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Mercury Due To Drop Today

BY UNITED PRESS

A mass of dry cold air began sweeping toward the Panhandle and South Plains today but it lacked the icy punch of a norther. The U. S. Weather Bureau at Dallas said temperatures would drop in West Texas during the afternoon and in the extreme northwest portion of East Texas. Showers were expected to fall in the northeast and extreme east sections tonight.

Alice and Brownsville reported the warmest weather Monday with a reading of 74 degrees. Dalhart was the coldest spot in Texas overnight with a sub-freezing 28.

Brownsville reported the high minimum, 63 degrees, yesterday. The Weather Bureau said Salt Flat recorded 32 degrees weather early this morning. Other cold spots were Amarillo, 34, degrees; Wink, 36 degrees; El Paso, 37 degrees, and Lubbock and Lufkin, 39 degrees.

Brownsville had .68 inch of rain during the 24-hour period ending at 6:30 A. M. today. Austin and Victoria reported slight rainfall.

Tourists Win Valley Award

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Dec. 6 (UP)—The title of "most typical tourists in the lower Rio Grande Valley" was awarded today to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer C. Ayres of Marion, Ind.

The Ayres also received something a bit more tangible than the title—a \$2,000 all-expenses paid vacation in Texas and Mexico.

Ayres, a 61 year old retired oilman, and his 56 year old wife arrived in the semi-tropical Rio Grande Valley last Nov. 4 to spend their fifth winter in the region.

Their names were entered in the contest by their daughter, Mrs. Donald E. Kneipp of Brownsville, whom they were visiting.

More than 400 couples were entered in the contest judged by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The Ayres will spend one week at Valles, Mexico, another week at Monterrey, Mexico, and then top off the vacation with a week in Brownsville.

In addition, they will go on deep sea fishing trips and aerial sight-seeing tours.

Quintuplets Born To Columbia Pair

MEDELLIN, Colombia, Dec. 6 (UP)—Quintuplet boys have been born to the wife of a laborer and are in perfect health, the mayor of the remote village of Angosture Norte reported today.

The mayor said the quintuplets children of Alfonso and Marria Arroyave, were baptized yesterday. They were named Fermin, Ramiro, Rodrigo, Nabor and Francisco.

The mother's condition was reported as excellent.

Fungus diseases, such as twig canker of oak, may lie dormant within a tree for as long as 10 years. When the tree becomes weak, the disease emerges.



FULL TIME—After the game, as the bruised players trot to the showers, they are serenaded by the rousing marches of the band, plus the inspired, but tired toots from guard Fred Hunt's trumpet.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



BY MERRILL BLOSSER

VIC FLINT

BY MICHAEL O'MALLEY and RALPH LANE



ALLEY OOP

BY V. T. HAMLIN



American Men Too Romantic



Helen Eustis, novelist and magazine writer, who disputes the notion that American husbands are romantically. In fact, she claims they're too romantic. Writing in the December issue of Cosmopolitan magazine, Miss Eustis explains that husbands overwork themselves to free their wives from household drudgery. The result, she says, is that the wives become underworked and overfed and the husbands begin to appear unromantic alongside their wives' soap opera idols. As a solution, the author recommends that husbands and wives become better friends by sharing and enjoying mutual work and recreation.

