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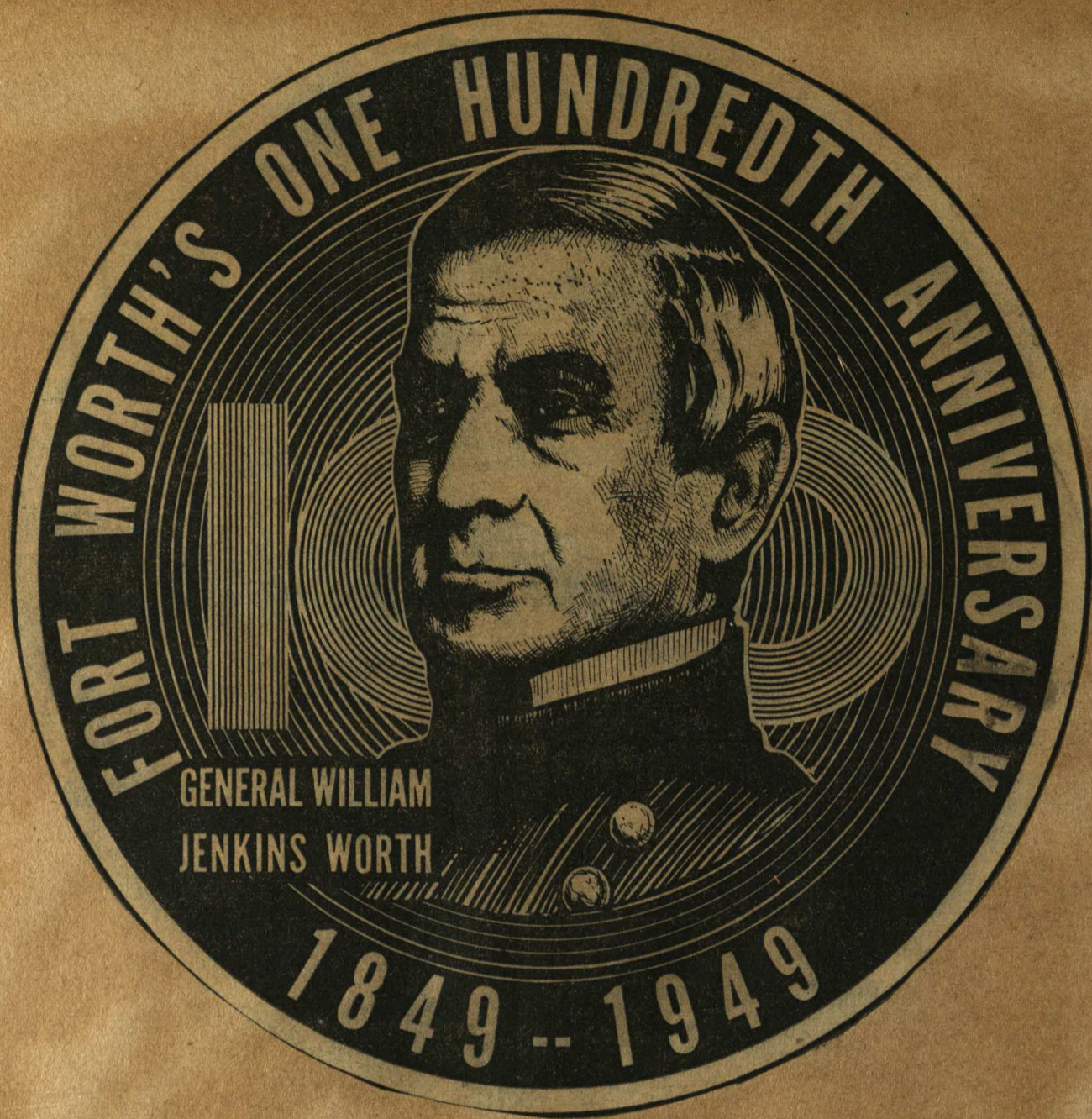
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A PICTURE OF PROGRESS

The years have wrought a magical transformation to the "bluff" where old Fort Worth was founded in 1849: From the prairie has grown a modern bustling city of over 300,000 inhabitants, the hub of a great cattle and oil empire.

Fort Worth Centennial 1849-1949



Spurred by the sincere desire to make this land a better place in which to live . . . for themselves and for their future generations . . . our pioneer forefathers founded Fort Worth, and set to work with hands and heart to build their fledgling "Cowtown" into a great city.

Today, Fort Worth pauses in its progress to pay tribute to these pioneers . . . men and women of vision who possessed the fortitude and initiative to invest their energy and money toward making possible more and better things for more people.

The indomitable spirit of progress portrayed in the past is matched by the aggressive activities of Fort Worth's modern citizens. The history of another "Century of Progress" is being written, because the people of "Cowtown" believe in the future of their city and their country, and are willing to work and invest to secure that future.



—Rowles Studio, Hudson, N. Y., Photo Reproduction.

LIFE-SIZE PORTRAIT OF MAJ. GEN. WILLIAM J. WORTH.

... To be unveiled 8 p. m. Tuesday in Public Library.

Portrait of Gen. Worth To Be Unveiled Tuesday

The life-size portrait of Maj. Gen. William Jenkins Worth, for whom Fort Worth was named, will be unveiled on the second floor of the Public Library at 8 p. m. Tuesday by the Fort Worth Art Association.

The art association brought the portrait here from the General Worth Hotel in Hudson, N. Y., the general's birthplace, as part

of the city's centennial celebration. It will hang in the library from Tuesday night until after the centennial spectacle, Fiesta-cade, closes an eight-day run July 23.

Artist and date of the portrait are unknown. The painting shows the general in his campaign headquarters during the Mexican War, in which he won distinction as the "General Patton of that time." The general is wearing an Army dress uniform. On the table beside him are battle plans, and through a window may be seen a Mexican mission and snow-capped mountains.

Scheduled to participate in unveiling ceremonies are Sam Can-
tey III, art association director;
R. Wright Armstrong, Centennial
Association president, Dan Levy,
library board president; J. S. Ibbotson, librarian; Frank Kent,
Tarrant County Historical Society president, Web Maddox,
Chamber of Commerce president,
and Mayor Deen.

The portrait was loaned to Fort Worth by Abe Weiser, owner of the General Worth Hotel. Oldtimers in Hudson recall it hanging in the lobby "as long as they can remember," according to W. I. Van der Poel, Hudson chamber executive secretary, who arranged for its trip to Fort Worth. The hotel was founded in 1837.

General Worth's birthplace is the third oldest city in New York and lost the capital by one vote, according to Van der Poel. It was chartered April 22, 1785. "And as the first city to be chartered after the Declaration of Independence," Van der Poel wrote, "it is therefore the first American city."

Only signature on the painting is that of Hugh McKay, artist who restored it in 1930.

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS *** Where the West Begins *** TUESDAY, MAY 17, 1949.

THIRTY-TWO PAGES

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4 ARE DROWNED, 3 MISSING, 1,000 HOMELESS AFTER FLOOD



SAME OLD OUTLAW—Defying modern efforts to confine it as it has in years past, the Trinity River's muddy flood surge is shown as it swept across W. 7th St. Tuesday morning, inundating the area between the Penn

St. bluff westward to University Dr. The aerial photograph shows the view westward, overlooking the Montgomery Ward plant, lower Trinity Park, the W. 7th St. business district and the housing area northward from there to White Settlement Rd., caught in the

eddy waters just above the confluence of the Clear Fork and West Fork. This area has been free from floods since the early 1920s. Star-Telegram staff photographer Al Panzera flew over the area in a plane of the Ed Ritchey Flying Service.

Fort Worth Left Without City Water By Deluge Measuring Up to 12 Inches

Four were known drowned, at least three were missing, an estimated 1,000 were homeless and Fort Worth was without city water and traffic lights Tuesday in the wake of an overnight rain measuring from an official 6.03 inches at Municipal Airport to more than 12 at Kennedale.

Damage from the swirling waters of Trinity's Clear Fork could not be estimated, and the danger and property loss were not ended at noon Tuesday.

Evacuation of N. Main businesses and homes from Paddock Viaduct as far north as Grand Ave. was ordered shortly before noon. A 10-foot torrent was still sweeping over Van Zandt Viaduct's west end on W. 7th, and a 30-foot section of levee near W. 12th and Jacksboro Highway washed out around 11 a. m.

All public schools were closed until further notice.

Though more thundershowers were forecast for the next 24 hours, the general peak of flood danger was believed reached, with a report of an eight-foot drop from a 26-foot rise at Benbrook Dam, and U. S. Forecaster Knarr discounted any possible flood effect from the expected precipitation Tuesday night and Wednesday.

The city water will be shut down an estimated four days, officials said Tuesday afternoon.

The eight-foot drop may mean the worst is over, U. S. Army engineers added, but warned that additional runoff from the Clear Fork watershed might cause another upsurge within the next 12 hours.

Residents were warned to boil any city water, still in the pressureless mains, before drinking because of contamination of the inundated main Holly pump station.

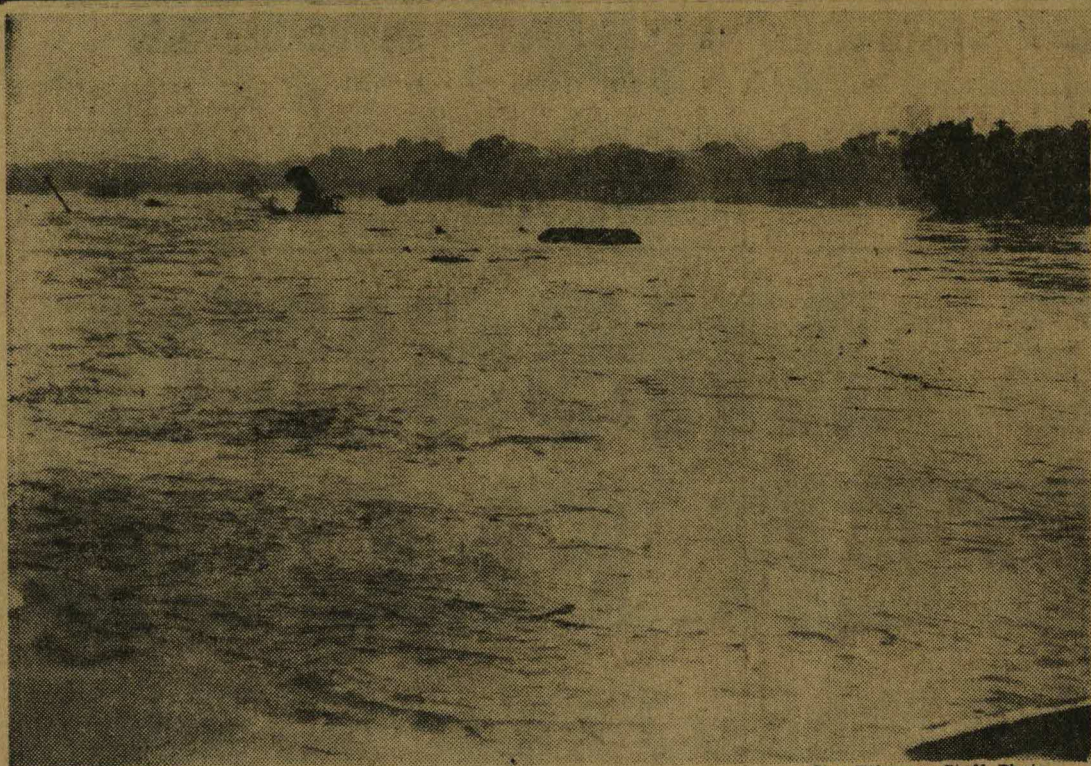
Police, firemen, Carswell Air Base airmen and civilian volunteers worked throughout the night rescuing and evacuating marooned residents from low-lying sectors all over town. Power failures darkened spots of the city, and cars were stalled everywhere when the rain reached its peak around midnight.

