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## READ THE CLASSIFIEDS

**MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UP)**—The W. C. Halesys during the summer months sleep to the patter of "rain" on the roof of their converted army barracks home. It was so hot inside that they decided to set up a lawn sprinkler on the roof.

**She Feels Frustrated**  
**MARKLBORO, Vt. (UP)**—Dorothy Canfield Fisher, novelist, admits she doesn't like any of her books. She told a Marlboro College fiction writers conference that "each new work has been a dreadful disappointment."

# Someone to Love

By **IRENE LONNEN ERNHART**  
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**THE STORY:** Tod Dunson's fiancee, Liz Conover, has eloped with another man and Tod is crushed by the news. He loses ambition and becomes aimless, much to the distress of Jenny, an old friend who told him of Liz's elopement. She attempts to restore Tod's self-confidence. Tod asks her to take the day off with him.



JENNY saw a lot of Tod Dunson during the next few weeks. He met her after work occasionally and they had dinner together. Once or twice he went home with her to the tiny house on Catapa street and she cooked a couple of steaks and French fries and got out a bottle of Pop's wine that was still stored in the basement. Jenny was trying to find an apartment for the house had been sold. And Tod was trying to find a job, so they had a lot of fun looking over the rental and help wanted columns of the evening paper, and underscoring the favorable ones. They had a laugh over more than one.

"This is something entirely different than I felt for Liz." He pulled her to him and kissed her.

After a while he looked up and said casually, "By the way, Mr. Conover phoned today and asked me to come to his office."

sandwiches, and cookies. And Tod had brought a lead bucket full of ice and canned beer.

"Listen to this," Tod said once. "Wanted: Closers and Canvasmen. What in the world is a closer? And here's an ad for a saddle horse groom. Must have experience, house and utilities furnished. I know about horses. Liz insisted I learn to ride. We were going to have a stable of horses, among other things. He broke off then and a short silence fell between them. By tacit understanding they did not speak of Liz."

The day was sunny and warm to the point of sultriness. They had to park the car on the gravel road and walk in to the cabin because the lane, untraveled for so long, looked soggy. Jenny carried the picnic hamper, and their bathing suits, and Tod the lead can full of beer.

Jenny paused by the sink, her back to him. "And what did you tell him?"

"No, thanks."

"Why?" She did turn now, regarding him curiously.

"Because of what he implied."

"And what was that?"

"That Liz had made a mistake, but sooner or later would come to her senses. And when she did, there I'd be, ready and waiting, as though nothing at all had happened. You see Mr. Conover's always been fond of me. He's quite a football fan."

"So you turned down the offer?"

"Oh, Tod." She tried to think of something to say. Even though she had thought he might ask her to marry him, and had longed for the moment when he would, now she was doubtful.

"I need you, Jenny." His blue eyes, usually so reckless, were dark with gravity, and his mouth sober.

"Take today, for instance, the wonderful time we've had together. Just the two of us. It's been more than fun. You make me feel so—well, so sort of content and peaceful. I can't think of anything more wonderful than being with you always for the rest of our lives."

"You're sure it isn't that just because Liz—" She couldn't quite bring herself to say it, but she did need to say it, and she knew she meant, and his face darkened instantly.

"You mean you think I'm on the rebound? Is that it? Well I'm not, Jenny! This is something entirely different than I felt for Liz." He pulled her to him and raised her chin and kissed her, lightly at first, and then with a sudden fierce surge of passion. And Jenny, clinging to him, feeling surrender turn her bones to water.

He let her go at last, and they faced each other trembling with awareness. "You will marry me, Jenny, won't you?" He said it with conviction now. "Please say you will!"

"Jenny."

She paused and looked at him for a second, knowing instantly by the look in his eyes what he was going to say. Her heart almost

stopped beating, and she could feel the color creeping up her throat.

"Yes, Tod!"

"I've been doing an awful lot of thinking lately."

"About what?"

"The future."

"Oh, you mean about finishing college?"

"No, about us."

"Us?"

"Us?"

**Champion—**  
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down.  
Before Champion could get to the well, Winkerman went to his house and said, "Frank, they'll tell you that I lost the tools, but that's a lie, because you know where the tools are." With that he quit the job.

Jack Walters joined the crew and so Champion and Mrs. Champion took off to go to the Dallas Fair. On returning to Ranger on a Friday noon, Champion was too late to go to work but went out Saturday. Walters told Champion that he had drilled 20 feet of grey lime and was in shale then.

Harve Wells was tool dresser on Champion's tower and was busy making a door for the rig when Champion saw cuttings from the bottom of the hole begin to blow out the top of the hole. (He had orders from Gordon that any time he saw a change in the gas to pull out and wait for further orders.) Champion noticed that the cuttings had more gas. He called to Wells to put on ropes and pull out of the hole. Being a "green" hand, Wells got the ropes tangled up and they had a tussle getting them straight. By the time they got back to a "screw" the oil was hitting the clamps and both Champion and Wells were soaked with the flowing gold.

After the excitement the well was covered with a 2 by 12 board to hold back the flow of oil. It flowed this way for four weeks without a valve and at the end of that time, and again on Saturday afternoon, Wagner went to Champion and stated that Gordon wanted to drill the well deeper.

"We went in and re-rigged the tools," Champion said, "and made one screw of six feet and increased the oil flow from 450 barrels to 1750 barrels. Oil was blowing out of the ground into the pit and every where and we were soaked," he said.

Gordon looked the situation over and said, "That's enough." The crew was scrubbing the oil off with hot water out of the boiler when Gordon called out to Champion, "Frank come over to Thurber tomorrow and get your automobile." He had promised a new car to the man that drilled in the first 500 barrel well. Champion got a Willys-Overland automobile.

And the famous McCleskey oil well was in and the most seething boom of the oil industry has ever been popping. Champion recalls that some of the others who worked on the well were Top McCleskey, Nat Faircloth, the late Claud Donley, brother of J. F. Donley of Ranger and Earl Root, the latter a water pumper.