KERRY DRAKE



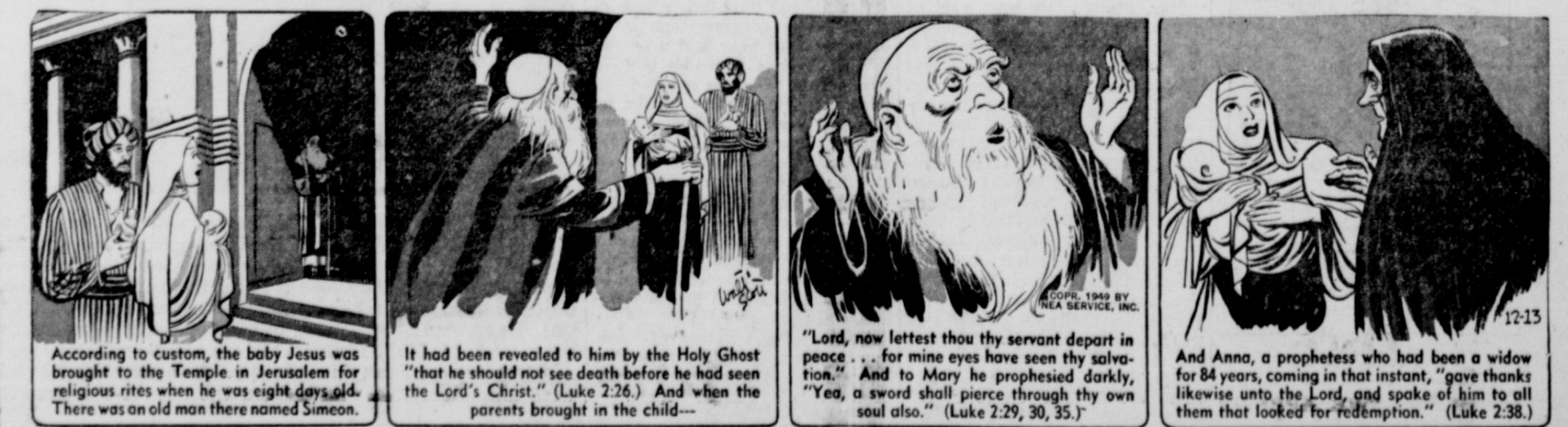
MARY WORTH'S FAMILY



HAIR-BREADTH HARRY



THE STORY OF THE SAVIOR Simeon and Anna, the Prophetess BY WILLIAM E. GILROY, D. D.



According to custom, the baby Jesus was brought to the Temple in Jerusalem for religious rites when he was eight days old. There was an old man there named Simeon.

It had been revealed to him by the Holy Ghost "that he should not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ." (Luke 2:26.) And when the parents brought in the child—

"Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace... for mine eyes have seen thy salvation." And to Mary he prophesied darkly, "Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also." (Luke 2:29, 30, 35.)

And Anna, a prophetess who had been a widow for 84 years, coming in that instant, "gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spoke of him to all them that looked for redemption." (Luke 2:38.)

The CAMEO

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THE STORY: Martin Falter, a resident of the Dolores art colony, has somehow come into possession of a valuable carnelian cameo. He visits a local collector, Hagar Blair, a gift shop proprietor, and offers it for \$12,000. Hagar cannot pay this, but Stephanie Smith, Hagar's assistant, is very anxious that Hagar obtain it. Later Falter calls on Arnold Pfeffer, a weaver, and shows him the cameo.



ARNOLD PFEFFER whistled. He turned the brooch over, lingering it gently. "What do you want me to do with it?" he asked Martin Falter. "I want you to take it to a prospective buyer I have in San Francisco. Ask him for \$12,000, but if you have to take ten, I'll get a power of attorney notarized tonight and bring it over. Now, let's see, I have his card somewhere..." Arnold, his lips pursed worriedly, watched Martin's search through his pockets. He gave a little cough: "You know, Marty, you're asking me to take a lot of responsibility. I wish you'd take it up yourself."

"Let me in, Arnold!" she rattled the knob rudely. "Hurry up!" of his chair, grabbed Arnold's shoulders and held him at arm's length: "Now, now, Arnold," he panted. "Temper, temper!" Arnold looked at him, sobbing, then turned and sank into a chair and buried his face in his hands. "You're despicable, Martin Falter!" he spat. Martin shrugged. "But interesting," he amended. "At least one could call me a milkop. Now, if you're over the little tantrum, I'll give you the cameo. Put it away somewhere while I go out and see about getting that power of attorney. I probably won't get back here until around 9 or 10 this evening." He pressed his mouth into a firm line: "I'm not going to take it up to San Francisco. I just don't like the idea, that's all!" Martin leaned back lazily. "That's tough, because you're going to. You'll do anything I ask, I think—this time or any other time."