PRECAUTIONS OUTLINED FOR RESIDENTS OF FORT WORTH

These instructions and precautions have been issued by authorized agencies and utilities:

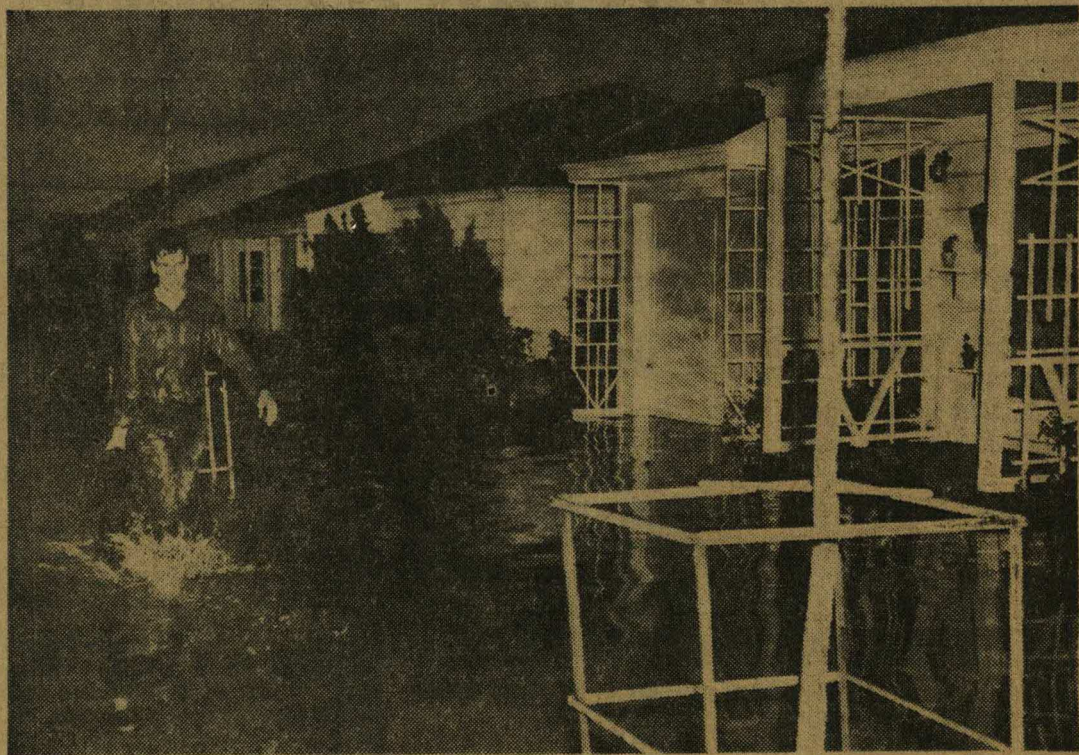
- Boil all drinking water.
- Fill all containers with water if possible.
- Do not drive unless on essential errands or business.
- Keep away from flooded areas.
- Give clearance to police rescue workers.
- Do not use the telephone for unnecessary calls.
- Do not touch electric outlets or turn on lights while standing on a wet or partially flooded floor.
- Do not send children to school until notified.
- Cut off gas before evacuating your home.
- On returning to a residence that has been evacuated, immediately shut off the gas.

Watch the Star-Telegram and listen to Radio Station WBAP for additional warnings or notification of the resumption of services.



—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.

RAGING RIVER—The churning waters of the Clear Fork of the Trinity River crash down utility poles and carry along rooftops, leaving scores homeless.



—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.

ELMER RESCUED—Robert Vaughn, 804 Englewood, rescued his pet Scotty, Elmer, on a second trip through water that reached his neck.

Four Hospitals Just Getting By Without Water

Water Everywhere

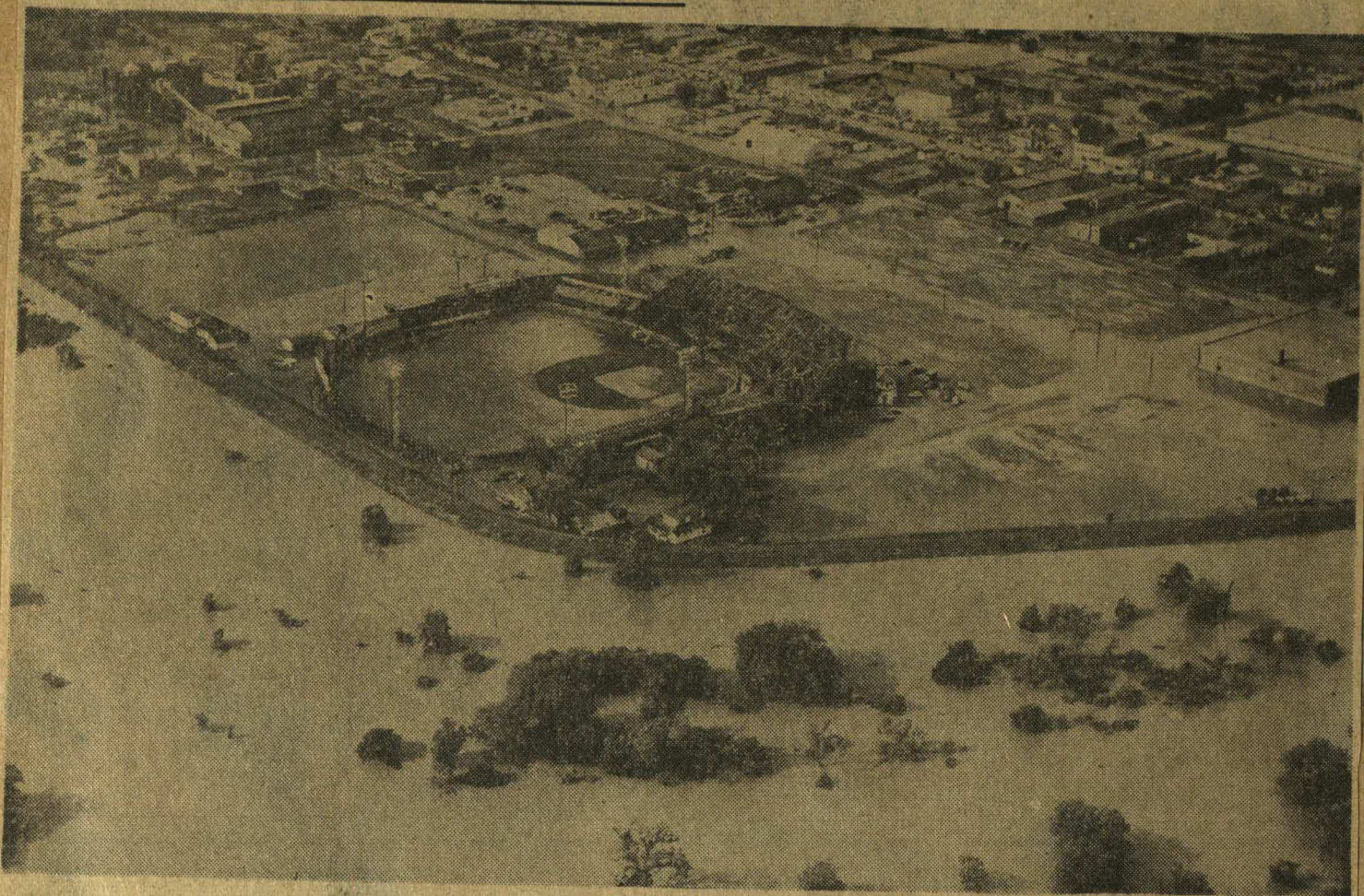
Zoo's Animals Have Own 'Splash Day,' Hittson Says

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Standing in two and a half feet of water in his office Tuesday, Forest Park Zoo Director Hitt

the cage at the north end of the zoo.

"They could swim right out of



TWO-TIME VICTIM—This aerial picture of the Fort Worth baseball club's La Grave Field was made Tuesday just before flood water from the swollen Trinity

River in foreground covered part of the scars left by the \$1,000,000 fire which laid waste early Sunday morning to the main grandstand.

—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.



Star-Telegram Staff Photo From Ritchey Flying Service Plane.
WATERS ENCIRCLE LA GRAVE—This mid-afternoon picture shows waters lapping at recently burned La Grave Field. By nightfall diamond was covered. Note submerged left field.

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the grand jury within the next 10 days.

His announcement came after Asst. Dist. Atty. John McLean filed a charge of murder with malice against Silven Stiles, 56-year-old furniture store owner who rented Mr. Morrison a one-room, share-the-bath apartment at 3623 Hemphill.

Stiles was released upon \$5000 bond set by Peace Justice Frank Hurley.

Mr. Morrison, who was employed by a van company, died before reaching a hospital yesterday. He had been stabbed four times in the chest with the five-inch blade of a hunting knife and his arms were covered with cuts.

Stiles admitted stabbing the tenant after "a dispute about some rent."

Mrs. Morrison told The Press she and her husband paid \$10 a week for the one-room apartment, which they shared with two of their children.

Mysterious Disease Hits Kansas Wheat

TOPEKA, Kan., May 17. (U.P.)—A mysterious virus disease in wheat was creeping today over the state that regularly produces one-fourth of the nation's total crop of bread grain.

As much as 50 per cent of the winter wheat crop in Lane and Scott Counties appeared to have been hit by "western wheat mosaic."

A. B. Erhart, superintendent of the Garden City state agricultural experiment station, said that in the western section, whole fields of wheat had been plowed under after being ravaged by the disease.

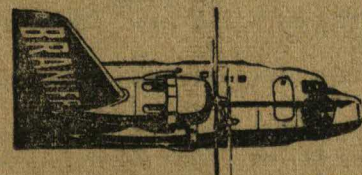
If the disease continues to spread, he said, damage to this year's wheat may exceed \$50,000,000.

Cattle Plague Line May be Moved North

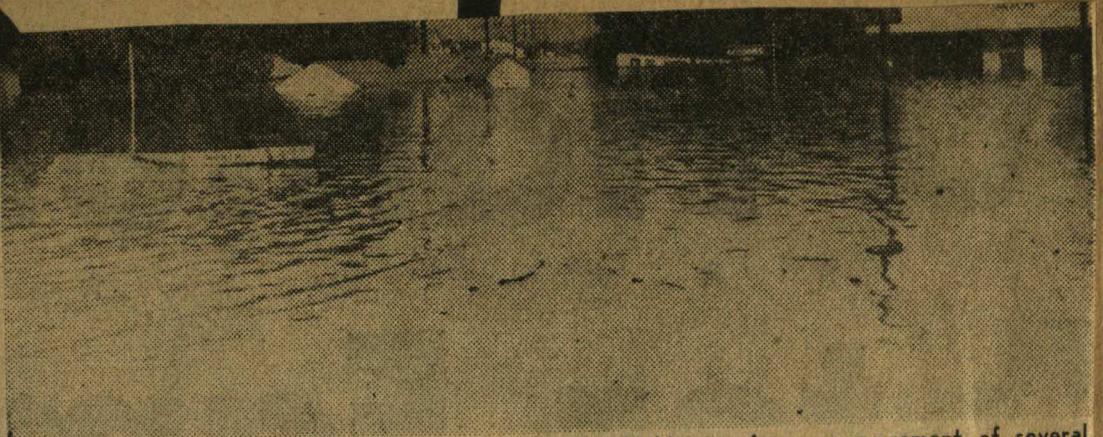
WASHINGTON, May 17. (U.P.)—Agriculture officials said today the new outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in Mexico may require moving the quarantine line closer to the U. S. border.

The highly contagious cattle disease is a threat to this country's meat and milk supply.

The latest outbreak occurred among some 20 head of cattle at a point just one-fourth of a mile south of the northern quarantine line and 384 miles southwest of Brownsville, Tex. The cattle have been slaughtered.



**HALF
FARE
FOR WIFE AND
FAMILY**



ROAD BLOCK—Only traffic on White Settlement Road this morning was movement of several houses washed from foundations by flood waters. View is looking west toward Convair from the intersection of White Settlement and Jacksboro Highway.—(Press Staff Photos).



DIVERS would have been needed to do the work around this barn at 12th and Highway 199 (to Jacksboro). Across the street water rose to flood the Rockwood Park and golf course.—(Press Staff Photo).

Bus Service Is Disrupted On Main Lines

City bus service was disrupted on main lines today as high water closed all but one traffic artery to the West Side.

Arlington Heights, El Campo, River Crest, Convair and Como buses were all running over a detour route out North Main and across NW 28th past the flooded area.

Arlington Heights line was extended from the traffic circle near Convair through Westover Hills and in on Camp Bowie to University Drive and W. Seventh. Schedules were forgotten as drivers battled heavy traffic.

