

The one great rule
of composition is to
speak the truth.

—Thoreau

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OBSERVER OBSERVED

If you, as a gentle reader of this enterprise, are not a member of an earth-clotting breed, know, at least, that your interest is not without consequence. Two new books—hard-cover, Eastern-printed, non-four-bit books—take note of this creature you have fed.

One is **Reluctant Empire**, by George Fuermann, published by Doubleday (see page six). The other is **Neither Black Nor White**, by Wilma Dykeman and James Stokely, published by Rinehart. The first is a Houston newspaperman's assessment of the "mind of Texas" as of now. The second is the Southern authors' sympathetic study of the facts they found in the South in the integration crisis.

Says Fuermann:

"The Dallas News is the chief spokesman for conservatives. The Texas Observer, a weekly newspaper published at Austin, is the only newspaper-spokesman for liberals. By reading both papers, but not by reading one or the other, a Texan may learn what is going on in politics. Most of the state's metropolitan newspapers are of the same mind as the News. The fault of the Texas press is not its conservatism but that as a rule it masks the essence of issues that do not dovetail with the theories and goals of the property class."

Again, Fuermann remarks:

"Criticism of the oil industry is unpatriotic in Texas. Except for the weekly Texas Observer, and before it the Texas Spectator of 1945-48, there is no stage for oil criticism. Texans' view of oil is walled in by the state press. None of the state's metropolitan papers evaluates oil's effects."

Dykeman and Stokely, in their study on Southern attitudes, give two pages to the Observer, which they say "has wielded influence much larger than (the) paper's small (less than ten thousand) circulation would suggest. With subscribers in all the 254 counties of the state, 33 other states, and a number of foreign countries, we have been advised by the Texas Press Assn. that we have the third largest circulation of the state's several hundred weeklies," Ronnie Dugger says ...

"The Texas Observer follows its name," Dykeman and Stokely continue. "It observes closely the activities of lobbyists in the government, the growth of slums in the cities, and the powerful loan-shark business in various parts of the state. It has kept a particularly sharp eye on the progress of integration in Texas."

Houston Vote Slams 'Fox'

HOUSTON

The voters of Houston, largest city of the South, have dealt a stunning rebuke to a campaign which badgered Negroes and union labor by electing Lewis Cutrer mayor in a landslide that buried eleven-term Mayor Oscar Holcombe under a majority of about 28,000 votes.

Cutrer won with 63 per cent of an unprecedented 104,000 votes in a run-off election, culminating a campaign in which Holcombe, under attack for scandals in his administration, raised the race issue and distributed literature hostile to the unions. Labor union members and the Negroes went to the polls in droves, confounding some political experts who had been predicting a low vote in the run-off.

Cutrer, on the basis of unofficial results Tuesday night, polled 65,353 votes to Holcombe's 39,061. Cutrer's margin climbed to 28,000 of 108,000 cast by Wednesday morning. Negro and labor precincts and many of the ordinarily conservative boxes joined in the repudiation of the "Old Gray Fox," who was backed heavily by the three daily newspapers and the city's conservative behind-the-scenes forces.

Cutrer ran strongest in the liberal, labor, and Negro boxes where Ralph W. Yarborough ran strongest in 1956 in his unsuccessful race for governor and in

1957 in his successful bid for senator.

The ultra-conservative Houston Chronicle, which claims the largest circulation in the state, the Houston Post, and the Houston Press editorially urged Holcombe's election, giving him front page editorials, columns of build-up, and many photographs and stories.

Cutrer's victory and the startling vote turn-out came on a Tuesday that dawned chill and rainy—daunting weather and a day of the week ordinarily calculated to keep down the vote

Al Heiken

and favor an incumbent who can depend on an obligated rain-or-shine turnout. The first election, in which Cutrer led by almost 10,000 votes, was held on a Saturday.

Resentment over the annexation of contiguous unincorporated areas, involving manipulation of water districts with resulting profits to bond speculators and city councilmen, figured large in the election.

Resentment by organized labor over Holcombe's revival of the tactics of "running against the CIO" turned out heavy, three-and-four-to-one Cutrer majorities in the predominantly labor boxes. Indignation by Negroes

over Holcombe's TV program alleging integrated swimming pools was the real issue boiled over in the run-off, the Negro vote about doubling.

In the Nov. 16 voting, Cutrer ran first, Holcombe second, Gail Reeves third, and Dr. Ira Kohler fourth. Both Reeves and Kohler then turned from condemnation of Holcombe to his support and urged in television appearances that the 29,961 persons who voted for them switch over to Holcombe.

Apparently few of Kohler's backers did so. Some of the building trades unions had endorsed Kohler in the first election; generally these voters went over to Cutrer. But some conservatives, Constitution Party members, and segregationists who had been in Reeve's camp publicly announced their preference for Holcombe. Unquestionably some of Reeves' supporters joined the Holcombites.

Oscar's Issues

But, obviously, a substantial part of the Reeves support—he polled more than 18,000 on November 16—had come from citizens who were tired of Holcombe and wanted a change. Furthermore, it was an outpouring of new votes, approximately 28,000 more than in the November 16 election, that piled up the lead

for Cutrer and swept him into office.

Holcombe, behind by almost 10,000 votes in the first election, decided to raise the race issue, charging that Cutrer would desegregate the swimming pools and other recreation facilities if he were elected. He linked the issue of school integration with Cutrer, who had been attorney for the Houston school board when it had a liberal majority headed by Mrs. Olon Rogers. He asserted that Cutrer was a straw-man for former Mayor Roy Hofheinz, who had incurred the enmity of the leading conservatives of the city.

In newspaper advertisements, Holcombe proclaimed: "Here's what your vote really means" and then said that election of Cutrer would mean "integration of swimming pools" and "approval of Negro block voting" as well as "approval of Hofheinz's 'Rule or Ruin' tactics." "Let's face it," said the ads: "Lewis Cutrer has the support of the Hofheinz crowd and the Negroes. He is controlled by them. Houston had a taste of that kind of government. Don't give the city hall back to them. Oscar Holcombe came out of retirement two years ago to lead a fight against ruthless, selfish forces. Now these same forces are again planning to take over our city government, their man is Lewis Cutrer."

A leaflet was distributed all over the city. It was headed: "What is the issue?" It said: "Does Houston want to elect a Mayor who is backed by Roy Hofheinz, Mrs. Olon Rogers, Dr. (W. W.) Kemmerer (a liberal member of the Houston School Board), the old Political Action (Continued on Page 5)

LEGISLATORS GO HOME

AUSTIN

The 55th legislature, having spent about \$600,000 on itself and provided for the spending of approximately \$1 million more, went home from two end-to-end special sessions Tuesday night, its East Texas-Price Daniel axis having achieved the purposes of the second session in passage of related bills which:

1. Allow dissolution of a school and the substitution thereof of an "out-of-classroom" instruction system, when, in the judgment of the school's board, there is "violence or the danger thereof"—the "anti-troops" bill vainly filibustered by Sens. Henry Gonzalez, San Antonio, and Abe Kazen, Laredo (Observer, Nov. 22).

2. Authorize the attorney general to give legal aid to school trustees defending, in federal courts, constitutionality of state statutes.

3. Requiring "organizations" which "hinder, harass, or interfere" in school operations to register, making public their memberships and national affiliations, at the request of a county judge.

The first two bills, which had reached final passage and the Governor's desk last week, were specifically asked for in Gov. Daniel's call of the second session. The latter, not in the call, was found germane to it by the House of Representatives and Lt. Gov. Ben Ramsey when opponents raised points of order to the contrary.

Daniel-East Texas Axis Gets Three New Laws

Both House and Senate sponsors of the registration bill, Rep. Joe Pool, Dallas, and Sen. Wardlow Lane, Center, and its other proponents, said in debate that its purpose was to "get the NAACP." Opponents charged it had the intent of setting up individual NAACP members as easy targets for economic or other reprisals

Lyman Jones

should they offend school segregationists.

(The Observer understands that local NAACP chapters for some months have kept no local membership lists but have forwarded membership information and dues to NAACP national headquarters in New York. Thus, NAACP officials may take the position they are unable to furnish membership lists.

(At Little Rock, Ark., this week, an NAACP official on trial for violation of a city ordinance like the Pool-Lane measure took this position. He was convicted, served immediate notice of appeal to determine the constitutionality of this kind of legislation.)

A House rebellion against the Pool-Lane bill drew wide attention, but while spectacular, it did not (and could not because of parliamentary technicalities) have any effect on the final outcome. Here's why:

The House last week passed, 76-62, Pool's version of the bill, H. B. 5. A much broader bill, S. B. 15, had been introduced in the Senate by Lane. When the House measure came to the Senate, Lane substituted the Pool bill for his. This made Pool's House-adopted wording a Senate bill. It passed the Senate, 18-13, and returned to the House under its new Senate number. It was this bill the House rebellion killed.

Lane thereupon rammed Pool's original H. B. 5 through the Senate by a 13-12 vote. From there it went to Gov. Daniel for signature into law.

Voting for the bill on final passage were Sens. Lane, A. M. Aikin, Jr., Paris; Neville Colson, Navasota; Culp Krueger, El Campo; Ottis Lock, Lufkin; Crawford Martin, Hillsboro; Jimmy Phillips, Angleton; David Ratliff, Stamford; Ray Roberts, McKinney; and Bill Wood, Tyler.

Voting to kill were Sens. Gonzalez, Kazen, Carlos Ashley, Llano; Floyd Bradshaw, Weatherford; Bill Fly, Victoria; Jep Fuller, Port Arthur; Dorsey Hardeman, San Angelo; Hubert Hudson, Brownsville; Bruce Reagan, Corpus Christi; Jarrard Secrest, Temple; R. E. Weinert, Seguin; and Doyle Willis, Fort Worth.

