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Spread Of Unrest Laid To Communists

DEPARTURE OF SOPHIA WRITES FINIS TO HEART-TOUCHING STORY

Sophia Muller, the orphaned little girl who has been the center of country wide interest, since her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wrangler Muller of Burbank, California, were killed near Ranger early Friday morning, left Ranger Sunday morning in company with Fred Kibre, a family friend and her great uncle, Emmanuel Tolra, both of Burbank. The latter is a full blooded Spaniard who spoke no English at all.

Kibre and Tolra arrived in Ranger Saturday night about 11 o'clock by taxi from Fort Worth where they had flown from California. Sophia's greeting of the two on their arrival established for a certainty their relation with the family.

The trio left Ranger by taxi and went to Weatherford where they sealed and shipped the baggage that was left in the wrecked Muller automobile which was taken to Weatherford after the accident.

According to Dr. P. M. Kuykendall who with Mrs. Kuykendall and their daughter, Mrs. James P. Morris, who had cared for the little girl after the death of the parents, seemed willing enough to go along with Kibre and Tolra, though she also showed evident pleasure over her stay with the Kuykendalls.

porter at the Municipal Airport Sunday afternoon before leaving for California.

Sophia had not been told about the death of her parents before leaving Ranger, but those close to her stated that she had a vague idea of what had happened, judging from the remarks that she made about her mother.

Dr. Kuykendall received word at mid-morning today that the grandparents of the little girl are enroute to Burbank and will be there sometime Wednesday. They are Senor and Senora Karnes Tanarale of Mexico, D. F.

Dr. and Mrs. Kuykendall today expressed their appreciation to the people of Ranger for their interest and kindnesses shown the little girl while she was with them. After contacts with friends and relatives, it was established that the little girl's name is Sylvia rather than Sophia and that she speaks four languages fluently.

Army Reserves Receive Added Pay Regulations

For the first time in our history, retired pay inactive service is authorized for reserve members of the components of all the Armed Forces, announced S-Sgt. James Hendrick of the Eastland Army and Air Force Recruiting Station.

Under Title III, Public Law 810, 80th Congress, reservists are eligible to receive the pay upon reaching the age of 60 if they have accomplished a total of 20 years active and inactive service.

The new law provides credit for both active and inactive service and makes active service a prerequisite only in the case of individuals who were members of the Reserve on or before August 15, 1945.

Reservists may be called to duty only at their request except in case of National Emergency (present emergency not included) and then the same rules apply as do to Selective Service.

Through the Reserve Corps promotions may be earned by short periods of active duty, membership in an Organized Reserve Unit, or extension courses conducted by the various services.

For full information on enlistment, re-enlistment, or terms of the new Retirement Act, individuals are urged to go to the Army and Air Force Recruiting Station at 311 West Main Street in Eastland.

Police Seeking Robbery Suspect

A youth, about 17, has been tentatively identified as the thief who ransacked the home of Mrs. A. F. Taylor, Friday afternoon. He is presumed to have taken a bus to Fort Worth and authorities there are checking in his whereabouts.

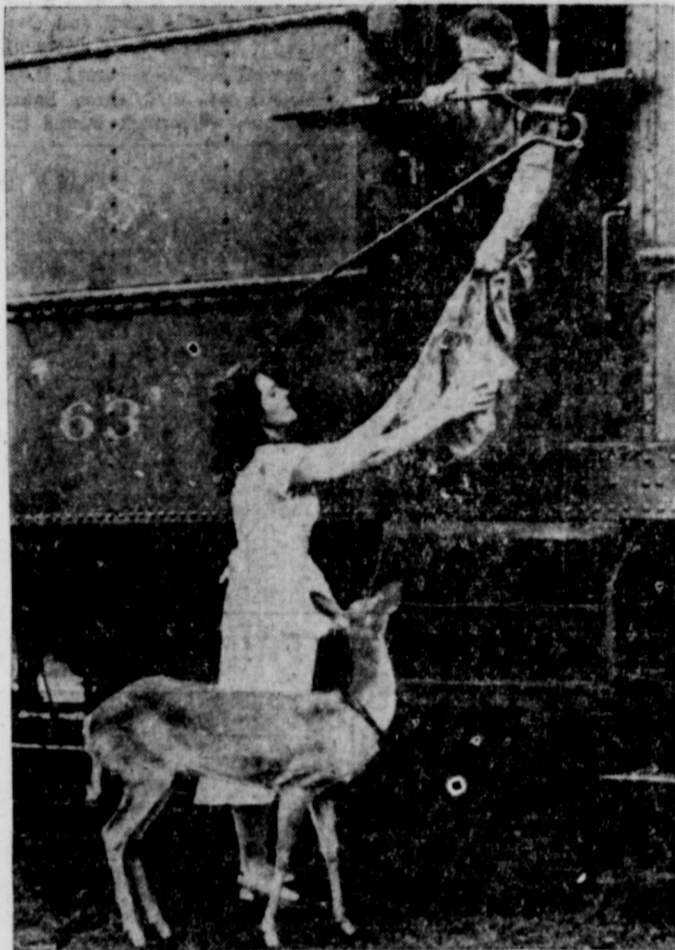
According to local police and the sheriff's office he arrived by bus in Eastland about 1 P. M., Friday and made numerous inquiries at the bus station. The youth, about 5-11, wearing boots and white shirt returned to the bus station about 6 P. M.