Arnold stared at him: "What did you say, Martin?" "You heard me. You owe me something of a debt, Arnold. Fortunately for you, the little bank balance, I've decided not to ask payment in money."

HE got up restlessly and walked over to the steel cabinet where he had locked up the cameo. He unlocked a drawer, took out the silver box and opened it. He stared for a long while at the small, twinkling diamonds, the smooth, pale luster of the pearls and the exquisitely carved weeping woman on the carnelian.

Arnold's body went rigid. "Go on," he said. "I will. Now the way I see it—you like it here in Dolores. You like the reputation you've built for yourself out West as a master weaver. You like the money it brings in, you like the pilgrimages to your door by artists and sight-seers. You'd hate to give it up and move away and begin again, wouldn't you?" Arnold's face was white. Martin laughed. "Oh, don't look so petrified. It all boils down to this—you take the cameo to San Francisco for me, and we'll forget all about Baltimore."

HE gave a nervous start as the knocker on his front door clacked a staccato summons. He hastily closed the cameo box, put it back in the drawer and locked the cabinet. It might be Martin returning—maybe to tell him he needn't take the cameo to San Francisco after all! He made for the hall, paused, then tiptoed swiftly down to the front door. Stealthily, he opened the Judas window a crack and peered out. Standing on his doorstep, big and brash as ever, was Neil O'Neill! "Let me in, Arnold!" She rattled the knob rudely. "Hurry up!" Arnold slammed the window—he'd opened it too far, Neil had seen him! If he didn't let her in, would she bang on the door or cause some other kind of disturbance? Undoubtedly, she would. He released the lock. Neil brushed past him and swept down the hall and into the studio. Arnold trotted after her. She took a brisk look around. "Where is he?" "Who?" "Don't be stupid! Martin Falter. I saw him come in here!" "You should have kept your eye to the knot-hole—you'd have seen him leave."

Woman's Page

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Christmas Wedding Of Miss Barbara Patterson Announced By Parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Patterson have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their only daughter, Barbara Ann and Mr. Jack Cox of Denton.

Mr. Cox is the son of Mrs. Jewel Cox of Breckenridge.

The wedding will be December 20th at 7:30 P. M. in the First Methodist Church.

Miss Patterson is a graduate of Eastland High School and is a student at North Texas State College in Denton, where she will receive a degree in Home Economics in June.

Mr. Cox received his degree from the Denton College last August. He was a member of the Beta Alpha Rho Beta Fraternity. He is now manager of Stone's Shoe Store in Denton, where the couple will make their home.

Miss Patterson has announced her attendants to be, Miss Jeanne Langham of Barland, Maid of Honor and Misses Ann Fox of Kaufman and Jo Ann Bailey of Vernon, Bridesmaids.

Baptist SS Teachers Officers Meet Tuesday Night

The regular meeting of the Teachers and Officers of the First Baptist Church school will be held at the Church, Tuesday at 7 P. M. Mr. Edgar Altom, superintendent announced and urged all officers to be in their places.

"The usual covered dish supper will be omitted at this meeting," he said.



Miss Barbara Patterson

Suprise Birthday Party Honors Aubrey Shafer

The Adult Training Union Group D, of the First Baptist Church, gathered in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Shafer for a suprise birthday party honoring Mr. Shafer. They had a pre-tense business meeting as an excuse for the meeting, but brought birthday cake, candles, gifts and refreshments for the host.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Bob

Middleton and children, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Blevins Jr. and children, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Burleson and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Waller and sons, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Wheat and son and the Rev. L. M. Chapman.

Music Study Club Meet Wednesday

Members of the Music Study Club will meet Wednesday at 8:30 P. M. at the Woman's Club for a program on International Relations, with Mrs. A. D. Dabney as leader.

Mesdames James Young and Prentiss Jones will assist Mrs. Dabney in presenting the program.

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Personals

Mrs. Ollie Bruton of Monarans visited with her mother, Mrs. W. T. Rutherford and her sister, Mrs. L. C. Harlow, and Mr. Harlow last week end.

Mrs. Bruton recently underwent surgery in a Kermit hospital.

