Net result of the 15-month Marshall mission to China was the rescue of Chinese Communists from military disaster, blunting the offensive edge of the Generalissimo's armies, and setting the stage for the Communist offensive of 1947 that netted them most of Manchuria and a large part of North China."

Chennault charges that Marshall gave safe conduct to half a million Communist troops to slip out of a Nationalist trap through Kalgan Pass. Later these same troops sealed up the pass in violation of their safe-conduct pact. They came back with Japanese arms to wrest Manchuria from Chiang Kai-shek.

These arms were taken from Russian stockpiles. Chennault claims, yet Marshall's arms embargo cut off American supplies from the Nationalist armies. Since all their equipment was American, they couldn't use it without American replacements.

Marshall has learned considerably more about Communist tactics since his China days," blasts Chennault, "but he has never candidly acknowledged his mistakes in China or made any attempt to rectify them."

Marshall's Distrust Chennault gives a clue to his bitter feelings against Marshall in discussing their early relationship. Marshall believed the Flying Tigers chief was disloyal to the late Gen. "Vinegar Joe" Stilwell, then in command of the China theater. Marshall also thought Chennault had faked in East China, and even doubted his personal honesty. Once Marshall stated that he would never approve another promotion or decoration for Chennault.

Chennault points out in his unpublished memoirs that the Russian war was pitched against German neighbors go down to defeat twice in two-front wars, and have carefully avoided the same pitfall. While Germany was menacing her western flank, Russia kept out of open war with Japan even though pitched battles were fought along the Manchurian border. Russia also was wary of taking on an exhausted Japan in 1945 until victory over Germany was complete.

World Government, that "As a practicing warrior for many years," concludes Chennault, "I am convinced that war is completely futile. It settles only the problems of the past and creates new problems for the future. It is our task now to place in the world today for the narrow, competitive nationalism that sparks the tinder of war. My experience as an airman has taught me the puniness of the elaborate, artificial, man-made borders of political states."

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Chennault's memoirs, Chennault also blasted the tough hide of "Vinegar Joe" Stilwell, called him the "best four-star battalion commander in the Army." (A battalion normally is commanded by a major.) Stilwell, according to Chen-

naul, used 1917 tactics to fight war in the 1940's. Memo to Congressman Mundt of the Un-American Activities Committee—

When the body of Larry Duggan crashed to the pavement from the sixteenth story of a New York building, you announced that Duggan was on the list of State Department suspects who had given confidential data to Whittaker Chambers. You also stated to the press, "We will give out the other names as they jump out of windows."

In making that statement, congressman, you put yourself in exactly the same category as the Soviet torturers in Prague who caused the body of hero Joe Masaryk to be found outside his window.

You put yourself in the same category as the Himmlers of Germany who tortured and plucked their innocent victims until all the world turned against Germany.

I have covered the State Department for years and I knew Larry Duggan intimately. I do not like to see Communists in government any more than you do, and on one occasion I warned a high official regarding a man considered close to the Communists. Laurence Duggan, an ex-convict, was no more a Communist than I was, because he tried to cure the evils that cause Communism. He tried to help the starving people of Latin America. He tried to curb the Perons who trample on people's rights.

Rattling Old Skeletons Once, in 1932, Duggan attended some Communist meetings in Alexandria, Va., and that may be the skeleton you now rattled in his coffin. But that was in the depth of the depression when breadlines were blocks long, when farmers in your own Northwest threatened to lynch judges, and when 30,000 veterans of World War I stormed the capital.

Duggan was in his twenties then. And if you are going to let the distressed groping of a youngster's soul for depression's cure tarnish his reputation, two decades later, then some of our greatest men might also lose their place in history.

But to those who knew him, you can never tarnish the reputation of Laurence Duggan. He was a kindly, sensitive, idealist, who tried to support four kids on a low government salary because he loved his work and was passionately devoted to the good-neighbor policy.

He was the kind of man who makes a government great—the kind who slaves for the sacrifices for it, because he believed in it—the kind of middle-of-the-roaders whom the Communists consider their worst enemies.

Remember, congressman, that trial by jury and grand jury is a priceless heritage built up by our forefathers through centuries of struggle, not something to be trampled on by head-hunting congressmen who blast the reputations of men deemed to be innocent until they are proved guilty.