He sold a .38 pistol, one of the stolen articles, for \$20 and also a cheap watch and a cigarette lighter. When the robbery was discovered the purchaser of the pistol notified the police.

On checking the bus station it was discovered he had left on the 8:50 bus to Fort Worth. Before leaving he had boasted that he was a successful burglar and displayed the tools of his profession. He gained admittance to the Taylor home by cutting a screen and climbing into a back window. The family was away at the time.

The youth arrived in Eastland on an east bound bus and said he was from Milwaukee.

This Doe Is A Mail Deer



In Council, Ga., everybody knows Flagg, the 2-year-old pet doe belonging to Postmistress Mrs. Rose Johnson. Flagg scampers with Mrs. Johnson on her daily rounds. Here, the deer watches while railway postal clerk B. H. Talley gives Mrs. Johnson the mail delivery. Then, they'll go to the post office, stopping off at stores where Flagg usually gets some candy or soft drinks. (NEA Telephoto)

Attends Service Officers Meeting In Mineral Wells

H. J. Tanner, Chamber of Commerce manager and Mayor Lee Dockery of Ranger attended the district meeting of the Service Officers School conducted by the State Affairs Commission at the Community Center in Mineral Wells, Saturday and Sunday.

Service officers and Veterans Administration officials attended the semi-annual meeting held to keep abreast of the changing veterans legislation. Tanner is one of the three service officers in the county.

The question of G. I. loans, farm training, state laws affecting veterans and Farmers Home Administration problems were discussed at the two day conclave.

THANK YOU.

Two years ago I became a candidate in the regular election called to select representatives to serve the people of Eastland as a member of the Eastland City Commission. The result of that election by which you honored me with a huge majority of votes made me anxious to serve you to the fullest extent of my ability. It is with humble gratification that the achievements of our city in the past two years has permitted my participation in earnestly striving to serve the interest of all of the people.

Much deliberation and study has been and must continue to be given by your city commission to perfect plans and projects in accordance with the prevailing general public opinion which can operate to benefit our municipality in such a way that the rights and privileges of all of the people may be enhanced in an equal manner without discrimination.

Expenditures commensurate with our present municipal income can afford increased municipal advantages to all so long as the expenditures of public money are prudently and judiciously made to benefit all our citizens rather than for special projects designed to benefit a few.

It has been a pleasure to serve as a member of your city government. The criticism and ire of a few individuals was expected and necessary in order to faithfully perform the duties of my present elective trust. For the splendid cooperation of the present commission and for the help, courtesies, and cooperation which I have continuously enjoyed from so many of our citizenry, I am sincerely grateful.

Due to personal affairs currently demanding a great deal of my time and attention and being therefore unable to devote what I believe adequate time to the duties of this office, I do not feel justified in now seeking reelection.

I thank you, sincerely,
DAN CHILDRESS

Triple Slayer Once Held Here

A 22-year old man, who is being held by authorities in Arizona in connection with a triple slaying and a kidnapping has been identified by local authorities as a 1944 offender in Eastland County.

He is George Adolph Schmid, who with Billy Ray Gilbert had been sought for the murder of three victims in California and the kidnapping of Miss Florence Margaret Chisolm in Phoenix.

He was recognized from a picture appearing in a Fort Worth paper by Elton Reeves, deputy sheriff and county jailer. According to Reeves, Schmid was arrested in Baird in 1944 for the robbery of a motorist. He had been hitchhiking from Fort Worth and after being picked up by a motorist he flashed a gun and robbed him near Ranger.

Tried in the Eastland Court-house he was sent to Gatesville where he is presumed to have escaped after serving a short sentence. He was 16 at the time of the robbery here. His partner Billy Ray Gilbert was killed by authorities in a gun fight.

Local Outsiders Downed By Cisco

The Eastland Rough-necks couldn't overcome the Cisco hurdle in the Outsider tournament at Olden Saturday night dropping the final round game of the consolation round, 27-21. The defeat marked the third straight time the Cisco quintet had downed the locals.

Eastland had paved the way into the final round with a victory over Alameda, but after sticking close to the Cisco five throughout the action, fell before a last ditch onslaught.

Olden took tournament honors with an upset 24-18 victory over a highly regarded Morton Valley. Morton Valley had swept through all opposition in easy style prior to the final round but the aggressive Olden outfit pulled a surprise.

Eastland plans to enter a tournament at Moran, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Landon Suggests Vatican Envoy Be Given Power

FOR WORTH, Feb. 28 (UP)—Alf M. Landon of Kansas believes an official envoy with full diplomatic credentials should be sent to the Vatican.

"Official diplomatic representation provides better exchange and distribution of information essential to combating efforts for the high purpose of maintaining peace and good will on earth," said Landon, the 1936 Republican presidential candidate.

Landon said the United States' unofficial representatives at the Pope's headquarters should be given more strength.

Referring to the trial of Joseph Cardinal Mindszinty by the Communist-ordered Hungarian government, Landon said a freedom loving country could best strengthen its interests with ties to the church.

