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Officers Seek For Clues in Death of Four

Small Girl Tells of Beating Mother After Others Were Killed

LOS ANGELES, April 5. (AP).—From amazing and discrepant stories told them by 11-year-old slinky-talking Chloe Davis, authorities sought today to establish an exact account of the brutal hammer slaying of her mother, two young sisters and her infant brother.

The sixth-grade youngster, whom Dr. Paul Deriver, police psychiatrist, described as "the cruelest-blooded and coolest individual I ever met," was held on suspicion of murder booking after she unhesitatingly led officers through blood-spattered rooms and told a number of different stories but blamed her mother for the crime.

Police Captain Edgar Edwards said he anticipated an early solution of the case with helpful questioning of the girl by her father, Barton Davis, grocery store manager.

LOS ANGELES, April 5. (AP).—Police Captain Edgar Edwards said Thursday, 11-year-old Chloe Davis had admitted she hammered her mother to death and smashed her 3-year-old brother's skull with the hammer to "quieten him."

Mrs. Lolita Borkman Davis, and three of her four children, Marquis, 3, Deborah Ann, 7, and Daphne, 10, were found dead Thursday.

Chloe, suffering from a head injury, told police her 36-year-old mother killed the children and then set fire to herself and forced the girl to strike her with a hammer until she "stopped talking."

After several hours of questioning, Edwards said, the girl changed her story that Marquis was dead when she awakened, and that she found her mother striking her young sisters.

Edwards said the girl admitted hitting her brother as well as her mother, but denied striking her sisters.

Chloe said the killings occurred just after the father, Barton Davis, grocery store employee, left for work. Edwards said Chloe told him that after beating her mother until she was dead, she heard "Mark"—Marquis—groaning in the kitchen. Then, she said, she hammered him until he stopped groaning.

It was the only change in her original story, Edwards said. When he suggested to Chloe that she could have run outside to safety, the girl smiled and said, "That's right, I could have, couldn't I?"

She also said that after the killings and before telephoning her father, she chatted in the yard with a neighbor, saying nothing of the bodies in the house. The child gave no explanation for such behavior.

"I asked mother what was going on," Chloe said, "and she told me demons were after all of us and that she was going to kill all us kids then kill herself."

A transcript of the child's answers to questions of Miss Pickel and Dr. Speak included: "Daphne was in the bathtub. Marquis was dead on the kitchen floor. Deborah also was on the kitchen floor."

"Mother said she was going to kill me, too. Then mother started hitting me with the hammer. I started wrestling with her, and got the hammer away."

"Mother tried to set fire to my hair, but it wouldn't burn. Then she set fire to her own."

"She lay down on a mattress in the hall, and her nightgown burned off. She told me to hit her over the head and to keep on hitting her until she couldn't talk."

To Guide District Eight



Mrs. J. C. Cunningham of Fort Stockton, left above, and Mrs. J. Howard Hodge of Midland, right, were chosen, along with Mrs. Sam Rennie of El Paso, to head the personnel of officers of district eight, Federated Women's clubs, for 1941. Mrs. Cunningham was elected president of district eight to succeed Mrs. H. W. Morelock. Mrs. Hodge was elected first vice president, succeeding Mrs. Cunningham in that position. Mrs. Rennie was named second vice president. The three were elected Thursday at the district eight annual convention which closed here today.

Marfa Will Be 1941 Meeting Place Of District Eight Federated Clubs

Marfa was named site of the 1941 annual convention of district eight Federated women's clubs this morning in the closing business session of this year's convention for which the Midland City-County Federation has been host.

District officers for 1941, chosen in elections yesterday are: President, Mrs. J. C. Cunningham, Fort Stockton; first vice-president, Mrs. J. Howard Hodge, Midland; second vice-president, Mrs. Sam Rennie, El Paso.

Announcement of awards in the various departments was a feature of this morning's session at the First Baptist church. Yearbook awards for senior clubs were as follows: first, Woman's Study club, McCamey; second, Odessa Study club, Odessa; third, Big Lake Study club, Big Lake; fourth, Sanderson Study club, Sanderson; fifth, Twentieth Century Study club, Big Lake; sixth, Marfa History club, Marfa; seventh, The Study club, Alpine; eighth, Century Culture club, Marfa; ninth, Stanton Study club, Stanton; tenth, Modern Woman's Forum.

In the Junior club division, first place went to the yearbook of the Junior Woman's club of Sanderson and second place to the Wink Junior Study club.

Prizes in the poetry contest went to Mrs. Johanna B. Skidmore of the Woman's Club of El Paso with "A Story of Forty Years Ago." Second place was held by Miss Mildred Creath of the Modern Woman's Forum of Big Spring with "Unreflected Smiles." Third ranking went to the same poet for her "Life's Sunset."

Prizes of books by Texas writers will be mailed direct to winners, it was announced. First place in folklore went to Mrs. John Perkins of Midland. Club Reports.

In senior club reports, that of the Odessa Study club was first place. Second place went to Marfa History club and third place to McCamey Woman's Study club. The Odessa club wins the award given by Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins, state president, this being a copy of Villa Alberta Winner's book, "What Makes You Think So?"

First place among junior club reports was won by the Wink Junior Study club; second place by the Sapphonian club of Fort Stockton; and third place by the Junior Woman's Wednesday club of Midland. Honorable mention went to the Twentieth Century Study club of Odessa.

The El Progresso club of Alpine was awarded the five dollars given in the sale of tickets to the Jaycee Banquet Is Started Here Today

Active ticket selling campaign for the first annual banquet of the Midland Junior Chamber of Commerce to be held in the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Scharbauer here Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock was underway here today, the campaign being pushed by various members of the Jaycee organization under the direction of J. T. Baker, chairman of ticket sales. The banquet tickets are priced at one dollar each. Reservations may also be made at the chamber of commerce office.

Although designated as the annual meeting of the junior chamber of commerce, the affair is more of an all-city banquet, with all citizens of Midland and vicinity, both men and women, being cordially invited and urged to attend. Invitations have been sent to chambers of commerce, both junior and senior, in neighboring towns and cities, indications being that numerous out of town visitors will be present at the gathering.

Principal speaker at the banquet will be the Hon. Harry Hines of Wichita Falls. Member of the Texas Highway Commission and candidate for the governorship of the state of Texas. Mr. Hines is well and favor-

School Board Election to Be Saturday

Three to Be Named From List of Five Candidates on Slate

Voters of Midland Independent School District No. 1 will ballot Saturday on election of three members of the school board. Five names are on the ticket from which to fill the expiring terms of J. L. Greene, J. R. Martin, and Chas. D. Vertrees.

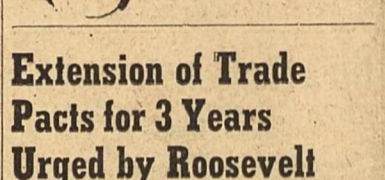
Candidates for the three places are Vertrees, P. F. Bridgewater, R. C. Conkling, George W. Glass and George T. Abell. Of the three whose terms expire, Green and Martin are not seeking re-election.

J. M. White is manager of the election which will be held in the basement of the Court House. Polls open at 8 a. m. and close at 7 p. m. All voters of the school district are asked to have their poll tax receipts ready for inspection.

Although the campaigning has not been at the "white heat" of previous elections, as was evident when 2,132 votes were cast in 1938, there are two tickets represented. On one group, cards are given out bearing the name of Vertrees, Bridgewater and Conkling. On the other appear the names of Glass, Abell and Conkling, the last named oil operator being the choice of both parties.