Searcy Bracewell, Houston, paired no with Grady Hazlewood, Amarillo, absent, who would have voted yes. Andy Rogers, Childress, paired yes with Frank Owen, El Paso, who would have voted no if present.

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Brown Resigns Freedom Post

AUSTIN

Chairman S. Perry Brown of the Texas Employment Commission has resigned as a member of the executive committee of Freedom in Action (Observer, Nov. 8).

Brown, whose agency is financed in part by federal funds, said the FIA group was political in nature and that he might be subject to the federal Hatch Act forbidding political activity by federal employees. Said Brown:

"I resigned two or three months ago. I had it pretty carefully checked under the Hatch Act when it was organized. As long as it was an educational program it was okay. But now that it has moved into the realm of political action, I had no business in it."

The Texas AFL-CIO News, the monthly publication of the state AFL-CIO has called editorially for Brown's resignation from TEC because of his FIA membership.

A Note to Foxes

State politicians had better take careful notes on the Houston election returns this week. Oscar Holcombe (whom the Houston papers admiringly call "the old gray fox," as though foxiness is an admirable trait in a public servant) used the old whipping boys—CIO, PAC, NAACP, unions, Negroes—without stint in a desperate attempt to win his runoff for mayor. He went on TV and said Lewis Cutrer, his opponent, was planning to integrate the swimming pools. He showed TV movies of Negroes and whites swimming together in a pool. His handbills spewed the same symbols that Allan Shivers, Price Daniel, Ben Ramsey, and lesser demagogues have used for the last eight years. Result: Cutrer almost tripled his ten-thousand vote lead in the first voting. Even though the runoff was on a Tuesday, when work-

ing people were at work, the turnout in Negro precincts doubled; union precincts went three and four to one for Cutrer. Not only did the old smear-'em-good methods fail, they backfired.

What puzzled us was the blind fidelity of the three Houston dailies to Holcombe in spite of proved-up charges of corruption in his administration and his obscene election tactics. How can the Post, the Chronicle, and the Press hold their pose of civic responsibility as they knowingly endorse a politically corrupt administration and an ethically corrupt campaign? Is there no point at which principles become more important than balance sheets? Is the status quo so sweet, and advertising so dear, to be purchased at the price of profiteering and demagoguery?

Too-Late Heroics

The "Get the NAACP" bill, out of hate by political expediency, passed the Senate this week by one vote.

Where was Sen. Charles Herring? Why did Sen. Andy Rogers allow Sen. Wardlow Lane to con him into voting aye? And why did not Sens. Searcy Bracewell and R. E. Weinert, who voted against the bill on final passage, join in floor opposition to it when it might have made the difference?

Everyone knew the bill was an unconstitutional fraud. Its author, Pool, told a colleague he didn't believe in it himself and was counting on the Senate to kill it. But the House first passed the Pool bill, then, in a flurry of conscience, refused to pass the identical Senate version. The last-week heroics were too late to expunge the earlier cynicism: the Senate, invoking a gag

rule against Sens. Gonzalez and Kazen, passed the Pool bill and sent it to the Governor.

But there was progress. The House did actually kill one version of the bill, did actually try to strangle its own disowned, deficient infant by finally adjourning before the Senate acted. And the Senate, but for one vote, would have killed the twisted issue outright. Perhaps East Texas control of the legislature is over.

Judges

Slice it thick, slice it thin, the silly resolution passed by the legislature this week calling on the Congress to require U. S. Supreme Court justices to have served five years as judges of courts of record is kneeling to hysteria. Nor does the fact that this notion was conceived by the American Bar Association (which also backed the Bricker Amendment) make it more worthy of support. Lawyers, we have noticed, are as prone to shy at wraiths as the next fellow.

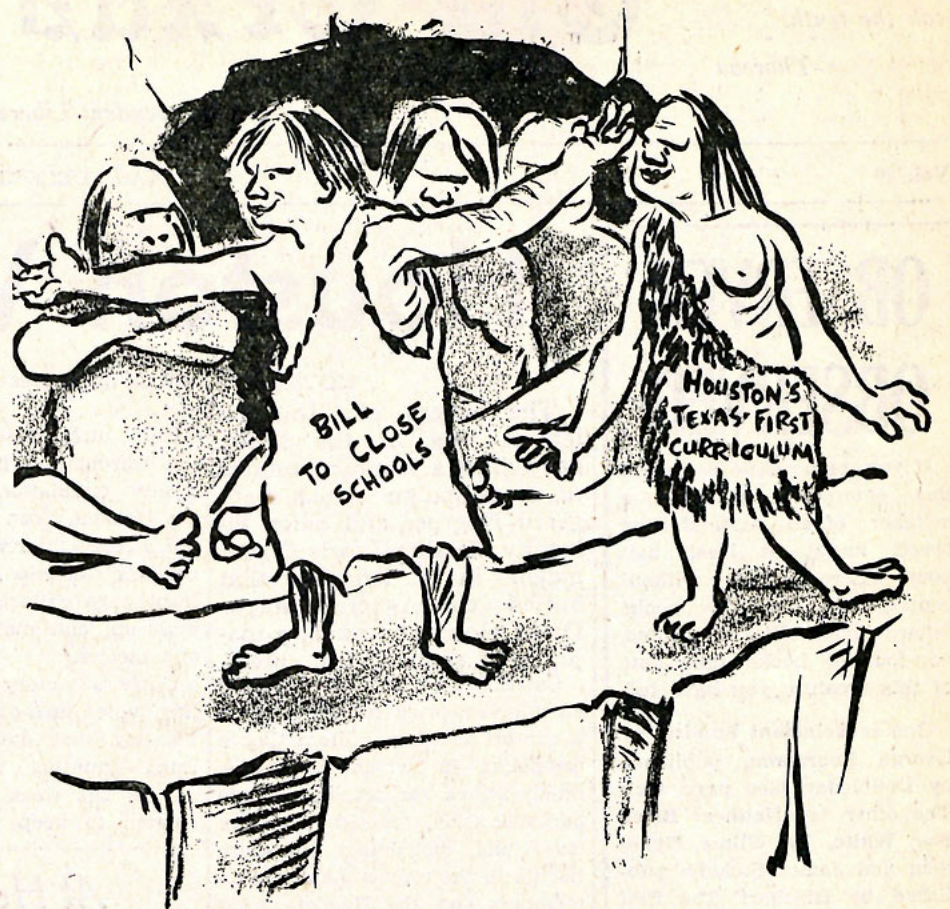
We suppose the resolution means that any time-serving hack sitting on a bench is better qualified to pass on questions of constitutional law than, say, John W. Davis or any of the other great constitutional lawyers who have never been judges. At any rate, this is what it says. It is easier to understand the legislature's Wardlow Lanes, who, after all, really do not know better, than it is Reps. Sam Bass, Don Kennard and Barefoot Sanders—House sponsors of the resolution.

How shines, sometimes, a naughty deed in a good world!

Teachers

The Texas State Teachers' Assn. convention was set up to endorse the Texas tidelands claim, but when a resolution was introduced to condemn the legislature's anti-law, anti-school "troop" bill, it was swiftly batted down. Meanwhile, TSTA's control group presented Gov. Daniel, who sponsored this bill to authorize the dismantling of schools, its award for the outstanding contribution to education by a layman! The teachers' association has fallen into the hands of right-wing politicians who do not represent the thinking of the teachers, themselves. It is time they reclaimed their organization from the conservatives who have come to dominate their affairs.

Texas Styles in Education



Bartlett Appears Exclusively in the Texas Observer

Few Shocks too Late

AUSTIN
When Ralph Yarborough said three years ago that Price Daniel's 1953 tidelands act did not specifically validate the ten-and-a-half-mile Texas claim, Daniel said he was "shocked." Last week, when Sen. Dorsey (of the Black Bean) Hardeman offered the same observation on the Senate floor, Daniel was "shocked" again.

Now three years is a long time for a governor, even a non-smoking (except for unlit cigars) Baptist governor, to suspend himself in a state of shock. Yarborough warned him in 1954, Herbert Brownell warned him in 1955, Lyndon Johnson warned him in 1956, the United States Government told him last month, yet he manages to be aghast to this very day.

One is constrained to wonder whether he is shocked, or alarmed, a distinction. Perhaps he more nearly said what he meant when he accused Hardeman of lending aid and comfort to "the enemy" (the federal government, of course). "Now is the time for Texans to unite and pull together," he said—especially against criticism of our Governor.

A man who goes through life with his breath gasped in, his hands thrown up, his mouth dropped open,

and his eyebrows reaching for heaven does wear thin after a while, but if he is shocked all the time, he is at least predictable. How is it, however, that even as Daniel was boasting to the Baptists in convention about the Billy Graham revival he held at his inauguration, replacing the traditional wicked whiskey-and-women cocktail parties, he was not shocked by bigotry, defiance of law, encouragement of rabble, and closing of the public schools, all of which he endorsed and helped promulgate as the law of the state? Presumably he will be "shocked" again when he learns (assuming he does not know) that these things are not also the law of the nation, but it will be a few shocks too late.

A few months ago, as recently as that, many people were willing to ride along with Price. The thinking went, if he's not a crusader, at least he's ineffective. There was a fragile notion abroad that he meant well: that he was doing the best he could: that he wanted to do the right thing.

But he did not do the right thing, and how, so clearly not doing it, could he have wanted to do it? He is, therefore, in for another shock next summer. R. D.

Open Letter to a Senator

NEW WAVERLY
An Open Letter to Senator Gonzalez:

For myself and for those thousands of inarticulate Texans who will find their full expression at the ballot box, I write to express my appreciation of your steadfast, patient, trustworthy leadership.

As you know Texas has for some time been in short supply of such qualities in the official personnel of our State, to such a humiliating extent that we have little left to brag about except our size.