From The Diplomatic Pouch Franco Spain has run into a stone wall in its effort to get American loans. The Export-Import bank has turned down an informal Spanish request for a cotton credit. And two private New York banks have vetoed Spanish proposals for industrial loans. State Bob Lovett's State Bob Lovett finally is going to succeed in his undercover campaign to get his and Dewey's friend, John Foster Dulles, into the State Department. Lovett has finally sold his idea to Secretary Marshall, which will be appointed regular U. S. representative to the United Nations. Paul Hoffman, the Marshall Plan ad-

Beware of Romance

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THE STORY: When sixteen-year-old Merry Carson learns that her dashing father, Kin, has asked her mother, Susan, for a divorce, her whole world turns topsy-turvy. Kin leaves home and Susan tries to piece. Aunt Jane comes to look after things. The two girls have a fight. Susan needs a change and suggests that she take her to St. Vincent's, an island resort. Her mother agrees. Merry avoids her old grade, Tip Keaverty, the boy she adores, and why she's given him the brush. Merry says that after seeing the awful thing that happened to her parents, she's decided never to fall in love and marry.

IT was very early when Susan, Aunt Jane and Merry tucked themselves into the back seat of the handsome Cadillac that had been Kin's Christmas present to Susan the year before.

Merry had been a little uneasy that Susan might refuse to use the car any more; but Susan's mouth had tightened grimly, as Aunt Jane and Merry all but lifted her out of bed and got her dressed.

"Well, at least I got one thing out of him before he threw himself away on that common little nobody," Susan said with a peevish viciousness that shocked Merry, kneeling before her working sneer on Susan's legs.

Aunt Jane, whisking a clothes brush unnecessarily over the smart navy blue wool frock that Susan was going to wear, stopped and stared at Susan angrily.

"One nice thing? You ungrateful po-and-so!" Aunt Jane fared. "The man has wrapped you in luxury and carried you around on a silver platter for 20 years! One nice thing, my foot!"

But Susan's thin face twisted into white, angry lines.

SUSAN was too weak to walk unaided down the stairs. With Merry and Aunt Jane supporting her tenderly, and with Susan being every inch the tragic, heart-broken figure, they finally got her tucked into the Cadillac.

of the day's drive, staged a tantrum at sight of the rooms, and walling about "being driven out of her home into this" as though it had been some sort of hovel, collapsed and had to be put to bed, and fed tea and toast and a sleeping tablet, before Aunt Jane and Merry dared think about themselves. But once Susan was asleep, Aunt Jane came into Merry's room and said briskly, "Well, youngster, how about dinner? 'I'm starved. I've heard you get wonderful meals here. And I'm all set for a nice feast."

Merry hesitated. "But do you think we ought to leave Mother alone?"

Aunt Jane looked at her quietly, her eyes warm and tender. "Merry, darling, you're probably going to be pretty angry with me, but it seems to me it's about time you and I had a little frank speech," she said firmly.

In spite of herself, Merry giggled.

"Anything more frank than I've been hearing from you lately, Aunt Jane, I'm afraid to hear," she confessed.

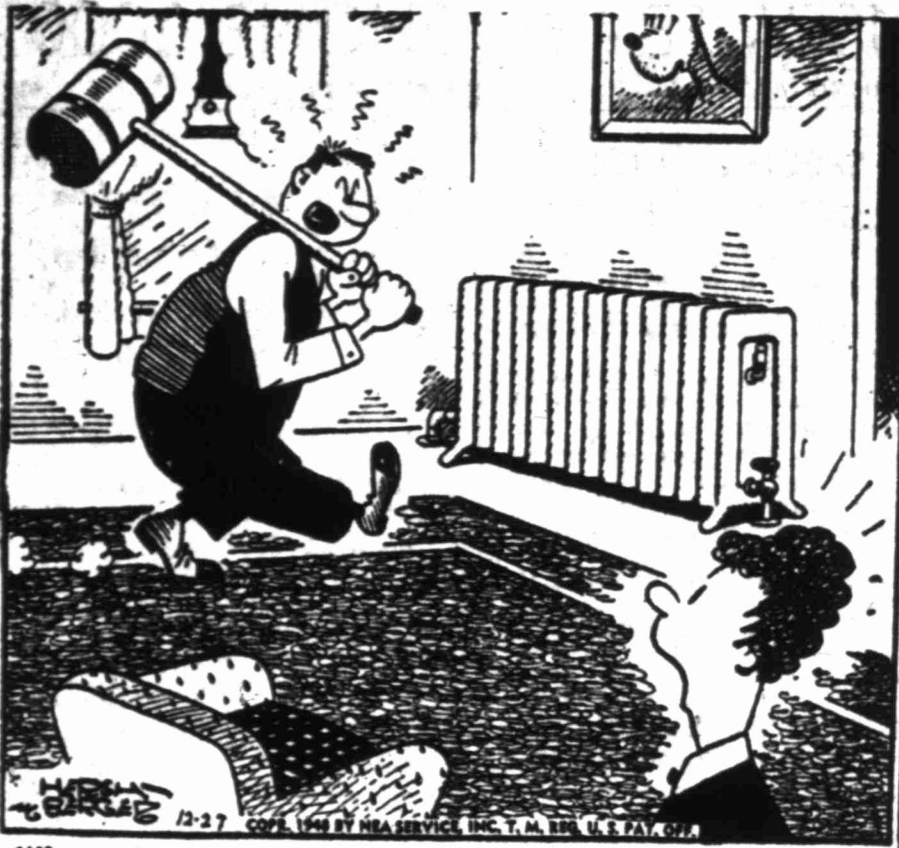
Aunt Jane looked pleased at the small glimmer of humor in Merry's eyes but plunged on.