Other city lines were experiencing scattered difficulties with high water. The Poly bus was

routed over E. Rosedale instead of W. Vickery to avoid the Sycamore Creek crossing.

Several buses were being used for evacuation of flood victims in Parkside Village behind Will Fellers Coliseum. The homeless were taken to the Victory Apartments in Liberator Village.



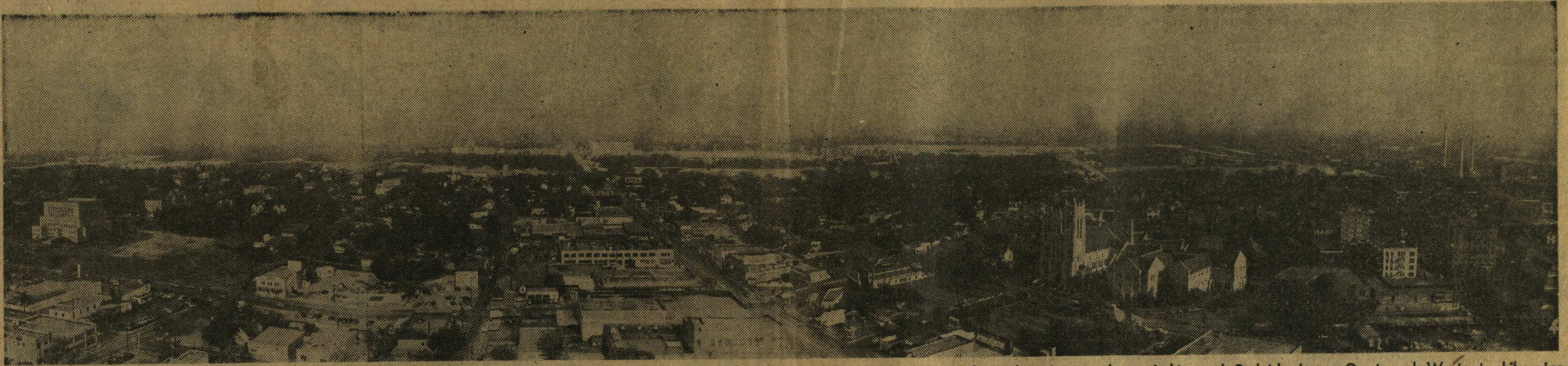
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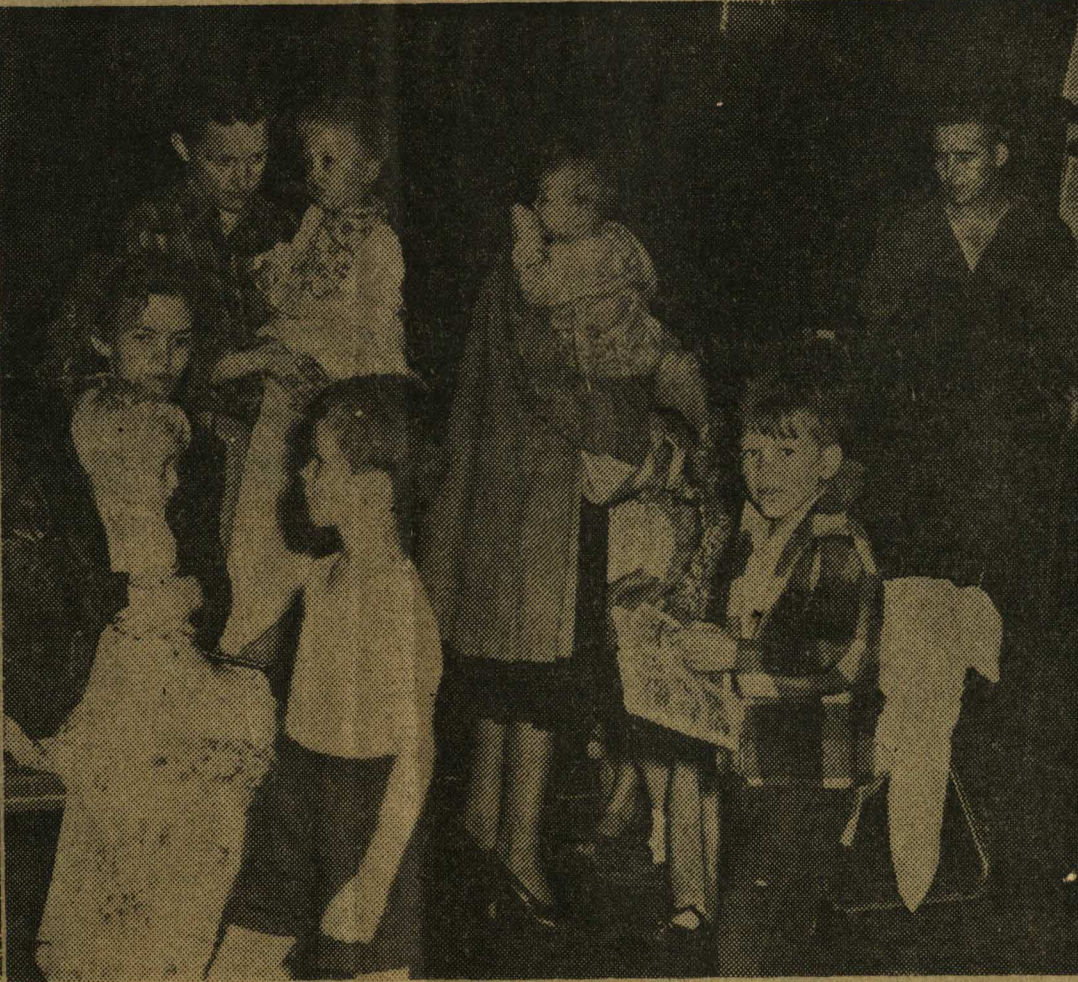
City Faces Water Famine



FLOOD PANORAMA—Here's the overall view of Fort Worth's flooded West Side, as seen from the downtown area. An estimated 4000 persons were homeless and property damage will exceed \$2,000,000. Hardest hit by the rampaging Trinity River and its tributaries were homes in Linwood, Parkside, Lower Crestwood, Westgate, Liberator Village. Schools were closed and the city's water supply was off.—(Press Staff Photo).



RESCUED from the flood by boat early today were H. H. Loper, 317 Templeton, and his daughter, Mrs. Yada Taylor. H. M. Cornelius of the State Highway Patrol is shown guiding the boat from the flooded Linwood area. Mr. Cornelius' dog, shown at the left, jumped from the boat for a swim.



REFUGEES from river lowlands between W. Seventh and W. Lancaster were driven from their homes. Shown here are part of the women and children who found shelter in a bowling alley on University Dr. Water was already high in the houses at daylight.—(Press Staff Photos).

Damage Two Million; 1000 Homes Covered By Swirling Waters

Major disaster struck Fort Worth with floodwaters early today, driving an estimated 4000 persons from homes and spreading damage upward from \$2,000,000. Four were known dead. Police reported at least a dozen missing and possibly drowned. At least 15 persons were injured. The known dead: Dee Pennington, 68, of 1609 Sycamore, who drowned in Sycamore Creek when a rescue boat capsized. An unidentified white woman, about 60, whose body was found near N. Henderson and White Settlement Rd. An unidentified boy, about 16, found near Liberator Village. An unidentified Negro woman whose body was recovered near NE 23rd and Santa Fe tracks. Water rose into an estimated 1000 homes, most of them along the Clear and West Forks of the Trinity River in lowlands west of the downtown area.

City Faces Emergency as Water Supply is Cut Off, Schools Close

The city's water supply was off. The Holly pumping plant was under the Clear Fork's swirling flood. Firefighters were without water to battle blazes. Public schools were ordered closed for the day, or until the water supply is restored. There were dozens of rescues and stories of heroism were the rule of the day. Rainfall measured 6.03 inches at the North Side Weather Bureau, 8.06 at the Federal Courthouse, 9.96 in the Meadowbrook area and 12.08 at Kennedale. It was the city's worst flood in its history. Biggest previous flood on record came on April 24, 1922.

Trinity Stage 26 Feet at Nutt Dam Before Gauge is Washed Away

Where to Get Safe Water

Relief Agencies at Work, Shelters Open

'Stay Out of Flood Areas'

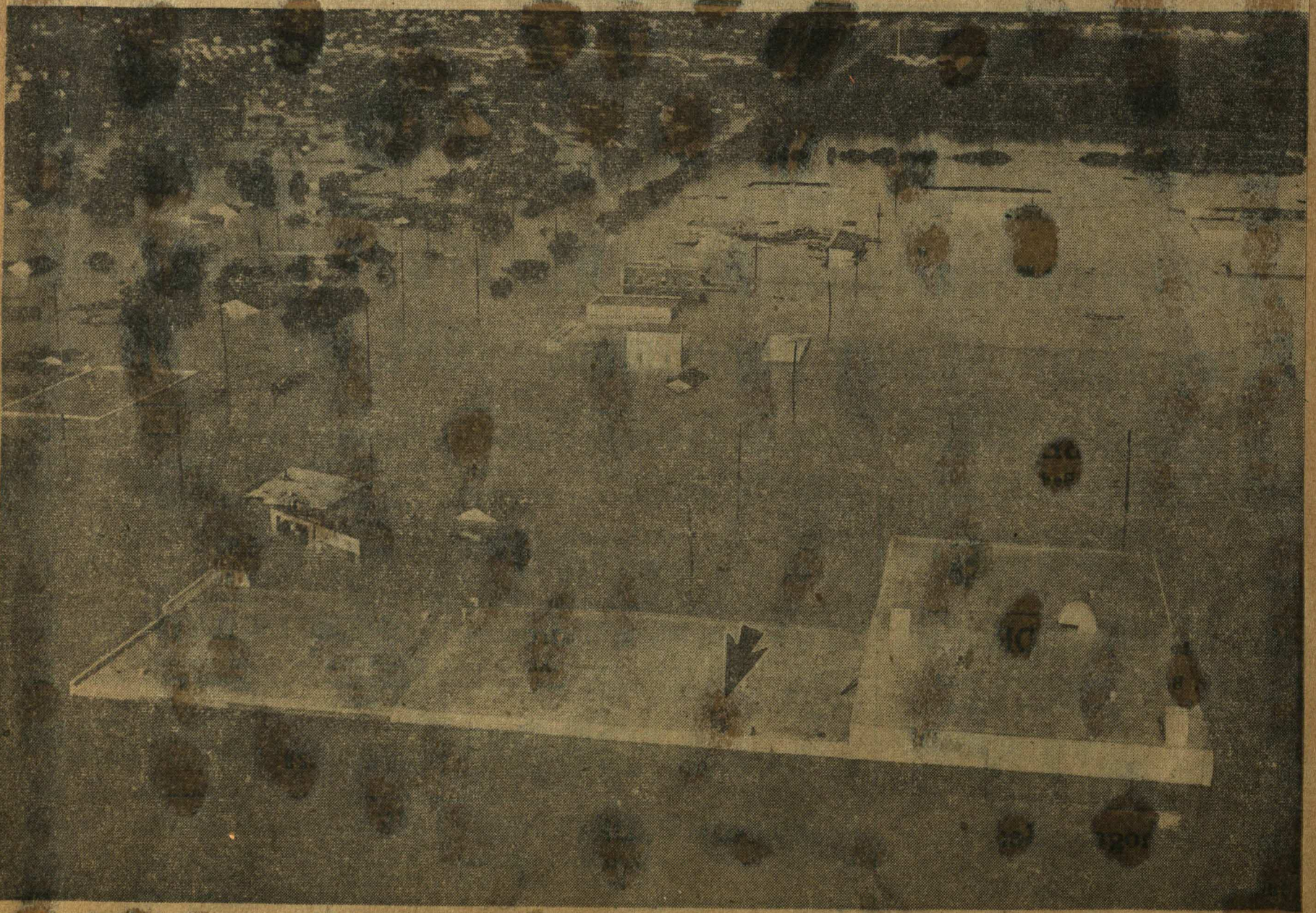
Boil Your Water!—Holly Water Pumping Plant Now Paralyzed



SEA OF WATER covered W. Lancaster north of Farrington Field. Business establishments were flooded with several feet of water. A car stalled earlier in the night, was almost covered with water.—(Press Staff Photo).