Congratulations to:

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Blunden on the birth of a six pound, six ounce boy, named Richard Larcom, born April 2.



Extension of Trade Pacts for 3 Years Urged by Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, Apr. 5 (AP).—President Roosevelt said today he believed it would be very harmful to the nation if the bill to extend the reciprocal trade treaty act were limited to one year.

The president spoke at a press conference shortly after it was reported on excellent authority that Vice President Garner was supporting an amendment to limit extension of the administration's trade agreements program to one year.

Legislation near final senate action, already approved by the house, would extend the program for three years.

Modern Products of Science Are Shown at Lecture

"Wool" cloth made from skin sweet milk, rubber gloves made from coal, limestone, and salt, and cloth that will not wet—these were some of the miraculous products of modern science which Dr. Gerald Wendt, director of science and education exhibits at the World's Fair in New York, displayed to an audience of Town Hall members and guests at the high school auditorium Thursday evening.

Dr. Wendt regretted the fact that "things" were all that he could show his audience, telling them that over-emphasis on things is one of the weaknesses of America today. "We know nothing about life," he said, "our consciousness or spiritual phenomena."

He brought as the message for the (See LECTURE, page 6)

Former Resident of Midland Dies at Home in Abilene

News of the death of Mrs. J. B. Wilkinson of Abilene, formerly of Midland, was received by friends and relatives here today. She died at her Abilene home at about 10 o'clock last night following a long illness. For the past four months her condition had grown steadily worse.

MIDLAND AREA AIDED BY SHOWERS

Horse Riding for a Waterfall



If the mare pictured above has any horse-sense, she'll stay on dry land next time she runs away. Louis Phelps of Danville, Va., was riding her near the Dan River when the girl brook the saddle slipped down and frightened her. She bolted, leaped into the river and struck out for mid-stream. But the current carried the mare to the brink of a dam, where, as seen at left, she balanced precariously. While rescuers pondered, she slipped (right) and was swept over. She was finally led out unhurt except for slight cuts.

Airmail Cachet Is Selected as Outstanding One

The airmail cachet furnished by the Midland Chamber of Commerce and used on all outgoing airmail on the date of the dedication of the Midland Municipal Airport, November 18, 1939, has been selected by the Aero Dedicationist, national monthly journal of the Airport Historical Society, as one of the outstanding cachets of the year. The nationally distributed journal is published at Glenn Ranch, California, by Harry N. Sweet, editor.

The Midland cachet was printed in a recent issue of the Aero Dedicationist, with the following comment: "A cachet may be merely ornate and beautiful or it may also carry some advertising. One of the finest examples of an advertising cachet this hobby has ever had is the cachet by the Chamber of Commerce at Midland, Texas, which, through the courtesy of that chamber of commerce we are able to give you in this issue. The cachet shows the varied industries which are making Midland famous, suggesting as it does the great business and financial center this city is, as well as the great oil fields and livestock interests."

The Midland cachet was drawn for the local chamber of commerce by Ralph Hickman, draftsman for the geological department of the Humble Oil and Refining Company here.

Federation of Church Women of Midland will sponsor a luncheon on May 2. Further information will appear in Sunday's paper.

LUNCHEON PLANNED

FORM STANTON

Mrs. J. E. Kelly of Stanton, associate editor of the Stanton Reporter, visited Midland Thursday.

Sadler Says It Is "Pass the Tamales" as O'Daniel Theme Since He Moved to Mexico

ASTIN, April 5. (AP).—Formerly opening his campaign for the governorship of Texas, Jerry Sadler, member of the state railroad commission, last night declared "O'Danielism" was the chief issue before the people of Texas.

"The big issue before the people," he asserted in a broadcast throughout the state, "is whether they want or don't want O'Danielism."

He said the governor was attempting to set himself up as a dictator, that he wanted to abolish the legislature and newspapers and radio stations which do not bow to his will and that he would triple the cost of government by his transaction tax which experts have estimated would levy \$400,000,000 a year on Texans.

Exactly 24 hours previously Governor O'Daniel had announced his candidacy for re-election.

In addition to loosing the barred shafts at the governor the barbed-speaking Sadler:

Advocated raising approximately \$25,000,000 in new revenue to finance the state's social security program by increasing taxes on oil,

Moisture of One Inch Is Gauged Here

Temperature Lower As Rainfall Covers Much of West Texas

Rainfall of two-thirds of an inch, falling in the city of Midland last night and early this morning, was promising this afternoon to aid further the topsoil which had been dried out by March sandstorms. Heavy clouds hung over much of the country, with fog turning to drizzling rain and intermittent harder showers.

A cold northeast wind, which followed last night's showers and which prevailed much of the afternoon, had slowed appreciably at one o'clock, resulting in lower hanging clouds and heavier drizzles.

Temperature dropped sharply after last night's rainfall and at noon today had stopped for three hours at 43 degrees, according to army airport weather men.

Rainfall in the city, according to an three o'clock this afternoon, rainfall in Midland totaled exactly one inch.

the government gauge on the roof of The Reporter-Telegram building, was .65 inch. At the airport the fall was .18, which was an indication of the spotted nature of the showers. At Stanton there was no rain during the night, while at Courtney, only ten miles northwest, the fall was estimated at an inch.

Showers fell from Goldsmith to Midland last night. Reports this morning said a sprinkle was registered at Fort Stockton, heavy showers fell at Pecos at 5 a. m. today, and considerable rain fell at Kermit and Wink, much heavier descended at Seminole last night, this morning and early this afternoon, Big Spring had intermittent showers during the night and Lamesa received .73 of an inch.

Reports to the West Texas Gas Co. before noon said the temperature was 37 degrees at both Amarillo and Lubbock. A slow drizzle was falling at Amarillo, showers had fallen at Lubbock during the morning, registering half an inch of rainfall, followed by a cool northeast wind.

Army airways weather men reported "zero-zero" flying conditions at Guadalupe Pass, 200 miles west of Midland, and over the local field, with 200 feet visibility at Big Spring.

Port Silo, Okla., reported rain most of the night, but none fell at Oklahoma City. Wichita Falls reported rain. At San Antonio, a heavy fog existed, with rain starting late this morning.

Freezing weather was forecast from Dallas for Panhandle areas tonight. Cloudy weather in the south portion, with occasional rains in the Rio Grande valley and the southeast portion of West Texas, ending tonight, were forecast. Fair weather in the north portion and cloudy in the south was the prediction.

The Midland area was expected to be benefitted quickly by the moisture, as grass had greened up and was ready to grow rapidly. Much sudan and similar crops had been planted by farmers and other land had been bedded up for planting, with likelihood that seed would be put in the ground immediately after clearing of the weather.

Clarence Scharbauer received reports of a good rain at the North Curtis place, a shower at Five-Wells, showers of varying amounts at the South Curtis, Crowley, Goldsmith No. 1 and No. 2 ranches. George Glass reported a quarter of an inch at his place northeast of Midland. Only a sprinkle was received last night in the farm and ranch territory to the northwest of Midland, however. To the south, light showers were spotted, some country being skipped entirely. Roy Proctor said his south ranches had not received moisture in any appreciable quantity up to 9 a. m. today.

Optimism prevailed, however, as the wet spell continued to hang on and reports of showers increased.

LATE NEWS

LONDON, Apr. 5 (AP)—British aircraft bombed a German formation at Jade estuary yesterday, the air ministry announced today, with damage believed caused to four destroyers.

DALLAS, Apr. 5 (AP)—Dr. W. D. Bradford, chairman of the state liquor control board, was seriously ill in a hospital here today. He became ill during a train trip from Houston.