They have been some Protestant organizations which have demanded withdrawal of the president's unofficial envoy to the Vatican.

Communism, said Landon, is "the most dangerous and most powerful enemy of human freedom and Christianity since the dark ages" and the Catholic Church is the only Christian organization armed to combat it.

"It is well to recall," Landon said, "that mass religious persecution started with the Communist revolt in Russia and then spread to Germany.

"Mass brutality and religious persecution are contagious and go arm-in-arm. They are not limited, once unleashed, to Catholics, Protestants and Jews alone, but to all groups."

Landon was in Fort Worth during the weekend in connection with observance here of "Brotherhood Week."

Red Cross Holds Meeting Today

A meeting of chairmen of all committees conducting the local Red Cross drive was held today at 3 p. m. at the Red Cross headquarters in the Sinclair Prairie building.

Earl Conner Jr., county chairman and local representative has announced that the Eastland quota will be \$1,500, the same as Cisco and Ranger.

Committees representing schools, clubs, industrial organizations, professional groups, publicity, hotels, vocational schools and others were asked to attend the meeting. H. J. Tanner and Ed Freyschlag are co-chairmen of the special gifts committee. The drive is scheduled to have its national opening March 1.

MOODY OUT OF HOSPITAL
AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 28 (UP)—Former Gov. Dan Moody was home today after spending 48 days in Breckenridge Hospital where he was under treatment for pneumonia.

The former governor, admitted on Jan. 10, was released yesterday.

THE WEATHER

By UNITED PRESS
East Texas — Partly cloudy, continued cool this afternoon and tonight. Tuesday mostly cloudy, scattered showers and not so cool in West and Central portions. Moderate to fresh Northeast winds on the coast, becoming Easterly Tuesday.

West Texas — Mostly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Tuesday. Occasional rain Tuesday and from the Pecos Valley Westward this afternoon and tonight. Slightly warmer.

Temperature at 1:30 p. m. today
Maximum 50
Minimum 44
Hour's Reading 50
Temperature the last 24 hours, ending 8:00 A. M.
Maximum 49
Minimum 42

REVOLUTION, RIOTING, SABOTAGE EXTEND HALF WAY ROUND WORLD

Local Musicians Win Solo Honors

Alice Joyce Cushman, Jimmie Everett, and Dickie Carbell pupils of the Taylor Studio were winners in the solo contest of the Sixth District in the Junior Federated Music festival held at Ranger Junior College Saturday.

Each of the pupils received a rating of excellent, competing with 80 students from over the district.

Charles Kiker of Breckenridge and Robert Clinton of Eastland were judges of the piano students.

All three of the Taylor Studio entrants are members of the Juvenile Scale Runners Juvenile Club. Mrs. Taylor said.

Amos Melton Goes To Ft. Worth Press

FORT WORTH, Tex., Feb. 28 (UP)—Amos Melton, member of the sports staff of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram for 20 years, joins the staff of the Fort Worth Press tomorrow as sports editor, it was announced today by Editor Walter R. Humphrey.

Melton comes to the Press to be associated with his longtime friend, Pop Boone, 70-year-old dean of Texas sports scribes and Press sports editor for 25 years, Humphrey said.

Boone will continue to be the featured sports columnist of the Press and its sports editor emeritus, covering Texas sports events as in the past, but turning direction of the paper's coverage over to Melton.

Canteen Closed Til After Easter

It was announced today that in keeping with the Lenten season which begins Wednesday, the Teen Canteen for young people of Eastland County will be discontinued until after Easter.

The next regular event for the Teen Canteen will be on April 22.

In the battle for Quebec in 1759 both commanders, Gen. James Wolfe, for the British, and Marquis de Montcalm, for the French were mortally wounded.

Stephen Doesn't Know



Stephen Gordon, 2½, arrives in Seattle, Wash., after a boat trip to Japan. He knows that he's going to visit his grandmother, Mrs. Carrie Stephens, in Spokane, Wash. He doesn't know he's now an orphan. He doesn't know that the ship also carried the bodies of his mother and father, M-Sgt. and Mrs. James Gordon, who were killed in a jeep-train accident in Japan. Army nurse Lt. Catherine O'Connor, right, brought Stephen back to the U. S.

(NEA Telephoto)

By United Press

Unrest or violence, much of it fomented by or blamed on Communists, plagued several countries scattered half way around the world today.

A revolution of uncertain motivation was reported quelled in Burma. Rioting and sabotage in India was described officially as the first phase of a Communist scheme to seize the government by force.

Intelligence sources in Vienna said Austrian Communists had plotted a coup if and when occupation forces are withdrawn. Fighting broke out in Milan, in the industrial "Red Belt" of Northern Italy. Communist hecklers tried to break up a Brussels speech by Winston Churchill. Two French army officers were arrested as Communist spies.

Reports of unrest, and other foreign developments, included:

Paris—An Anti-Communist movement set off by a party leader's assertion that the French would welcome an invading Soviet Army resulted in the seizure of an army major and a captain. The interior ministry said one confessed giving military secrets to a foreign military attache.

Both will be tried on espionage charges.