Let me compliment you for being able to distinguish between the phantom called 'victory' or 'success' and that more substantial thing, honorable and enduring progress.

Let me thank you for acting to restore confidence in democracy—lately so shaken by the deceit and falsehood of the tidelands game; the theft and corruption of the veterans' land program; the intolerable, bold, insulting

insurance swindles; the double dealing of official attorneys and juries that prosecute for a crime called "agreeing to accept a bribe" and let the moneyed briber go free—nay, use him for a witness; the enormity and gravity of political dishonesty as openly displayed in political conventions. These things have shaken our citizenry to the point of despair.

But you, rising as one lone man to meet your personal responsibility and keep faith with your oath of office, you have lifted our hearts, renewed our courage, and strengthened our determination to make democracy work.

Lately I have been reading the Life of George Washington, by Washington Irving, a three volume job which is in effect a history of the American Revolution. Truly it has been said that great world changes are but the lengthened shadow of one man. The Life of Washington seems to prove the saying. Then I say—never doubt it, Senator, your shadow is long in the land at this critical time. M.F.C.

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MAWWORMS! HORSE COPERS!

AUSTIN
I wish this week to speak of mawworms, pecksniffs, mythomaniacs tartuffes, blaguers, horse copers and saltimbanques—to call but a few of the 160 separate synonyms for “deceiver” listed in that useful volume, Roget’s International Thesaurus (the New Edition).

All these adjectives apply to the Texas Employment Commission whose triumvirate is headed by Allan Shivers’ old goodbuddy, Maurice Acers.

I arrived at this unbenign judgment after reading the November, 1957, edition of TEC’s statistical mishmash of employment and wage figures which goes by the title of “Texas Labor News.” I do not know who edits TLN, but if he does not wear rose-colored glasses, I will eat TEC’s rent contract with Herman Brown in the rotunda of the Capitol at high noon on New Year’s Day—with or without cranberry sauce.

Let’s take a prejudiced look at the manner in which TLN for November told the story of rising unemployment in Texas:

The lead story has this headline: “Employment Total Holds Even.” And under this is a sentence reading: “In spite of defense employment cutbacks, labor-management dispute idleness, and bad weather, Texas non-farm employment held the line in October.” What “line” was held? Well, if you take the trouble to read the employment-figure table buried in the back of TLN, it becomes clear that the “line” being held is this September’s “line.” Unemployment—non-farm—in September totaled 137,700. The October total was 137,000. The

total for October of last year, reveals the buried table, was 121,700. But if you do not read the table you are able, as TEC did in the second sentence of the lead story, to conclude: “The total (of non-farm employment) inched to 3,012,800.”

Fourteen lines down in the lead story (and in the third paragraph) TEC gets around to a bleaker, less-palatable sentence: “Unemployment increased under pressure of defense employment cutbacks.”

TLN’s second story for November is headed: “Farms Stimulate Urban Work.” Nice, if you read no farther in the story. The story says: “The unusually cool and wet fall has lessened to some extent the benefits promised by the breaking of the drought. The U. S. Department of Agriculture has revised downward some of its previous harvest estimates . . . Smaller push from farm income and wages can mean somewhat less advance in urban employment . . .”

TLN’s third story bears a safer headline: “Construction Jobs Decline.” And the lead sentence here appears to bear out the implications of the head: “Construction appears to have passed its 1957 peak,” as do a couple of others: “Government employment is dropping off . . . Then, this year there is the steady erosion by cutback in defense establishments.”

Turn to Page 2 of TLN and it would appear that even if non-farm employment is slipping, things are bully down on the farm. Says a head: “Farm Jobs Make Big Gain.” But read the story under this and it becomes clear that the late rains pushed harvesting backward by a month or six weeks and that the gains are the

result of more people being employed in harvests in this year’s October than in the Octobers of previous years. Naturally—since in August and September the fields were too wet and crops, many of them planted late because of last spring’s heavy rains, made it impossible to harvest earlier, as is normally the case.

“Insurance Cushions Job Losses,” reads the head on TLN’s final story for November. Buried down in the body of this story is an interesting set of facts: Unemployment insurance payments for September totaled \$1,981,919. For October, the total was \$2,346,211. The difference is more than a quarter of a million dollars—and who can say how many lost jobs.

There is one piece of “news” in “Texas Labor News”—the fact that employment dropped off in every one of the state’s 17 non-farm labor markets. This is in the table buried at the bottom of TLN’s Page 3. I suppose there was no choice but to put it there, once TLN’s editor wrote his opening headline: “Employment Total Holds Even.”

As I say, this week I wish to speak of flimflammers, bamboozlers, pseudologues, cagliostros, attitudinarians, sciolists, Joseph Surfaces, taradiddlers, cockatrices, quacksalvers . . . and all the rest of Mr. Roget’s 160 separate synonyms for “deceiver.”

“Deceiver,” of course, brings to mind its own synonym without need for reference to the Thesaurus. To me, this word has always meant “liar.” I believe this is Anglo-Saxon in origin, like most useful four-letter words in English. I think it means not telling the truth.

LYMAN JONES

McCarthy’s Ghost Saves GOP Repute

MARSHALL

After all, it was inevitable that at least one of the Observer’s competitors would find a way of reviving McCarthy’s ghost to explain our loss of leadership in scientific achievement. So far the Colossus of the North, the Dallas News, leads the field. It started out with a saucy toss of its editorial head at criticism of what the fatheads did to the eggheads of that period and the conclusion that if Professor Oppenheimer had not been fired we would not have had the hydrogen bomb.

Later, real opportunity came its way. Some party named Morris visited David Greenglass and Harry Gold, accomplices of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, and learned for some congressional committee that the Rosenbergs had been giving our “secrets on earth satellites, atom-powered planes, and anti-missile weapons” to the Russians. Since the Rosenbergs were electrocuted in 1953, it does seem this information could have been obtained by an alert government security force sooner and that its newsworthiness would be a little rancid by now. Not so to those who still bear McCarthy’s banner. A five-column front page headline with a two-column photograph of the Rosenbergs and a one-column picture of each of the accomplices graced the morning edition of a rival of the most influential weekly in the Southwest. “Jailed Spies Say Soviets Got U. S. Missile Secrets,” it cried.

The news raises more questions than it quiets. With Dr. Von Braun and others saying that had the Redstone Arsenal project been completed, the Jupiter C could have been used to launch a satellite before the Russians, and Dr. John C. Hagen stating that had the Navy been given use of the Jupiter C, it probably could have put one in the skies ahead of Krushchev, the possession of our secrets by the Soviets could scarce be the reason for our failure.

The bitter truth is that we are paying the penalty for accepting a leaderless administration. Nor can our Democratic members of Congress evade blame for themselves. When the inadequacy of Ike was being repeated many times by at least one avocational journalist and our party leaders were being implored to help point out that the King was naked, what did they do? They carefully checked the power of the Eisenhower Democrats, born through their own lack of courage, and joined in the chant, “I like Ike.” They are as much to blame as the Republicans. For, if no one leads the opposition, and all join in permitting executive power and responsibility to wither away, why shouldn’t we fall prey to the doctrine of drift and drivel created by the hidden persuaders in “public relations”?

No, as Cactus Jack Garner remarked on his birthday, there has never been as much confusion as now. How can a nation lead when it possessed the ability to launch the first satellite, but those in its government were too dumb and too unimaginative to recognize the importance of the event on the opinions and imaginations of all mankind?

Military men do not belong in government. Our three services should be amalgamated, or at least placed under a civilian with power and gumption enough to end the senseless rivalry Ike has endured if not encouraged.

In the meanwhile, we may as well prepare for the same scapegoat. We are still the greatest, our secrets were stolen by a group of ignorant peasants.

FRANKLIN JONES

Letter from the Piney Woods

(We have received, by post, a dispatch, with this note: “I figgered Texas in general, and East Texas in particular, was so lied about and misunderstood, that maby I would send the Observer a true picture of life out here, and dispel some of the ignorance and prejudice that so many outsiders have. You kin make whatever spelling corrections you see fit. Hit’s yourne now.” Rather than tinker with East Texas prose, we are passing it along to you in its own native splendor.—Ed.)

Bout Hog Killin Time,
Piney Woods, East Texas

Dear Eddyter:

You an Senator Kazen an Senator Gonzalez might not be plumb rejoiced over them there 2 bills on segregation thet Our Legislaycher has jest passed, But I want you to know that my Granpa Willis out here in East Texas is. Fact is, he’s regained his health on account of what Our Govner an the Boys down there done. He’s been ailin, kind of wilted, ever since The Supreme Court put out thet there Innergration Decision. He kind of rallied & perked up when Gov. Faubust started thet fracas in Little Rock, but got back in bed the day them Fed. troops hit town. He ain’t been up an aroun since. Thet is, til yistiddy. Jest after breakfast, he come a rippin an a whoopin down to our house, waving a newspaper and squallin,

“Glory Be! Texas has saved the nation! Civilization’s safe at last!” And then he cut a couple of pigeon wings and butted his head into a chinaberry tree in the front yard, jest to show how good he felt. “Great Goodness,” mama sang out, “They must of abolished the Supreme Court.” But when he got him slowed down enough to talk sense, it turned out he had jest read about them 2 laws being passed in Austin.

“I’m so proud of our Guvner an our Legislaycher, I could jist hug

ever one of em,” he says, “Yessiree, they’ve stopped comoonism an them Rapsicalions in Moscow, flat in their tracks. Unkivered their tretcherous Plot jist in time!”

“What in the world did them segregation laws they passed have to do with stoppin a Moscow Plot, Granpa?” I ast him.