Harvey said he managed to jump to safety, but could not save Mrs. Taylor.  
The other casualty was Leonard Edward Davis, 21, whose skull was crushed under a car he was working on.

**HOUSTON, Tex. Oct. 17 (UP)**—A 36-year-old merchant seaman who apparently went berserk was charged with murder today in the shooting of Enoch Z. Green, 65-year-old cafe operator. Green was shot yesterday as he opened his cafe. The seaman, identified as Roy Brannon, an ex-convict, was still firing into the ground when police arrived.

Records showed Brannon had been convicted four times on various charges, including felony theft, burglary and violation of narcotics laws.

## Jobs Open With TEC Office Now

The Merit System Council, which serves as a "clearing house" for positions in the Texas Employment Commission and the State Department of Public Welfare, will hold open competitive examinations on November 19, 1949, for a number of positions now open in both agencies, according to Chas. S. Gardiner, Director of the Merit System Council.

Positions to be filled by these agencies consist of Field Worker, Interviewer III, Stenographers, Clerk Typist, and Apprentice Clerk. Qualifications for these positions vary from high school graduation to college work and experience requirements. Gardiner pointed out that application to take an examination

must be made on an official application blank, which may be obtained from the local offices of the employment Commission and the Department of Public Welfare located throughout the State, or by writing the Merit System Council, 1000 San Antonio Street, Austin, Texas. "The closing date for submission of applications is October 29, 1949, and applications postmarked after midnight on the closing date will not be considered," he added.

Gardiner also stated that these examinations present to people the opportunity for permanent employment with the Texas Employment Commission and the State Department of Public Welfare. For many years, the Farsees of India have disposed of their dead by placing the bodies on towers where vultures eat them.

**FLINT, Mich. (UP)**—A woman here tried with success a new remedy for getting rid of pesky starlings. Acting on a suggestion by an "old man in the neighborhood," she hung some discarded underwear well rubbed with sulphur in the trees. The starlings disappeared.

Tennessee got its nickname of the "Volunteer State" during the Mexican War when Gov. Aaron V. Brown issued a call for 2,800 men to volunteer for army service and 30,000 responded within a few days.

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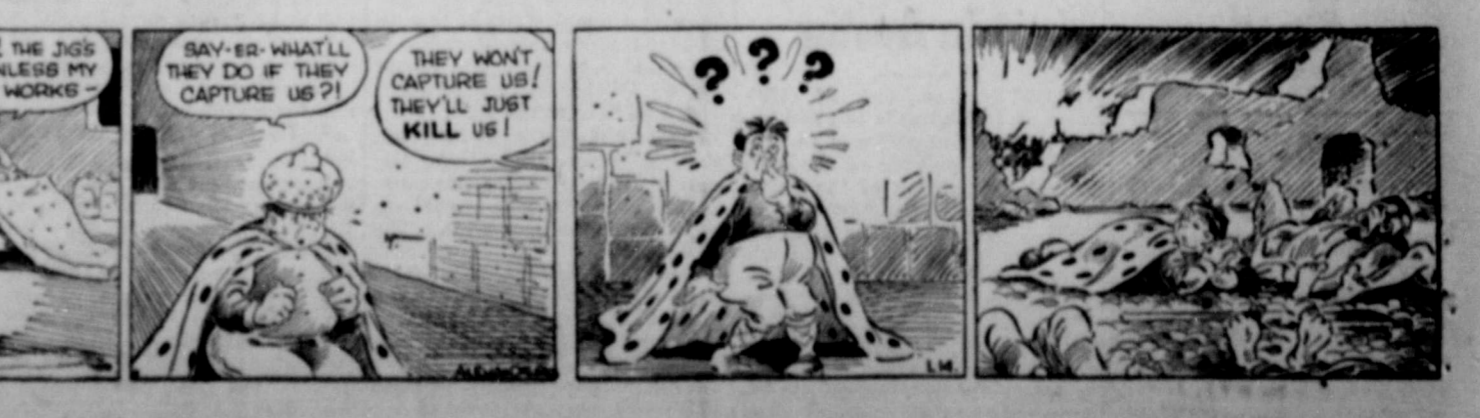
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## TEXAS News Briefs

**DALLAS, Oct. 17—(UP)**—Dr. Alexander Watkins Terrell, Jr., prominent Dallas physician, died yesterday at his home after an illness of more than one year. He was 41.  
Terrell's wife, the daughter of airline owner T. E. Braniff, died in January, 1948.

**TYLER, Oct. 17—(UP)**—Tyler had two traffic deaths over the weekend.  
Adria Allen, 24, was killed early Sunday when he drove his car in front of an oncoming locomotive. Three other persons in the car were injured, none seriously.

**H. L. Barter, 78, was killed in an automobile collision Saturday night in front of a drive-in theater.**

**PALESTINE, Oct. 17—(UP)**—Homer Alex Green, 22-year-old locomotive fireman, was killed early yesterday when his stripped-down automobile overturned north of Palestine.

Seriously injured in the accident was another trainman, Lawton Bomer.

**DALLAS, Oct. 17—(UP)**—Today was Negro Achievement Day at the State Fair of Texas, as attendance figures continued to set an all-time record.

Yesterday, 234,765 persons swarmed through the Fair gates to boost the total attendance to date to 1,349,526—more than she 200,000 ahead of last year.

**Houston adds Texas News Briefs**  
**HOUSTON, Tex. Oct. 17 (UP)**—A hit-and-run driver was sought today in one of two traffic deaths in the city over the weekend.

Mrs. Cora Leo Taylor, 43, was struck down by a speeding car early Sunday morning. Her companion, Roscoe Harvey, told investigators the car was traveling down the wrong side of the

(To Be Continued)

### Hong Kong Digs In



Some of the 40,000 British troops stationed in Hong Kong dig trenches on the outskirts of the city as Chinese Communist forces enter Canton, 75 miles to the northwest. Hong Kong authorities said they believed it would be only a matter of days before Red troops advanced to the borders of the British city. (NEA Telephoto.)