Bangkok—Civilian and navy groups rebelled against the government headed by Premier Luang Phibun Songram. The government said the revolution had been brought under control after 36 hours of fighting. One civilian group was reported still holding out in the royal palace against attacks by police and army troops, but a government source said the situation was well in hand.

New Delhi—Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru charged that mob violence and sabotage were fomented by the Communists as the first moves in a plot to seize the government by force. He reported to Parliament that 870 Communists had been arrested in 10 days of violence "bordering on open revolt." Calcutta reported at least 18 persons killed during the week-end, including three Britons and two Indian policemen.

Brussels—Some 60 Communists were held in connection with disorders which broke out at an outdoor speech by Churchill. He had to stop speaking three times when Communists broke into organized chants. He said the union of Western Europe was the only way to prevent "another hideous war."

Milan—Police and former "partisans"—the predominantly Communist opponents of the Axis in wartime—fought a two-hour battle yesterday. Some score of persons were injured in the fracas involving tear gas, stone throwing, bombs, sticks and fists. Former partisans marched through the town to demonstrate against the freeing of a former Fascist commander. Communist orators worked them up to a high pitch and the trouble began.

Vienna—Intelligence sources reported that the Communists of Austria had made detailed plans for a coup when the troops of the four occupation powers are withdrawn. They said the plans were made in connection with the big four talks on Austria, which the Communists hoped would leave the country free of occupation forces.

London—Austria rejected Yugoslav demands for reparations, territory and autonomy of the Slovene minority in the province of Carinthia. Foreign Minister Karl Gruber informed the big four of Austria's attitude when he appeared before big four delegates.

Copenhagen—Denmark's adherence to the Atlantic Pact apparently is assured by the sanction of the alliance by the social democratic party executive committee. The party controls 57 of the 150 seats in Parliament, and other parties controlling 66 seats previously advocater joining the alliance.

Dairy Assoc. To Discuss Program

An important meeting of the Eastland County Dairy Association will be held tonight at courthouse in the county court room, 7:30 p. m.

A report will be given on the newly instituted artificial insemination program now being conducted by technicians in Carbon. The program was launched through the efforts of the Eastland County Dairy Association.

Detailed arrangements will also be made for the annual Eastland County Dairy Show to be held April 15. All members of the association are urged to attend the important meeting.

Youth Arrested In Palo Pinto

GALVESTON, Tex. Feb. 28 (UP)—Three Houston youths who stole a car in Texas City, and then looted a League City, Tex., cafe, have been arrested in Palo Pinto, Sheriff Frank Blagaine said today.

Sheriff Fred Foreman of Palo Pinto took the trio into custody when they were apprehended as they held up a cafe.

The boys admitted holding up the League City Cafe, and told questioners they stole their escape car in Texas City before the robbery. Sheriff Blagaine said.

Named Chairman

Miss Jeanne Turner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Turner, of 711 West Plur yer street, has been elected contacts chairman for Plerian Literary Society at the University of Texas.

A junior English student, she is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma, social society.



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Oil and Gas News

Area OIL News

By Buena Van Winkle

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J. & J. Oil Co., No. 1 Jones—Well, they bypassed the Desdemona sand after all. They seemed to have just touched the outer edge of the formation, the show they found being slightly less than one inch thick. Somebody is going to hit right in the middle of these days and make J. & J. Oil Co., Roy Hunter, and the National Coop green with envy. The way the area has been skirted, the oil must be all in one small pool—they've drilled practically all around it with no more results than small shows in almost every case. The Krell seems to be the most promising and now it sits with its insides full of strings of tools. J. & J. are going on to the

Marble Falls to see what is there. They are over 2700 feet now, and expect to find M. F. at 2900 feet. National Cooperative Refinery Association are still fishing on their Krell and those tools look no more ready to come out now than they have ever. It will be sad indeed, to think of all the promise this well seemed to have had, and of all the money and effort which has been spent on the two holes on this one operation to see it plugged as dry and abandoned.

L. H. Choate No. 3 Blackwell drilling at 425 feet.
R. H. Ratterson No. 1 Brown drilling at 400 feet.
Commercial Production Co. No. 2, R. L. Park are going ahead with preparations for rigging up, hoping for some let up in weather so the roads and terrain will dry up.
J. Parker Oil Co., No. 1 T. N. Watts drilling ahead at 1900 feet. They have had numerous difficulties with a clear stream of water which they have had to carry the greater part of the operation so far. They are going along with it, hauling and carrying it until they can find a shoulder formation so they can set casing and shut the water off.

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Signs Of Spring



With baseball's spring training season about to swing into high gear, the first group of St. Louis Cardinals report to their St. Petersburg, Fla., camp. Buzzy Wares, center, Card coach, holds a jacket against Red Schoendienst, Redbird second baseman, as club house attendant Butch Yatkeman watches. (NEA Telephoto)

Shooting Duel Claims Two Lives

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 28 (UP)—A pistol-rifle duel claimed the lives of two negro men last night, after they failed

to settle their differences in a scuffle.

Ennis Lee Samuels, 33 was shot through the head with a .25 caliber automatic pistol and died instantly. Capt. J. D. Walters of the sheriff's office reported. R. C. Williams, 25, died three hours later from a stomach wound in-

flicted with a .22 caliber rifle. Neighbors said the men had argued for some time, fought, and then grabbed their guns.