Miss Barbara Patterson student at North Texas State College returned to school today after having spent the week end here in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Patterson.

Mrs. D. L. Houle accompanied by Mrs. Guy Patterson and Barbara spent Monday in Dallas.

TEXAS News Briefs

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 6 (UP)—A report covering activities of the Texas Prison System showed today that more than 93 per cent of prison inmates paroled during the last year are making good.

The State Board of Pardons and paroles said that for the year ending last Aug. 31, some 690, or 93 per cent, of the 745 inmates released on initial clemency have remained on good behavior.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 6 (UP)—R. E. Patterson, assistant director of Texas A. & M. Agricultural Experiment Station, was enroute to Nicaragua today to serve on a United Nations mission. Patterson will act as livestock advisor to the food and agriculture mission, studying Nicaraguan agriculture.

HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 6 (UP)—The Air Force training command and the Civil Aeronautics Administration will send their

leaders here Friday for a conference on the city's airport problems.

Scheduled to confer with Mayor Oscar Holcombe are Del W. Rentzel, CAA administrator and Gen. K. P. McNamughton of the ATC, Washington.

Mayor Holcombe said the line of development priority, as affecting Ellington Field and the Municipal Airport, should be determined during the talks.

BAYTOWN, Tex., Dec. 6 (UP)—Funeral services were planned today for Max O. Anderson, 64, crushed to death under a car yesterday at the home of a son.

Anderson, a retired blacksmith was working under the jacked-up car when it slipped off the blocks. A part of the springs struck his head.

Anderson had lived here half of his life. Surviving are his wife two daughter and two sons.

HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 6 (UP)—Complete tabulations today showed Herman Pressler was the new president of the Houston Bar Association.

He succeeds Leon Jaworski. Other officers elected in the mail ballot were W. J. Knight, First Vice President; W. J. Kronzer, Jr., Second Vice President; Richard H. Powell, Secretary, and Bernard Kay, Treasurer. Directors are Curtis Brown, Denman Moody and Joyce Cox. The new officers take up their duties in January.

Mt. Rainier National Park in Washington had 573,183 visitors during the 1949 travel year ended Sept. 30.

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Deer Demoted To Infantry Base

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 6 (UP)—Smokey, a three year old deer that just couldn't adjust his habits to the U. S. Air Force, was transferred to the infantry today.

The eight point buck became mascot of Lackland Air Force base's 20,000 airmen when he was only a fawn. He won fame as the greatest pastry sponger and drinking fountain user on the base. Outside of an inclination to attack off key bandmen, his behavior was exemplary.

But suddenly Smokey turned into a parade hater, an unforgivable sin in the Air Force books.

He broke up several otherwise neat parade formations by ramming men in the ranks. A case of near-assault and battery on a basic airman by the deer brought matters to a head.

Lackland's veterinarian ordered Smokey transferred to Fourth Army Headquarters at Fort Sam Houston, a focal point for Army "bras."

The deer was convinced immediately that the "bras" wouldn't stand for his shenanigans. He was confined right away in a quadrangle surrounded by a deer-defying fence.

Mrs. Woloszyn To Assist In Week's Program

Mrs. E. E. Freyschlag president of the American Legion Auxiliary announced that Mrs. Pete Woloszyn will represent the Auxiliary and will assist Judge Lewis Crossley in the "Democracy Beats Communism Week" Program.

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Preparation For Golden Gloves Show Under Way

FORT WORTH, Dec. 6.—Amateur muscles are being loosened in Texas this month in preparation for the State's biggest mid-winter sports show—Golden Gloves.

From the Panhandle in the Gulf, 21 regional tournaments will be held within the next two months to determine entrants in the 14th annual State Tourney, Feb. 15-20, in Ft. Worth.

Winners of the State Tournament will advance national competition, fighting under the Texas banner at the annual Golden Gloves Tournament of Champions in Chicago.

In the Texas program the spread of regional competition assures any amateur a chance to participate.