WASHINGTON, April 5 (AP)—The Dies committee today announced the arrest of two Boston communist party leaders, Philip Frankfield and Thomas F. P. O'Dea, cited for contempt because of their refusal to answer committee questions. Committee officials said the action was taken to forestall what might be protracted extradition proceedings if the two should leave the district.

Old Southern Dinner Stresses 'Gone With the Wind' Theme

Mrs. Goodman Is Hostess at Courtesy Thursday Evening

The grace and romance of that Old South which has "Gone with the Wind," was recalled to serve as motif for the Old Southern Dinner which was one of the features of the entertainment schedule for the district eight Federated club convention. The dinner was given in the Crystal ballroom of Hotel Scharbauer Thursday evening with Mrs. James H. Goodman presiding as hostess.

Smilax and other greenery traced leafy tendrils down the long tables where clever wee Old Mammy figures in bright print and polka dot dresses served as reminder of the theme of the occasion. The dolls were furnished through courtesy of El Paso clubwomen.

Old-fashioned bouquets of mixed flowers circled with quaint white doilies were on the tables where tall white tapered candles, some in five-branched candelabra, others singly or in double holders.

Stringed instruments supplied old melodies played by colored musicians who also sang at intervals during the dinner hour.

Mrs. J. Howard Hodge, president of the City-County Federation and local chairman of the convention, offered the invocation.

Mrs. Goodman introduced Mrs. Maurice Schwartz of El Paso as toastmistress, attributing to her the admirable qualities of such characters as Scarlett O'Hara and Mrs. O'Hara.

Mrs. Schwartz toasted the Old South.

Elizabeth Ann Cowden, dressed in pink with poke-bonnet hat, appeared from a huge hat box to dance "Scarlett's French Bonnet."

Mrs. Wallace Ford Entertains for the Needlecraft Club

Spring flowers brought the desired seasonal note into party appointments when Mrs. Wallace M. Ford was hostess to the Needlecraft club at her home, 1209 W. Indiana, on Thursday afternoon.

Various types of needlework occupied the attention of the group. A special feature of the afternoon was the displaying of a new crocheted bedspread which Mrs. Ford had just completed. This is the third spread she has crocheted.

Refreshments were served. After the sewing hour, the group went to Hotel Scharbauer to view the district art exhibit sponsored by the women's clubs of eighth district and to the antique exhibit in the county museum at the courthouse.

Present were: Mmes. Geo. Phillips, J. O. Vance, J. A. Tuttle, H. H. Watson, B. C. Girdley, J. K. Wright, P. F. Kasper, a guest, Mrs. Cecil Collins of Big Spring, and the hostess.

Next week the group will meet with Mrs. Girdley.

Cocktail Scarlett O'Hara Baked Virginia Ham Rhett Butler Candied Yams Ashley Hominy Tara Hall Cole Slaw Carreen

Ice Cream Mansion Cake Suellen Mamma Biscuits Olives Plantation Coffee.

One hundred and forty women were present.

Monoxide Victim Saved By Pressure on Siren

CENTER MORICHES, N. Y. (UP).—George Schuyler owes his life to his automobile horn.

Schuyler, testing the car in his garage, was overcome by carbon monoxide fumes as he sat behind the steering wheel. He fell forward on the horn, the blast bringing his brother, Claud, to the rescue.

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9:45 a.m. Bible school. 10:50 a.m. Preparation for the Lord's Supper.

11:00 a.m. Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor on the theme, "Believe and Keep on Believing."

6:30 p.m. Senior Endeavor. 7:30 p.m. Evening worship. The pastor's sermon will be on the subject: "Why Should I Be Ashamed of Jesus?"

3:30 p.m. Monday. Circle meetings. 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. Choir practice.

Church Services

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. H. D. Bruce, Pastor. 9:45 a. m.—Sunday school. 10:55 a.m. Morning worship. The pastor will preach on "Baptist Liberty."

2:30 p. m. Big Spring Sunday School Association will meet at the church. The program, directed by Rev. R. Elmer Dunham of Big Spring, will consist of devotional periods, conferences, and an inspirational address by Dr. C. E. Lancaster.

6:15 p. m. Training union. 8:00 p.m. Evening worship. Sermon by the pastor on "Spiritual Leadership."

7:00 p.m. Wednesday. Teachers' meeting. 7:45 p.m. Wednesday. Prayer meeting. (Note change in hour of evening worship.)

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH. T. H. Graumann, Pastor. Services are held every second and fourth Sunday at the Midland Seventh-Day Adventist Church, West Pennsylvania and Loraine streets, at 2:00 p.m. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES. "Unreality" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, April 7.

The Golden Text is: "Truly in vain is salvation hoped for from the hills, and from the multitude of mountains: truly in the Lord our God is the salvation of Israel" (Jeremiah 3:23).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever" (1 John 2:15-17).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "If the disciple is advancing spiritually, he is striving to enter in. He constantly turns away from material sense, and looks toward the imperishable things of Spirit" (page 21).

CHURCH OF CHRIST West Tennessee and North "A" Sts. C. C. Morgan, Minister. Program For The Week. Lord's Day Bible study, 10:00 a.m. Sermon and Lord's Supper, 10:50 a.m. Radio sermon, KRLL 2:45 to 3:00 p.m. Young People's Bible class, 7:00 p.m. Evening worship, 7:45 p.m. Tuesday—Women's Bible class 2:00 p.m. Men's Bible class, 7:45.

Wednesday—Mid-week Bible study and song drill, 7:45 p.m. Saturday—Children's Bible drill class 9:00 to 9:50 a.m. Every one invited to these services.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH John E. Pickering, Pastor. H. G. Bedford, Supt. of Bible School Mrs. Lee Cornelius, Director of Music. 9:45 a.m. Bible school. 10:50 a.m. Preparation for the Lord's Supper.

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Friendly Builders Piece Quilt, Plan For All-Day Meeting

Friendly Builders class of the Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. Houston Hill, 1010 W. Wall, Thursday afternoon, for its monthly social, with piecing of a quilt for the needy as the high point of the occasion.

Prayer was offered by Mrs. Jess Barber Sr., and a short business session was presided over by Mrs. Geo. P. Bradberry, class president.

Plans were made for an all-day meeting at the home of Mrs. S. H. Huddkins on May 2, with Mrs. H. M. Reynolds, Mrs. E. J. Voliva and Mrs. A. B. Stickney appointed to be cohostesses with Mrs. Huddkins.

A refreshment plate was served to the following members: Mmes. A. W. Lester, C. E. Nolan, A. B. Stickney, Fred Barber, Jess Barber Sr., J. A. Andrews, O. L. Crooks, S. H. Huddkins, J. F. Nixon, Horace Newton, Geo. P. Bradberry, Tom Hurt, E. J. Voliva, and the hostess.

Old New England Clock Requires Weekly Repairs

ROCKY HILL, Conn. (UP).—Richard W. Dexter, 18, always liked to tinker with clocks and, in time, he became so proficient that he was given the exacting task of repairing the huge clock in the temple of Rocky Hill Congregational church.

The clock is one of the oldest in New England and its weights weigh 300 pounds each. Every week Dick climbs into the belfry to make adjustments.

Convention Personalities

Eighth District President Likes Younger Generation

The young people of today have an advocate in Mrs. H. W. Morelock, blue-eyed president of the eighth district Federated women's clubs. As wife of the president of Sul Ross college at Alpine and mother of three young people, Mrs. Morelock has unusual opportunity to study the younger generation at close range.