WORST TRAFFIC JAM of the city's history resulted when Arlington Heights motorists, cut off from town, drove through River Oaks to N. Main. This picture was made from center of North Main jam, south of Central.—(Press Staff Photo).



HIGH AND DRY—While rescue boats work along in the 2500 and 2600 blocks of White Settlement Rd., several men, note arrow, stay safe and dry atop the Cook Paint and Varnish Company. The airview was made from a Ritchey Flying Service plane. —Star-Telegram Staff Photo by Al Penner.

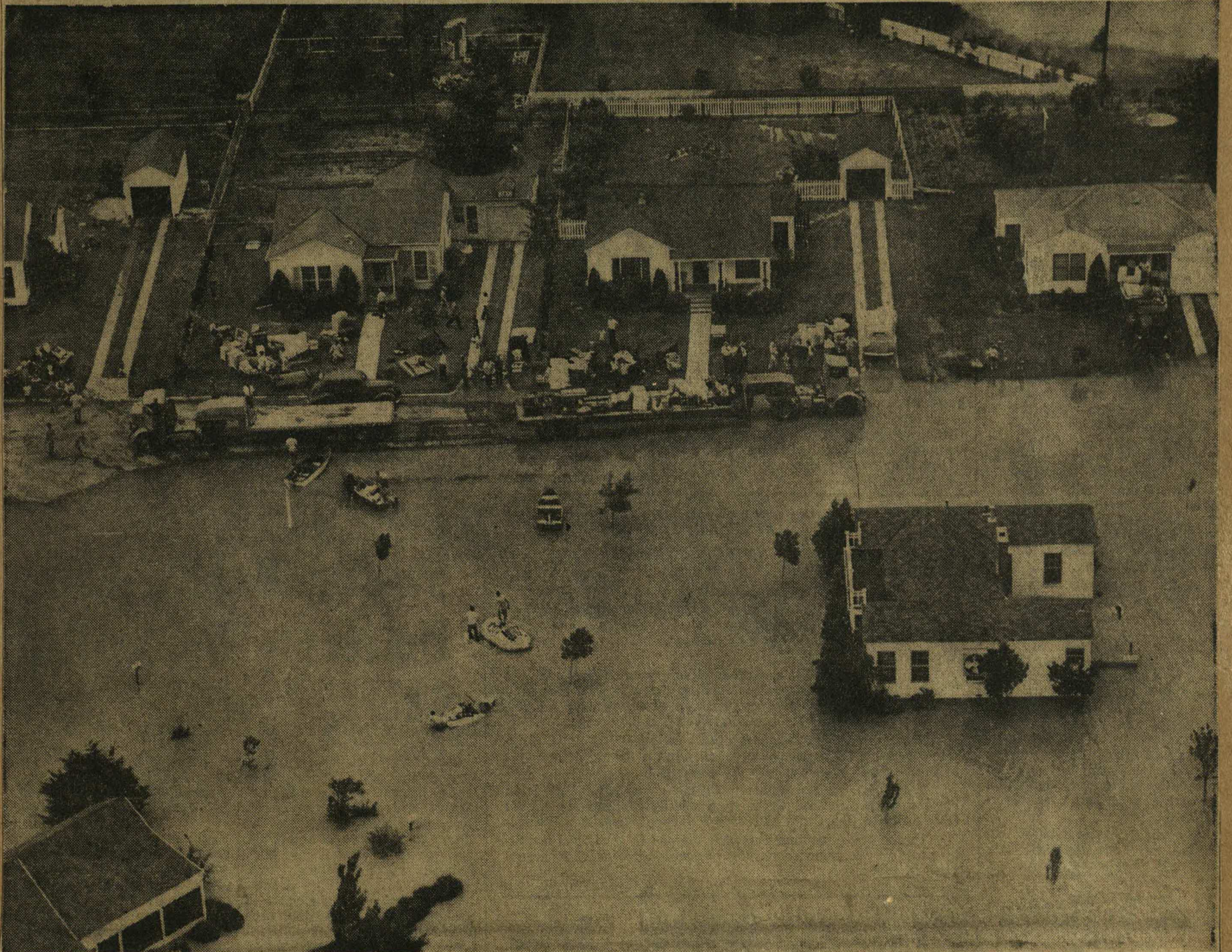
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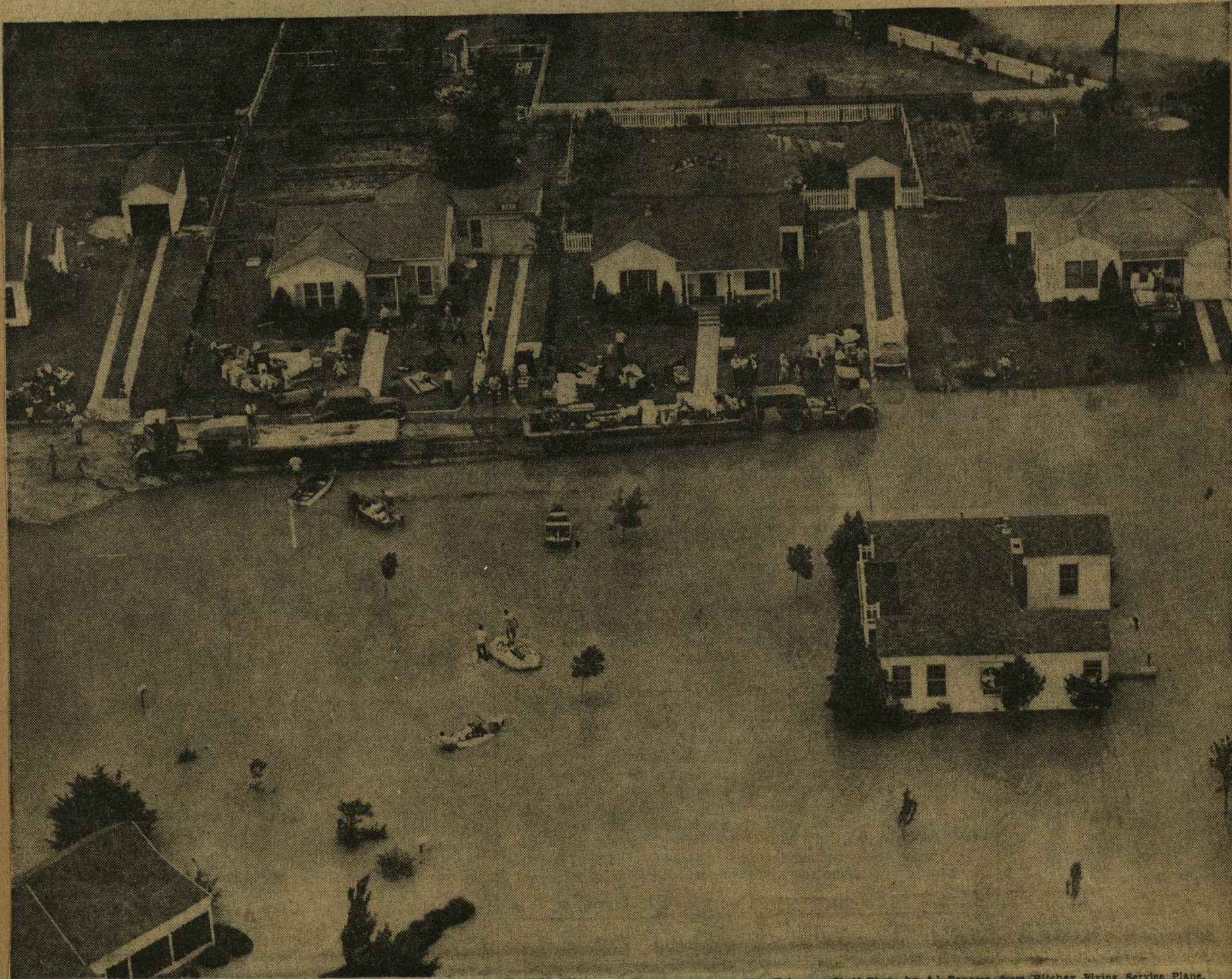
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Six Known Dead, Thousands Homeless; Flood One of Worst in Fort Worth's History



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—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.

DEBRIS AND DAMAGE—A common sight along W. 7th St. Wednesday morning was damage such as the type pictured at Lloyd Patton Motors, 2733 W. 7th. Damage estimated at thousands of dollars to the company was caused by Tuesday's flood.

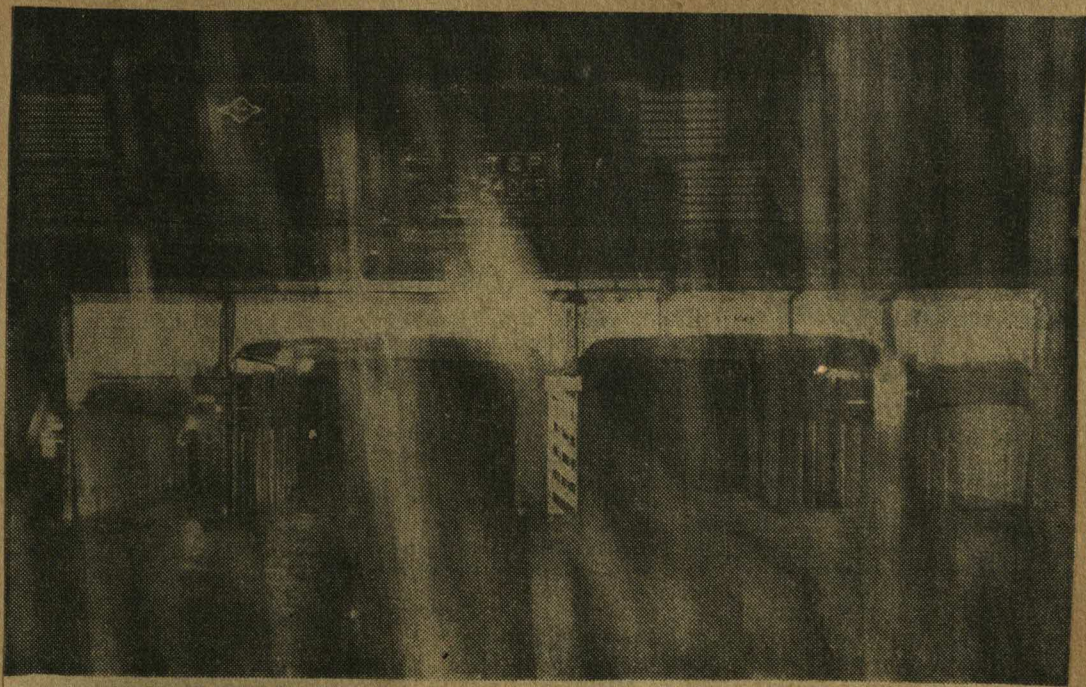


—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.

THE MORNING AFTER—These cars were among the 150 that were swept from the Packard Motor Company, 2400 W. 7th, in the wake of Tuesday's flood. They lie in ditches just west of the building. Damage to the company was estimated at \$250,000.



—Aerial Photo by Ed Ritchey.
BREAK IN DAM—Boiling, muddy water spouting from this break (in center of photo) of Samuel Ave. levee flooded a number of homes on N. E. 10th, 11th, 12th, 14th and 15th Sts. Tuesday morning and forced evacuation of many Negro families. They waded to higher land, leaving possessions behind.



—Star-Telegram Staff Photo by John Mazzotta.
UNDERPASS FLOODED—This underpass in the 100 block Tennessee filled quickly during the downpour Monday night. The water was about six feet deep and the rain was falling in torrents when this picture was made. Streaks caused by rain.



—Jana Cox Photo.
WET BANKING—Folks waded knee-deep at the West Side State Bank Tuesday, 14 blocks west of the Van Zandt Viaduct on W. 7th, an indication of the distance flood waters reached out from the Clear Fork's banks into the business area there.



RISING WATERS came down W. Seventh to reach University Dr. by 7 a. m. today. By that time traffic was already becoming congested as Arlington Heights drove to the intersection, found they had to seek another route to town.—(Press



NAUTICAL AIRMEN—Airmen from Carswell Air Base, shown wading into last Tuesday's flood waters in prompt rescue efforts, were credited with saving more than 500 flood victims. The airmen manned boats,

policed flooded areas against looting, provided shelter, food and clothing for sufferers and flew typhoid serum to Fort Worth to inoculate civilians.