### MAN WANTED FOR MURDER SOUGHT IN PANHANDLE

DALHART, Tex. Oct. 17 (UP)—Texas Panhandle and New Mexico police began the third day of a search today for Leonard (Lucky) Hawkins, 35-year-old former Bush League baseball player wanted for murder.

Officers believed Hawkins was hiding here, but road blocks remained in force throughout the region in an attempt to trap him. He was last seen Saturday morning in a Dalhart cafe, carrying a pistol and threatening Juanita Groves, 19, his onetime girl friend who "jilted" him.

Hawkins was wanted for the murder of Alfred Clark, 23, who worked with him recently at a Clayton, N. M., cafe. Two weeks ago, they left for New York in Clark's car. Last Wednesday, Clark was found robbed and shot to death in an Illinois farm field. He had been dead about five days.

A few days before the body was found, Hawkins was seen in the Panhandle driving Clark's automobile. Officers chased him unsuccessfully.

He abandoned the car Saturday, fleeing afoot from the cafe after he failed to catch Miss Groves, a waitress. She was eating breakfast when he entered and ran through a back door be-

fore he could reach her. A cook stopped him in the kitchen long enough for her to get away. Miss Groves was placed under guard.

It marked her second encounter in ten days with Hawkins, whom she has known for more than a year. Sheriff W. L. Stout said he believed Hawkins "is after her because she told him she's through with him."

Ten days ago, Miss Groves said, Hawkins kidnaped her after pistol-whipping and robbing her escort when they left a dance near Vega, Tex. She said Hawkins forced her to accompany him to a tourist cabin.

She later escaped by knocking him unconscious with a fire extinguisher. He was charged with robbery by assault.

**Old School Bell Retired**  
MARTINS FERRY, O. (UP)—The old school bell will lose its final home this summer when the north building is razed to make way for a modern one. The bell called children to classes for the past 80 years. It also has sounded for every blaze in town since the fire department was organized 60 years ago.

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### Great Cowpokes To Compete In Cowtown Rodeo

FORT WORTH, Oct. 16—Between 300 and 400 cowboys will compete in the rodeo at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, Jan. 27 through Feb. 5, according to Verne Elliott, veteran rodeo producer.

Elliott, who lives on a ranch near Plattville, Colorado, was here to make plans for the rodeo of which he will again be the producer, as he has almost every season for the past 25 years.

"All the top cowboys will take part in the Fort Worth show," said Elliott. "They look forward to competing here as it is undoubtedly the top indoor rodeo of the world."

Elliott will bring a great array of stock—great in numbers and in wildness: 140 bucking horses for the saddle and bareback contests, 80 Brahmas for the bull-riding and 100 Mexican steers for the bulldozing. He will provide 100 calves for the roping event, 50 cattle for the cutting contest and 50 saddle horses for arena work and the grand entry.

Besides his ranch in Colorado, Elliott has a ranch near Cheyenne, Wyo., and has 1,200 acres under lease a few miles from Fort Worth. On this latter place, his rodeo stock will finish out the winter and he will operate out of here for the other rodeos he will produce, including Baton Rouge, La., El Paso and Kansas City.

A producer since 1919, Elliott has put on almost countless rodeos including London, Madison Square Garden (the first rodeo New York City ever saw), Cheyenne, Pendleton, Ore., and Denver.

### Dwarf Cattle Found In Canyon

JAMESTOWN, N. D., Oct. 17. (UP)—The Dwarf cattle that animal trainer Gene Holter claims to have found in a "lost canyon" are "crazy for salt" and drink so much water they become bloated, Holter said today.

Holter, 27, revealed that the canyon is in an isolated section of the southwest "more than 1,000 miles from North Dakota." But he refused to pinpoint the location because he said there were 20 more head of the little animals roaming the range and he wants to capture them.

### Mayor Is Milking Champ



Mayor Carl DeBord, center, of Deming, N. M., demonstrates his technique on a fountain pen held by Arizona's Gov. Dan Garvey, left, after winning a milking contest among six southwestern mayors and two governors at the centennial celebration in Las Cruces, N. M., Gov. T. J. Mabry of New Mexico, right, smiles his approval of DeBord's grip. (NEA Telephoto.)

Holter was a little afraid that "premature publicity" may have ruined a deal to have his next expedition financed by a national magazine. He had a contract with the magazine for exclusive

pictures, he said, when local newsmen learned about the dwarfs. "Now I don't know what is going to happen," he said. "But I can always exhibit the cattle I've already caught as freaks."

### How To Relieve Bronchitis

Holter said he brought out the five head—three bulls and two cows—by helicopter.

Two veterinarians who examined the animals said a soil or water deficiency in the canyon apparently prevented them from growing to full size.

Holter said the canyon was several square miles in area and had a stream, shrubbery and rocks. Some of the cattle still in the canyon are even smaller than those he captured, he said. Most are about the size of a large dog.

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# SPORTS

## SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEK TO BE ON RICE-TEXAS

By Ed Fite  
United Press Sports Writer  
Rice Institute's rejuvenated Owls and the pass-happy University of Texas Longhorn meet in Austin Saturday in the top southwest conference game of the week and will pare the loop lead tangle by at least one team.

The Owls, Longhorns and Baylor's surprising Bears shared the lead today after the first full round of title play marked by Rice's palpitating 41-27 upset of defending champion Southern Methodist.

With pre-season favorite SMU out of the way, at least temporarily, observers were looking forward today to a possible "championship" game Nov. 26 when Rice and Baylor collide at Houston.

Texas, of course, resting easily on its laurels after staging a whirlwind comeback to defeat Arkansas 27-14 Saturday, may not think along those lines.

But, Coach Blair Cherry's Longhorns definitely will be the underdog when the two smack heads before nearly 70,000 fans at memorial stadium this week.