"Susan has had a shock and she's going to reveal in her martyrdom for a while, and you and I are going to have our hands full pulling her out of it," she insisted. "If we could get her and hang over her and give in to her, she may really blow her top, Merry."

Merry caught her breath and a sick coldness clutched her heart.

Aunt Jane nodded. "A neurotic, Merry, who gives way to it and nurses it and broods over her misery and dwells on it constantly, can become mentally ill to a degree that no physician can possibly heal." "So you and I are going to have to make Susan snap out of it, for her own sake. That's one reason I talk back to her now; another is that she makes me so darned mad that I couldn't help it, even if I knew she was bad for her. Now come on and let's see about that tea food."

FUNNY BUSINESS



"I'm going to get some heat this winter or know the reason why!"

SIDE GLANCES



"It's lucky you're sick, Dorothy! I know I got a low score in the exams today—just think what you'd have got!"

+Rankin News+

RANKIN—Mr. and Mrs. Tyson Midkiff of Midland visited Rankin friends Thursday.

The Walton Harral family is spending the holidays at the Harral ranch in Pecos County.

William Day, county agrarist, is visiting relatives in Lubbock.

Gertrude Smith left Wednesday to visit the Roy Morgan family in Sterling City.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunn, every and John Ann were San Angelo visitors Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Boggs are spending Christmas in Plainview with relatives.

Miss Dorothy King of Throckmorton visited her aunt, Miss "Ma" King, several days "count" and "bot" last Friday for their homes in Throckmorton.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. David J. Edwards, Friday, in a San Angelo hospital. The baby, who weighed four pounds and 12 ounces, has been named Kathy Ann.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dick Koerting of Dumas and the paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Tom Workman of "T" "T".

Earl Hardt of Abilene spent Christmas with his parents, the Rev. and Mrs. D. G. Hardt, here.

Guests at the home of Postmaster and Mrs. M. J. Edwards for a Christmas family gathering this weekend are Mr. and Mrs. Bert H. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Cearley, Paul Baker, Malduis L. Baker, and Mrs. Edwards' father, Houston W. Baker, all of Altus, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Wilkes of Pecos, and Joan Edwards of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Adams are spending the Christmas weekend in San Angelo with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Bayless and other members of the family.

TEXAS LAW SCHOOL PROFS ATTEND MEET AUSTIN—The University of Texas Law School will be represented officially by Dean C. T. McCormick, Assistant Dean Howard Williams and Professor Clarence Morris at the Association of American Law Schools' convention in Cincinnati December 28-30.

Eight other Law School faculty members plan to attend the meeting. Dr. G. W. Stumberg, Dr. C. W. Johnson, Jerry Williams, J. T. Sneed, Gray Thron, Percy Don Williams, M. H. Rudd and W. F. Fritz.

VETERAN RANCHER DIES DALLAS—(AP)—D. C. Brewer, 61, veteran employe at the Waggoner Ranch near Vernon, died here Sunday at the home of his son, Roy Brewer.

Advertise or be forgotten.

Daddy Ringtail

Daddy Ringtail And The Great Forest

This isn't a story of things that happen. It is a story of things that are. They are things to remember about the Great Forest, the place our adventures are always happening.