Regional tournaments this season will be held in Abilene, Amarillo, Austin, Beaumont, Brownwood, Bryan, Corpus Christi, Dallas, El Paso, Fort Worth, Harlingen, Houston, Lubbock, Odessa, Paris, San Angelo, San Antonio, Tyler, Waco and Wichita Falls.

All Golden Gloves tournaments are staged on a non-profit basis, with surplus funds going to recognized charities and development of amateur sport. Only newspapers and established civic organizations may stage the tournaments, and all contestants must be amateurs, registered with the AAU.

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Houston Strike Violence Flares

HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 6 (UP)—Two drivers were beaten and two limosines damaged last night in a quick flare of violence in a two-month old strike of airport limousine drivers.

One of the firm's automobiles was overturned in front of the Rice Hotel while a few late pedestrians watched. A little later, another limousine was found on fire at the airport, where it was waiting for passengers.

Firemen said the blaze was in the trunk, confining damage to that portion of the car.

Dispatcher W. E. Laseter, 37, reported to a hospital for treatment of cuts and bruises. He said he was attacked by "several men" at the airport, but declined to give details of the incident.

The other injured man was Gene F. Martin, 22-year-old limousine driver not on strike. His car was up-ended at the Rice Hotel shortly after passengers had left.

Martin told police of a running fist battle in the downtown area, when "10 or 12" men knocked him down twice and stomped him. One man had on western clothes, Martin said, and kicked him with a pair of cowboy boots.

AFL drivers of the airways limousine service, about 50 in all, struck two months ago for higher wages. Their demands were not met, and the company has operated with non-union drivers most of the time since the walk-out.

The Golden Gloves program is sponsored in Texas by the Fort Worth Star Telegram and is under direction of its sports editor Flem Hall.

Yule Cards Salute Holly-and-Poinsettia Season



A gay and warm-hearted Yuletide is promised on the 1949 Christmas cards. Scenes of children skating, sledding, and juvenile pranks bedeck the sprightly greetings. One card's in the shape of a barrel—to wear after you pay your Christmas bills! While novelty greetings are in heavy demand, religious Christmas cards also have shot forward in popularity. Publishers estimate that 1,600,000,000 Yule cards will brighten the nation's holiday mail—about 100,000,000 more good wishes than last year.

Missing Dallas Girl Sought

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 6 (UP)—South Dallas residents joined police and Deputy Sheriffs in a search today for two and a half years old Rebecca Ann McCary, missing from her home since yesterday afternoon.

While officers prepared to round up known sex offenders in Dallas county, the Lisbon com-

munity of metropolitan Dallas became aroused over the child's disappearance.

Brownwood, Tex., police were asked to question Rebecca's father, divorced from the youngster's mother for three years, in an effort to locate the child.

Her mother, Mrs. Christine McCary, said she last saw Rebecca at 1:30 P. M., yesterday playing with a red wagon in front of the McCary residence. A wagon was found last night two blocks from the home.

Mrs. McCary said her daughter had wandered away from the house in the past but had always returned home within a short time.

Assisting in the search for the red-haired child, who was barefooted and coatless, were her step father, a post office employe, and a rescue team from the American Legion.

One Way to Cash In
WARWICK, R. I. (UP)—When the town council opened bids to rebuild a five-ton bridge which was wrecked when a 15-ton truck fell through it, the low bidder turned out to be the company that owned the truck.

Soft protein foods are subject to quick spoilage at warm temperatures. In many cases, this spoilage is responsible for illness when there is no sign of it in smell, taste or appearance.

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News From Kokomo

KOKOMO, Dec. 6 (UP)—(Sp)—Sunday school and church services were well attended Sunday with Rev. Willie Scaggs doing the preaching.

Mrs. F. C. Eaves honored her mother, Mrs. G. B. (Aunt Mug) Neill, Monday on her 87th birthday with a shower. She received many useful gifts. Refreshments of cake and orange juice were served to the following: Mrs. Tom Richburg, Mrs. Ezzie Hendricks, Mrs. J. A. McNeely, Mrs. A. W. Hendricks, Sylvia, Mrs. Lucious Johnson, Mrs. Bill O'Neal, Mrs. L. C. Morrow, Mrs. A. B. Eaves, Miss Sarah Hendricks and Delmond Eaves. The afternoon was enjoyed by all present.