READY FOR REHABILITATION—Here's a typical job that confronted Fort Worth's citizens and municipal government, busy Wednesday with rehabilitation after

a disastrous flood. Picture shows the area around the Montgomery Ward store, center, with Linwood Addition at far right and asphalt plant in right foreground.

—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.



FLOOD AFTERMATH—Jumbled counters and merchandise-littered floors were left in Montgomery Ward's bargain department Wednesday as workers attempted

to clean up after Tuesday's flood. Water rose seven feet inside the store.

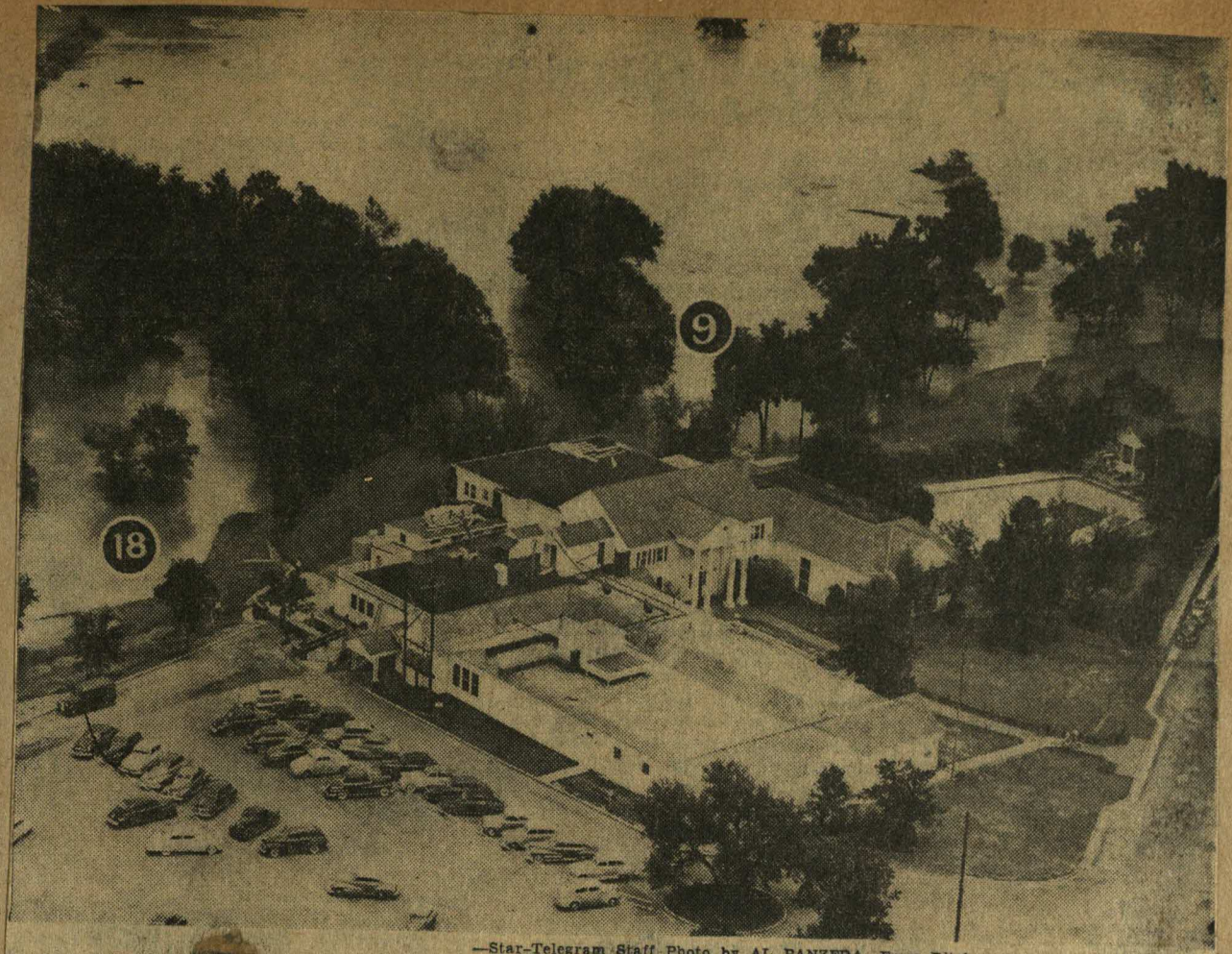
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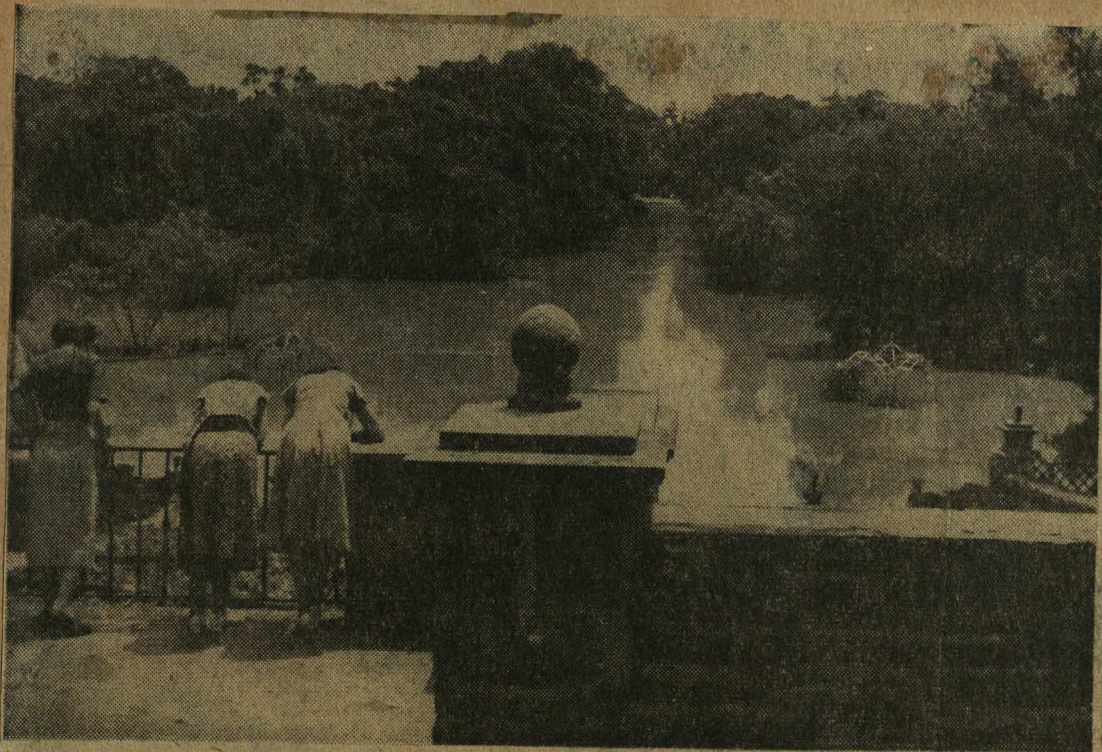
NATURE'S SCOOP—A culvert at the 3700 block of Yucca was washed away and added this scene to the picture of flood damage in Fort Worth Tuesday. —Star-Telegram Staff Photo.



Debris is piled alongside the Frisco Railway tracks near the Texas Electric Service Company plant. Curious persons tramped over the area seeking anything of value. —Star-Telegram Staff Photo.



—Star-Telegram Staff Photo by AL PANZERA From Ritchey Flying Service Plane
COLONIAL CLUB—Here's the site of the \$15,000 national invitation tournament with flood at crest. Waters later receded off ninth and 18th greens (indicated with numbers).



—Jana Cox Photo.
 Murky backwater from the Clear Fork covers the Botanic Garden where thousands of roses were in full bloom only the day before.



—Jana Cox Photo.
 Parkside Village, veterans' housing project in Trinity Park, suffered along with other area. Residents seek belongings by using rowboat.



FLOOD WRECKAGE—At left is small home originally located on White Settlement road in FW, found after the flood atop another home at other side

of road. Center shows what Montgomery Ward looked like from a boat. Right: crowds watch waters at Seventh and University Drive.—All photos contributed.

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—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Williamson, whose home was in the vicinity of Jacksboro and White Settlement, with "Chico," rescued from the floods.



—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.

A young colt slides on the steep embankment of a levee south of the E. Belknap bridge, where 30 horses took refuge from the river.

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—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.

RESCUE—Elmer Sharp of Rt. 11 clings to a utility pole to keep from being swept away by rampaging Sycamore Creek waters while an unidentified man throws him a cable with which he was towed to safety. He floundered in the water 20 minutes before help came.



—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.

SAVE DOGS—W. P. Connally, in rear, of 1125 Oak Knoll, and C. E. Steward, 4404 E. Belknap, saved the dogs in their boat from the Nye-Ward Animal Clinic, 2816 W. Lancaster. They are pulling up against the Lancaster Bridge. Not shown is their plumbing business partner, Odus Steward, 4004 E. Belknap, who saved a dog that jumped from the boat.



STARTING ALL OVER—Many a Fort Worth resident walked back into his home the day the waters went down and realized he had the hopeless task of starting from the beginning, trying to regain what he had spent a lifetime gathering—and what had been wiped out in an instant by the Trinity.



THE ROAD BACK—Residents of Linwood Addition wait on "shore" Wednesday as three men paddle out to half-submerged houses to get clothing. —Star-Telegram Staff Photo.

Drowning Death Toll Brought to 8 As Most Flood Areas Begin to Emerge

Two more bodies were recovered from park area flood waters Wednesday morning, bringing the known drowning death toll to eight, while all flooded residential areas except along Belknap St. slowly began to emerge as water levels receded. Approximately 13,000 still were homeless, Red Cross Committeeman Andrew F. Price estimated.

The body of John D. Fawks,

84, was found in Forest Park, and that of an unidentified woman, between 35 and 40, wearing brown slacks and a brown-white striped blouse was recovered in the Botanic Gardens.

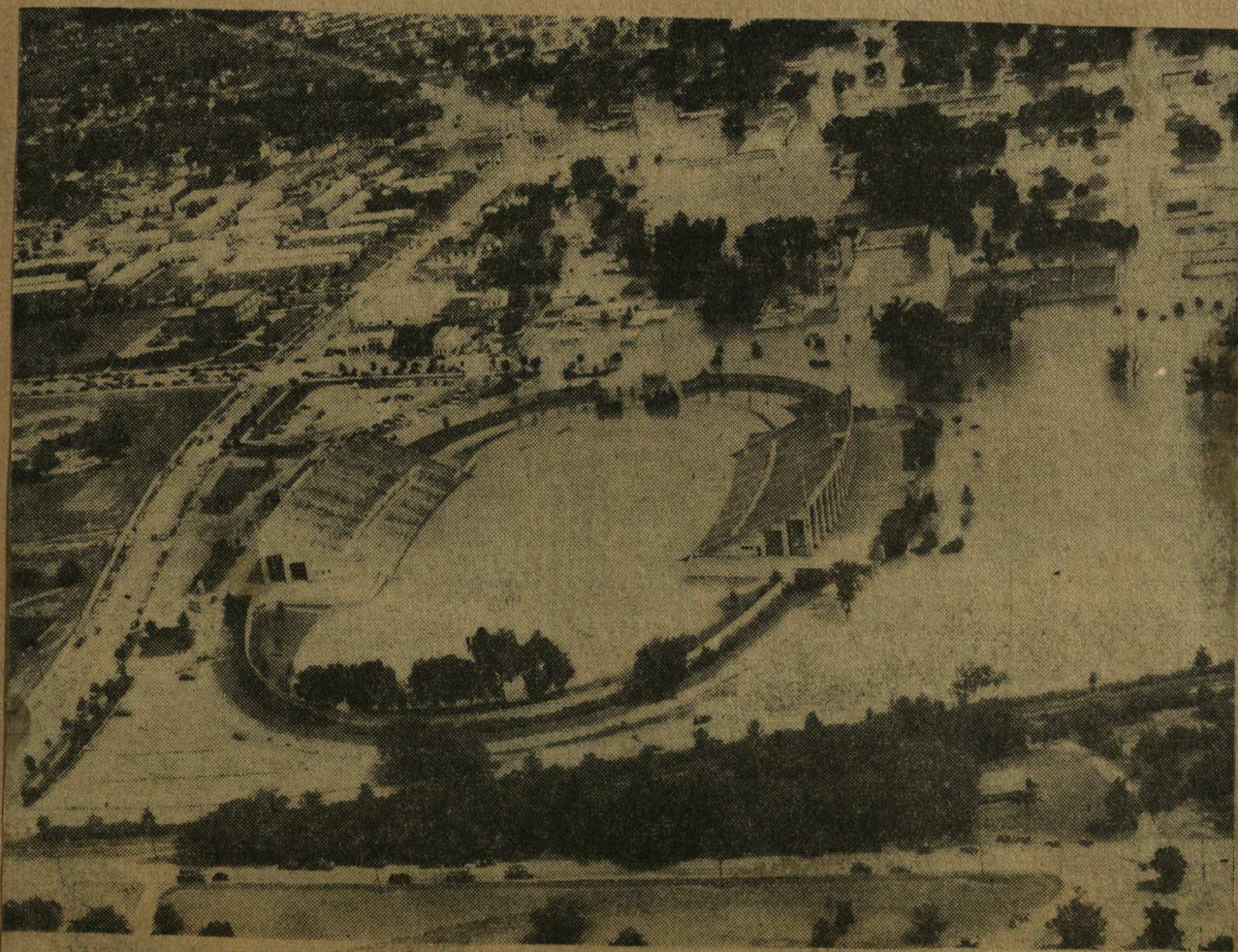
The city's traffic situation improved quickly as the waters fell Wednesday, with opening of N. Main, W. Lancaster, Jacksboro Highway north of 12th and south of Belknap, Sylvania,