Daddy Ringtail is a monkey. He lives in a monkey house, up in the top of the very tall tree, right in the middle of the Great Forest.

Daddy Ringtail lives there, and with him live Sammy and Bobby and Mugwump, the monkey boys, and Mother Ringtail, the monkey cake, the monkey girl. They have many wonderful adventures together. They have adventures too with the Monkey Catcher from the

zoo, with Old MacDonald who has a farm, with Dr. Shoobug who runs up and down the Elephant Path as fast as the wind, with the Huffen Puffen, that friendly wolf who lives in a hollow house.

Daddy Ringtail indeed likes to live in the Great Forest. It is a happy, magic place, pretty to see. The sunlight sparkles on the Whispering River. The trees are tall and the grass is green. Beautiful flowers grow everywhere.

Then comes the night when Old Mrs. Sun has gone down the sky to the other side of the world in China. The moon rides high and bright in the sky, shining down on all of the Great Forest, down on the Whispering River, down on the Elephant Path, down on the Happy Pool, down on the tree with Daddy

Ringtail's monkey house in the top. And there on the ground in the moonlight, the shadows are soft and friendly in a magic sort of way. Maybe somewhere then, somewhere away through the trees, a lion will roar or cough in the night.

Even when winter comes, the Great Forest is a happy place. There are nights that are cold, cold—when the cold north wind comes howling and clawing around the trees and nests and dens where all the animals make their homes—when ice and snow, instead of leaves, are covering all the trees.

when even the stars look cold in the sky.

Then it's fun to be there in Daddy Ringtail's monkey house, safe and warm by the fire in the fireplace, watching the dancing flames, listening to the snap and crackle and pop of the wood.

Oh, the Great Forest is a happy place indeed. And a home isn't just the place where you live and sleep. It's the place you belong with your family, where everything is safe and happy, whatever happens to everything else in the world.

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WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY

EVERYTHING'S TH' VERY LATEST ON 'EST ON 'BOTH!

CAN'T YOU SEE IT'S THE HALL RUGS I SHOULD BE SIT PLACID!

I KNOW, BUT DON'T GET SO EXCITED AND MAKE A SCENE, YOU SHOULD BE USED TO HIM—YOU RAISED HIM!

I HEARD YOU SOLD YOUR HOT STUFF DISCOVERY FOR ACTUAL MONEY!—IF IT'S TRUE THE GRAY BOAT IS IN, I'D LIKE TO DIP THE LADLE IN IT!

EGAD, MARTHA! HAVEN'T I SPOKEN TO YOU ABOUT IT?—UM! OF COURSE, HEAVY YULE SHOPPING ATE QUITE A HOLE IN THE AMOUNT—BUT PLEASE ACCEPT THIS \$100 WITH MY UNDYING AFFECTION!

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VIC FLINT

By MICHAEL O'MALLEY and RALPH LANE



YOU CAN PUT UP YOUR GUNS, MR. FLINT. MY GRANDSON CHRISTOPHER WILL COME WITH YOU PEACEFULLY.



HE CONFERRED TO ME THAT, JUST AS YOU SUSPECTED, HE KILLED POOR MR. GALE RIGHT IN THIS ROOM.

WASH TUBBS

By LESLIE TURNER



WE'RE IN CONTACT WITH SOMEONE FROM A BOAT OFFSHORE—HEARD THEM AGREE TO MEET TONIGHT AT NINE... BUT I DUNNO WHERE!



MEANWHILE, I'VE GOT TO EAT! THIS GOLD RING MAY BRING ENOUGH TO TIDE ME OVER. TELL I CAN TRAP HIM AND CLEAR MYSELF!

RED RYDER

By FRED HARMAN



THIS LETTER HAS ME WORRIED, LITTLE BEANIE? I DON'T OWE ANYONE IN LA BOCA AND I DON'T KNOW A TEX THERE.



PERHAPS, BUT WE'LL FIND OUT WHEN HE ARRIVES ON THE STAGE WEDNESDAY!

PRECKIE AND HIS FRIENDS

By Merrill Blosser



THERE IT IS! OUR HOLIDAY HOUSE PARTY IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE!