T-Sgt. Henry F. Henley of Shreveport, La., spent the Thanksgiving holidays visiting relatives in this community.

G. A. Norris and family, H. F. Henley and family, Miss Sarah Hendricks, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hendricks and Sylvia attended the

musical at Jim Hogan's in Carbon Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Pack of Desdemona visited Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Shugart and family Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Less Dorset and children visited Mrs. G. A. Norris Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Euston were shopping in Eastland Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyd Woods shopped in Gorman Saturday.

J. A. McNeely had business in Gorman Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hendricks and family and Mrs. Ezzie Hendricks visited relatives in Carlbad, N. M. and Hamlin during the holidays.

Mrs. John Donaldson and Mrs. H. D. Sessum went shopping in Gorman Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Parker were Gorman visitors Saturday.

Jake Crowley was in Ranger Tuesday afternoon.

Two Escaped Prisoners Sought

MEXIA, Tex., Dec. 6 (UP)—A young Mexia woman was slain and a man was wounded seriously today in what was believed to be a "love triangle" shooting.

Mexia police said Annie McDonald, 19, was shot at her home about 1:15 A. M. wounded was Melvin Dempsey, 30.

Police said Jimmie Reudasill, 26, was being sought on charges of murder and attempted murder. It was believed he had fled to Houston.

Miss Sarah Hendricks visited Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hendricks in Ranger Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bennett spent the holidays visiting their children in West Texas.