It will be the passing of Paul Campbell against the explosive Rice offense that mixes the Tobin Rote-to-Froggie Williams pass-ages with the brilliant running of Bobby Lantrip, Sonny Wyatt and Van Ballard behind a viciously-charging front line.

And, the all-around potential power packed into coach Jess Neely's senior team should be too much for a Longhorn team that boasts little of a consistent ground game punch.

Baylor, meanwhile, will seek to continue its victory siege against conference opponents by tackling the hapless Texas Aggies at College Station—and should do so with comparative ease.

The Bears bused by Texas Tech 28-7 Saturday while the Aggie bowed to Texas Christian 28-6 at

Fort Worth.

The rest of the league takes on inter-sectional foes with SMU's joust with high-riding Kentucky at Dallas headlining that portion of the slate.

TCU meets Mississippi in a night game at Ft. Worth and Arkansas journeys to Nashville against Vanderbilt.

Randall Clay held to his individual scoring lead with two extra points against the Porkers to give the Texas halfback 54 points, while Don Logue of Arkansas notched one touchdown to hold second place with 36.

Rice's James Williams, scored 22 points against SMU, to jump from nowhere into third place at 32 points.

**The Calendar:**  
Season Standings—  
Team W L T Pct. Pts. Opp.  
Baylor --- 4 0 0 1.000 97 32  
Texas --- 4 1 9 .800 194 41  
Rice --- 3 1 0 .750 136 48  
TCU --- 3 2 1 .700 109 73  
SMU --- 2 1 0 .667 68 75  
Ark. --- 2 2 0 .500 87 88  
Tex A&M 1 4 0 .200 45 137

**Conference Standings:**  
Baylor --- 1 0 0 1.000 35 13  
Texas --- 1 0 0 1.000 27 14  
Rice --- 1 0 0 1.000 41 27  
TCU --- 1 1 0 .500 35 33  
Ark. --- 1 2 0 .333 54 69  
SMU --- 0 1 0 .333 27 41  
Tex A&M 0 1 0 .000 6 28

**Individual Scorings:**  
Player, Team TD PAT FG TP  
Randall Clay, Texas 6 18 0 54  
Don Logue, Ark. 6 0 0 36  
J. Williams, Rice 3 14 0 32  
Lewis Levine, Tex. 5 0 0 30  
Doak Walker, CMU 3 7 0 25

## Beverly Hanson Wins Tourney

FORT WORTH, Tex., Oct. 17 (UP)—The 14th Annual Texas Women's open golf crown belonged to Beverly Hanson of Indio, Calif. today, on the strength of her 3 and 2 win over Marlene Bauer, the 15-63-4-old medalist from Long Beach.

Some 2,500 persons witnessed the match at River Crest Country Club yesterday, as Miss Hanson defeated the youngster who had become a tournament favorite after winning medal honors and alternating defending champion Polly Riley of Fort Worth.

Miss Bauer was even only once during the match—on the eighth hole 11 and was four down on the 24th hole.

Both finalists appeared in good form in drives, approaches and putts, but Miss Hanson held the upper hand throughout the match.

Assault To Be Retired Soon  
NEW YORK, Oct. 17 (UP)—King Ranch's Assault, the triple crown champion of 1946 who "just isn't there any more," is expected to be retired permanently within the next few days.

The six-year old chestnut horse apparently reached the end of his competitive rope Saturday at Jamaica when he wound up eighth in a field of 12 in the grey leg handicap. Announcement of Assault's retirement probably will be made this week.

Veteran jockey Eddie Arcaro, who rode Assault to many notable victories in days gone by and was aboard the former triple crown holder Saturday, said after the race:

"I thought Assault had a chance at the three-eighths pole but he just flattened out. I guess the old horse just isn't there any more."

Assault was brought back to the racing wars four months ago after brief service in studd. He quickly won the Brooklyn Handicap at Aqueduct and appeared on the way to a successful comeback. But in five successive trips to the post, including last Saturday's test the once great horse met repeated failure.

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## OIL ACTIVITIES KEEP TEXAS RESERVES HIGH

By sinking 10,000 miles of holes and millions of dollars in the Texas oil industry has kept Texas reserves of oil and gas on the increase despite high production rates.

Drilling activity, one of the key factors in creation of wealth for the Texas economy, has been running full blast during 1949 as the state's oil and gas operators sought new oil reserves and developed known producing areas, according to Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association surveys.

Based on Railroad Commission reports, the Association's statistics show that as of September 17, 1949, 9,549 wells had been completed in Texas as compared with 8,244 during the same period in 1948—a 16 per cent increase.

Wildcat drilling, the expensive, high-risk effort to find oil in new areas of the state, showed 1,871 wildcat wells by September 17, 1949. This was an increase of 21 per cent over the 1,542 wells put down during the same 1948 period.

Fuller appreciation of the scope of the petroleum industry's current drilling effort is realized when it is pointed out that the 1949 pace is outstripping the records of 1948 when an estimated 52,746,000 feet—nearly 10,000 miles—of holes were drilled.

In 1948, the petroleum industry in Texas drilled 12,251 wells, the greatest number of any year in the state's oil history, with the exception of 1937. The over-all drilling effort in 1948 produced 7,619 oil wells, 542 gas wells and 4,090 dry holes. One out of every three wells drilled was a dry hole, a compilation of both development and wildcat wells indicates.

Of 1948's drilling program, 2,285 were wildcat wells, according to the Railroad Commission, and 1,598, or 83.1 per cent were dry holes.

Texas operators, during 1948, drilled 31 per cent of all the wells drilled in the nation. An indication of the trends toward deeper drilling is indicated by the fact that 38 per cent of the nation's footage drilled in 1948 was in Texas.