“Boy, you air ignernt, ain’t you? But I reckon I can’t blame you. A heap of other folks in Ameriky has been took in by that crowd over thar in Rushy. They’re a slick outfit alright. But Praise Be, the boys down in Austin was jist a little too quick fer em. Puled off that Special Seshin an slapped thru them bills to shet down the schools if the devilish de-segregaters start prankin with Texas edjication. Don’t tell me we ain’t got the smartist Guvner and Legislaycher in the world!”

“But what was the Plot they unkivered, Granpa?” I wanted to know.

“Why the whole thing’s jist clear as day,” he says, “You see, them durned Rushins have been shootin them Spootniks up in the air, and a makin all them scientific advances we’re hearin so much about. But nobody’s ever stopped to ast hisself why? What in the tarnation would a Rushin want with a scientific advance? Wouldn’t have no more use fer it than a razorback hog would. And that’s jest it—Rushy don’t want to use all that science fer a thing in the world, but to make us mad. They figgered the minnit they shot thet there Spootnik off yonder into space, all of our folks would jest be dyin to know how they done it, and would come a runnin to find out. They figgered right. And when we ast em how they done it—right there they had us. They said “Why we been aroundin up ever child in the neighborhood an edjicatin him.” They had been, too. They had jest gone hogwild over ejicatin chillern. Turnin out scientists right an left all over the place. They got so worked up over edjicatin folks,

they was aherdin ever child they had into schoolhouses so fast they didn’t even bother to find out whether the youngun was black, brown, or yaller or what . . . all in the same schoolhouse they went. The more dee-segregated the school was, the better them heathens liked it. They didn’t keer whose Traditions they was flauntin.

“See the Plot now? Why all in the world they was tryin to do was to trick us into going all out for edjication too! They figgered that once they got us to tryin to ketch up with them edjicatin chillern, we would git so carried away trainin our chillern’s minds, that we would drop our guard, an fergit to watch out fer the color of their skins. Then fore we knowed it, we’d be done dee-segregated, jest shore as shootin—Southern Pride and Tradition gone ferever! Ameriky shamed before the eyes of the world!”

“Lordy, I tremble when I think of how clost they come to gittin us. It scares me to think of how the Supreme Court was a workin hand in glove with ’em on the Plot, maby innercently, like a lot of them other folks up there in Washington DC did, but thet innergration decision back yonder in 1954, wasn’t a thing in the world but part of the plot.

“It was mighty slick alright. And our boys in Austin seen through it jest in time to save us with them 2 Bills. Ol Karoocheff an that Pack in Moscow might stampede some folks into workin up a sweat over edjication and trainin fer the youngfolks. But they can’t scare Texas folks. We’ll shet down our schools to prove it, too.”

And with that, Granpa Willis went lopin up the road to spread the good news.

Yours Truly,

CLAUDY BOY

Personal Slams Mark Debating

**Green Needles Pool;
Lane Attacks Barnett**

AUSTIN

Personal attacks marked passage of the "get the NAACP" bill passed this week by the second called session of the legislature.

As Rep. Obie Jones of Austin, who has lost a leg, left the microphone where he had been arguing for passage of an amendment exempting P-TA's from registration, Rep. Reagan Huffman, Marshall, made a reference to "my one-legged friend from Austin."

Rep. Eligio de la Garza, Mission, came to Jones's defense: "I know lots of one-legged people," he said, "and I want to say that many of them have a lot more sense than some two-legged ones I know."

As backers of the bill fought off more amendments to exempt registrants, Rep. Tony Fenoglio, Nocona, mock-pleaded for "just one little old exemption."

"We just ought to exempt somebody," he said. "How about takin' out Bill Daniel and his hounds?"

As opponents of the bill began winning, Rep. Howard Green, Fort Worth, took the back microphone to twit Rep. Joe Pool, Dallas, sponsor of the bill.

"Mr. Speaker," said Green, "a parliamentary inquiry. I wonder if the chair is advised whether the trend against Pool (who is a candidate for the Congressional seat of Dallas's Bruce Alger) is as strong in Dallas County as it is here in the House?"

Hoots and hollers of "East Texas can dish it out, but can't take it" came from all over the House as segregationists drifted out, hoping to break the quorum. There were shouts of "where you goin'?" and "can't take it, huh?" and the like as individual East Texans drifted away.

Perhaps the most vehement personal attack was that leveled by Sen. Wardlow Lane, Center, at the Rev. Das Kelly Barnett, associate professor of Christian Ethics of the Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest, Austin.

Barnett appeared against the "anti-troops" bill when it was discussed by the Senate state affairs committee. In debate of the "NAACP" bill, Lane, angered by a remark from Sen. Abe Kazen, Laredo, jumped Barnett again. "Why, these preachers wants mix colored and white. That's what Dr. Barnett said right here. He said it's all right for nigger and white to intermarry.

"Well, it ain't right over in my country ... but I'm a friend of the nigger. I once stood over a nigger boy and stood off a mob that was after him ... in danger of my life ... and that's more than anyone else here can say. There ain't a nigger in my county who won't tell you I'm a friend of the colored."

Lane said if "one of my East Texas niggers" married Barnett, "I would feel sorry for the nigger."

Barnett, in his committee appearance, in response to a question from Lane, said there was no church rule against racial intermarriage, but added that, "sociologically speaking, this would be what we call a 'burdened marriage' and I would advise against it." He said also he had no "personal" objection to intermarriage.

SESSION ADOPTED RACE PLANS

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Absent and not voting were Charles Herring, Austin, and Preston Smith, Lubbock.

'Put on His Hood'

Senate passage was swift: two impositions of the rule cutting off debate, moved by Sen. Moffett to take the bill past second reading and final passage, jammed the legislative gas-pedal to the floor. Lane sidestepped two failures to get sufficient votes to suspend Senate and constitutional rules, for still more speed, by winning a motion for adjournment for two minutes, so setting up a new legislative "day."

Imposition of the "previous question" rule cut off attacks on the bill by Gonzalez, who offered a resolution to the effect that it was the legislature's intent that the educational precepts of the Texas Declaration of Independence be upheld (it was voted down), and by Kazen, who was prepared to offer an amendment specifically requiring registration of Ku Klux Klan members.

As Gonzalez, protesting the first gag rule try, moved that the Senate resolve itself into a committee of the whole, saying he believed this motion took parliamentary precedence, Weinert, loud enough to be heard throughout the chamber, said, as Ramsey refused Gonzalez recognition and slammed down his gavel:

"Watch it now, boys, he's gonna put on his hood and pass that bill."

As the bill finally passed, Kazen made another sidebar remark:

"They'll burn a cross on top of the Capitol tonight."

Lane sought votes on the bill on a personal basis, buttonholing colleagues and promising his vote on bills they may sponsor in sessions to come. On the crucial vote for final passage, Lane won an aye vote from Rogers, who had previously voted with Kazen and Gonzalez.

Bracewell, who took no part in

House Approves Court Revision

AUSTIN

The 55th Legislature thinks Congress should establish "experience qualifications of all persons eligible for appointment to the (U. S.) Supreme Court." This week the legislature passed a resolution, sponsored by Reps. Don Kennard, Fort Worth, Barefoot Sanders, Dallas, and Sam Bass, Jr., Freeport, calling on Congress to include these requirements:

1. At least five years experience in the practice of law.
2. At least five years experience as judge of a federal or state court of record, or
3. At least five years experience as a full-time teacher of law in an approved school of law.

Sponsors said the resolution was based on a position taken by the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association.

Only voice raised against the resolution, which passed both House and Senate by voice vote, was that of Rep. Bob Wheeler, Tilden. Wheeler defended Chief Justice Earl Warren as a "fine lawyer" and former U. S. Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell, Jr., as "a great man and an able lawyer."

Wheeler said also: "I cannot believe that attacks on the Supreme Court have widespread support among the people."

floor fights against the bill earlier, Tuesday made a brief statement questioning the wisdom of investing authority of this kind in county judges. "I don't think it's a good bill," he said. "I just don't like the theory of giving that sort of authority to county judges ... it's not fair to thrust that responsibility upon them. Besides, there is no right of appeal."

Lane, save for an attack on the Rev. Das Kelly Barnett, Austin, (see related story), who appeared against the "anti-troops" bill in committee (Observer, Nov. 15), spoke only briefly, saying:

"You all know what's in it ... It can be very effective in taking care of the situation in our part of the country." He said also that charges by Kazen and Gonzalez that a county judge might force political enemies or P-TA's to register were "just a smoke-screen thrown up to defeat the bill."

After final passage, Lane, who prowls the Senate floor while working, relaxed at his desk, lit his pipe and said: "Now I can relax. I was beginning to feel like rigor mortis had set in." Lane later said he had feared the House rebellion might have been contagious.

House Rebellion

The House attempt to undo this week what it did last began when a point of order that the bill was not germane to the Governor's call, raised last Friday and bucked to House members for voting by Speaker Carr, failed, 60 to 62.

Members began to saddle the bill with amendments. Among these were moves by:

John Lee, Kermit, to allow the county judge to request registration upon petition of 15 persons, and providing for a court hearing. It was adopted by voice vote.

Barefoot Sanders, Dallas, inserting language prohibiting violence, threats of violence, or inciting to violence at or near public schools. This was adopted, 73-40.

Babe Schwartz, Galveston, to require all organizations listed on the subversive lists of the state and federal attorneys general to register. This was adopted, 67-53.

Obie Jones, Austin, to exempt P-TA's. Jones and other opponents said this amendment, which was adopted 68-57, made the bill unconstitutional by giving it a specific "discriminatory" bent.

As the Jones amendment was adopted, East Texas proponents drifted out of the House chamber, hoping to break the quorum necessary for the House to transact business.