The White Sands National Monument in New Mexico is an area covered with miles of pure white gypsum and sand dunes.

Art For The Masses

Guilford, England (UP)—Art is coming cheap for the residents of this London suburb. The town council started lending library in reproductions of the world's most famous paintings at half a crown a month (50 cents) per painting.

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Beware of Romance

By Roberto Courtland

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SHE saw the moment she stepped into the living room, that she was a bit early. Carter was there, slightly pompous, very scrubbed and pink in his white Tuxedo. But Susan was not in sight.
Carter turned to greet her, a cocktail shaker in his hands, and once more Merry saw that clear, thin edge of dislike in his eyes, though his voice was quite hearty.
"Oh, there you are, my dear," he said pleasantly. "Just in time for a cocktail."
"Thanks, no."
Carter paused, the cocktail shaker held carefully.
"Oh, you didn't acquire the cocktail habit during your visit to the wicked city?"
"It's just that I never cared for liquor," Merry answered him pleasantly. "And it seemed silly to acquire a habit if I had to force a liking for it."
"Very commendable of you, my dear, very commendable," said Carter dryly, and poured himself one.
He sipped for a moment, and then he turned to Merry with a suddenly brisk air.
"By the way, we won't talk business tonight, but something has come up that I think you will be glad to know. I have a most excellent offer for the Marshallville place. The papers are ready for your signature."
Merry stiffened and her eyes went wide.
"The Marshallville place? But that's mine!" she protested, more sharply than she had meant to speak.
"I SAID for your signature," Carter pointed out, and now he was not quite so hearty nor

so pleasant. "Your mother has placed all her business affairs as well as yours in my hands."
"But why should she? I mean Dad had everything arranged, soundly invested, with a good assured income."
"Your mother felt that I was in a better position to know changing conditions, and that it would be safer to have investments that paid a slightly smaller income but were less risky."
"But Dad's an excellent business man and quite competent to handle everything."
"There is no point in discussing the matter. You are a child and you cannot be expected to understand."
"I'll be 18 in a few months and legally of age," Merry flashed at him, no longer able to control her rising anger. "And the house at Marshallville is definitely not for sale."
"Your mother has given me power of attorney, as your guardian. The offer is an excellent one."
"But I don't want to sell."
"You surely have no intention of going back there."
"I have every intention of keeping it as my home."
"The whole idea is completely ridiculous. You, a young girl, alone in that big old place—"
"Aunt Jane will come and live with me, and it is my home," she pointed out swiftly.
Susan had entered the room without Merry's seeing her and now she broke in curtly. "What is all this? Merry, of course you are not going back to Marshallville. It's much better to sell the house now while prices are high."
Merry turned swiftly, her voice shaking.
"Dad said the place was mine, Mother, when he paid for this one for you," she reminded her mother, her voice held as low as her mounting anger would permit.
"Aunt Jane and I could be very

comfortable there, and very happy."
Susan drew herself up.
"Happy there, where everybody knows about what your father did to us? You have so little pride you would be willing to go back there? Do you want to start people talking again? What would they say if you left your mother's home to go and live by yourself?"
"I wouldn't be by myself. Aunt Jane—"
"It's ridiculous. I won't listen. I won't discuss it any more," said Susan faintly, and made a fumbling gesture toward her heart. Carter moved swiftly and steadied her to a chair in which she all but collapsed.
"Do you want to kill her?" He turned furiously on Merry. "You know what her heart is like. I'm disgusted with you."
MERRY held her breath for a moment and counted 10 over and over again. And then she caught the slight gleam of Susan's eyes between her closed lids, and felt a little sickness in her own heart. Susan was, as Aunt Jane would have said, putting on an act. Susan would get her own way by pretending her illness was dangerous; she would bend Merry to her will by working on Merry's love. But almost before the thought became clear in Merry's mind, she was bitterly ashamed of it, and contrition swept over her.
"I'm sorry, Mother. I didn't mean to pick a fight. Let's wait and talk it over later, shall we? We're all tired and nervous now."
As Merry offered the olive branch, she saw the faint triumphant smile that touched Carter's mouth, and Susan straightened feebly, smiled at her, held out her hand and said, "That's my dear sweet child."
As they went in to dinner, Merry's heart seethed with helpless anger against Carter. But she made herself act gay and cheerful during the meal, and afterwards helped her mother to bed.
She lay wide awake in her own room until well after midnight. And when at last she dropped off to sleep, her mind was made up and she wasn't frightened.
(To Be Continued)

Tax Collections Off In January

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (UP)—Government tax collections in January dropped \$256,034,113 (M), or 12.5 per cent, below those for the same month last year, the Internal Revenue said today.

Total collections in January were \$3,679,599,432 (B), compared with \$4,205,633,545 (B) in January, 1948.
The cut in individual income taxes voted by Congress last year accounted for most of the drop—\$430,390,279 (M).
Income tax collections of \$2,552,883,402 (B) in the first

Missile Mystery



American technicians in Germany are baffled over the origin of four mysterious projectiles, which have landed and exploded in the same area, just east of Schweinfurt, since October, 1946. The last of the rockets, or jet-propelled missiles, landed last Jan. 21, 1947, and eye-witnesses said it came from the northeast and had a 50-foot-long flaming tail. Experts have so far been unable to reconstruct the projectiles from the fragments recovered from the craters.