Riverside Dr., and University Dr. north of W. 7th. Expected to be opened during the day were W. 7th and W. Vickery, after bridge safety factors were checked and cleared. Bus service was resumed to all parts of the city.

While police patrolled flooded areas afoot and in cars and kept horseoack watch on levees, a new appeal was issued Wednesday by Chief Dysart for souvenir hunters and sightseers to keep away from the traffic control and cleanup work in and around inundated sections. He also called for more boats and trucks, needed in that work. He also warned against giving flood relief donations to solicitors. No one has been authorized to make such solicitations in any part of the city, he added.

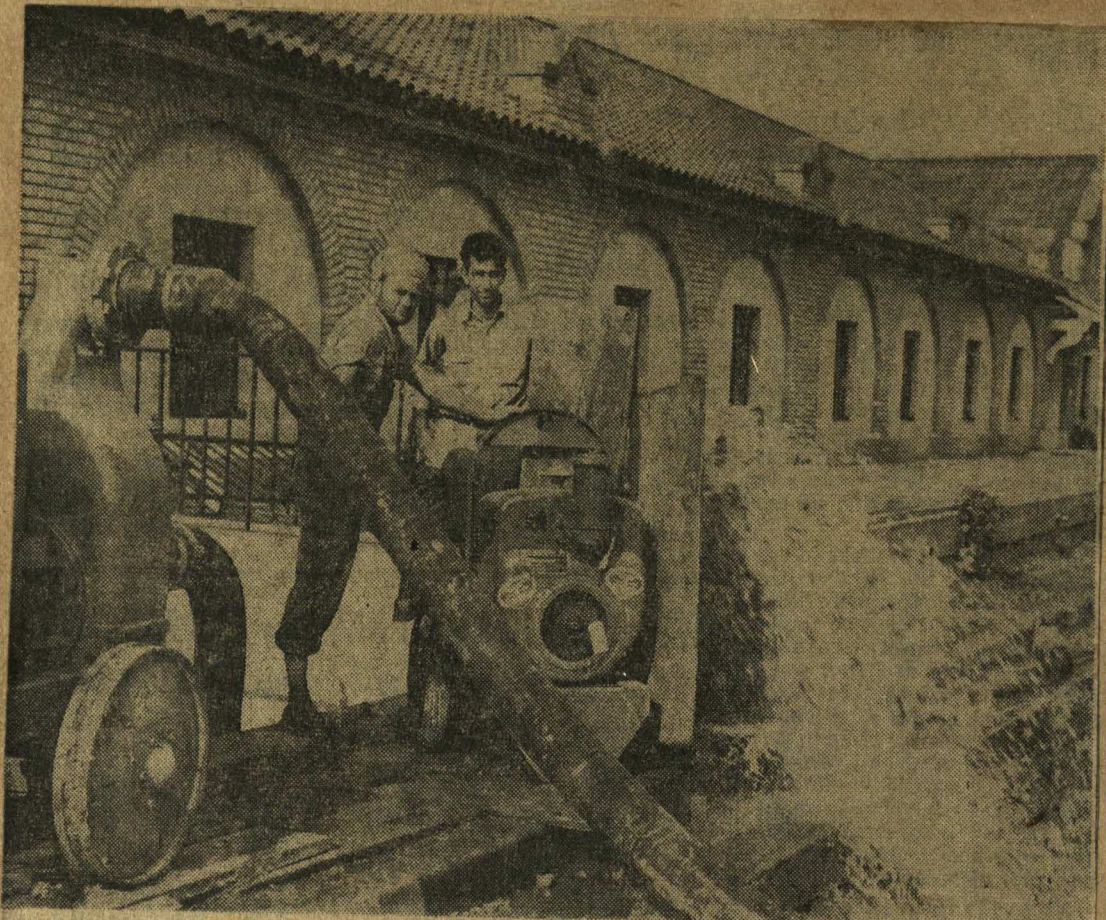
An unofficial compilation of the major residential flood areas Wednesday morning, in which water was falling, included Brookside Acres, Crestwood, Linwood, Strickland Flats, Riverside Dr. area north of Lancaster, Bailey Industrial Area, Rockwood Park, Forest Park and Colonial Country Club areas along University Dr., W. Vickery in park and lowland areas, White Settlement Rd. from Henderson to University Dr., W. 7th and Trinity Park area from the river west to University Dr., and an area east of N. Main, north of courthouse and west of levee over a jagged region north of La Grave Field and 12th.

Traffic was still blocked Wednesday afternoon on Belknap, Jacksboro Highway between 12th and Belknap, White Settlement in low areas, E. 3rd and E. 4th in low areas and W. 7th and W. Vickery.

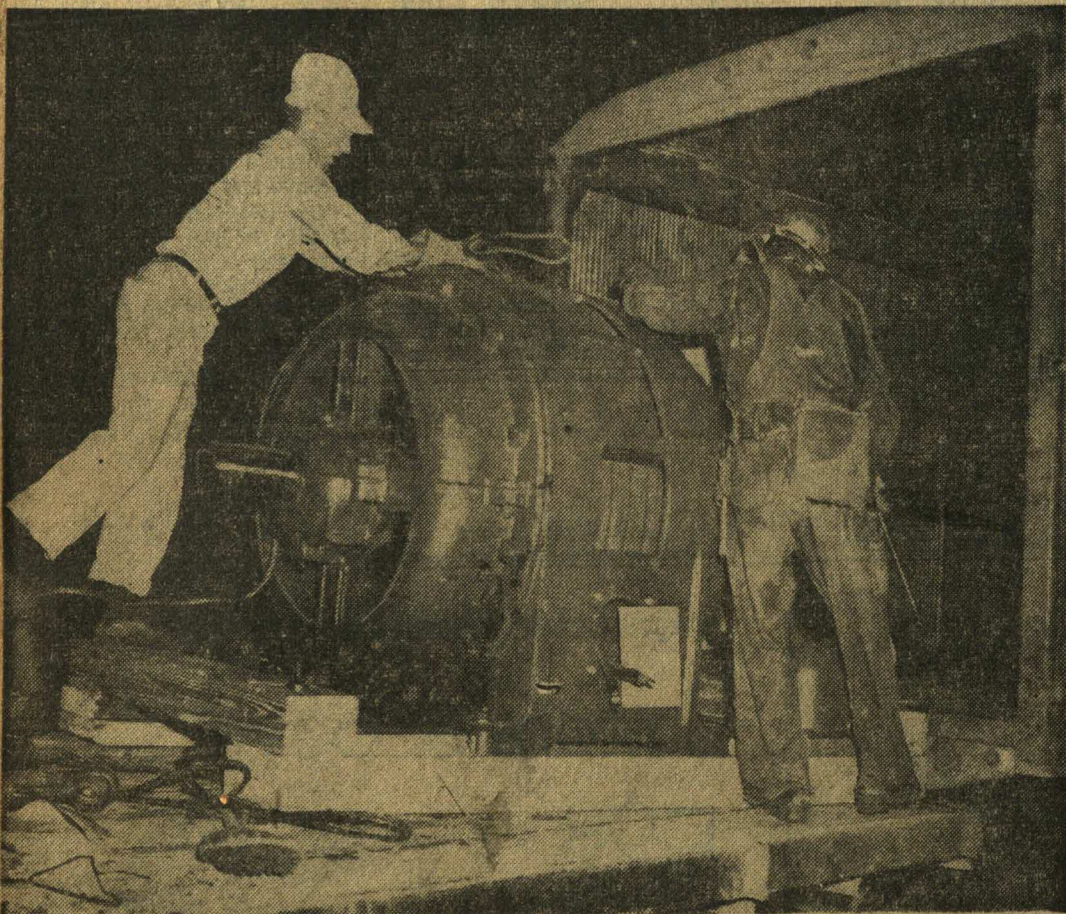


FARRINGTON FIELD—Here's an air view of the Fort Worth high school football stadium aft-

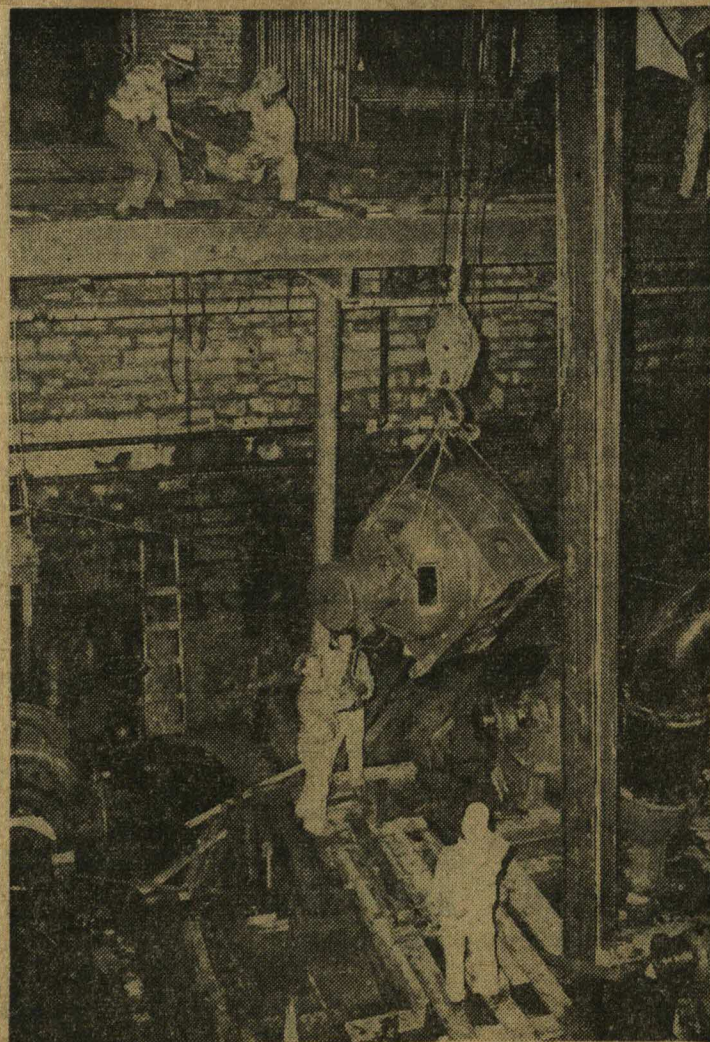
er flood waters covered the playing field and all adjacent parking areas. —Ritchey Flying Service Photo.