When enough members had left, Pool raised a point of order that a quorum was not present. It was sustained. Eligio de la Garza, Mission, then moved a "call of the House," asking that the sergeant-at-arms be asked to request the Department of Public Safety and Austin police to round

up the absentees. This sent Schwartz to the microphone to move, in jest:

"Mr. Speaker, I always do this when a call of the House is ordered. Please see that the police are requested to tell members why they are being arrested."

Opponents then waited for sufficient members to be returned to make a quorum of 100. When that figure was reached, de la Garza moved re-referral of the bill to the House committee on federal relations of which he is chairman. The motion, which carried, 77-21, called for the committee to send the bill to the attorney general for an opinion on its constitutionality.

What were the reasons for the House reversal in sentiment? A random questioning of members turned up these opinions: Members, home over the Thanksgiving holiday found growing public resentment of the cost of the two special sessions. And daily newspapers, which had not commented on the bill prior to its original House passage, after Thanksgiving began ripping into it editorially. Some of these were reprinted and distributed in the House Monday. Samples: The Dallas News: "Persecution of the NAACP does not appeal ... as a fair or profitable fashion in which to oppose the program of that organization.

"... we have to keep reminding ourselves that colored peoples have the same right of petition as other people ... it is tolerably clear that a spirit of vindictiveness is growing up in race relationships ..."

The Star-Telegram: "... It is

Republican Angrily Joins the NAACP

CORPUS CHRISTI

Jim Sticker, former Nueces County Republican chairman and a member of the Republican state committee, says he will join the National Association of Colored People in protest against the "registration" bill passed this week by the legislature. Sticker, a white man, is a Corpus Christi architect.

Sticker said he had written H. B. Sprott, Jr., Beaumont, president of the state NAACP, asking that his name be included on any membership list it may become necessary to make public as a result of the new legislation. He said also he planned to join any other group "slated for harassment."

"If enough uninvolved Americans assist in protection of minority rights," said Sticker, "we will never have an American Hitler."

possible that (the bill) could be used for purposes of political reprisal. In the hands of a George Parr it might be effectively used to stifle political opposition."

The San Antonio Express-News: "East Texans Gyp the Taxpayers." "... the 'registration bill'—which Pool designed as another dirty banner for his fight to wrest the congressional seat of 'cultural' Dallas from lone Texas Republican Bruce Alger—is an insult and a threat to all Texas organizations ..."

Loose Ends Bill Pays the Costs

AUSTIN

The second called session of the legislature figured its own cost, and the cost of legislative expenses in the interim between now and convening of the next regular session, at a total of \$335,000. Before it went home this week, it transferred this amount from various state funds to its own coffers. The transfers:

From the governor's "states' rights" fund, \$120,000; from the motor vehicle inspection fund of the Department of Public Safety, \$165,000; from the DPS drivers' license fund, \$10,000; and from the Texas Employment Commission's special administrative fund \$60,000.

Sen. A. M. Aikin, Jr., Paris, objected to the size of the withdrawal from the "Governor's" fund. He said this should be limited to \$100,000 so that Gov. Price Daniel might work to "save the tidelands." He drew no support for this position.

Rep. B. H. Dewey, Jr., Bryan, told the House, as it debated the money measure, that members might as well prepare for a third special session to pass a tax bill.

The current biennium is expected to close with a deficit of about \$13.6 million. The estimate is based on the \$12 million deficit forecast by Comptroller Robert Calvert plus the approximate \$1.6 million spent or ordered spent by the two special sessions.

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'Reluctant Empire' Honest, Mature

AUSTIN
George Fuermann's 'Reluctant Empire' is not the first mature-minded book to be published with a Texas setting. There is Stanley Walker's 'Home to Texas,' for instance, and there is Roy Bedichek's 'Adventures with a Texas Naturalist.' Certain other titles might be named, but readable, mature-minded books dealing with the Texas scene are notably scarce.

J. Frank Dobie

Reluctant Empire is the first book by any writer to try to explain modern Texas and to lay bare the Texas mind that can be called mature-minded. Most books and articles on Texas are puerile-minded, or timid in facing realities, or lacking otherwise in intellectual integrity. Intellectual integrity implies both intellect and integrity. Going and coming, only a limited number of people, including more writers than politicians, are long on these two qualities; a great many cannot recognize them in others.

George Fuermann has intellect. For years now he has hewn away at facts and ideas as stubborn as any stone to make clear and reasonable various phases of Texas life generally regarded as untouchable—because they are too close to living. He is not out for causes; he seeks "criticism of life" in the Matthew Arnold sense. He is after truths—the meaning of facts. A few quotations will illustrate a kind of daring that we are not used to in Texas writers excepting in Walter Prescott Webb, who gets more agile-minded as well as mature-minded all the time. Now for the quotations.

"TEXAS IS RELIGION, mainly the restrictive religions of Southern Baptists and Methodists. The state was influenced by cotton and religion until the Civil War, by cattle and religion to the end of the century, by oil and religion since then."

"The state is influenced by an oligarchy of oilmen whose force is such that Price Daniel could imply in 1952, without contradiction by any Texas newspaper, that every Texan is an oilman." "The oil interests may now and then buy votes, and they certainly contribute to campaigns, but what gives them their power is not what they do for a politician of whom they approve but what they are capable of doing against him."

"The want of a matured, inquisitive press—a deficiency common to many states—has made possible Texas politics' preoccupations with oil and money rather than with government and people. All that good government requires is an enlightened press."

After these samples, some readers might be surprised to find in the book as strong a case as could be made for the oil business's famous 27½ per cent depletion allowance on income taxes, along with other favors. George Fuermann does not fail to name names of Texas oil men who have made vulgar exhibitions of their wealth and who have spent big money in influencing elections in other states. But—a very big but—he shows how oil wealth has been supporting civilization in the forms of education and art as well as supporting religion and hospitals. "Assets of the state's foundations," he predicts, "more than

four fifths of them enlivened by oil, are a whisper compared with what they will be in a decade."

I have read nowhere else an analysis of any Texas newspaper so penetrating as Fuermann makes of the Houston "Post," for which he writes a daily column, and the Dallas "Morning News," which, we must always remember, was—according to its own eulogy—"founded on truth and righteousness." These newspapers represent the two biggest cities of Texas. The cities themselves represent galloping urbanization, including industrialization, versus a diminishing rural population, that is the key to modern Texas and to the modern Texas mind. In 1956 the urban population was reckoned at 7,707,000, while rural population reckoning had dropped to 950,000. However, laws and fixings still allow the rural minority to govern in many areas. Fuermann sees Houston as the first big Texas city becoming "liberal" in politics, along with the other big cities of America.

He has plenty to say about the religiosity of the state. When a poor woman denies herself an apple or a new pair of stockings in order to give her mite to an orphan's home, that is religion. When a rich politician teaches a Sunday school class for the advertising value in votes, that is religiosity. Religiosity has probably done more in Texas to starve out truth than illiteracy. It has the blessing of all slick money and all slick print.

A chapter on segregation is enriched by a moving report from John Howard Griffin, the writer who lives at Mansfield, Texas, where Governor Shivers sent rangers to uphold mob violence.

THERE ARE RELICS of journalism in George Fuermann's English, but there are no signs of a petrified mind. Some of his bull's eye hits in both style and matter follow.

"Business men, industrialists, and other men of wealth have alone commanded Texas. Men whose luster is the intellect have had virtually no share in Texas government."

"Ernest O. Thompson's elections to six-year terms as a railroad commissioner have been a monotony of success and an evidence that Texas voters, on occasion, are willing to indulge competence."

"Texas is governed by a minority whose bonds are fear of the city and suspicion of university learning. The undemocratic process resulting from suppression of the cities by rural Texas is the state's chief internal problem next to its need for water."

"'God's Business is Big Business,' an editorial in the Dallas 'News' was headlined."

"Willis M. Tate, president of Southern Methodist University, told a Kiwanis Club: 'We at S.M.U. are here to teach young adults how to think and how to cope with the real world around them . . . grapple with all ideas. This is not a dangerous conception of teaching. It has been used in colleges and universities since the beginning of their existence and has produced the most stalwart leadership in our American life . . . Maintaining this atmosphere (of freedom) is most difficult since many people (at present) . . . do not believe in the American tradition of open discussion.'"

(A second review of Reluctant Empire appears next issue.—Ed.)

BULLSTICKING AS A SPECTATOR SPORT

MEXICO CITY
Almost any Anglo-Saxon approach to the 'fiesta brava' is psychotic, let's face it. We approach our first bullfight as we edge up to our first experience of sex (conditioned by the wrong reading). And one's future reaction similarly depends on how the initial experience works out. You see a bloody, butcherish 'corrida' the first time and you will always be an ASPCA partisan, but if you see some true artistry right off, you may be an 'aficionado' for life.

Probably the best way to approach the brave festival, the running of the bulls (the ritual that dates back to Minos; the aristocratic sport that was once banned by a Pope, thus opening it up for the lower classes) is with a blank mind: the attitude of an Englishman going to his first baseball game (he's sure it can't compare to cricket but he's prepared to be shown). Unfortunately scarcely a tourist goes in that frame of mind. He's read the books and he knows the terminology and he tells you (his local guide) just what's going on. Usually he is either revolted or fascinated in a sick or romantic way. In this he follows the writers. D. H. Lawrence's revulsion in the first chapter of *The Plumed Serpent* or the romanticism of Hemingway in his *Death in the Afternoon* (and the sentimentality of his imitators like Tom Lea and B. Conrad).