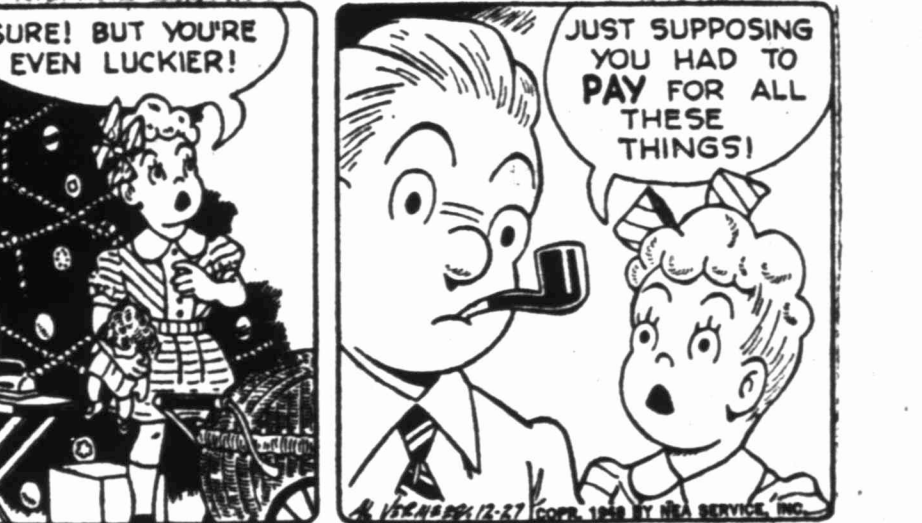
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PRISCILLA'S POP

By Al Vermeer



JEEPERS! SANTA SURE WAS GOOD TO ME!



YES, YOU'RE A MIGHTY LUCKY GIRL, PRISCILLA!

HOMER HOOPEE

By RAND TAYLOR



I DON'T WISH TO APPEAR INQUIRITIVE, MI LOVE, BUT I MUST KNOW WHERE THAT MINK COAT CAME FROM!



OUT OF SANTA CLAUD'S BAG!

DICKIE DARE

By FRAN MATERA



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OH, GIRLS, COME QUICK! THE BRAVE BOYS ARE COMING HOME!



ODD-I DON'T SEE ALLEY ANYWHERE!

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

By EDGAR MARTIN



WHO COULD BE?



I'VE WATCHED THE OLD HOLLOW TREE FOR HOURS WITHOUT SEEING A SIGN OF 'IM!

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Merry-Go-Round

(Continued from page 4) administrator, is pressuring the State Department to recognize the new military government of Venezuela.

Jesse D. Padgett, 94, Succumbs At Dallas

DALLAS—(AP)—Jesse David Padgett, a man to whom Texas' founding heroes were living beings and not characters in a history book, died Sunday night.

Founder and head of Padgett Brothers Saddlery, he had been Dallas' oldest active businessman until he became ill. Padgett once shook the hand of Sam Houston, Texas' battle leader for independence.

Murder Charged In Fatal Shooting At West Tavern

WACO—(AP)—Joe Thibodeaux of Hillsboro was charged with murder in the fatal shooting of Staan Sawyer, 30, at West, Texas, Sunday night.

Thibodeaux was arrested 30 minutes after Sawyer, also a resident of Hillsboro, was shot in front of a tavern. He was held in the county jail here.

Sawyer, who worked at the Waco Air Force Base, was sitting at a bar in the Night Owl Cafe when George F. Raymer, a taxi driver of Hillsboro, came in and told him, "One of your friends is out front and wants to see you."

Sawyer went out, and several shots were heard. Sawyer stumbled back into the tavern and cried "I'm shot." He collapsed and died before he reached the hospital.

Raymer told officers a man hired his cab at Hillsboro to take him to West. He said that when they were several miles out of Hillsboro, the man produced a pistol and threatened him. At the tavern, Raymer said he was instructed to send Sawyer "out to see a friend."

VISIT IN MERTZON

The Rev. and Mrs. M. T. McGregor of Tarkenton and Mr. and Mrs. Don McGregor of Midland visited in Mertzton Sunday.

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Of Beds And Butts And Baked Potatoes

The year 1948, like all that have gone before, produced its share of whacky accidents. These reported by the National Safety Council, run the gamut of oddness from the man who was shot by a cigarette to the Safety Council member who slipped on the ice. But they all hurt—so be careful, even when sleeping.



Target for Tonight: James Drager, of Beloit, Wis., placed his lighted cigarette in an ashtray. The cigarette overheated a bullet, which was in the ashtray. The bullet exploded, shooting Drager in the arm.