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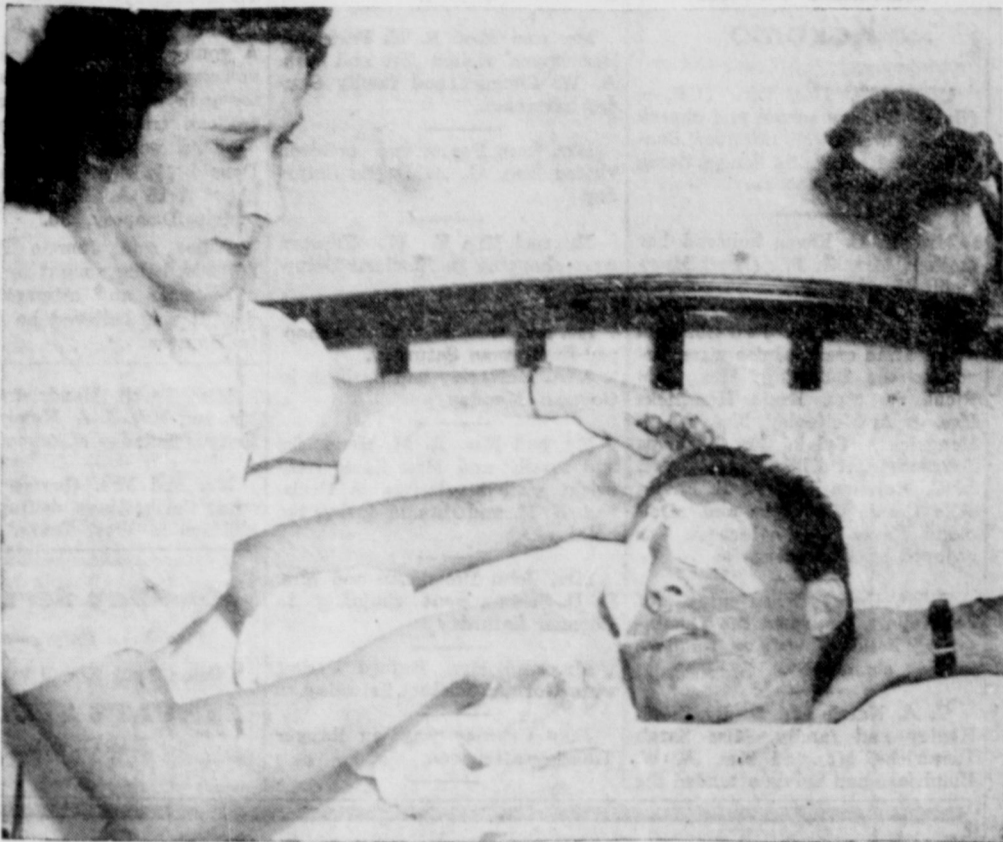
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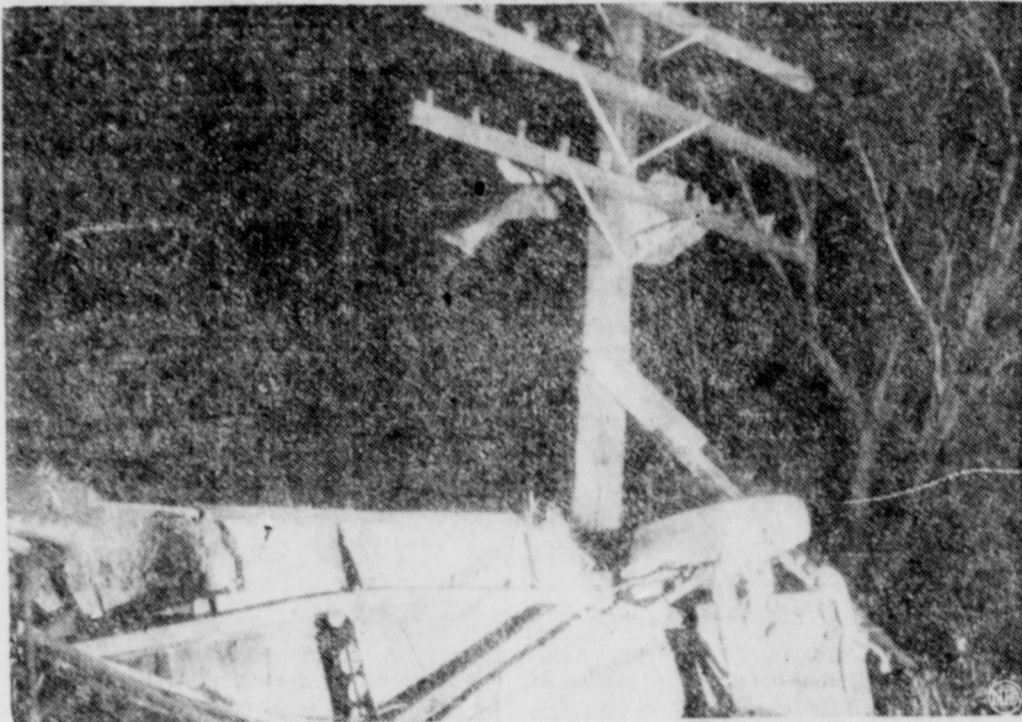
as your guide. Take a quick trip around the ads and you'll save yourself many steps once you're downtown. Our ads contain the latest and most complete information on what's available in the stores. Be wise ... buy wise ... shop and compare Eastland Telegram ads.

Injured In Oklahoma College Fire



Nurse Kay Hicks looks after Guy Mixon of Shreveport, La., who lies in bed in the students' infirmary after a flash fire whipped through a two-story men's dormitory at the University of Oklahoma at Norman, killing three and injuring or burning more than a score. The building, valued at \$700,000, was leveled within minutes and is a total loss. (NEA Telephoto)

Motorist Dies In Freak Accident



Robert Bryant, 32-year-old Muncie, Indiana, motorist, was catapulted high into the air and caught in a web of telephone wires when his car overturned three miles south of Alexandria, Indiana. Mr. Bryant died two hours later in St. John's Hospital in Anderson, Indiana. (NEA Telephoto)

