











Editorial --

Not Too Late For Action On State Redistricting

Six Texas Legislatures, the forty-second to the forty-seventh inclusive, have wholly failed or refused to follow the direct provision of the Texas Constitution to describe Senatorial and Representative Districts, following each Federal decennial census.

Legislature. It was not so much a mistake at the time, for in those days service to the State was considered more of an honor than a salaried position, and members preferred to follow the Constitution rather than ignore it in order to keep their seats.

Without having to consult individual members of the Legislature. In the twenty years since Senatorial and Representative Districts were described and created by law there has been a considerable increase in the population of Texas, and shifts in population, until some sections are over-represented in both houses while others lack the representation to which they are entitled.

Washington Daybook

What Soldiers Want: More Mail From Home

By JACK STINNETT

WASHINGTON — On a recent Saturday, while milling among the boys scuttling the free hot dogs and beer at the National Press Club Canteen, I came upon a fellow I had known in Texas. He was a sergeant in the Marines. He had been overseas. He "used to be a newspaperman himself."

scrambling back from the Jap lines. I asked him just where in thunder he had been. "He said: 'I dropped a letter from Ma out there that I hadn't had time to read. I had to go back and get it.'"

MRS. WHITTENBERG DIES

ITALY, May 4 (AP)—Mrs. Rosa Lee Whittenberg, 85, daughter of Major and Mrs. E. H. Rogers, founders of the city of Waxahachie in 1850, died here yesterday.

Capital Comment

'Desert Victory' Gripping Film

By GEORGE STIMPSON

Herald Washington Correspondent "They're only trying to draw a Herring across the Henderson trail," said a local wisecracker when former Sen. Clyde Herring, of Iowa was appointed deputy OPA administrator.

captured. Parts of the film showing Rommel and his army were captured from the Germans by the British. The Press club auditorium, which has a capacity of about a thousand, was packed. So many came to have dinner and to see the movie that the club ran out of food. The picture is one of the most gripping pieces of the kind I've ever seen.

Mrs. Mary Cunningham, 78, who came here from Dallas five years ago, died this week at her home in Arlington, Va., a Washington suburb; she was the mother of Bill Cunningham, famous sports writer and columnist; born in Kentucky, Mrs. Cunningham was taken to Texas by her parents when she was a child of eight; her father, the Rev. William Roach, was a Presbyterian circuit rider and settled at Blossom Prairie, near where John N. Garner was born; Mrs. Cunningham, who lived in Texas until she came here, served as president of the Kentucky Club of Texas and was a member of both the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Daughters of the Confederacy; a brother and sister, the Rev. William A. Roach and Miss Ruth Roach, live at Dallas.

HORSE PRAIRIE BY CLEM COLT

Chapter 21 The night was getting on to being pretty near morning and why a woman should be abroad at such an hour was neither clear nor understandable, but as Tubac was passing the mouth of Boggs' Alley a scream brought his horse up sharply.

Still, you never could tell; so he stayed where he was for another five or ten heartbeats while his narrowed stare searched the darkness. Then, easing the cramp from his muscles, he took a forward, investigating step. Took another. Took a third—and dropped flat as the hidden man's gun belched flames again.

He was breathing hard as he came into the street again, not twenty yards from the front of the bank. She came to just as he reached it and with a moan blinked under her eyes. "Oh—Tubac!" she cried, and hugged him tight. He got loose of her clutches and grabbed for his breath while he took a quick squint at the chances.

Hollywood—Jennifer Jones Starts Out At Top Of Ladder

By ROBBIN COONS

HOLLYWOOD—Jennifer Jones is a Hollywood paradox, and that's putting it mildly. The charming, clear-eyed young actress reversed the usual procedure of climbing up the ladder of screen success by starting out at the top, and she shows all the determination and ability to stay there.

A startled oath burst out of him and he almost dropped the match from his hand. It was Sue. Her eyes were closed, and Jones in a panic thought she must be dead—thought perhaps he, himself, had killed her with one of the shots he had fired at her assailant. With the match gone out he was stooping to lift her when something hard bored into his back and a cold voice told him gratingly: "Reach—reach quick!"

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Unheralded and entirely devoid of the usual Hollywood publicity-bathing suit buildup, Jennifer is traveling rapidly the road to fame and acclaim by playing the coveted title role in "The Song of Bernadette," Frans Werfel's touching story of the little French girl whose vision created the miraculous shrine of Lourdes and who later was canonized by the Catholic church.