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MERRY awoke in the morning, puzzled at first to account for the wide-open windows through which a golden sun shone, and the tops of palms stirring in the ocean wind, and the sound of surf breaking on the beach beyond the seawall. And then she realized that she was at home at St. Vincent's and sprang out of bed, happy and excited and exulting in her well-being.

She tumbled into play-clothes—a brief pink and white gingham skirt over even briefer pink shorts, a halter confining her young breasts—and thrust her bare feet into canvas-strapped sandals. She followed the delicious scent of coffee and crisp bacon out to the kitchen where Lizzie welcomed her with an expansive, white-toothed grin.

"Honey, I sho' is glad to see you home ag'in." Lizzie greeted her warmly. "Whe' yo' want yo' breakfast?"
"Where do Mother and Carter—"
"Yo' Maw, she hev' her breakfast in bed. Mist' Carter, he go' fo' a swim, den he eat wid' he'." said Lizzie, and though the words were innocent enough the tone told Merry that Lizzie disliked Carter as much or perhaps even more than she said.

"Then I'll have mine here on the corner of the table, while you bring me up to date on all the local gossip."

Lizzie chuckled as she brought a tall glass of orange juice, and set bread to toasting.

"Yo' tell me how Mist' Kin is fust, Honey," begged Lizzie.

"He's fine, Lizzie. And terribly happy."
Lizzie, breaking a brown egg over the pan in which bacon was crisping, looked swiftly at her.

"Honey, I sho' is glad. Mist' Kin

a fine man. Us misses him, Andy and me."

TEARS misted Merry's eyes, a tribute to the woman's honest, straightforward devotion to Kin, and then she smiled.

Lizzie took away the orange-juice glass, slipped a hot plate that held strips of curling bacon and a white and golden egg before her, and stood with her hands on her ample hips, smiling down at Merry.

Merry put up an impulsive hand and squeezed one of Lizzie's and said huskily, "It's grand to be home, Lizzie."

Lizzie hesitated a moment and then she said gravely, "Reckon yo' ain' heard, honey,—dat me an' Andrew is wu'kin' out o'uh notice."

Merry stared at her, stricken. "Your notice? Lizzie, you're not leaving?"

"Us is been fished, Honey. 'Course us was 'bout ready to quit, anyhow."

Merry's eyes were saucer-wide. "Why, Lizzie, you and Andrew have been with us for years!"

"Mist' Carter, he ain' lak' us much mo' den us lak' him," stated Lizzie flatly. "He say we's fresh an' impident an' he wants yo' Maw to git white se'vants."

Merry blinked, and swallowed hard.

"Don' yo' worry none, Honey," said Lizzie after a moment. "Me 'n' Andrew, we's got some money saved up, and den we got dat lil' farm whe' o'uh boy an' his wife lives, so us'll git along fine."

"Lizzie, would you and Andrew go back to Marshallville with me and live in the old place?" begged Merry swiftly.

Lizzie's eyes widened. "Honey, yo' Maw ain' gwine let yo'."

"Lizzie, I'm almost 18. In a few months I'll be my own mistress. It's my house. Dad fixed it up so it would always be mine, and Aunt Jane, will come and live

with us. Oh, Lizzie, let's go back to Marshallville!" pleaded Merry, excited and eager.

Lizzie's own eyes were blazing with excitement.

"Honey, dat 'partment me and Andy had over de garage was de onlies' home we ever had. Honey, us be too glad to go back wid' yo'!" said Lizzie, and her rich, warm voice shook a little.

Merry sprang up and hugged her.

"Oh, Lizzie, I'm so happy!"
Carter's voice, curt and sharp, spoke from the doorway.

"I dislike to interrupt this happy little scene, but Mrs. Bagby would like some breakfast, if it isn't too much trouble."

MERRY turned and faced him, and Lizzie muttered something and turned to the stove, her thick lower lip stuck out in a sign of her anger and outrage.

"Merry, I'd like to speak to you for a moment," said Carter, and strode away.

Lizzie turned deliberately from the stove, faced the doorway through which Carter had disappeared, brought up her thick, unashamedly work-worn hand, put her thumb to her nose and twiddled her fat fingers. It was a gesture of such superb scorn, such utter contempt, that Merry smothered a small, delighted laugh, hugged her and fled.

In the room that was obviously now to be known as Carter's study, he turned to face Merry and said sternly, "Merry, I dislike to seem carping, but I must ask you to behave with a little more dignity here. Embracing the servants, chattering with them, destroying all semblance of discipline, is something I will not tolerate."

Merry balanced herself on the arm of a chair and smiled at him pleasantly. It was no effort; she had to make an effort to avoid laughing outright at the ridiculous picture of him standing on his outraged dignity.

"Then you'll be happy to know you needn't tolerate it, or me either, any longer, Carter," she told him lightly. "I shall be leaving for Marshallville in a day or two."

(To Be Continued)

phone booth, police reported.