"I think they are better than they are painted," she said. "They are so honest. If I have a hobby, I am more interested in young people."

Mrs. Morelock, here for the annual convention, says she enjoys poetry, admits that she has "done a little."

She was born in Texas, lived at Round Rock, Georgetown, and Houston. She attended Southwest Texas Teachers College at San Marcos and received her A.B. degree at Sul Ross.

Dee Woods, author of "Womanalities of Texas" in Naylor's Epicentury Magazine, says the following interesting thumbnail summary of human-interest facts about Mrs. Morelock.

"Readers Digest is Mrs. Morelock's best-liked magazine. Blue is her favorite color. Roses her idea of good perfume. She prefers classical music and Colonial homes. Her favorite gem is the star stone. She admits a sense of humor and denies being air-minded. Prefers a ground-level view of the stars."

As eighth district president, one of her favored projects has been that of libraries.

Mattie Justice Withers of Fort Davis, poet laureate of eighth district, has composed a poem in praise which she has dedicated to Mrs. Morelock and has sent to the convention.

President-Elect Is Native-Born And a Ranchwoman

Mrs. J. C. Cunningham of Fort Stockton, president-elect of eighth district, is an honest-to-goodness ranch woman. Which is to say she actually lives on a ranch, sixteen miles from Fort Stockton. Life on the ranch is not as hard as it used to be however, what with telephones, and thirteen miles of that sixteen miles of road paved to make running in to town just like going "round the corner."

She is a native West Texan and she has two grown children. Asked about her hobbies, in addition to club work, the pleasant-faced, friendly first vice-president who was elevated to the presidency in elections Thursday, said she did a little church work and some crochet in addition to reading all that she could.

As president she plans to carry out the "good things started" by her predecessor to continue the progress of the Federation as at present.

Hunter Out for Deer Trailed by Tame Buck

ST. REGIS, Mont. (UP)—Ed Ensign, St. Regis merchant, went deer hunting, but the only deer that he returned with was the one that started with him.

A 2-year-old tame buck, pet of the St. Regis community since it was rescued from a log jam 18 months ago, trailed him through the woods and back to town.

Justamere Members, Husbands Have 42 Party Thursday

Entertaining at the home of Mrs. Herbert King, Mrs. Leonard Skaggs and Mrs. King were hostesses for an evening party complimenting the members of Justamere club and their husbands Thursday.

Four tables of 42 were played as recreation. A party plate was served.

Present were: Mmes. and Messrs. Paul Cole, C. J. McNeal, A. B. Stickney, S. L. Alexander, C. E. Nolan, Herbert King, Leonard Skaggs, Mrs. J. L. Kelly, Foster King, and the two hostesses.

Octet Club Closes Year Thursday With Bridge-Luncheon

Final party of the season for Octet club was held Thursday when Mrs. M. L. Weatherall was hostess for a one o'clock luncheon followed by bridge at her home, 1611 W. Illinois.

Luncheon was served at one large table centered with a cluster of pink carnations.

Phlox and other blossoms were used in the party rooms.

Two tables of bridge followed the luncheon, with Mrs. W. L. Crothers holding high score, Mrs. Roy Downey second high, and Mrs. Weatherall out.

Two guests, Mrs. Edmond Hitchcock and Mrs. Randolph, were present. Club members attending were: Mmes. George Bennett, Crothers, H. D. Dickson, Downey, Ed Pritchard, and the hostess.

Large Crowd Hears Effective Review of "The Nazarene"

A large crowd packed the Crystal ballroom and was estimated at several hundred persons Thursday evening heard Miss Evelyn Oppenheimer of Dallas present a review of "The Nazarene" by Sholem Asche as one of the feature programs on the schedule of the eighth district Federated club convention closing here today.

The review was transferred from the Baptist church to the ballroom because of the rain.

Miss Lydia G. Watson, district chairman of the Fine Arts department, introduced Miss Oppenheimer who has appeared in interviews here frequently for the past few years.

"The Nazarene," with its handling of difficult-to-express and delicate subjects dealing with Christ's final days on earth, was presented by the reviewer in an effective and brilliant manner which brought praise from her hearers.

Girl Scout Troop Two Holds Meeting

Girl Scout members of troop two met at the First Presbyterian church Thursday for a business and social meeting with the mothers.

Mrs. M. H. Crawford was appointed chairman of the troop committee, with Mrs. A. Knickerbocker, Mrs. Frank Lewis, Mrs. L. C. McDonald, Twelve Girl Scouts were present.

Following the business meeting, the scouts served refreshments to Mrs. E. D. Ward, Mrs. E. L. Osburn, Mrs. James Luptin, Mrs. F. B. King and the troop committee.

Amos Reproaches Unrighteousness; Tells Evil to Come

Editor's Note: The following discussion of this week's Sunday school lesson, written by Mr. Weaver, is printed here for its interest to the public.

BY R. A. WEAVER.

Forasmuch therefore as ye trample upon the poor, and take exactions from him of wheat; ye have built houses of hewn stone, but ye shall not dwell in them; ye have planted peasan: vineyards, but ye shall not drink the wine thereof. For I know how manifold are your sins—ye that afflict the just, that take a bribe, and that turn aside the needy in the gate from their right: Amos—5, 11:12.

For the next ninety days the lessons have to do with the prophets of Israel. Among these are such names as Amos, Hosea, Micah, Isaiah, Habakkuk, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Haggai, Malachi and Jonah.

Since man first appeared on the earth he has endeavored to reach out and solve the riddle of the universe. In every age and in every race there have been a few whose souls have not been content with the frugal fare of spiritual food, and kind providence has always placed here and there some individuals who kept the fires of hope burning for a better world and a better civilization.

The prophets were moved by deeper unctious unknown to the common herd, and their courage and zeal for the truth led them into much persecution. They were stoned and killed by the sword, but the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church.

It was 27 centuries ago when Amos stepped forth as a prophet of God. His background was not cultural or academic. By profession, he was a sheep rancher, and knew the science of "pinching" the sycamore tree. He, like many other great leaders of Israel, came up from humble beginnings and lent his influence to the galaxy of luminaries that now brighten the pages of history.

History attests to the fact that humanity travels in cycles, and the evidence shows it is difficult to learn perfectly from past experiences. The need of reformation in the political, religious and economic life of nations was evident 27 centuries ago, and it today challenges the thought of all conscientious leaders.

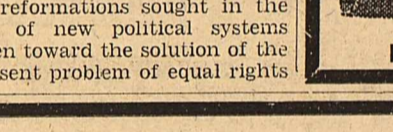
Amos interpreted in his day the great fundamental principle of justice, a principle that has been inculcated into the constitution of America, namely, in that all men are created equal, and that unto each is given by the Creator certain rights among which are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.

The law of Moses; the philosophy of Buddha; the teachings of Confucius; the religion of Christ, and all the reformations sought in the creation of new political systems have been toward the solution of the ever-present problem of equal rights.

All bookbinders were monks in the Middle Ages of Europe, this being considered a sacred profession.

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VOTE FOR

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Midland Independent School District

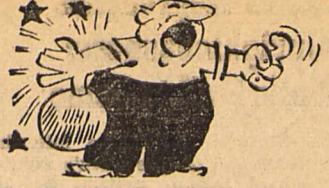
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The PAYOFF



BY JESS RODGERS

With a day of enforced idleness brought on through rain and cold, the Midland Cowboys now face the prospects of four games in five days with only four days of work behind them. They play in Marfa tomorrow, El Paso Sunday, then meet El Paso here Tuesday and Wednesday.