I wouldn't know how to describe bullfighting myself, or assess its meaning. About the only thing I could say is that nothing I've read about it comes close. It's very seldom an art like ballet; what ritual elements it has are apt to be blown skyhigh by the wrong sort of bull or the wrong sort of killer; by a gust of wind or a sudden flurry of rain. A great deal of the time it is as corrupt as prize-fighting. And often it is as simon-pure amateur as a game of lawn tennis. For weeks on end it can be as dull as an international chess match. And then, all of a sudden it can explode into something as intense and private as falling in love for the first time (but by platoons and companies and regiments; the staunchest introvert yanked onto his feet, screaming nothing in chorus with the mob he disdains). There are the circus elements sure—the color and the weird spine-tingling music, the peanuts and popcorn and paper cups of beer. But who would go to a circus week after week—even if they knew that sooner or later one of the highwire magicians would plummet to pieces in front of his face, or could be guaranteed that once a month the sleek tigers would turn and rend the supercilious trainer, or even be assured that once a year the outrageous clowns wouldn't be shooting blanks? There's the hero-worship of the ball games, without any loyalty. There's often the exhausted persistency of a poker game when you're so tired you don't care whether you win the Empire State Building or lose your children, but druggedly, automatically keep drawing cards. But this doesn't explain anything.

A Zoo of Beasts

Frankly I have no explanation. (Look to all the best-selling gringo pundits, swamis, barkers and mystics for that.) Acknowledging the elements of sadism and masochism and sex—a whole zoo of Freudian beasts roaring in the background—I keep them there. Having boxed and having covered prizefights as a reporter I'm sure these elements are more nakedly evident under those harsher lights.

So what is that thing that gets us up after a heavy Sunday lunch pushing our children into the antlike rush toward the Plaza Mayor? The ordinary Sunday constitutional, a breath of fresh air, an escape from the heavy fumes of roast beef, the sink piled with plates, the living room littered with funny papers. Maybe.

Or maybe it is a hobby. The aficionado is just a hobbyist, like a stamp-collector or a crossword

Don Demarest

fanatic (and the "mystique" is just a hobby-horse). Certainly "aficionado" has become something of a debased term since the days when Papa used it to designate himself and a few fierce old Spaniards. Each week a new authoritative book on bullfighting is published in the Anglo-Saxon world (every other week in England). And each is reviewed by a horde of critics, who describe themselves as "free-lance writers and aficionados of the bull ring."

Which they may well be. But it doesn't give them license in other fields, such as hispano-American literature. And when a recent reviewer in the New York Times Book Review described Luis Spota, a genial journalist and movie director, as "probably Mexico's leading novelist" and a prize he won for a novel (written when he was 23), the Premio de la Ciudad de Mexico, as "equivalent to a Pulitzer Prize," it was like saying that Barnaby Conrad is probably the leading novelist of the U. S. (does that phrase include the dead as well as the quick?) and that any prize Mr. Conrad may have won as the best novel written by a Texan for Matador equals a Pulitzer.

Whetted Minds

Actually I am more and more coming to believe that the only Anglo-Saxons who can approach the *Fiesta Brava* with the innocence and wonder it demands are children under ten. Savagely, unself-consciously interested in the blood and color and the wild music, they see it in its true terms as a combination of circus and fairy tale. Whenever we take a visiting fireman to his first *corrida*, we put him (or especially her) between our six and eight year old girls. For one thing they quickly strip the arrogant book knowledge from these debutantes ("That's not a *veronica*, stupid, that's a *manoletina*") in a way we'd never dare. For another they divert the neophyte's attention to the whole spectacle—the *monosabio* who takes a nosedive into a pile of fresh bull dung or the bullfrog expression of the trumpeter playing the *Diana*—away from that intense private identification with either the sacrificed animal or the reluctant hero. And when things get messy—a degouted horse, a tossed and pierced man, a butchered bull—they start screaming, sly deviationists that they are, for a bag of potato chips or a coke.

I don't know. Maybe I'm a cal-

lous sort of person, who isn't properly concerned about cruelty to animals or human beings. Maybe it's my Latin blood. Perhaps it's because my wife and I wandered into our first bullfight without any preconceived ideas, saw a good one, and made it a weekly practice.

I think we drive up to the Plaza on a Sunday with some of the same sort of throat-catching anticipation, expectation of probable boredom, and whetted critical minds our Mexican friends do. Week after week the bullfight isn't usually that brilliant ritual, that intense dance of death Hemingway and Co. describe (over-compensating for their sentimental affection for dumb animals or preoccupation with death). Nine times out of ten—at least in these dull, lack-hero days—it's a cautious capester teasing an unenthusiastic bovine. The bull sits on his tail, sniffing at the carnations thrown at the last matador like any Ferdinand; or he paws and roars like any bully in preference to charging; or he leaps the fence in abject cowardice, causing a certain excitement in the lower seats. The handsome guy in spangled tights walks up to him gingerly, flicking a red rag, shouting insults and endearments, just as ready to leap the *barrera* if the bull makes an unexpected charge.

But if you are truly interested in the finer points (as a baseball or tennis fan is): the way a matador handles his cape or muleta, how close to the bull he works, his temperament as expressed in flourishes or a quiet workmanly skill; the sudden fear of a braggart or the explosion into heroism of a quiet or timid fighter; the way a bull attacks, hooking and jumping, lumbering and stumbling, or limber and sure-footed as a cat, looking for the man, wasting no energy that won't lead to murder; or the rare way he should be, charging and recharging, as straight and fast as a fighter plane making a strafing run (honest, brave and dumb). Or even the minor actions, the placing of a pair of *banderillas* by one of the peons; the sure picking by a fat man, armored on horseback (which is very rare) putting his lance in the right spot and pivoting around the bull on it—punishing but not crippling. And always the moment of truth: the second when the man, no matter how show-off or evasive he's been, must stand still, get the bull lined up, sight for the silver-dollar-sized vulnerable spot at the tip of the hump, and follow the sword over the horns for the kill (knowing that any random reflex toss of the bull's head will penetrate his groin or his stomach). Or (braving the jeers and catcalls of the "true beast"—the crowd) run around the horns, poking and jabbing for an artery.

Any afternoon, no matter how "grey," provides you with these isolated insights into human and animal behavior. If you are really concerned with the thing, you always feel that you have learned something. No *corrida* is a complete loss for anyone with eyes to see.

Now and Then

And then, every once in a while (and usually unexpectedly) the big thing takes place: the

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Daniel Opposition Is Developing

✓ Liberal political leaders now understand that Sen. Ralph Yarborough asserts he will run against Gov. Daniel next summer if some other exponent of the cause of the loyal Democrats does not. They understand he is well disposed toward the possibility that Dist. Judge James Sewell, Corsicana, or D. A. Tom Moore, Waco, might become a candidate.

Mentioned often as a potential conservative opponent to enter the lists against Yarborough: Ex-Sen. William Blakley and Ex-A.G. John Ben Shepperd. The Valley Chamber of Commerce has dated Blakley Dec. 9; The Dallas News says he is behaving like "a man about to run."

Yarborough, who has traveled more than 18,000 miles in Texas since Congress ended, is running for some office, too: he is chief speaker at the Houston Home Builders Assn. Dec. 18 and is speaking all over the state. A heavy favorite for re-election, he would have a harder go against Daniel.

Most loyalist leaders favor his running for re-election because they like his Senate performance and want to be sure he is firmly in office as leader of Texas loyalist Democrats. They are now debating whether to support, more or less perfunctorily, a candidate like Sen. Charles Herring, Austin, or to field a militant loyalist like Walter Hall, Dickinson banker, Sewell or Moore. (Herring is reported unwilling to oppose Gov. Ben Ramsey by the way.)

Gov. Daniel is in trouble with

the Latin-American voters in South Texas. He was told by a machine spokesman that he could kiss the Latinos in Laredo goodbye if he called the second special session, and he called it anyway.

Now the Corpus Christi Caller after saying "surely" Daniel had not read the Sadler-Lane "anti-troops" bill when he called the special session, concluded that it is "an open invitation to destroy the public school system of Texas" and that Daniel "must be held accountable if he does not veto it." Daniel has approved the legislation.

Yarborough's rising stock was underscored last week as about 100 legislators, including perhaps 25 of 31 senators, turned up at his dinner for the legislature at the Commodore Perry. On a House registering of who could and who could not attend, many did not register, but only one, Rep. Joe Pool, Dallas, registered "nay." House members collected about \$180 to help Yarborough defray the costs of the event.

✓ An appeal for contributions of \$50 to \$500 ("Legitimate corporate expense") to the Committee for Constitutional Government to fight for the Dirksen-Gwinn amendment limiting income taxes to 35 percent of income is signed by a group of ten Texas businessmen. The letter on stationery headed "Houston, Texas Citizens group" asks for money to be sent to Leighton F. Young, National Bank of Commerce, Houston, and is signed by typed names of Rex Baker (vice-president, Humble Oil), Wallace Thompson (president, General Crude Oil Co.), L. S. Reed, (president, Texas Gulf Producing Co.), W. R. Archer (chairman, Uncle Johnny Mills), John Hamman, Jr. (president, Hamman Oil & Refining Co.), T. N. Hunt (president, Hunt Tool Co.), L. H. Kenyon (president, L. K. Pump Valve Co.), Neil G. Nuttall (president, Gulf Forge Co.), George F. Simons (president, Arthur-Smith Corp.), and E. M. Biggers (president, Biggers Printing Co.), with a final note, "affiliations for identification only."

✓ Reports of some authority continue to be received that Sid Richardson may be ready to get out of the independent oil business.

✓ Word from Washington is that the state Democratic executive committee's performance on the Dollars for Democrats drive was not impressive.

SDEC blames Democrats of Texas non-cooperation in its latest newsletter, saying the campaign was confused because Sen. Yarborough and Mrs. R. D. Randolph wanted all their funds to go to the national committee. Neither SDEC nor DOT has yet announced how much money was raised.

✓ Kenneth McCalla, chief railroad lobbyist in Austin who no commented when polled by the Observer on the new lobby bill, has since been quoted saying: "You don't need a law to keep you honest."