SWEETWATER, Feb. 28 (UP)—A Lubbock couple, John B. De-wald, 48, and his wife, 38, were killed yesterday when their automobile crashed into a parked oil truck on highway 84 near Herm-leigh.

K. L. Fouch, driver of the truck, said he had put out flares, which were being removed at the time of the crash.

SAN ANTONIO, Feb. 28 (UP)—James E. Ludiker, 65, died en-route to a hospital yesterday after suffering a heart attack. His survivors include a son, Homer, of the Texas Christian University football team.

DALLAS, Feb. 28 (UP)—Dr. Sim Driver, 48, a leading orthopedic surgeon, died yesterday in a Dallas hospital. A former member of the Mayo Clinic staff, he had been in practice here since

TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

By United Press
HOUSTON, Tex. Feb. 28 (UP)—Four rain measurement networks will go into operation within the next two months to provide data for flood control projects of the U. S. Engineers.

Clayton B. Crooker, rain information specialist, said one network will cover Buffalo Bayou with 13 stations. Another will report on the Neches River. Both will report to Houston.

A third network will report on the upper Brazos River, with reports going to Waco's weather station, and the fourth will be centered at San Angelo, to assemble reports on the Concho River basin.

McKINNEY, Feb. 28 (UP)—Andrew Taylor was under a murder charge today, result of the Saturday slaying of Pete Coffee at Wylie. Coffee was shot five times as he stepped from a tele-

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FO RT WORTH, Feb. 28 (UP)—Mrs. Jennie Stevens died yesterday, at the age of 103, not quite realizing her ambition to live as long as her paternal grandmother. "Aunt Jennie" would have been 104 in the fall.

It was Mrs. Stevens' oft-expressed desire to live to be at least 104, the age attained by her father's mother.

CLEBURNE, Feb. 28 (UP)—Archie J. Lynn, 49 head of the mathematics department at Amarillo college, died yesterday at the home of his sister. He had been ill for six weeks.

HOUSTON, Feb. 28 (UP)—Traffic and transportation director Thomas E. Willier has announced that at least 100 of 500 new parking meters soon to be installed will be of a variety new to Houston. They will take pennies, and permit 12 minutes of parking for a copper.

WICHITA FALLS, Feb. 28—Alexander H. Britain, prominent attorney and longtime mayor of Wichita Falls, died at his home yesterday.

Britain, 70, was a past president of the Texas Bar Association. He served two terms as Wichita Falls mayor in World War I days.

A native of Dallas County, he had lived here since 1908.

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 28 (UP)—The committee for chiropractic education in Texas lashed the proposed "basic science" legislation conforting the Texas Legislature today in a full, eight-page section of the Houston Post.

The newspaper, in a front-page explanation of the special section, stated the committee wanted to give "widespread infor-

mation" concerning an educational campaign "in the interest of chiropractic as an independent science."

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 28 (UP)—Funeral services were to be held today for William J. Kelly, 58-year-old retired federal agent, who died in his hotel apartment here yesterday.

An agent for the U. S. Treasury, Kelly had leading roles in many of the most important cases in the department's history. He helped break the notorious baseball scandal involving the Chicago Black Sox in 1919 and he was in on the apprehension of the Louis Lepke gang.

GALVESTON, Tex., Feb. 28 (UP)—Galveston's Mardi Gras celebration was to reach its high tide today with the arrival of King Frivolous XXV on the Island, already gayly decorated and boasting a festive populace.

The ruler will arrive at 10 A. M. by hydroplane, and will take over city administration at the city hall.

More Safety in Height

HUNTINGTON, Ind (UP)—Edgar Hensel, a steepjack, performs better with an audience. Suspended by a sling, he drew a large crowd when he painted the front of a building here. Later he went inside to paint a room, fell from a ladder and fractured his right leg.

Fire Trucks Exempt

SAVANNAH, Ga. (UP)—It's your tough luck if you tangled with a fire engine, city court ruled in voiding Bell Johnson's suit for damages. Johnson was struck by a flying wheel from a truck. But fire trucks perform a governmental function," the court said.

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Miss Noble, Mr. Wood Exchange Vows, Sat.

Miss Norma Jean Noble, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Noble of Eastland became the bride of Mr. Glen Dale Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Wood, 111 East Sadosa Street, in a ceremony read by Rev. Loyd M. Chapman in his home 401 South Seaman Street Saturday at 7 p. m.

The bride's only attendant was Miss Betty Ferguson who wore a blue suit with a shoulder corsage of pink carnations. Best man was Dwin Lusk.

The bride wore a dress maker suit of soft beige colored wool, an aqua crepe blouse with brown accessories. Her shoulder corsage was of kokomo carnations.

Mrs. Wood is a member of the 1949 graduating class of the Eastland High School, a member of the Co-Ed Club and is one of the most popular girls on the high school campus.

Mr. Wood is a junior in North

Texas State College at Denton where the couple will make their home at 929 West Sycamore Street.

Mrs. Wood plans to complete her studies in Denton and return here to graduate with her class in June. Mr. Wood plans to participate in the graduating exercises of the Cisco Junior College, with the class of which he was a former member. Mr. Wood is a veteran of the World War II, where he served 10 months in the Philippines on the island of Cebu.

The wedding was attended by the immediate families of the couple, the Co-Ed members and a few close friends.