The boys got their hardest workout of the week yesterday under direction of Sam Scalling. Manager Sammy Hale took the day off in order to watch the White Sox and Pirates tangle at Lubbock; came back reporting a better game than the 10-8 score would indicate.

Nothing has happened yet to change Hale's mind about wanting more hurlers. Several of the youngsters on the squad show promise but lack of experience will keep them from making the grade during their first trial.

Odds end ends: Al Berndt's brother, Randy, who came into camp here with Al, has gone on to Big Spring and signed up with Tony Rego.

Willoughby held out for more salary until the first day of spring training here, reported ready to sign at the salary offered but was given his release instead.

Bill "Windmill" Brown will also try out in the Lamesa camp. Sammy Hale made the trip to Lubbock yesterday mainly to see Jimmy Dykes, his former teammate on the Athletics, but missed out when Dykes was forced to leave by plane Wednesday night for Chicago upon receipt of word that his wife was critically ill.

However, Sammy did get to see "Mule" Haas, another former Athletic, and several other players with whom he has long been friends.

Little Heimie Rodriguez thought he had made a mistake and landed in Amarillo when he woke up this morning. Lacking enough cover to keep him warm, he slept in a sweater, leather jacket and tried to borrow an overcoat.

Shelton showed the boys in the Wednesday drill that he was further ahead on training than any of them. He was zipping the ball through with plenty of stuff on it.

Hale is counting on Shelton and Raines to garner in the neighborhood of 40 victories this season. Shelton will be handicapped in that he will not be with the club all the time because of other work. However, he will be available for games at home all the time and for road games against Big Spring, Lamesa and Lubbock.

School News—

(Continued from page 2) friends and relatives. Our farmer, Kenneth Kinsey, says that last Saturday was the last of his feed stack because it almost burned up. About 2:30 Saturday afternoon he looked out the door, and there it was blazing all about. He poured water on it for about an hour. It was finally put out. Only about two-thirds of it was left. Hope Kenneth's stock don't have to go hungry.

5C Our goodfellow for this week is Bobby Horn. He makes wise cracks and is very funny. Though he talks a great deal in school, he is liked by every pupil in the class. Bobby has a funny laugh and is good-natured.

5A NEWS We had lots of fun on April Fools Day. We played jokes on everybody. Billie Ruth Adams has just come back to school. She was absent because of her throat.

EASTER WAS HERE Easter was here, Easter was here. The saddest time of all the year. We wouldn't have our Easter hunt, but crowded around the fire-place front.

LOOK FOR ME Once there was a maiden With eyes of darkest blue. She met a richly fellow On a stallion running thru.

He spoke to her and said, "My maiden, with eyes of blue, Look for me by moonlight, And I'll come riding thru."

That night the moon shone brightly, And she heard his footsteps hard, Against the clear dark pavement, In the king's courtyard.

This is six weeks' test week. Our next tests will be finals. So here's hoping we will do well on these tests!

5B We surely have been putting in some hard work the past weeks getting ready for the exhibit. Now it is over, but we still are in "fizz" because six weeks' exams are here. No rest for the weary!

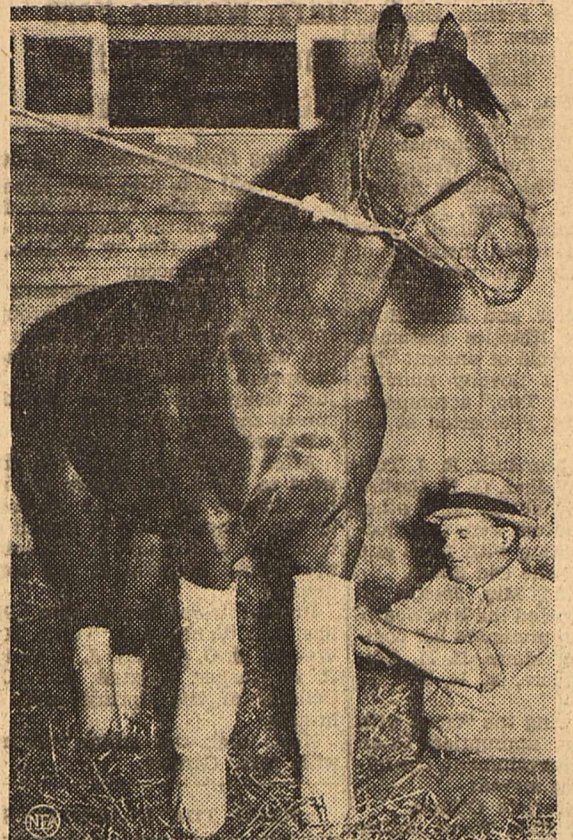
5C 5C room is playing football in P. E. now. 5C has beaten 5A in two games, and we are to play another game soon.

5A We like Mary Frances Phillips best because she is so even-tempered and unselfish. She is one of the most popular pupils in our room (especially with the boys).

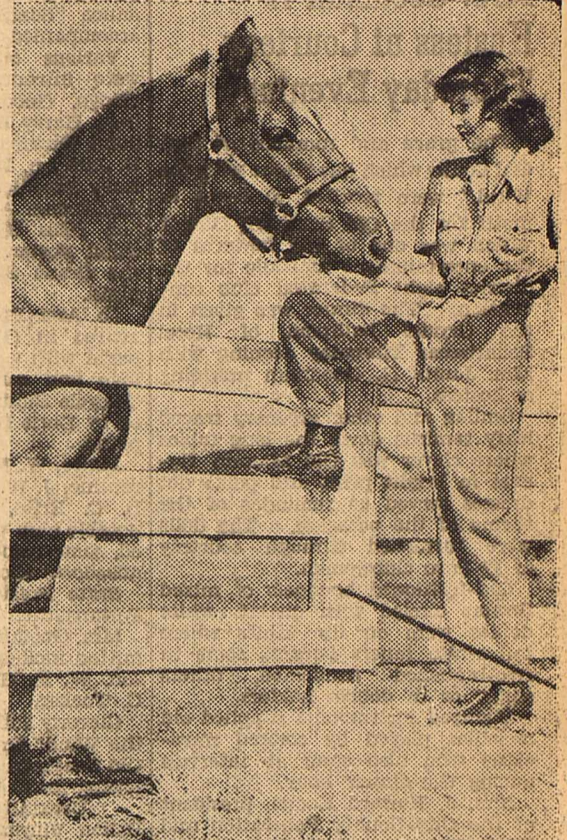
SEABISCUIT EASES ANTI-RACING SENTIMENT ON COAST; TURF STILL POLITICAL FOOTBALL

BY PHIL SINNOTT NEA Service Staff Correspondent.

LOS ANGELES. — With pari-mutuel betting legalized seven years, racing is a political football in California. The running horse is a multi-million-dollar industry in the Golden State. The state's percentage of the "take" is between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000 annually.



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Something like \$40,000,000 has been invested in the breeding industry in California since pari-mutuels were legalized seven years ago. Barbara Stanwick is among film figures with farms to show in a few months.

The bill legalized 9 per cent as the track "take" and 4 per cent as the state's. Name stables, \$100,000 purses, staggering attendance, daily handles of around \$650,000. It grew until the track voluntarily cut the percentage of its "take".

Seeking more revenue, Gov. Culbert L. Olson last year backed a measure raising the state's "take" on a graduated scale — the higher the heavier. The bill was beaten in the Senate. A similar idea bobbed up at the special legislative session this year, brought charges. The Santa Anita people and their supporters said it was almost a shake-down.