Singer Stinger: Getting dressed for his part in an outdoor municipal opera in St. Louis, Mo., singer Edwin Steffe hastily clapped his wig on his head. A bee got trapped underneath. Result: one bee stung.



Potent Potato: Taking a delicious-looking sweet potato out of the oven, Mrs. Alfred Swauger, of Ravenna, Ohio, took a sniff of its spicy fragrance. The vicious vegetable exploded; wham went the yam in her face.



Spring Sprang: Tired Benjamin Quinlan lay down for a little rest in his home in St. Louis, Mo. A bedspring went berserk, broke loose, pierced the mattress and stabbed him in the middle of his chest.



Kindled Kitten: Miss Melle Bousurois was cleaning clothes with gasoline in Marinette, Belgium, while her cat happened near a gas stove. The cat caught fire, jumped in the air, landed in Melle's dish of gasoline.



Do as I Say: A safety expert of the National Safety Council, whose job is to tell people to be careful, went to get his car out of the garage in Chicago. He slipped on the ice, fell, and broke his arm.

'Task Force' Report On Medical Services Brings VA Warning

WASHINGTON—(AP)—A report criticizing waste and duplication in government medical services brought a warning Monday from Capitol Hill against economies at the expense of veterans.

The report was drafted by a "task force" of the commission headed by former President Herbert Hoover studying governmental reorganization.

Rep. Albert Thomas (D-Texas), who may head the House Appropriations subcommittee handling veterans' funds in the next Congress, was among those who cautioned against economizing at the possible expense of ex-service men.

"The report of the committee deserves and will receive thorough consideration," Thomas told a reporter.

"It may well be that there is unnecessary expenditure of money and that some people who are not entitled to it are receiving medical aid at federal expense. But we cannot cut corners where the health and welfare of our war veterans is involved; we owe them the best possible service."

In his own statement, Hoover emphasized that "we all want our veterans and members of their families to have first-rate medical care."

But the problem, he added, "is to provide such care without overtaxing our limited number of trained physicians and other medical resources."

Unless waste is eliminated, Hoover declared, "veterans, servicemen and civilians alike will suffer."

161 Texans Will Be Drafted In February

AUSTIN—(AP)—Only 161 Texans will be drafted in February, Selective Service announced Monday.

This followed the cut of approximately one-half in the call for 968 men in January, said Maj. Gen. K. L. Berry, state selective service officer.

KEN REGANS LEAVE FOR WASHINGTON Congressman and Mrs. Ken Regan left Sunday by automobile for Washington, D. C., where they will establish a temporary home during the session of the new Congress which convenes next week. The Regans will occupy the same house they had during the last session.

MOTHER IS GUEST Mrs. J. B. Corser of Cherryvale, Kan., is here visiting with her son, Paul Corser, and family of 1407 West Kentucky Street over the holidays.

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18 Rescued From Tanker Broken In Half On Atlantic

NORFOLK, VA.—(AP)—The two remaining crew members of an Argentine merchant tanker have been rescued and all of the vessel's personnel has been accounted for, the Coast Guard announced Monday.

The Coast Guard said two seamen aboard the severed stern of the tanker, El Capitán, were removed by the Coast Guard cutter Agassiz early Monday.

The severed stern section of the tanker was located by the Cherokee, the other Coast Guard cutter which assisted in the rescue operations.

The stern was discovered tossing helplessly in the Atlantic 70 miles south southeast of where she broke in two Sunday. The Cherokee rescued 18 crewmen from the bow section of the vessel after it broke up while under tow from Savannah to Baltimore.

The Coast Guard said 14 of the crew were Argentine sailors while four were Americans.

Report Spurs New Labor, Management Conference Talk

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Proposals that President Truman call a new labor-management conference, despite the almost total failure of his 1945 effort, gained strength Monday from his Council of Economic Advisors.

Collective bargaining might become a greater force for "labor peace and economic stability," the council said in its annual report, if there were some generally approved "standard of a fair wage—related to a given price structure."

"These standards would not be binding; they would be primarily informal in character," the economists told Truman.

The report, a forerunner of Truman's economic message to Congress due next week, was prepared by the three-member advisory council headed by Dr. Edwin G. Nourse.

Cotton

NEW YORK—(AP)—Cotton futures at noon Monday were five to 30 cents a bale higher than the previous close. March 32.24, May 31.99 and July 31.04.