✓ It is perhaps not as likely as it seemed for a time that A.G. Will Wilson would run for governor if a hot race developed against Daniel. His threat to do so might have been calculated to discourage opposition. It is unlikely at this point that either the organized conservatives or the organized liberals would give him much support.

✓ Hot state senatorial races are shaping up for the summer. Among possibilities: against Sen. Ratliff, Stamford, Reps. Latimer, Abilene, and Patterson, Snyder; against Sen. Rogers, Childress, Rep. Saul, Kress; against Sen. Phillips, Angleton, Rep. Schwartz of Galveston; against Sen. Bracewell, Houston, Rep. Baker, Houston; against Sen. Roberts, McKinney, Rep. Koriath, Sherman; against Sen. Parkhouse, Dallas, Rep. Sanders, Dallas; against Sen. Ashley, Llano, ex-Rep. Briscoe, Uvalde. Sen. Lock, Lufkin, is retiring. Coming up for re-election also, Sens. Aikin, Paris; Fuller,

Port Arthur; Hardeman, San Angelo; Lane, Center; Martin, Hillsboro; Moore, Bryan; and Weinert, Seguin, against any of whom opposition could develop. With public feeling against the Senate an unmeasured but explosive factor, the Senate races will be as interesting as the bigger ones.

✓ Speaker Sam Rayburn is telling people he hopes Rep. Barefoot Sanders, Dallas, will get in the race for Congressman from Dallas. He thinks Sanders has a marvelous name and a winning political manner.

✓ Tom Griffin, Bastrop County judge, and Rep. Glenn Kothmann, San Antonio, seem to be likely candidates for agriculture commissioner against incumbent John White.

✓ Oak Cliff Tribune editor Ray Zuber says Joe Pool's name is "probably a swear word" to Gov. Daniel because he "forced" the troop bill on Daniel.

✓ Archer Fullingim says in the Kountze News of U. S. suit for Texas tidelands: "This appears to be the monumental doublecross of all time. Remember how Ike promised and promised to give the tidelands back to Texas?"

✓ Ernest Joiner, in the Ralls Banner, says the "troops" bill is "just another in a long series of under-handed devices to keep Negroes out of white schools. It is naturally an unconstitutional law ... We ought to get Waggoner (Carr) back out here before some of that East Texas stupidity rubs off on him."

✓ South Texan, publication of the South Texas Chamber of Commerce, says A. G. Wilson was right when he predicted "a watered-down lobby bill and a lobbied-down water bill."

✓ "Texas Businessman" says problems ahead include a \$12 million deficit in state government, "A new taxbill, the search for a new tax base to replace oil and gas." Suggested: "how to help (city government) shoulder the burden ..."

✓ The Drake Agency, a PR outfit, was hired to turn out releases on the Lyndon Johnson Dinner Dec. 4 in Houston. A Houston Press news story headline on the event promised: "Sen. Johnson Will Tell You Something Big."

✓ Elton Miller, in the White Rocker, remarks on the Johnson dinner Dec. 10 in Dallas: "Look down the list of those who are sponsoring the coming appearance of ... Johnson. There ain't a Democrat in the carload. Laurence Melton is one of the big boys. You mail your check to Watson Associates if you want tickets to the dinner. Not a single one of them voted for Adlai Stevenson or Franklin Roosevelt or Harry Truman. They're the folks who always kick Democrats out of Democrat conventions. It's okay, I assume."

✓ Houston Press said the Texas Senate's reputation "smirched by the shady actions of many of its members, reached an all-time, rockbottom low" when it rejected William Harrison as insurance commissioner. Sen. Hardeman, San Angelo, "the major hatchetman" against lobby regulation, led the fight, the Press said.

DOT's Position Is Reiterated

AUSTIN

Mrs. R. D. Randolph, chairman of Democrats of Texas, has accused "some of the more irresponsible newspaper columnists and editorialists" of trying to attribute "a variety of positions on a number of subjects" to DOT which that organization has not in fact adopted.

Her position statement:

DOT has pledged support of the Democratic platform, recognizes that all citizens are entitled "to enjoy equally all the rights and privileges of citizenship, regardless of race, sex, color or creed," and endorses a party registration law, strict party convention rules, repeal of the poll tax as a prerequisite to voting, and support of party nominees by all party officers.

MORE BULLSTICKING

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Notes on Some Reading

THE SELECTED WRITINGS OF JUAN RAMON JIMINEZ, translated by H. R. Hays (edited and with a preface by Eugene Florit). Farrar, Straus and Cudahy, New York, \$4.75.

If, like the reviewer, you enjoyed Eloise Roach's and the University of Texas Press's **Platero and I**, here is more of the same, including several works by Jimenez never before published in any language.

I do not know whether Mr. Hays is as good a translator as Miss Roach, but it does not seem to matter. I have not read fresher lyrics in many years.

Editor Florit, a Cuban critic and essayist, has selected several prose pieces by Jimenez for inclusion in this volume, which is arranged chronologically over the last half century so as to give some insight into the development of Jimenez's mind and art. It is a great mind, and a highly-developed art.

FIFTEEN BY THREE, Fifteen Short Stories by R. V. Cassill, Herbert Gold, and James B. Hall. New Directions, New York, 1957. \$1.35.

This volume, a paperback by the sometimes avant-garde New Directions press, promises more than it produces. ND's James Laughlin, in a preface, says these stories (there are five each, and an introduction each, by Cassill, Gold and Hall) are by young writers who are "trying to do something to keep the short story from going stale and keep it growing as a form."

I found the stories good, all of them, but not — as Laughlin claims — "exciting to read ... because the forms they take are ... fresh and develop from the unique approach of these three

writers." The stories are good, not because they are said to be experimental exercises, which is doubtful, but simply because they are good stories by the oldest of standards of judging good fiction.

Advice: Buy the book; skip the introductions by the authors and the preface by Laughlin; read it just for the fun of reading good writing.

ENGLISH HISTORIANS, Select passages compiled by Bertram Newman. Oxford University Press, London, New York, Toronto, 1957. \$4.25.

This collection, compiled by Bertram Newman for the English Association, and beautifully — as always — produced by the Oxford Press, illustrates the progress in English historical writing from the 16th Century to the present, from Oman, More, and Holinshed to Sir Winston Churchill, Toynbee, and G. M. Trevelyan. There are extracts from more than 60 historians, chosen apparently for their literary as well as their historical worth.

As for the worth of the book, I agree with Miss G. V. Wedgewood, who wrote the foreword: "... reveals at a glance — or at least between the covers of one book — the variety and strength of the English tradition in historical writing."

There are many passages which bring the historical moment they describe leaping to the eye and brain and heart. Take Sir Thomas More, writing of the death of Richard III, in "The Murder of the Princes in the Tower":

"King Richard, himself, as ye shall hereafter hear, slain in the field, hacked and hewed of his enemies' hands, harried on horseback dead, his hair in despite torn and tugged like a cur dog;

and the mischief that he took, within less than three years of the mischief that he did." L. J.

LEGALS

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO Effie Marie Ahart, Defendant, in the hereinafter styled and numbered cause:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the 126th District Court of Travis County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse of said county in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance hereof; that is to say, at or before, 10 o'clock A. M. of Monday the 23rd day of December, 1957, and answer the First Amended Original Petition of plaintiff in Cause Number 107,306, in which Henry Ahart is Plaintiff and Effie Marie Ahart is defendant, filed in said Court on the 1st day of November, 1957, and the nature of which said suit is as follows:

Being an action and prayer for judgment in favor of Plaintiff and against Defendant for decree of divorce dissolving the bonds of matrimony heretofore and now existing between said parties; Plaintiff alleges cruel treatment on the part of Defendant towards him of such a nature as to render their further living together as husband and wife altogether insupportable; Plaintiff further alleges that no children were born of said union and no community property was acquired; Plaintiff further prays for relief, general and special;

All of which more fully appears from Plaintiff's First Amended Original Petition on file in this office and to which reference is here made;

If this citation is not served within 90 days after date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Witness, O. T. Martin, Jr., Clerk of the District Courts of Travis County, Texas.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at office in the City of Austin, this the 4th day of November, 1957.

O. T. MARTIN, JR., Clerk of the District Courts, Travis County, Texas.

By GEO. W. BICKLER, Deputy

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Teachers Laud Price, Kill Troop Bill Step

DALLAS — More than ten thousand Texas teachers, convened for the annual meeting of the Texas State Teachers Assn. of 67,000 members, asked the President to support Texas tidelands claims, gave Governor Price Daniel its highest award for his activities on behalf of those claims, and roundly defeated a move to condemn the legislature for passing the segregation bills of the special session.

TSTA asked Eisenhower to "instruct the attorney general of the United States to put into full effect the policy of the administration by withdrawing the ill-advised suit which proposes to set aside Texas's claim to its own tidelands, thereby denying educational opportunities to Texas children."

Outgoing TSTA president Dana Williams said of this, "We receive many millions of dollars in revenue from the tidelands for the permanent school fund."

The association presented Daniel with its distinguished service award for the greatest contribution of Texas education by a layman for his "outstanding service in retaining the tidelands for Texas."

Miss Katherine Ruff of Falfurrias proposed, just before the convention adjourned, a resolution to "deplore the action of the state legislature in passage of the troop bill and the bill making state funds available for fighting integration suits"

"We believe these measures to be damaging to the public schools of Texas," she said. They will encourage strife and disorder." Teachers, she said, should "assert moral and professional leadership ship." "We are a profession concerned with everything that affects school matters in the state. This is very much our business and concern," she said.

Dr. H. M. Landrum, superin-

tendent of the Spring Branch Public Schools near Houston, proposed to table the resolution. He said it "wouldn't be right for teachers to come along and criticize the legislature for something that has already been done." "The teachers should leave to the legislature and the people to decide who shall attend schools and where they shall attend," he said.