Seabiscuit MAKES THEM FORGET POLITICAL FIGHT. THERE was no reflection on Church, but the wealthy turfman is reported to have taken it as a personal affront, and it is said that his idea in contributing \$80,000 to Governor Olson's campaign fund was to be in a position help boot off the commission everyone having a hand in the Procellity case. And those close to the situation declare he succeeded.

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Seabiscuit's great comeback so dramatized the sport that he has solidified interest in racing in California as Man o' War did years ago throughout the country.

CALIFORNIA RACING CLOSELY REGULATED. POLITICAL charges to the contrary, racing has been closely regulated, the commission watching, and newspapermen watching the commission. Any odd-looking rides and riders have gotten full study.

Swepedia offspring of Sweepstair, shoved California-bred horses up a notch by taking the \$50,000 Santa Anita Derby.

Charles S. Howard has established two breedings farms, with his immortal Seabiscuit's first colts due "In the spring," he explained, "the sap is more active in all species. Any tree will literally bleed if wounded during this period."

Pastor Refuses to Wed Couples Recently Met

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y. (UP) — The Rev. David Henry Weeks, Episcopalian minister who never marries a couple who have not known each other at least a year, declares his system as resulted in fewer divorces.

"I believe," he said, "that for the contracting parties to be happy and avoid future trouble they should have known each other that long."

During my 26 years as rector of Epiphany Church here only two of the 526 marriages I performed were of divorced people," he said.

King Louis XIV, of France, spent \$100,000,000 to build the magnificent palace of Versailles.

Africa has snowfalls within seven miles of the equator.

Increased Highway Usage in 1940 Seen in Official Reports of Higher Registration

AUSTIN, April 5.—Increased highway usage in 1940 was seen today by Oscar Burton, president of The Texas Good Roads Association, based on official reports that registration of motor vehicles was running ahead of 1939.

Motor vehicle usage in 1939 increased by 800,000,000 vehicle miles in Texas over usage in 1938. Mr. Burton said, "It would appear from official reports that Texas will experience another heavy increase in highway usage during 1940 due to more widespread use of motor vehicles as a medium of transportation."

Most of our citizens have just paid their motor vehicle registration fees for the 1940 registration year. The average registration fee is approximately \$11. The payment of this fee should make highway users conscious of the heavy taxes they are paying for road construction and maintenance. It should

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Motor Vehicle License Fees Collected in the Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 1939 District No. 6

Table with 3 columns: County, Retained by County, Amount to State. Lists counties like Crane, Ector, Loving, Martin, Midland, Pecos, Reeves, Terrell, Upton, Ward, Winkler.

Total \$85,293.69 \$47,752.94 *Duplicate Registrations and Penalties.

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3-Furnished Apts.

GARAGE apartment; no children. 607 North D, phone 1051. (23-3)

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FIVE room furnished house. Apply 108 South Marienfeld. (22-3)

6-Unfurnished Houses

FOR RENT: 5-room house; all large rooms; 2 large closets; bath and toilet; car space; 6 1/2 miles west on highway; possession immediately. F. C. Stubbe. (19-6)

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12-Situations Wanted

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14-Personal

MADAM Russell—past, present and future; readings daily. 204 East Wall. (22-6)

16-Miscellaneous

AIRCRAFT WORKERS Factories need trained men in Southern California. Unskilled men trained. See Aeronautical Institute's Mr. Griswold, Crawford Hotel, Big Springs, Texas, 8 A. M. until 10 P. M., Saturday and Sunday, April 6 and 7. Call if possible, otherwise write. (24-1)

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- Charges for publication in this column: District & State Offices...\$25.00 County Offices...\$15.00 Precinct Offices...\$7.50 (No refunds to candidates who withdraw.) Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary Election Saturday, July 27, 1940.

REPORT OF AN AFFILIATE OF A NATIONAL BANK Published in Accordance With Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes Report as of March 26th, 1940, of First Mortgage Company, Midland, Texas, which is affiliated with the First National Bank, Midland, Texas, Charter No. 4368, Federal Reserve District No. 11.

LEGALS

PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held at the City Hall in Midland, Texas, on April 16, 1940, at four o'clock P. M., at which time all interested property owners and persons residing within 1,000 feet of Lot 6, Block 172, Southern Addition to the City of Midland, located at the corner of Florida Avenue and Terrell Street, may appear and give testimony for or against the erection of a filling station at said location for which application has been made.

J. C. Hudman, City Secretary, April 5-14.

CONTRACTORS NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION Sealed proposals for constructing 23.117 miles of Single Asphalt Surface Treatment and Seal Coat from 4 Miles East of Midland-Ector County Line to Intersection Hwy. 51 and from the Howard County Line to 10 Miles West on Highway No. 138 and U. S. 80, covered by Control Nos. 463-1&2-4&4 and 5-4-5, in Ector, Midland and Martin Counties, will be received at the State Highway Department, Austin, until 9:00 A. M., April 15, 1940, and then publicly opened and read. The prevailing wage rates listed below shall apply as minimum wage rates on this project.

Table with 2 columns: Job Title, Prevailing Minimum per Diem Wage (Based on Eight (8) Hour Working Day)

Legal holiday work shall be paid for at the regular governing rates. Rates for work performed in excess of the maximum hours per week as stipulated in the "Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938," approved June 25, 1938, (Public No. 718, 75th Congress) shall be subject to the applicable provisions of this Act.

Plans and specifications available at the office of Geo. J. Kempen, Jr., Resident Engineer, Odessa, Texas, and State Highway Department, Austin. Usual rights reserved. April 5-10.



America's Social Companion

Communist Records Seized by Dies, Placed in Files

WASHINGTON, April 5. (AP).—The Dies committee placed seized communist documents in its official record Thursday a few hours after Federal Judge George A. Welsh had requested at Philadelphia that no use be made of them until he could pass on a petition to recover the papers.

Judge Welsh granted communist party attorneys a hearing tomorrow on their petition to recover the documents and to obtain warrants charging committee investigators with conspiracy to violate civil liberties.

Subsequently, Chairman Dies (D-Tex) had an investigator identify the data and placed it in the committee's record. George F. Curley, the investigator, said the documents included membership lists, and Dies observed that they showed communist members were active in a large number of organizations among them the League for Women Shoppers.

Declaimers Named As Contests Close

Finals were held in declamation contests at the high school today with winners in the senior boys' and girls' and in the junior boys' and girls' division being selected.

The winners were: Senior girl—Doris Blackburn; senior boy—Kenneth Williams; junior girl—Margaret Arm West; junior boy—Roy Rothen.

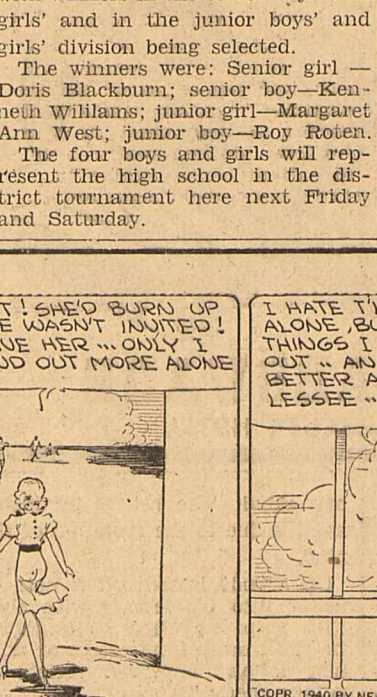
The four boys and girls will represent the high school in the district tournament here next Friday and Saturday.