Out-of-town relatives attending were Miss Naom Wood, student of Abilene Christian College, Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil W. Mayfield of Ballinger, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon B. Roth of Breckenridge, Mrs. R. L. Rowe and Mrs. G. W. Wilcox and children of Cisco.



Top United Nations military men, representing Great Britain, China, France and the United States, will add the international spice to San Angelo's Fat Stock Show and Rodeo March 3-6. Thirteen members of the United Nations Military Staff Committee have accepted invitations to attend this 16th annual event.

Members of the visiting United States delegation, above left to right, are: Gen. W. D. Crittenger, one-time aide to Gen. James Parker, commanding the Mexican Border Cavalry; Lt. Gen. H. R. Harmon, former commanding general of the Gulf Coast Training Center at Randolph Army Air Base in San Antonio; and Rear Adm. W. K. Harrill, Naval Representative.

Start Observance Of Lent Season

Wednesday, March 2 is called Ash Wednesday, and marks the beginning of the Church's observance of Lent. The Lenten season of the 40 days presiding Easter is given over to increased devotional services, inspirational study, prayer and fasting.

This historic penitential season will begin at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Eastland with a celebration of Holy Communion at 7:30 A. M. and the imposition of Ashes. The Church will welcome all visitors, Father James M. McClain, Priest in charge of the local Church said.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. John Bracken of Fort Worth were the week-end guests of Mrs. Bracken's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Davenport, 600 South Seaman Street.

Mrs. J. S. Weatherby of Goldthwaite was the week-end guest in the home of Mrs. A. F. Taylor.

Mrs. Ruth Poe Herring accompanied by Mrs. Johnnie Hart and Miss Nettie Thornton spent Saturday in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burkett of Dallas are the parents of a son born in Dallas, Saturday February 26.

The grandparents of the new baby, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Burkett of 219 South Oak Street visited with their son and family Sunday in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Childress had as guests over the week-end their sons Robert Childress of Abilene and Hiram Childress of Abilene.

Sgt. and Mrs. Bob Collins of San Angelo were the guests here

Cart Has Three Dog-Power



In Rome, gasoline is so high-priced that this junk dealer switched to dog-powered transportation. To meet regulations, he had to fit a hand brake to his cart. It works fine—as long as no cats come along. (Photo by NEA-Acme staff correspondent Toni Caione.)

No Introduction Needed

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (UP)—Whenever a secretary of any public official asks, "Whom shall I announce?" Nathaniel Soltero, reporter of El Mundo, Puerto Rican daily, does not have to speak. He presents an introduction card, on glossy photo print paper, which he made himself in the microfilm business he also runs. The cards are a miniature of his own credential as a newspaperman and bear his picture.

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Two Attacked In Weekend Assaults

TEXAS CITY, Tex. Feb. 28 (UP)—Two employes of the struck Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Corporation were reportedly attacked in separate week-end assaults.

R. H. Mariana, industrial relations manager at the Carbide plant, suffered a broken nose, Saturday night. But he declined to furnish police with information concerning the attack, Chief W. L. Ladish said. Carbide reported that Mariana was attacked as he arrived at his home after working in his office at the plant.

Sunday, K. G. Temple, a plant guard, said he was beaten by assailants not known to him as he was going home from the plant.

Carbide offered a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the assailants.

Carbide's \$50,000,000 plant was struck 37 days ago by the AFL maintenance and operators union in a wage dispute. Using non-union labor, Carbide has reportedly restored a fraction of its normal production within the past week.

A federal mediator met separately with Carbide and union officials Saturday and said he was hopeful for arriving at a settlement in the strike which has been on since Jan. 23.

TEMPLE, Feb. 28 (UP)—An appropriation of \$500,000 to convert part of McCloskey Veterans Administration Hospital here into a state medical school will be asked in the legislature today by Sen. W. A. (Son) Shofner.

He, Rep. Lamar Zivley, both of Temple, and Flotlorial Rep. Frank McGregor planned to introduce

the bills simultaneously in both houses.

Two other bills to create or enlarge Texas medical schools are already before the law makers. San Antonio is asking for \$1,000,000 to convert the downtown army arsenal into a medical school. Dallas has asked \$3,600,000 to expand Southwestern Medical College.

Sen. Shofner listed the benefits of the Temple plan as: 1. The need for only a small appropriation; 2. the central geographical location of Temple; 3. the ease of converting the hospital; 4. The fact that Temple is already a hospital center; and 5. the endorsement of the plan by the Veterans Administration.

Zivley explained to Temple citizens at a committee meeting Saturday that about 1,000 Texans try to get into medical schools annually and that only 100 to 200 are accepted because of limited room at schools now operating.

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Not Nowdays

TUPELO, Miss. (UP)—Times change Word H. Baker reflected, after ruing through some 1923 newspaper advertisements. Auto prices: Runabout regular, \$265; runabout, complete with self-starter and clincher tires, \$330; runabout, with such extras as self-starter and demountable rims, \$350; touring car, regular, \$295; four-door sedan, \$685.

City Helps Some

HICKORY, N. C. (UP)—The city gave some help to a blood-bank program. It allowed the donors to use city parking meters free while they gave their blood.

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