The resolution was tabled by a large majority of the delegates. Only a scattering of noes were heard.

Lawrence Derthick, U. S. commissioner of education, said citizens may have to "do without chrome and country clubs" to finance adequate education. "No nation will long survive or prosper that neglects its youth or fails to honor its teachers," he said.

Sen. Lyndon Johnson, speaking to the Texas Classroom Teachers Assn. and the American Jewish Committee in Dallas in conjunction with the convention, said the U.S. must recover the technological lead over Russia and that the battlefield is the classroom.

He recommended improving teachers' economic position, adding to the nation's teaching reserves, revising teaching methods so scientific subjects will be more attractive, and paying special attention to gifted children.

Johnson introduced Sen. John Kennedy, D.-Mass., to the convention. Kennedy advocated federal aid to help build schools, said federal, state, and local governments share educational responsibilities, and warned that educating scientists is not enough. "We dare not neglect its (America's) politicians," he said. "We must have men and women capable of leading the free world ..."

One TSTA committee considered homes for retired teachers. Dr. Harold C. Urey of the University of Chicago proposed a five-and-a-half day week and a ten-month year for the schools.

Johnson Talks Of Space Ships

HOUSTON

A crowd of 1,300, including Speaker Sam Rayburn and Gov. Price Daniel, but not Sen. Ralph Yarborough, gathered at an appreciation dinner here last Wednesday night for Sen. Lyndon Johnson.

Rayburn said Johnson is the greatest majority leader in the history of the U. S. Senate.

Yarborough attended a hearing on small business problems in Dallas Wednesday and spent the evening at a meeting of his Masonic lodge at a statewide gathering of Masons in Waco.

Johnson addressed the meeting on the space age. He was to address a Chamber of Commerce meeting in Amarillo Friday, an appreciation dinner in Dallas Tuesday of next week, and a Chamber of Commerce dinner in Fort Worth Wednesday of next week.

He told the Houston crowd:

"Rockets to the moon are just over the horizon. Space ships are only a few years away, and most of us will live to see them. The scientists are already talking—in serious terms—about the day when we will escape the solar system and explore the universe."

Tuesday Johnson attended a White House conference in which was discussed "startling scientific achievements made by the Soviets in the past few years ... No sane man can underrate those achievements. The U. S. has been outstripped in a field where we thought we were supreme."

The Russians are ahead, he said, in scientists and engineers, in basic weapons of the future, and in space exploration.

Johnson advocated a five-point program for the U.S.: stepping up development of survival weapons, revise education so that science and technology "are no longer ignored," tap talent among retired people, research into physical and biological problems of outer space—"perhaps through a space academy"—and assign specific responsibilities "for the physical, economic, and legal problems of exploring outer space."

Din Gets Louder Over Tidelands

AUSTIN

As San Angelo State Sen. Dorsey Hardeman was predicting on the Senate carpet that Texas will "never" win its tidelands claim because Gov. Daniel blundered in Washington in 1953, Sen. Lister Hill, D.-Ala., announced he will have revised legislation in the next Congress to distribute "oil for education" income from tidelands proportionally among the 48 states.

"Over the years, the royalties from these lands are estimated at more than \$10 billion. By using these revenues, we can immediately undertake a program of better education for national defense," Hill said.

Daniel said he was "shocked and surprised" by Hardeman's contention that the bill Daniel co-sponsored when U.S. senator in 1953 failed to spell out Texas's ten-and-a-half-mile claims to the tidelands.

A gathering issue in the tidelands dispute concerns a compromise worked out by Speaker Sam Rayburn in 1952 under which Texas would have received 37.5 percent of all oil under the Gulf for a distance of 100 miles offshore. Yarborough said in El Paso that Daniel blocked this.

"Governor Daniel's bungling and blocking of a compromise of the tidelands resulted in a weasel-worded tidelands law that has cost the school children of Texas millions of dollars," Yarborough said.

The U.S. government filed a suit early this month alleging Texas tidelands extend only three miles, not ten and a half miles, out from shore.

Hardeman, discussing Daniel's resolution petitioning the President to have the suit withdrawn, remarked tartly:

"We'll never have it settled in our favor now, I don't care if we spend a million dollars."

Referring to the 1953 sub-

merged lands act, Hardeman said he found no reference to the three-league (or ten-and-a-half-mile) claim. "There was the place to define in no uncertain terms exactly what he wanted. ... We missed the boat entirely, and we have got even less chance of winning now than before. It's possible the senator from Texas (Daniel) was lulled into a sense of security by the attorney general. I think his trust was betrayed, yes. But I can't ask my people to continue to pay taxes when we're wasting it like that," said Hardeman.

Daniel said he was "shocked" by Hardeman's criticism. He said Hardeman was wrong "in saying that the uncertain words 'historic boundaries' were used in the 1953 act. ... it conveys title to each state's boundaries 'as they existed at the time such state entered the union.'" In the case of Texas that is a definite three leagues to the Gulf," said the Governor.

Daniel told the legislature recently he did not accept Atty. Gen. Brownell's suggestion that Texas be given the ten-and-a-half-miles explicitly in the bill because the rest of Brownell's suggestion would have cost the bill votes from other coastal states.

Said Hardeman in retorting to Daniel: "Even Brownell tried to get him to attach a map to his bill showing where the boundary was and he didn't do it."

"It is unfortunate," said Daniel, "that we have officials in our own state denying this (that the 1953 act nailed down the Texas claim), and I dare say federal attorneys will point with glee to a Texas senator who agrees with them on the contention they are now making against Texas."

"Regardless of political and personal differences of the past," Daniel said, "now is the time for Texans to unite and pull together to win against this latest attack on our property. Division in our ranks only strengthens the enemy"

A REVIEW OF THE WEEK IN TEXAS

- An investigator's report on the firing of Profs. Byron Abernethy, Per Stensland, and Herbert Greenberg by Texas Tech directors was presented to the annual meeting of the Southern Assn. of Colleges and Secondary Schools at Richmond, Va. The association is Tech's accrediting agency. The Observer is not yet advised on the contents of the report.

- A special U. S. Senate committee on small business, headed by Sen. John Sparkman, Stevenson's 1952 running mate, opened hearings at Dallas. Among the witnesses: Sen. Ralph Yarborough. The committee is studying federal tax laws affecting small business.

- Dr. James Turman, chief administrator of the old state Youth Council, was named executive director of the revamped (as of Sept. 1) Texas Youth Council.

- The Senate's new president pro tem is Port Arthur's Jep Fuller.

- H. L. Hunt, Dallas' self-effacing multimillionaire, took

- a second wife, the former Mrs. Ruth Wright.

- Department of Public Safety director Homer Garrison, leaving a session of the Travis County grand jury inquiring into official corruption, said that he had no new evidence. Insurance liquidator-receiver J. D. Wheeler, before a grand jury appearance, said he didn't know whether he had new areas for the grand jury to look into.

- Gov. Daniel attended sessions of the interstate oil compact meeting at Tulsa, Okla.

- Sen. Hubert Humphrey of Minnesota will give an opening speech at the Student Conference on Human Affairs opening next Wednesday at Texas A & M on the U. S. position in Middle East affairs.

- Three Southwest Conference football teams are headed for post-season bowl games: Texas vs. Mississippi State in the Sugar Bowl, A & M vs. Tennessee in the 'Gator Bowl, and Rice vs. Navy in the Cotton Bowl.

- The site of historic Fort Croghan was acquired by the

- Burnet County Historical Society.

- The federal government has begun airlifting wetbacks from the Rio Grande to Mexico's interior, most of them to the South Mexico state of Guanajuato. Mexican officials are co-operating.

- The U. S. Labor Department refused requests from Hall County farmers wanting to employ the minor children of braceros. Congressman Walter Rogers said he'd try to get the ruling and the law on which it's based, changed.

- The Austin criminal appeals court said a father must support his children even if their mother refuses to bring them to live where he demands. The ruling came in a case up from Maverick County.

- A priest of Our Lady of San Juan mission, in the Lower Valley, absolved Mrs. Manuela Carreon of Texas City from her vow to walk the 387 miles from her home to the mission if her son was acquitted of a murder

- charge. She walked the first 100 miles.

- Scripps-Howard Washington correspondent Neil McNeil wrote that BenJack Cage bought his own insurance from Southland Life and Travelers, among others, instead of his own firm.

- Working mothers "who farm out their children" are leaving their homes to "fall apart," in the opinion of Dr. K. Owen White, pastor of Houston's First Baptist Church, expressed in a speech to the Texas Baptist Training Union convention at Tyler.

- Dr. Paul R. Hawley, Chicago, addressing the Houston convention of the American College of Surgeons, said: "A doctor shouldn't charge an outlandish fee when he knows the man can't afford it. The physician should be a servant to man, not a money-mad businessman."

- Dallas mayor Bob Thornton told U. Simpson Tate of the NAACP he "felt sure" the Dallas City Council would give "consideration" to Tate's complaint of segregated seating in Dallas's Memorial Auditorium.

- Gardiner Symonds, president of Tennessee Gas Transmission, and H. W. Freeman, president of Midwestern Gas Transmission, were subpoenaed by a Wisconsin federal grand jury probing monopoly in the natural gas industry. Both are from Houston.

- Texas A&M directors omitted mention of Land Commissioner Earl Rudder in a College Station meeting. Reportedly Rudder will resign to accept an administrative post at A & M.

- El Paso County Medical Society said the El Paso General Hospital has lowered its standards to the point of "endangering life" and that three Texas medical schools no longer recommend the hospital for internships.

- Gov. Daniel took up for 30 Abilene policemen who complained Rep. H. J. Blanchard, Lubbock refused to accept a ticket for failure to have a valid safety inspection sticker on his car. Blanchard invoked his legislative immunity. Daniel said Blanchard should have accepted the ticket.