Although the average well depth in 1948 was 4,305 feet for holes drilled in Texas, there were 82 wells which at the year's end had reached points, 12,000 feet or deeper. About 75 per cent of the nation's deep wells were drilled in the Texas-Louisiana area, drilling trade publications point out. Assuming a typical daily operating cost of \$2,000 per day as the cost of operation of the big rigs necessary for deep wells, it has been pointed out that in the relatively soft formations of the Gulf Coast Texas area, the deep wells cost more than \$316,000 each to drill. In some of the harder formation areas, such as encountered in parts of West Texas, costs are 50 to 150 per cent greater.

**Reserves Of Oil In Ground Still On The Increase**  
Reserves of crude oil in the ground, the solid base of Texas' prosperity, have continued to increase in spite of high production records in recent years to indicate the expanding program of development pushed by the states petroleum industry, according to the Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association.

Proved reserves of crude oil in Texas totaled 12,484,218,000 barrels at the end of 1948, according to the estimate of the Committee on Petroleum Reserves of the A. P. I. Texas' reserves account for 53.6 per cent of all proved reserves in the U. S. (U. S. total is 23,280,444,000.)

In spite of re-cesses breaking withdrawals during 1948, Texas' reserves at the end of year were 708,681,000 barrels greater than the total at the start of the year. The Texas increase amounted to 39.4 per cent of the nation's increase. Omitting California, Texas added more to reserves than all the other states together.

In addition to crude oil reserves the A. P. I. committee estimates that Texas has another 2,074,674,000 barrels reserve of natural gas liquids (includes condensate, natural gasoline and liquefied petroleum gases). Add this to the crude oil total and Texas has 14,558,892,000 barrels of liquid hydrocarbon reserves. This is 54.3 per cent of the U. S. total.

Total liquid hydrocarbon reserves in Texas increased by 824,292,000 barrels during 1948, which amounted to a 6 per cent increase.

## AMERICAN OVERSEAS PLANE LOSES RACE WITH STORK

PHANNON AIRPORT, Ireland, Oct. 17 (UP)—An American overseas airlines constellation left New York with 38 passengers yesterday and arrived here today with 39 after losing a race with the stork.

Mrs. Darink Parker, 20, of New York, wife of an American soldier stationed in Wiesbaden, Germany, gave birth to a four-pound son at 6:34 A. M. (1:34 A. M. EST) in the constellation's crew department.

The baby was born while the plane was still 400 miles from Shannon and 5,000 feet above the Atlantic. It was believed to be the first air birth in history on a Trans-Atlantic plane.

Two and one half hours later both mother and son were reported "doing well" at the airport hospital here.

The dramatic story was told in radio messages before dawn today from the plane's pilot, Capt. John Hennessy of Newton, Mass.

"A passenger aboard appears to be in labor," Hennessy radioed. "Request have doctor available at Shannon. We have a doctor aboard to assist if necessary."

Crew members 10 minutes later carried Mrs. Parker into their compartment. She was attended by Dr. Fred Henschel of New York, a passenger, and hostess Mary Jane Hineckley of Melville, N. J., a registered nurse.

U. S. Air Force officials at Wiesbaden identified Mrs. Parker's husband as M-Sgt. James C. Parker of Alderson, W. Va., an electronic specialist.

Miss Hineckley returned to the passengers' compartment after the baby was born and announced the news. One of the passengers passed a hat and collected \$26.

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# Someone to Love

By **IRENE LONNEN ERNHART**

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THE STORY: Jenny Pollock has broken the news to Tod Danvers that she is leaving him. She has stopped with another man. Tod is crushed, but the meeting with Jenny restores that old feeling of ship which had inspired while Tod was a big football star at State University. He is now training around with Liz. Tod had promised to call Jenny, but when days pass and he doesn't, Jenny calls Tod's home and leaves word that she called.



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It was April now, one of those warm sunny days, incredibly fragrant and sweet, the air as soft as silk, the grass a tender green. Jenny Pollock always cut across Cleveland park on her way to catch the bus and that was where she met Tod. He was sitting on a bench along the walk that circled the fountain with its statue of George Cleveland.

At first she didn't recognize him, for he was slouched down on the bench with his hat sort of over his face just like the other loafers. But suddenly he straightened and showed back his hat.

"Tod!" She stopped stock still and her heart jumped into her throat. He looked thin, but as handsome as ever.

"Hello, Jenny." He got up, searching her face. "I didn't know whether to stop you or not. I remembered you always used to like to cut across the park."

"Oh, Tod! I'm so glad to see you!" Tears actually sprang into her eyes, much to her dismay, tears of relief and delight. "I phoned and Harriet said no one knew where you were, and I've been so terribly worried."

"Harriet told me you phoned. I've been trying all week to get up the nerve to look you up."

"To get up the nerve?"

"Yeah, I said I'd phone you and then I didn't, and it's been quite a while. I guess Harriet told you what to bother I'd been on."

I guess I couldn't think of anything but running away."

"But Tod," she whispered, "it doesn't matter. All of us run away in one fashion or another." She came close and put her hand on his arm, smiling at him.

"Gee, Jenny," he said looking down at her, "we used to be such good pals, didn't we?"

"Yeah."

THEY walked along now, away from the inquisitive stares of the loafers, until they found a more secluded bench. "I don't want to bother you, Jenny, or make you late for work."

"Max won't care if I'm a few minutes late." She couldn't bear to let him go away and perhaps not see him for months again. Besides she had a feeling that he needed her. That was probably why he had come.

He told her all about the scene that had taken place at home the day of his return from New York. Harriet had had hysterics and they had to call the doctor for his mother, she had carried on so. And his brother Joe had taken the whole thing as a personal double-cross.

Jenny, remembering Joe, could just picture him, talking in that Humphrey Bogart way of his, his face twisted, his hair falling atawkward his forehead. Someday Joe would probably get into some real trouble, trouble worse than getting knocked flat for cheating at a poolroom poker game. He was cheap. The whole family was cheap, all except Tod. But, like Pop used to say, Tod had always been different somehow, clean and handsome, and nothing petty or cheap about him.