Publisher Of Henderson Newspaper Dies

HENDERSON, Tex., Dec. 6 — (UP)—D. R. (Uncle Dick) Harris, 78 year old publisher of the Henderson Daily News and a former president of the Texas Press Association, died at his home today. Harris, who launched a 67 year career in the printing business as a printer's devil at the age of 11, had been ill for several months, but had been sinking rapidly for the past few days. He was a native of Henderson and spent his entire newspaper career here. He became editor and business manager of the Rusk County News a weekly, at the age of 19 and acquired the newspaper in 1892. With the great boom that followed the discovery of the East Texas oil field, Harris formed a partnership with the late George Bowman of Cleburne and founded the Daily News in 1931. He also continued to publish the Weekly News. Harris served as mayor of Henderson for 10 years without ever asking for the job and was identified with all progressive civic

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movements in this area of East Texas. He served the Texas Press Association as president in 1914-15. An active Methodist layman, he served as steward of the First Methodist Church for 47 years. In tribute to Henderson's first citizen, flags flew at half mast over the courthouse and post office. Funeral services will be held at 3:30 P. M. tomorrow at the First Methodist Church. Survivors include his widow; a son, Randolph; a daughter, Mrs. A. H. Gardner; four grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Lead pencils apparently originated in England about 1560 with the discovery of a graphite mine in Cumberland. Raw graphite was sawed into strips and, without further treatment, was inserted into slots cut lengthwise in wooden dowels.

CHINA NATIONALISTS REJECT U. S. PROTEST

BY ARTHUR GOUL
United Press Staff Correspondent
HONG KONG, Dec. 6 (UP)—Chinese Nationalist Foreign Minister George Yeh today rejected an American protest against Nationalist gunboats firing on American ships trying to trade with the Communist port of Shanghai. Yeh informed U. S. charge

D'Affairs Robert Strong that the Chinese Nationalist Foreign office does not intend to make a formal written reply to the American protest. The U. S. protest was made by Secretary of State Dean Acheson last Wednesday after a Nationalist gunboat fired on the freighter Sir John Franklin of the Isbrandtsen line.

Another of the line's ships, the Flying Cloud, was hit by shell fire from a Nationalist destroyer on Nov. 15. The State Department also protested that incident.

In New York, the Isbrandtsen Company, in a full page advertisement in morning newspapers, addressed an open letter to Secretary of State Dean Acheson in which it asked for protection of their ships. ("Another American ship carrying an American crew and cargo is leaving Shanghai tomorrow, Wednesday," the advertisement said. "How will you insure their safety?")

Although Yeh reiterated the Nationalist government's right to blockade Shanghai, he promised the Franklin, now in Shanghai,

would be given a safe conduit to clear the port without interference. The Franklin was hit when she tried to enter Shanghai but no one aboard was injured.

Yeh warned that any Isbrandtsen ships trying to enter Shanghai in the future would have "rough going."

Acheson in his protest said that the firing on American ships was a violation of the legal rights of the U. S. but at the same time he warned that vessels trying to enter blockaded Chinese ports did so at their own risk.

Panamanian Consul Bernardo Verora disclosed that a number of Chinese-owned ships had applied for Panamanian registry to avoid confiscation by the Nationalists. Five applications have been approved and 17 others are on file, he said.

Before designing his dummy, Mortimer Snerd, Edgar Bergen studied phrenology and combined in Mortimer all physical marks of stupidity.

Public Needs Information On Social Diseases

AUSTIN, Dec. 6 (Sp)—A very definite need for widespread public information about venereal disease is indicated, stated State Health Officer Geo. W. Cox. "The information campaign now underway in many Texas communities is in part a reflection of that need," Dr. Cox said.

The total number of cases reported to the health department for twenty leading communicable diseases, show that syphilis and gonorrhea totals were higher than any of the others, except influenza and measles, in 1948.

More than 20,000 cases of syphilis and 27,000 cases of gonorrhea were reported to the health department last year. "Nor is it expected that the situation will be different this year," said Dr. Cox. "Reports to date for 1949 indicate that the venereal diseases will continue in their high-ranking place."

The State Health Officer stated that citizen cooperation in Better Health for Texans Week, December 5 to 11, would make possible a reduction in venereal disease rates for 1950. "More information is what Texans need about these diseases," Dr. Cox concluded. "And every local health department unit is directing its energy toward making that information available."

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