Hundreds Walk Past \$100 Bill in Gutter

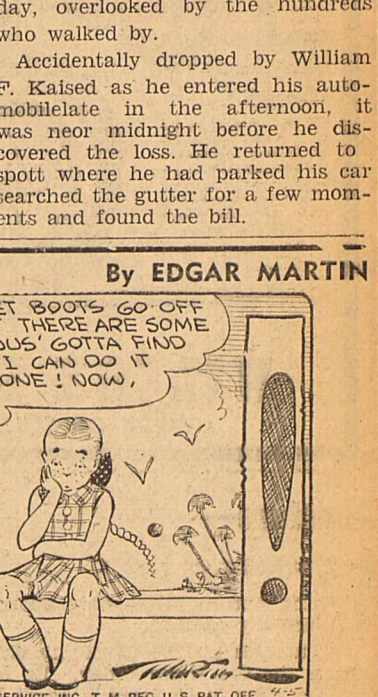
EDWARDSVILLE, Ill. (UP)—A \$100 bill lay in a Main street gutter here for seven hours the other day, overlooked by the hundreds who walked by.

Accidentally dropped by William F. Kalsed as he entered his automobile in the afternoon, it was near midnight before he discovered the loss. He returned to spot where he had parked his car searched the gutter for a few moments and found the bill.

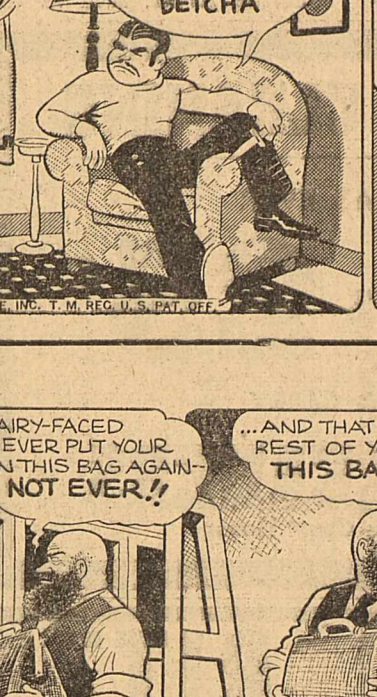
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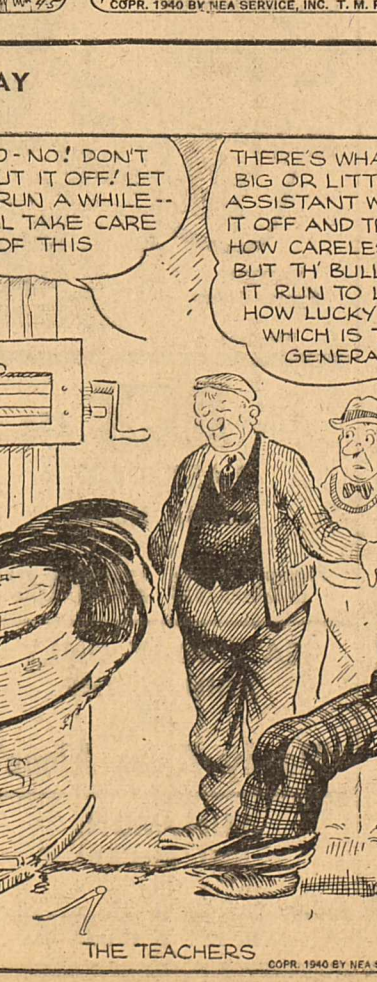
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Lecture—
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 evening one essential—that change is perfectly natural.
 “There is no use educating children for the world today,” he asserted, “for in 20 years it won't be like this at all.” He predicted there will be more changes in the next 20 years than there have been in the last 50 years.
 Synthetic articles as distinguished from natural products may be incorrectly named, the lecturer thinks, as synthetic materials are the results of natural evolution of the human mind. The art of producing rayon is due to the evolution of the mind.
 Dr. Wendt introduced a note of humor into his lecture with slyly witty quips as when he described the cloth made from casein or skim milk as an “improved variety of cottage cheese.”
 The immense variety of synthetic products which may come from one basic material was illustrated by Dr. Wendt's display of such things as glossy rayon, dull spun rayon, thick rayon, moisture proof rayon, non-inflammable rayon, and inflammable rayon.
 Synthetic rubber, such as that

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"UNION PACIFIC"

Convention—

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of Midland honored all junior club women at Hotel Scharbauer today. Tables were decorated with Texas flowers and two films, “Spring in Texas” and “Wildlife West of the Pecos” were shown. Mrs. Hal Peck, former member of the State Game Fish and Oyster Commission, was guest speaker.
 Reservations were made for approximately 70 women. In behalf of clubs and friends of eighth district, Mrs. L. C. Brite presented Mrs. Morelock with a silver tray in appreciation of her service.
Antique Exhibit.
 Special attraction for convention visitors was the antique exhibit arranged in the county museum in the basement of the courthouse and opened to guests Thursday afternoon. Mrs. John Perkins, Mrs. J. M. DeArmond, and Mrs. Hal Peck were in charge of the exhibit.
 Guests were greeted by these three and their helpers, Mrs. Erle Payne, Mrs. J. M. Caldwell, Miss Elizabeth Payne, Miss Virginia McCamey, and Mrs. Jimmie Brooks, in appropriate old-fashioned costumes. Bustles, trains, coquettish fans and old-fashioned jewelry lent an air of bygone days to the costumes of the houseparty.
 Focal point of the antique collection was a display of costumes on dress forms, the figures being clustered around a table where burned an old-fashioned kerosene lamp.
 Punch was served to the visitors.
Thursday Afternoon Session.
 Thursday afternoon's business session was devoted mostly to reports of the various committees including those on art exhibits, penny art fund, antiques, American pottery, poetry, folklore, and others. Miss Lydie Watson, chairman of the Fine Arts department, presented Mrs. Hill Hudson's report on music.

used in some rubber gloves, is the result of work begun nearly 40 years ago by a Catholic priest. One of the earlier results of his experiments was one of the most dangerous gases of World War days—a fact which distressed the researcher.
 The lecturer brought out the fact that many synthetic articles such as bakelite cases for small radios are molded in one piece by putting the proper ingredients into a mold and applying heat (this was illustrated in the radio case).
 The amazing lucite which looks like glass but has elasticity (it bounces when dropped), is the most transparent thing there is, allowing 99 per cent of light to pass through, has high index refraction, and is sensitive to heat so that it can be worked was one of the high points of Dr. Wendt's display.
 He believes that, because light can be “pumped” through lucite rods just as electricity is through wires, houses may soon have central lighting plants in the basement, sending light by lucite to whatever part of the walls of the house or other places it is desired, eliminating the glaring spots of present-day lighting.
 The polaroid, by which it is believed headlight glare will be eliminated, was displayed and explained by the lecturer.
 He does not think humans will ever use synthetic food but that they will use synthetic flavors and vitamins.
 The United States is the only country that has all the materials necessary to this synthetic age: that is, coal, petroleum, natural gas, food, sulphur, salt, limestone, iron, metals, air, and water, he said.
 Dr. Wendt was introduced by Donald K. DeFord, president of Town Hall.
 His lecture was the seventh and last in the Town Hall's series for this season.