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Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS 1. Fall behind 2. Disgrace 3. Blow back 4. Feminine name 5. Milky fluid in certain plants 6. Perceive 7. Head covering 8. Brazilian macaw 9. Hang down 10. Dose 11. Live coals 12. Abound 13. Garlic form of onion 14. Fixed charges 15. Tarry 16. Pitcher 17. Acid fruit 18. Total 19. Mother 20. High card in an opponent's suit 21. Artificial language 22. Doctrine 23. Serpents 24. Arabias king-dominar 25. Rara mineral 26. Mexican corn meal mush 27. Nothing 28. Ventures 29. Flowering plant 30. Divides into two equal parts 31. Last month's abhor 32. Garments of foot 33. Front of the foot 34. Exclamation 35. Official of ancient Rome 36. Sesame 37. Favor of 38. Appointments 39. Addition to a building 40. DOWN 1. Refresh 2. A fresh 3. Official British government newspaper 4. Druggist 5. Rhetoric of wives 6. Philippine native 7. Nothing more than 8. One who undergoes a test 9. Ancient Jewish sect 10. Endure 11. Implore 12. Sidelong glances 13. Capture 14. Look one's footing 15. Forgive 16. Covered with water 17. Young demons 18. Of the country 19. Sign of fire 20. Unable to find one's way 21. Simple, stylish, and well finished 22. Carromonka 23. Huge thing 24. Rose-shaped ornament 25. Border 26. Secunda 27. White poplar 28. Former Polish of a trousers leg 29. Part of a mineral show 30. Soft drink 31. Windmills 32. Have effect 33. Fragment

Word puzzle grid with letters and numbers. Includes words like CRASH TAP, ALAT TAR RENO, SALEP LEE DOR, DEN GAY DOUSE, EROS GOT APER, BAR NESTS, BALLAD RESIST, ULE CADEW LIE, DOS ELATE OLA, SET REWED NOR.

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Life's Darkest Moment

"There's nothing that gets a soldier down quicker than not hearing from home," he said. "I've seen them and I know. The army knows it too and OPA is doing a whole of a job in getting the mail through to places that up to this war didn't get a mail packet every six months."



HM—M! VERY ATTRACTIVE, BUT I DON'T THINK THE NAVY ALLOWS EACH RECRUIT TO DESIGN HER OWN UNIFORM. THAT'S JUST MY OPINION THOUGH. THE ADMIRAL MAY MAKE AN EXCEPTION IN YOUR CASE WHEN HE SEES HOW NICE YOU LOOK

Blondie

READ ME BED-TIME STORY, DADDY? SURE, COOKIE—BRING ME ONE OF YOUR LITTLE BOOKS. NO, COOKIE, NOT THAT! BRING SOME OTHER BOOK. NO, DEAR, PLEASE! NOT THE DICTIONARY! BUT, DARLING, SHE'S OLD ENOUGH TO KNOW WHAT SHE WANTS. INTERCESSOR, ONE WHO INTERCEDES INTERCITY, BETWEEN CITIES. INTERCOLLEGIATE

Barney & Snuffy

I CRAVE A LITTLE INFORMATION ON PORTY REEKY, GOOGLE? AHH—SO TH' YARD BIRD WANTS TO ABSORB SOME CULTURE, EH? AFTER WE DOCK, GO TO THE PUERTO RICO INSTITUTE OF TOURISM—JUST ASK FOR SOME DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE AND— BALLS O' FIRE!! ALL I CRAVE TO KNOW IS—WHAR CAN I GIT MY JUG RE-FILLED

Patsy

PATSY ESCAPES THE WITCH'S HUT AND THE WITCH, LED BY THE SLY FOX, IS IN HOT PURSUIT! COME BACK TATTERS! IT'S THE WITCH! ABBA DABBA ZIGGEDY-ZEE!! IT'S ALWAYS BAD LUCK TO BARK AT ME!! SUDDENLY TATTERS WAS CAUGHT BY THE MAGIC AND— TURNED INTO A DUCK! GRR-RR-WOOF!!

Ann Roney

OH, ANNIE—PLEASE STOP WORRYING—LET'S PLAY...DONT FEEL BAD, 'CAUSE I SUPPED AN' FELL INTO THAT MUD PUDDLE BUT YOUR MOTHER SAID IT WAS ALL MY FAULT OH, MOTHER WAS JUST EXCITED SHE DIDNT REALLY MEAN IT— 'CAUSE WHEN SHE TOLD DADDY, HE SAID HE WAS SURE SHE WAS MIS-TAKEN GLORYSKY! WHAT'LL WE PLAY? OH, I DONT CARE—NO MATTER WHAT THE GAME IS, NOW I KNOW IT WILL BE LOTSA FUN!