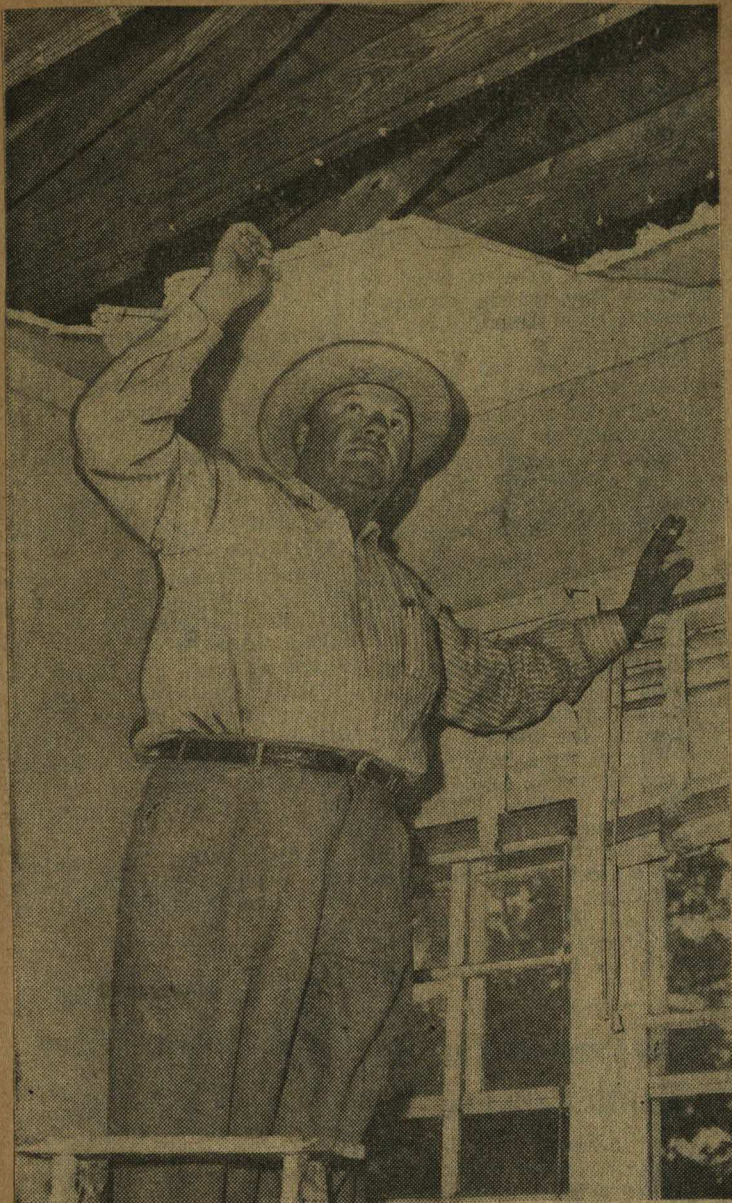
—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.
FLOOD PUMP AT WORK—Flood waters were being pumped out of the Holly plant filter building Wednesday by mobile pumps in the effort to provide normal water service to the city. At left is Harold Frazier, Rt. 8, and at right, J. D. Vickers, 2608 Carter, who had been on duty 24 hours.



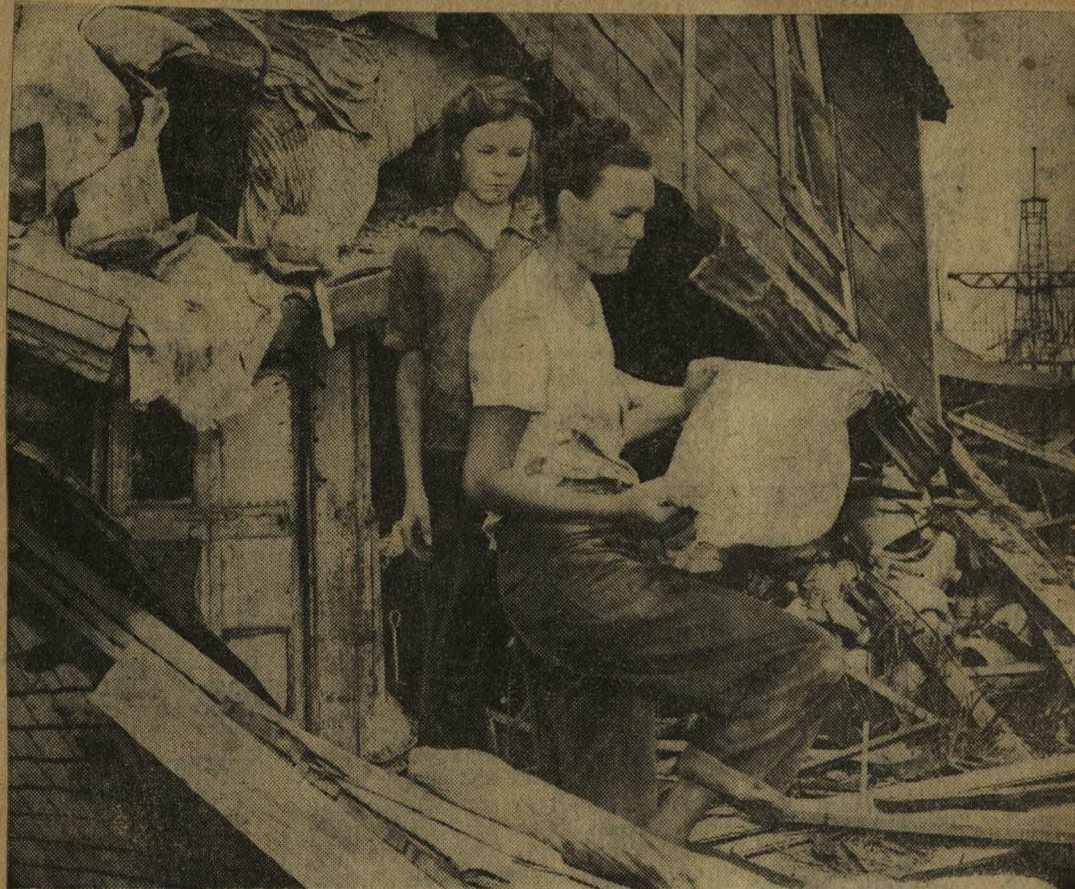
—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.
OUT OF THE TRUCK—Emerging from its truck at the end of a dramatic police-escorted trip through three states shortly after midnight Thursday, this huge electric motor was skidded under a hoist at the Holly pump station to be lowered into its position to start forcing 20,000,000 gallons of water a day through Fort Worth's dry mains Friday.



—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.
GOING DOWN—Here's the 950-horsepower motor on its way down into the Holly pump station about 2 a. m. Friday, where workmen began the six-to-10-hour job of mounting and attaching it to a 20,000,000-gallon-a-day pump. It was whirring away on the job of delivering water to a drouth-stricken city before noon Friday.



—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.
ROOM FOR HOPE—Andy Cawley looks at the bedroom ceiling destroyed by flood waters that lapped within three inches of his home's rooftop May 17. Red Cross is footing the bill for Cawley's building repairs and for new furniture. He is the first to receive rehabilitation award.

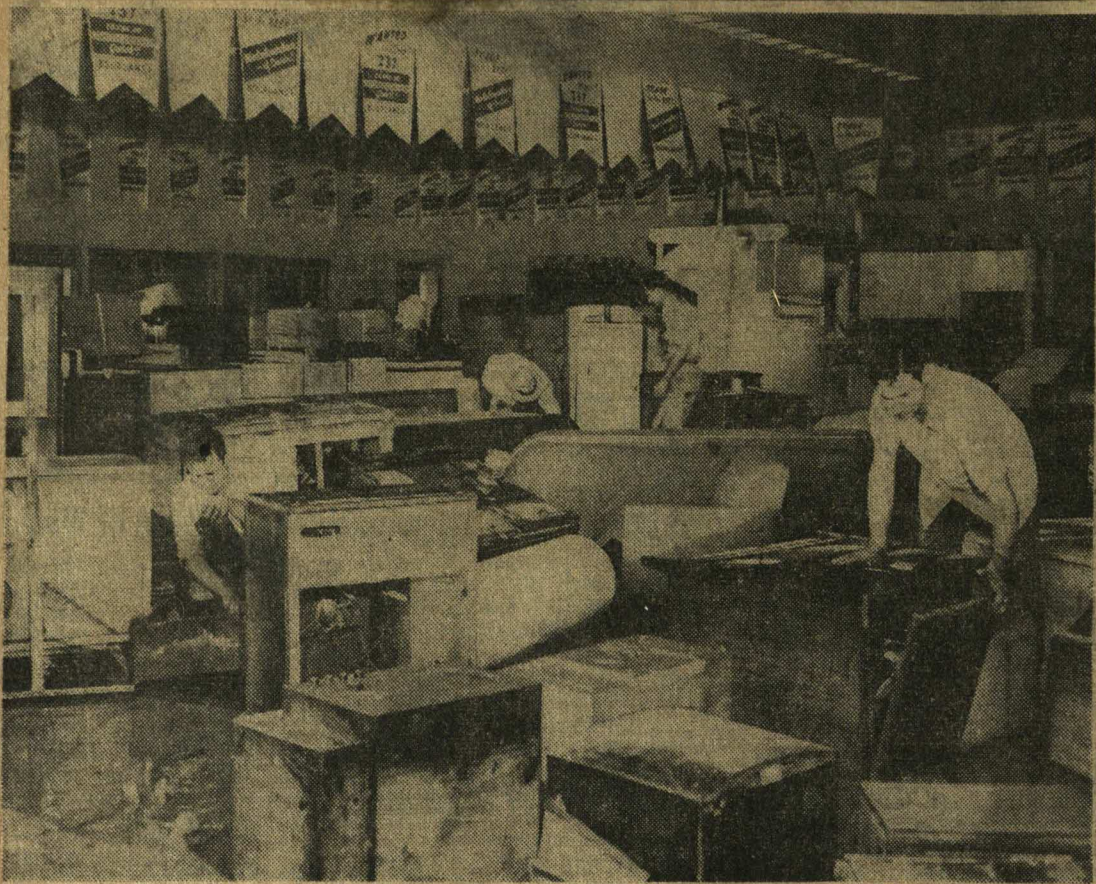


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DESOLATION AND DESPAIR—Miss Margaret Hadley rummages through the flood shambles that once was the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Richardson, trying to find something worth taking back to her grandmother. The house originally stood on Greenleaf, was found off White Settlement Rd. by Lena Hamlon, niece of Miss Hadley, shown looking over her shoulder. Despair can be transformed into hope by the opening of Fort Worth's purses.



—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.
PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE—Going on the premise that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, the city Thursday started spraying flood-ravaged areas with DDT, as householders

—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.
 moved back to salvage what they could of water-soaked furnishings, some of which are shown stacked outside these homes on North Bailey. These homes were under water, except for roofs.



—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.

CLEANING UP—Employees of Vergal Bourland Home Appliances shop, 2705 W. 7th, started Wednesday the huge task of cleaning up after Tuesday's flood. Water that rose eight feet inside the shop caused \$85,000 damage to television and radio sets. (More damage pictures on page 8.)



—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.

CHOW LINE—Lining up for food Wednesday morning at Pioneer Palace are Mrs. Alfred Nicholson, foreground, and two sons, Alfred Jr., 6, left, and Thomas, 9. Airmen from Carswell Air Base served the line.