Cripple Finally Exhausts Federal Agents' Patience
 ST. LOUIS, (UP)—More than 30 times Federal agents raided the home of Sylvester Gaston and in 16 of the raids illicit liquor was found. Gaston, 40-year-old crippled Negro, escaped prosecution because Federal authorities pitied him.
 Gaston troubled internal revenue

Notice to Voters of Midland Independent School District
 Our names have been placed, along with others, on the ballot for your consideration in the coming election of trustees for the Midland Independent School District, said election to be held tomorrow, April 6th, at the County Court House.
 If elected, we will give you, to the best of our ability, the best school possible. We will consider all problems affecting the schools in any way, with an open mind, and will try to reach a decision for each problem, that will be to the best interests of the school system.
 Neither of us has ever taken any active part in any issues placed before you in the past and we are under no obligation to anybody.
 (Signed)
 George T. Abell
 Geo. W. Glass
 (This statement paid for by George T. Abell and George W. Glass, personally.)

Sadler—

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men, so that he can do as he pleases, which, if accomplished will make a one-man government like communistic Russia, transforming Texas into a dictatorship.”
 He said the governor was asking the people of Texas to withdraw all support and patronage from newspapers and radio stations which do not bow and bend to his wishes and declared this was “coercion not even attempted in the European dictatorships.”
 “But Texas is not ready for a controlled press and controlled radio stations,” he asserted.
 It is a pity O'Daniel does not tell the people what his transaction tax really is, Sadler continued.
 Governor O'Daniel evidently believes Texas still is a part of Mexico, since he is doing his campaigning from there over a radio station in the state of Tamaulipas,” Sadler went on.
 “Yes sir,” he said, “this summer instead of saying, ‘Please pass the biscuits,’ he will be saying, ‘Please pass the tamales.’”

Army Appropriation Measure Passed by Quick House Voting

WASHINGTON, April 5. (AP).—An overwhelming house vote sent a \$784,999,094 army appropriation bill to the senate Thursday and established a new speed record for disposal of the session's 11 regular supply bills.
 In approving the huge defense measure without a roll call, the house not only sustained its appropriations committee in slashing \$67,357,660 from the amount recommended by President Roosevelt, for the army, but trimmed off an additional \$1,000,000 intended to buy more land for Fort Knox, Ky.
 As finally approved, the measure carried \$66,474,151 less than the army had for the current fiscal year.
 It brought the total voted by the house in the 11 regular money bills to \$6,120,133,932. Three deficiency bills passed by the house this session increased the appropriation total to \$6,533,317,023. The senate already has boosted several bills substantially above the figure approved by the house, and the annual relief appropriations is yet to come.
 Almost half of the huge fund voted today was earmarked for pay, food, clothing, and transportation of the expanding army and for new construction of military posts.
 The bill carried \$185,762,162 for the air corps, but that included funds for only 57 new planes. The army originally requested money for 496 planes.

Rank Outsider Wins Grand National Race

AINTREE, England, Apr. 5 (AP).—Big Skar, rank outsider, won the 102nd grand national steeplechase today. MacMoffat, the favorite, was second.

American Wins Big Purse on Race

DUBLIN, April 5 (AP)—Big Skar's victory in the grand national today sent small fortunes across the Atlantic.
 Two tickets on the Irish hospital sweepstakes which drew prizes of about \$107,250 were held by August Ruggiere, Bronx, N. Y., and R. A. Coppen, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Assembly of God Pastor Resigns

Rev. M. E. Stubblefield, pastor of the First Assembly of God church, has resigned his pastorage here and has accepted a church in Houston.
 Rev. Stubblefield has been in Midland for about four years and has built up the church considerably. He will preach his farewell sermon Sunday at 11 o'clock.
 Rev. John Wharten of Lamesa has succeeded Rev. Stubblefield here.

Wrecker Rescues Actress After She Becomes Stranded

Mrs. Erma Mancill, on her way to “Hay Fever” rehearsal last evening, found herself in the postoffice block surrounded by gutters full of un-jumpable water. Board walks which pop up during business hours failed to pop. Mrs. Mancill retired to the postoffice to wait. Being efficient, she decided to make the most of her time by reciting her lines. Turning to a radiator, she began, “Well, I'm not going to spurt your feelings, or anyone else's. You're the most infuriating set of hypocrites I've ever seen.”
 The cold radiators did not respond, so actress Mancill gave that up. She patted one foot, then the other, but no one came.
 When finally a kindly looking man did enter, Mrs. Mancill began in her normal Scharbauer Bookstall voice instead of her acting manner. “Excuse me, I started to a meeting, but can't get across the street. May I ride a couple of blocks with you?”
 The man, embarrassed, answered, “Well, you see—”
 “Oh, that's all right, forget it!” she replied. After all, you couldn't blame the man if he had heard her talking to the radiator.
 “No, you see, I'm driving a wrecker,” he added.
 “Oh, that!” smiled Mrs. Mancill. “You'll probably never haul a greater wreck than I am now.”
 She arrived fifteen minutes late.

Vote For

GEORGE T. ABELL

GEORGE W. GLASS

RUSSELL C. CONKLING

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES TOMORROW

1. Because three men are to be elected and these three are unusually well qualified for the job. They are patrons of the school, successful business men, and have the welfare of the entire school system at heart. They are open-minded, fair-minded, and will go on the board with no personal feelings, no animosity toward anyone, and with no ax to grind.
2. The Midland schools are known far and wide as one of the outstanding school systems of the south. The State Superintendent recently stated in a public address that the Midland schools were one of the two most outstanding systems in the State. The pupils are happy, the teachers are happy, and the spirit and co-operation perfect throughout the system. No other school system in any town even twice the size of Midland ranks as high as the Midland schools do. The program, with its rapidly expanding modern curriculum, is progressive and in keeping with the latest and best practice.
3. The present faculty is one of the ablest and strongest in the history of the Midland schools. Midland is justly proud of her teachers. These men share in this pride.
4. The election of these men means peace and harmony and co-operation for the Midland schools—three absolute essentials for the best success of any school system.

These men favor the proper and ample financing of our schools. They will, without fear or favor, see that the schools have sufficient funds to be maintained on the highest plain of efficiency. This is one of the primary duties of a school board through its tax committees and equalization boards, to finance the schools. Three years ago the Midland schools ended the year with \$52,000.00 on hand, a sufficient sum to run the schools until tax paying time. At times this year, the schools have had to borrow money to pay the teachers. Taxation at times is an unpleasant duty, and, for political or other reasons, may be shunned, but it is the only successful method of financing a rapidly growing and expanding school system. No one will claim that Midland is not amply able to finance her schools, which were maintained at the peak of efficiency throughout the depression, and without borrowing a cent of money for eleven years, during which time the following cash outlays were made by the boards without an extra tax levy or a bond issue: Built the Mexican and the negro schools, \$15,000.00; built the athletic field, \$15,500.00; built the field house, \$3,000.00; built the tennis courts, \$3,000.00; retired bonds before they became due, \$17,000.00, and paid for paving, \$3,600.00.

These men are endorsed by a large number of patrons and citizens who are vitally interested in the welfare of our town and schools.

Ninety-five per cent of the people are proud of our schools. Let that almost unanimous majority go to the polls at the court house Saturday and vote solidly for:

- GEORGE T. ABELL
 GEORGE W. GLASS
 RUSSELL C. CONKLING
- for school trustees, and avoid friction and promote harmony and efficiency in the management of our schools.
- A VOTE FOR THESE MEN IS A VOTE FOR THE SCHOOL CHILDREN

SAMPLE BALLOT:

P. F. BRIDGEWATER

VOTE FOR HIM **RUSSELL C. CONKLING**

CHARLES D. VERTREES

VOTE FOR HIM **GEORGE W. GLASS**

VOTE FOR HIM **GEORGE T. ABELL**

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