DRAWN \$50 FINE A Midland man was fined \$50 and court costs when he pleaded guilty to a charge of speeding and careless driving in justice court Monday.

HOLIDAY VISITORS Mr. and Mrs. George D. McCormick of Austin were holiday visitors in Midland with Mrs. Mollie McCormick.

Police Question Suspects In Uvalde Attack-Kidnaping

UVALDE—(AP)—Police Monday questioned several suspects in the kidnaping and mistreatment of a baby girl here Christmas Eve.

The child, 10-month-old Juanita Sherman, was recovering in a Uvalde hospital from exposure and the attack.

She is the daughter of Mrs. Tony Sherris of Uvalde and Fred Sherman of New York City.

She was kidnapped from the seat of a pick-up truck parked in front of a downtown Uvalde cafe in which her mother was eating.

Several hours later an Army recruiting sergeant from San Antonio found the child lying on the ground at the rear of a vacant building.

All of the child's clothing had been removed except his dress. The sergeant took off his shirt, wrapped the baby in it and took it to a hospital.

Chief of Police Martin Davis said the child had been attacked.

Seven suspects were picked up, but most of them were released after questioning.

Car-Truck Crash Kills Dallas Couple

FORT WORTH—(AP)—A young Dallas couple were killed instantly and their three-year-old son and a Kemp man were injured in a car-truck collision early Monday on Highway 81 a mile from Rhame.

Dead are Elton Dale McKinney, 25, an auto parts salesman, and his wife, Olga, 23, who were returning from West Texas. Their son was in Rogers Hospital, Decatur, where doctors said he received only minor face cuts.

The injured man is Roosevelt Ford, 30, who was driving his truck from Decatur to Fort Worth at the time of the collision.

TWO TREATED FOR FIREWORKS INJURIES

Only two Midland children received emergency treatment at Western Clinic-Hospital for Christmas fireworks injuries—Michael Proctor, three-year-old son of Ira Proctor, and 10-year-old Jimmie Strawn.

MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL POSTPONED

The regular meeting of the City Council, scheduled Tuesday night, has been postponed until January 11, City Manager H. A. Thomason said Monday.

Advertisement for Florsheim shoes, featuring an image of a shoe and text: "Only 'heart of the hide' softness of the finest selected calfskins are used in Florsheim shoes... that's FLORSHEIM QUALITY! And here's a Florsheim 'Best Buy.' The COMMANDER... a Medallion Tip oxford of Hand-Polished Brown Calfskin... most popular of all hand brogues in the Quality field. In Brown Calf... \$17.95"

Dunlap's Midland's Complete Department Store

Oil & Gas Log—(Continued From Page 1) the Ellenburger was called on 7,185 feet. The current zone has shown faint possibilities of production.

Magnolia Coming Out On Deep Upton Test Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 1-A TXL, 30 miles south of the city of Midland, in North-Central Upton County, and 680 feet from north and west lines of section 31, block 40, TP survey, T-4-S, was coming out of the hole after taking a drillstem test at 13,091-085 feet, in the Ellenburger.

A 2,000-foot water blanket was used. There was a blow of air at the surface for a part of the period. Exact length of the time the tester was open was not reported.

A test was taken previously at 12,931-13,001 feet. Length of that investigation was not learned. Recovery was 50 feet of drilling mud, with no shows of oil, gas or water.

This exploration has shown possibilities of production between the top of the Ellenburger at 12,530 feet and 12,805 feet. The section below that point has not indicated any signs of oil, gas or formation water.

Livestock FORT WORTH—(AP)—Cattle 1,100; calves 600; cows and calves strong to 50 cents higher; other cattle generally steady to strong; common, medium and good slaughter steers, yearlings and heifers 17.00-25.00; butcher and beef cows 18.00-20.00; canners and cutters 11.00-17.00; bulls 15.00-21.00; good and choice fat calves 22.00-25.50; common to medium calves 18.00-22.00.

Hogs 400; butchers steady to 50 cents higher; sows and pigs unchanged; top 21.50; good and choice 190-280 pound hogs 21.00-50; sows 18.00-17.50; common to choice feeder pigs 12.00-19.00.

Sheep 1,700; mostly 50-75 cents higher; around 400 good and choice slaughter lambs 24.25; about 1,800 common to medium aged ewes 9.25; few cull ewes 8.50.

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