Jenny put her hand on his arm again sympathetically. She longed to touch him, to take him into her arms and cradle him like a child. "Don't mind your family, Tod. They'll get over it. I remember when you all used to live on Catalpa street where there was always a family row at your house about something."

"You'd have thought I jilted Liz instead of her jilting me," he said ruefully. "To begin with Ma had

"You're in love with someone. Who is it? Someone I know?"

"It's you, silly." She tossed her head.

rented this expensive apartment. They moved in there a month ago. Ma never did think any further than this month's rent, anyhow. And they'd filled the place full of junk, all bought on credit; new clothes for the wedding, lamps, dishes, even new furniture—because they said they didn't want to be ashamed to bring Liz around to see them. Liz had never met them, and they felt as though—well you know. And then after getting all set up, they find out all of a sudden I wasn't going to marry into the Conover family after all. Well, you can see how it was."

"Yes, I can see," Jenny remembered the venom in Harriet's voice that night over the phone.

"And I was feeling so upset and confused anyway, and pretty blue to think Liz couldn't have waited and explained things to me."

A SQUIRREL scampered along the green grass and sat up on its haunches regarding them hopefully with its beady eye, chattering nervously.

"But in the end it would have come out the same, anyhow, wouldn't it, Tod?" Jenny said after a moment. "The only thing to do is start all over—a fresh start."

He was so good looking, she was thinking, so darned handsome. She didn't see how Liz could have turned him down for anybody else. If only he would look at her and stop thinking about Liz now.

"I suppose I ought to get a job," Tod said. He picked a blade of grass and twirled it in his fingers thoughtfully. "I ought to finish college. Just one more year is all I need for a degree."

"Why don't you?"

"There'll be no more football," he said glumly, "after that accident."

"The football wasn't the most important thing, anyhow, Tod. It wouldn't help you get a job. It's the education that counts."

He turned to look at her, his blue eyes sober and intent. "Jenny, you're the only good friend I've got."

"Don't be silly, Tod. Just because Liz married someone else is no sign all your friends are going to drop you. You're making too much out of it. Just because you're

# Society-Clubs

Observe Anniversaries



Mr. and Mrs. George Moore of Colony, left, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Anderson, center, and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Poyner, right recently held a joint celebration observing their 33rd wedding anniversaries. All three couples were married in September, 33 years ago.

## Honored On 10th Birthday Friday

Mrs. Hershel Angus entertained at her home Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock with a party complimenting her daughter, Paula Rae on her tenth birthday.

The guests were entertained with a series of games and served refreshments before enjoying a theatre party.

Those attending were Virginia Belknap, Sherry Ann Baker, Carolyn Ann Weaver, Nora Sue Hamilton, Barbara Ann Rogers, Peggy Jo Fox and Paula Rae.

## Colony H.D. Club To Meet Wednesday

The Colony Home Demonstration Club will meet Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Dee Anderson.

All members are urged to attend.

## Wesleyan Guild To Meet Tonight

The Wesleyan Guild of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist Church will meet Monday night at the church at 7:30 o'clock.

## Couples Observe Anniversaries

Three couples recently held a celebration in Ranger, the occasion being the 33rd wedding anniversary for all three couples.

The celebration was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Anderson and the other couples were Mr. and Mrs. Dean Poyner of Dublin and Mr. and Mrs. George Moore of Colony.

The Andersons were married September 19, 1916; the Moores, September 23, 1916, and the Poyners, September 16, 1916.

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# CONGRESS FINISHING UP WORK FOR ADJOURNMENT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—The Democratic 81st Congress, wearily plodding toward adjournment Wednesday or Thursday, made "outstanding progress in far-reaching, progressive legislation," "democratic leaders claimed today.

Senate democratic leader Scott W. Lucas of Illinois reported after a "Big Four" conference of congressional leaders with President Truman this morning that the President "is happy and pleased at the progress in both houses."

Only farm legislation and some unfinished appropriations bills, including the big Military Services spending bill, stand in the way of adjournment.

Speaker Sam Rayburn said that once they are out of the way adjournment will come rapidly—probably Wednesday or Thursday.

House democratic leader John W. McCormack of Massachusetts said he hoped the differences between the House and Senate on the farm and appropriations bills will be reconciled.

He also expressed the hope that the Senate would put \$30,000,000 (M) in the final supplemental appropriations bill for aid to Korea until next February.

The democratic leaders including vice president Alben W. Barkley, agreed that today's conference with the President would be the last regular weekly legislative conference at the White House until January. Rayburn for one, said he did not plan to return to Washington after adjournment until Jan. 3.

The democratic leaders presented Mr. Truman with a report Mrs. Cleo Merchant and Mrs. Merchant's mother, Mrs. Tanager of Haskell, were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Horton.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Allan of Dennison were the week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Todd and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kelley. They were accompanied home by Mrs. C. H. Henderson who has been the guest of the Todds and Kelleys. The Kelleys also had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Jim Turner and Mrs. Palmer Kay Kelley of Rising Star.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Clarke Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Boon were in Dallas during the week end to attend the State Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Downing of Austin, formerly of Ranger, were Ranger visitors today.

H. E. Brooks and daughter, Brenda, were in Fort Worth Sunday to attend the circus.

L. P. Shipley has returned from a visit in Austin.

R. B. Thomas Jr., left today for Commerce where he will take up his duties as area supervisor for the vocational agriculture department of the state department of education. Mrs. Thomas and their two children will join him as soon as suitable living quarters can be found.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Reamy and children of Woodson, Mr. and

## Jesuits Blamed By Czech Reds

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, Oct. 17.—(UP)—The Czech communist party charged today that the Catholic Jesuit Religious Order led the "underground fight against Socialism" and said three American prelates were its agents.

Mlada Fronta, communist youth newspaper, named the clerics as:

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## STRIDES MADE IN WAYS TO CONSERVE, USE GAS

Texas oil and gas operators are continuing to find more natural gas than they can sell, but in order to get the full value out of the raw natural resource, giant strides have been made in recent years to conserve a maximum amount of the energy-loaded vapors, it has been pointed out in recent reports.

Gas, both from oil wells and from wells which produce gas exclusively, has become very important in recent years to Texas' overall economy and industrial structure.

Reserves at the end of 1948 totaled 95.7 trillion cubic feet, according to the Committee on Natural Gas Reserves, American Gas Association. This is 5.7 trillion, or 6.3 per cent greater than the total at the end of 1947.

The picture:

Reserves, December 31, 1947—96.0 trillion cubic feet

Added to reserves during 1948—8.4 trillion cubic feet

Production during 1948—2.7 trillion cubic feet

Reserves, December 31, 1948—95.7 trillion cubic feet

It is apparent that the 1948 production amounted to only 2.8 per cent of the total, year-end reserves, and less than 1/3 of the reserves added during the year.

During December, 1948, Texas' production came from 5,750 gas wells and 60,736 oil wells. There were 2,992 more oil wells connected to gas processing plants or pipelines than during December, 1947, when 57,744 wells were connected. For June, 1949, the Railroad Commission reported that 6,956 gas wells were producing, and that 85,197 oil wells were producing casinghead gas. Thus, gas pipeline connections were extended to 7,453 additional oil wells from December, 1947, to June, 1949.

There are 155 natural gasoline plants in Texas which process gas to recover liquid hydrocarbons. These plants have a daily liquid capacity of 9,029,750 gallons, of 46.5 percent of the U. S. total.

In addition, there are 34 cyclone plants in Texas which have a liquid production capacity of 4,029,700 gallons daily. Texas' cyclone plants represent 56 per cent of the total U. S. capacity.

During July, 1949, the Oil & Gas Journal reports that there were another 49 natural gas processing plants under construction in Texas. These new plants will process an additional 1.7 billion cubic feet of gas daily.

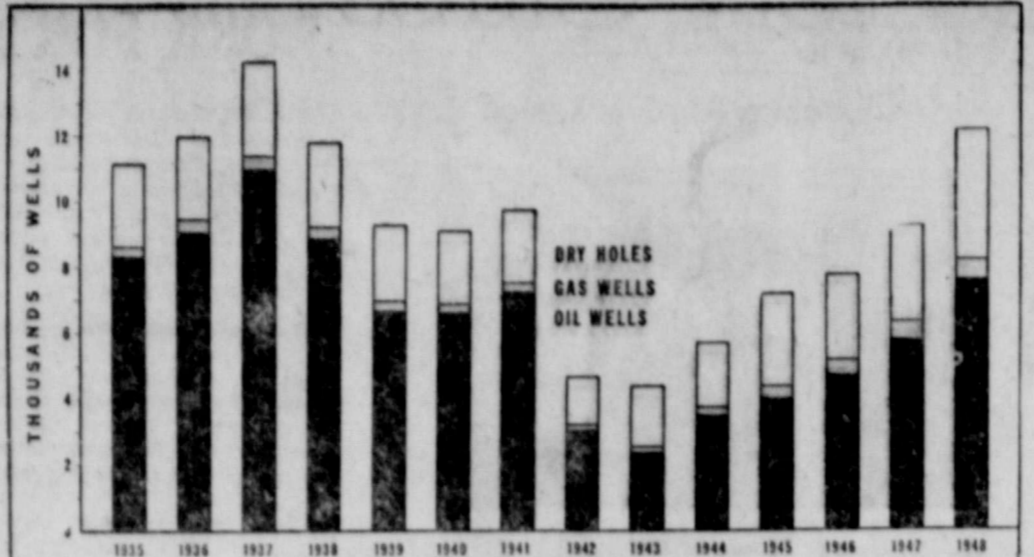
During 1948 Texas' natural gas and cyclone plants produced a total of 2,984,389,000 gallons, or 48.8 per cent of U. S. 1948 production of natural gasoline in Texas is nearly double the amount produced in 1941.

Carbon black production in Texas during 1948 totalled 903,384,000 pounds, the greatest output on record. This made up 69.6 per cent of total U. S. production.

Texas 1948 output ran counter to the national trend; total U. S. production declined from the previous year for the first time since 1942. Texas 1948 production was 1 per cent greater than in 1947, whereas all other states showed a decrease of 7.3 per cent.

The number of plants (42) operating in Texas remained the same as the previous year. One channel plant was added, and one was shut down.

The average value of the natural gas used—4.73 cent per thousand cubic feet—was the highest on record.



The trend is up for more producing oil wells in Texas as a result of an increasing number wells drilled in the state according to this chart, prepared by the Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association. More than 12,000 wells were drilled in 1948. This was a 32 per cent increase over 1947 and current drilling rates are 16 per cent higher than in 1948.

## TEXAS SOURCE OF MORE THAN 1-5 TH OF ALL ENERGY UTILIZED IN U. S.

Texas is the source for more than one-fifth of all the energy utilized in the United States, and the Texas petroleum industry's production record has set the pattern of economic progress for the state.

The Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association reports that petroleum production and refining account for more than \$3,000,000,000 (billions) a year income for the state economy.

A national shift to petroleum as the source for half of all the energy used in the country for powering vehicles, fueling generating plants and heating homes has given Texas a strong market for its abundant oil and natural gas.

As production has spread across the state, bringing new wealth to landowners, causing towns to spring up on once-barren plains, the progress of the industry and the state is written in the graph which shows the annual flow of oil to be 903,900,000 barrels for 1948.

Refining of this oil provides the state with its largest industry from the standpoint of capital investment and value added to product through manufacture, the Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association reports.

Demand for Texas crude oil fell off early in 1949 as a result of mild northern winters where the fuel oil market has been a large factor in petroleum sales, but as the industry began to add to its stocks in anticipation of expected heavier demands, production in Texas was picking up in the last quarter of the year.

The Railroad Commission, which is directed by the state's wise conservation laws to hold production to the market's demand, made successive cuts in allowables from December, 1948's all time high, but part of the cuts have been restored with production from new wells added to production schedules and through two increases in allowables.

As of September 17, Texas wells were producing 1,938,350 barrels of crude oil per day. During December, 1948, Texas production averaged 2,552,800 barrels a day.

A recent survey by the Chicago Journal of Commerce reported that leading petroleum economists predicted that output of crude oil should move up during 1950, probably in excess of 5,000,000 barrels daily for the nation, compared to the total U. S. rate of 4,845,300 as of September 17, 1949.

During 1948, Texas crude oil production reached an all-time peak of 903,900,000 barrels, according to the U. S. Bureau of Mines. This amounted to 44.8 per cent of the nation's production.

Since 1896, the date first commercial production was reported in the state, Texas has produced a total of 12,147,981,000 barrels.

(32.7 per cent of U. S. total.)

1948 Texas production was 10.1 per cent greater than 1947.

1948 production came from 179 of the state's 254 counties. There are 40 Texas counties which to date have produced more than 100,000,000 barrels of oil each. Six counties hit the 100,000,000 mark during 1948. They are Wood, Andrews, Jackson, Jim Wells, Hockley, and Young.

Wood County, in East Texas, has had a phenomenal growth; it first produced oil in the year 1941 but at the end of 1948 its cumulative total exceeded 121 million barrels.

Over 3,000 producing companies were involved in the state's 1948 crude production. Royalty owners probably number in the hundreds of thousands. To illustrate: one large purchasing company reports that each month it mails out over 60,000 checks to producers and royalty owners.

During 1948, Texas refineries processed 599,496,000 barrels of crude. This amounts to 66.4 per cent of total Texas production.

There are 89 refineries in Texas with capacity of 1,928,900 barrels of crude daily.

These refineries employ 45,000 Texas workers, who received \$185 million in wages and salaries during 1948.

Investment in the Texas refining industry is estimated to exceed a billion dollars.

Preliminary figures indicate that Texas royalty owners were paid about \$354 million by oil and gas operators during 1948. Add another \$80 million for lease rentals and bonuses, and the total paid to Texas landowners amounts to \$434 million.

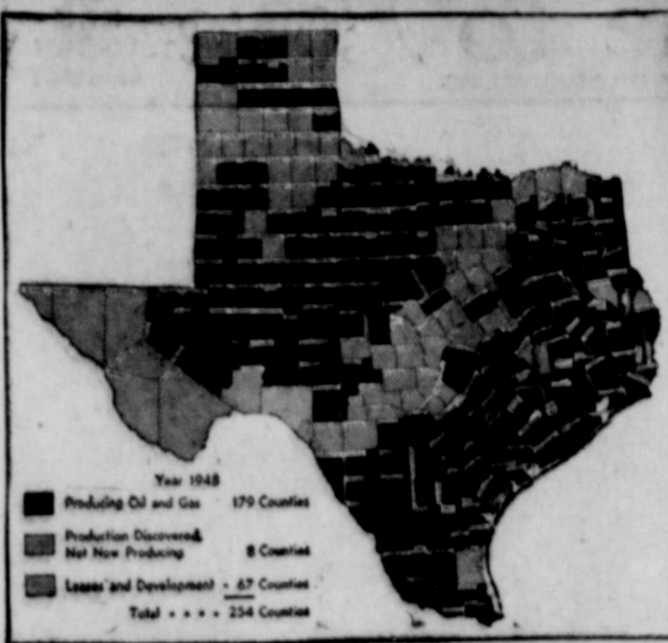
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MURDER—

Mrs. Williams had filed suit for divorce in 91st District Court about two weeks ago. The Sheriff's office said persons questioned in connection with the fatal shootings, indicated that Mrs. Williams had feared for her life.

Williams had been a resident of Carbon since 1919, formerly owning a hauling business in that community. Mrs. Williams was formerly employed in the Hollywood Corset Company factory in Eastland. The couple had been married for about 20 years.

The bodies are at Higginbotham Funeral Home in Gorman, where funeral services are pending. A spokesman for the funeral home said this morning the services will probably be held Tuesday.



The effect of the petroleum industry's development of Texas' oil and gas resources is spread over most of the state, according to this map which indicates the production status of each county. Map prepared by Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association.

## PETROLEUM BEARS BIG SHARE OF STATE'S FINANCIAL LOAD

Progress and development of the petroleum industry in Texas has meant literally millions of additional dollars for the state's educational and governmental institutions.

The heaviest end of the tax load for local and state government and education in Texas is being carried by a single industry the petroleum producers and processors, according to studies made by the Texas Mid-Continent Oil

& Gas Association. The degree to which oil and gas operators are discharging their financial obligations of citizenship is shown here.

During the 1948 fiscal year, the Texas petroleum industry paid \$111,676,043 to Texas, state government. This made up 61.2 per cent of all of the business and property taxes.

(Taxes paid directly by consumers, such as the gasoline tax, taxes on the retail sales of beverages, cigarettes, etc., are not considered in this tabulation.)

The largest single item in the petroleum industry's tax bill is the production tax, levied on the producers of oil and gas. During the state's 1948 tax year, oil and gas producers paid a total of \$94,751,886. This is a 55 per cent increase over the previous year, and is over 5 times the amount producers were taxed in 1941.

Some of the principal recipients of the petroleum industry's 1948 state tax bill were: public schools - \$33,916,000; old age assistance - \$17,686,000; blind assistance - \$584,000; needy children - \$1,753,000; teachers re-

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ment - \$4,536,000; general revenue fund - \$45,440,000. Petroleum payments to the general fund made up 47.3 per cent of all receipts during fiscal 1948.

In addition to those taxes paid directly by the industry, the motor fuel tax - levied on the petroleum industry's principal product - netted another \$71,636,017 to the State Treasury during the 1948 tax year. One-fourth of this went to Texas' public schools and the balance to state highway funds.

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