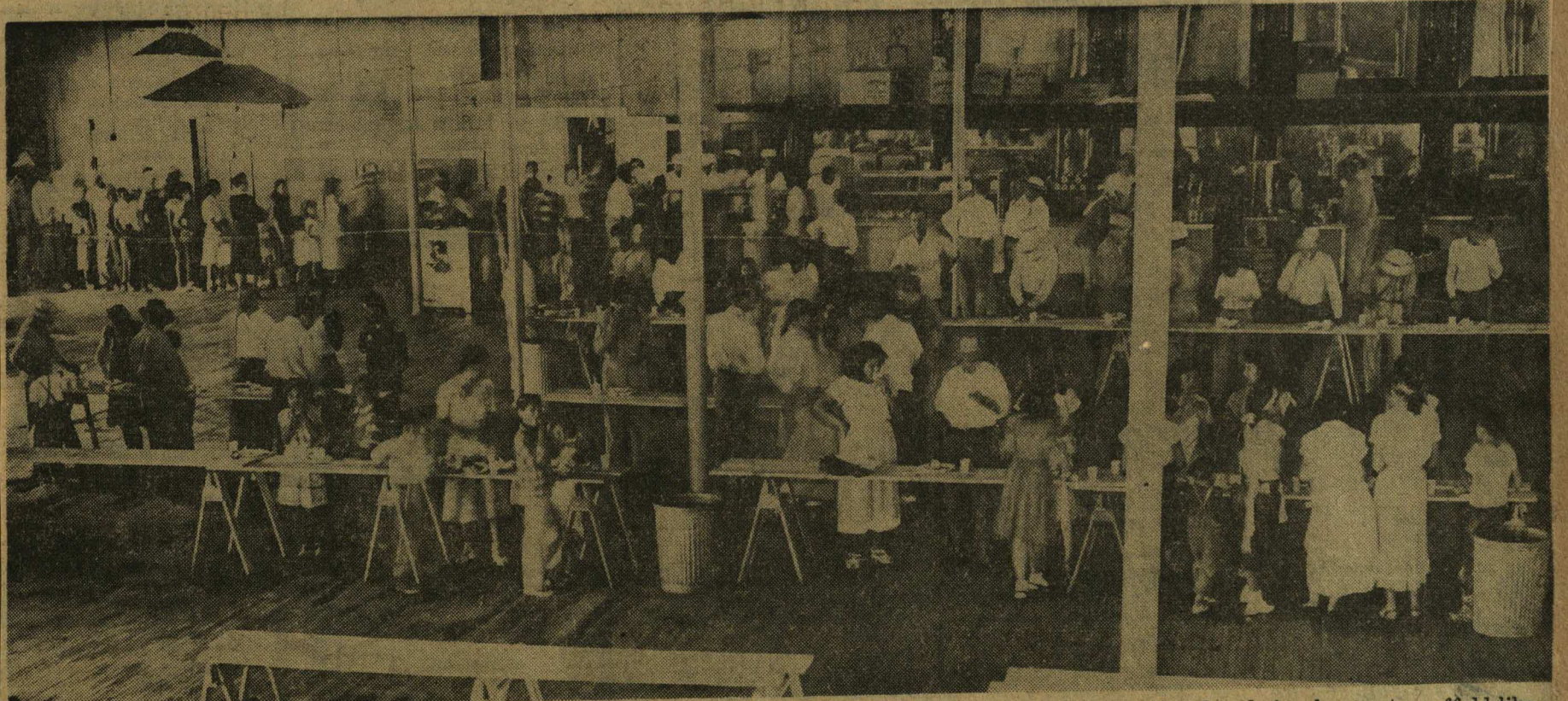


In temporary quarters of the Doyle Mission at Central Baptist Church, Florence and Weatherford, an estimated thousand were fed

coffee, milk and sandwiches by relief workers. The mission itself, located near Montgomery-Ward was completely inundated.

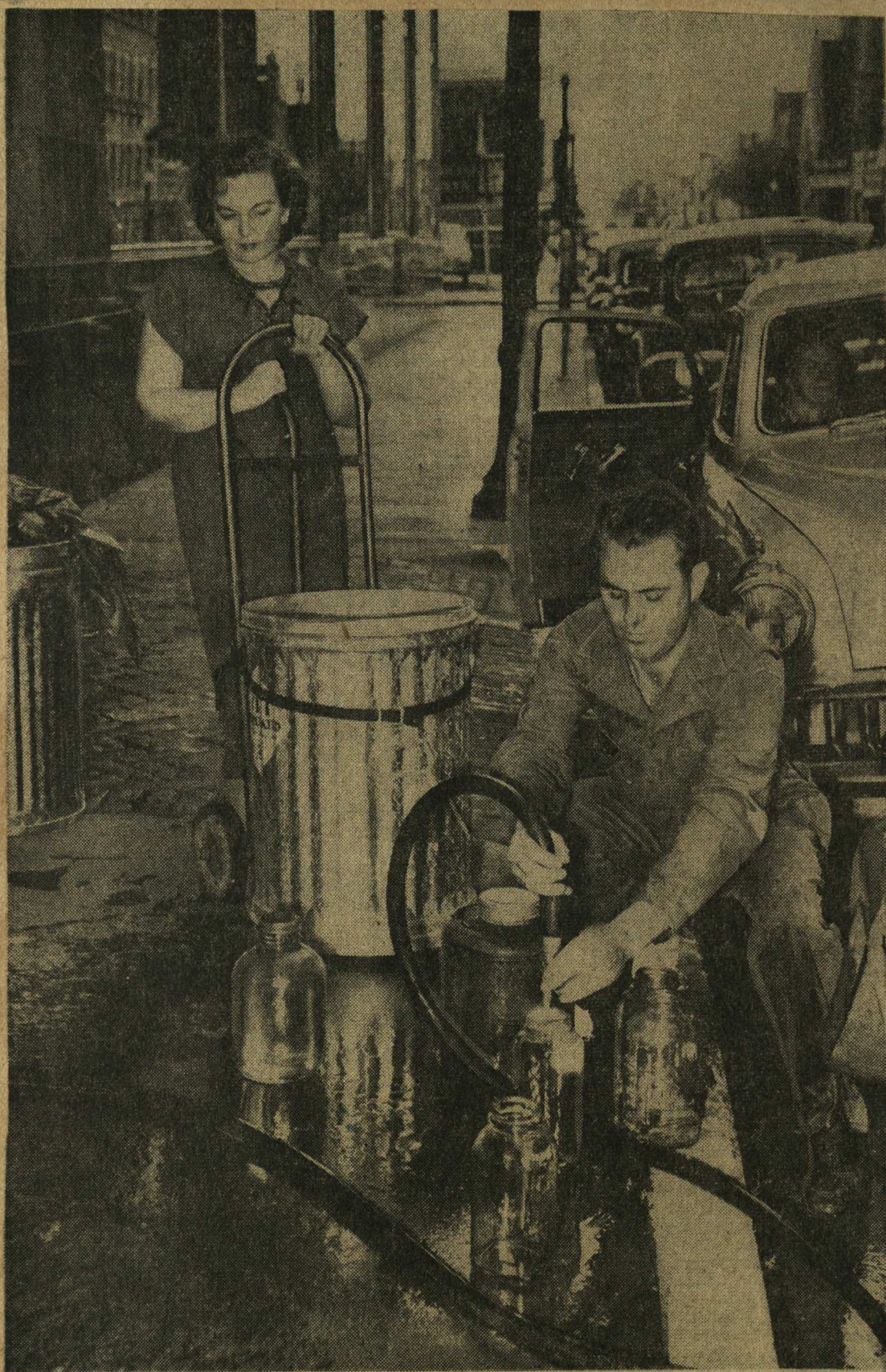
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Monday Morn., May 23, 1949



SUNDAY DINNER—Driven from their own homes and tables by the flood, these evacuees, a portion of the 800 fed Sunday, are shown

as they file by the food line and take their places at scaffold-like tables in Pioneer Palace on the Will Rogers Memorial Grounds.



—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.

Boone Blakeley, Star-Telegram engineer, fills containers from Star-Telegram wells as Mrs. Alma Stokes, 5434 N. Hampshire, waits her turn.

Estimates Set \$12,000,000 Flood Damage

Estimates of the flood damage in Fort Worth average \$12,000,000.

Engineers, city and county authorities, real estate and insurance men were interviewed by the Star-Telegram Wednesday to gain that average. The estimates ranged from \$5,000,000 to \$25,000,000. City Manager Jones placed his estimate at "in excess of \$6,000,000."

The 1922 flood in the same general area covered unimproved property for the most part and that damage figure was finally calculated at \$3,000,000.

Not until more detailed surveys of the wreckage and confusion the flood water left behind can be completed will anyone have anything definite on which to base an estimate of the loss.

Army engineers and Fort Worth Levee Board authorities were checking the flood-ravaged areas Wednesday morning. City officials still were trying to determine the extent of damage to the water works, Frisco Railway officials were inspecting their washed-out trackage and the destruction at levee crossings, most of the industrial and small business operators were beginning to remove debris and dig away the mud. It might be several days before they will know the extent of damage to buildings, machinery and other equipment and stock.

Orders to press the cleanup work were given to city department heads by Jones at 6 a. m. Wednesday during an emergency conference at the City Hall. In the conference were Police Chief Dysart, City Health Director Bradshaw, Public Works Director Thelin and Street Superintendent Hester.

Gas and phone company crews were working on an emergency basis Wednesday in an effort to restore service to the areas where water is receding. Texas Electric Service Company crews were reported "caught up" with their repair job.

F. L. Carmichall, district manager for Lone Star Gas Company, said all available gas crews were in the lowland area from near Farrington Field north to Crestwood.

The gas crews checked for line leaks and faulty appliances in the houses and buildings from where water has dropped. Carmichall said gas in the immediate area of

Montgomery Ward on W. 7th was still valved off. Other gas shortages, he explained, are on a house-to-house basis.

All residents going back into flood-damaged homes were warned to cut off gas at the meter immediately if there is any indication of leakage.

More than 3,500 phones still were out. All but about 500, which were knocked out of service by lightning and wet cables, were in the flooded area.

Unless there are additional flood waters, phone service is expected to be restored by Friday to all persons who are back in their houses and ready for service, according to Wray Brown, district manager for Southwestern Bell Telephone.

The terrific overload on the dial system which prevailed Tuesday on local calls dropped off considerably Wednesday and local phone calls were being handled "pretty well." Brown stated however, that long distance calls would continue to be more than can be handled.

More than 25 per cent of the phone company's regular working staff was busy Tuesday. The force was being increased Wednesday, especially by the arrival of repairmen from other towns.

A rush order for 2,000 phones to replace damaged instruments was placed by Brown.

O. N. Yearly, superintendent of distribution for Texas Electric Service, stated that his crews were "hooking up lines as fast as the water receded." He said that as soon as a house or building is cleaned out, the light crews are ready.

7 Miles of Clothes Go to Wash Tubs

"Operation Wash Tub," set up for Convair flood victims, was successfully accomplished after two days of continual soaping and sudsing of flood-soaked clothes and linens by Convair wash tub crews.

"Operation Wash Tub" was manned by 140 Convair volunteers each day who kept 81 machines humming. Approximately 75 families were provided with clean, fresh clothes, picked up and delivered to their homes by 13 volunteer cars. Largest laundry of the operation filled 17 machines.

Budge Lee, chairman of the project, estimated that seven miles of clothes line would have been needed to hang the giant wash. Included in one washing was a fur coat—but it wasn't run through a machine, just rinsed.

Two Convair workers, Mrs. Laura Bowlus, Pattern Shop (82), and M. F. Hudson, Wing Structure (45), offered the facilities of their washeterias for the two days. Other Convair workers donated their machines and water for the project. Soap was furnished by Gillam's Soap Works for the Convair washing.

City's Flood News Spreads Over World

News of the Fort Worth flood has been spread around the world.

This week a contribution to the Star-Telegram Special Flood Relief Fund from a Fort Worth staff sergeant stationed on Okinawa was received.

Staff Sgt. John Hunter sent his wife, 2722 5th Ave., a \$5 donation for the fund. He enclosed a clipping from a service newspaper published overseas that gave details of the disaster.

Other donations have been received from London, England, and many American states.

Meanwhile, the fund stood at slightly above \$264,000 and relief officials continued to call for more money to aid the many sufferers. Send cash, checks or money orders in any denomination to the Star-Telegram.

Levee Repair Work Rushed Day and Night

Emergency repair of flood-washed levees is being rushed on an around the clock basis seven days a week, James Cotton, engineer for the local sub-office of the Corps of Engineers, said Tuesday.

Cotton said the contract let by the engineers to Hovenkamp Construction Company called for 24-hour work seven days a week.

"If we can just get a few days without high water and rain the project will progress rapidly," Cotton said. His statement was in answer to calls received by the city asking if the levee work could be rushed by night crews.

Cotton stated that weather was the main problem in the emergency repair of eight major breaks and replacing of two stop-log structures. He said rains last week which resulted in high water Thursday and again Sunday badly handicapped the project.

Because of the urgent need for the repairs, the engineers are requiring that the dirt be packed into place as soon as possible. Cotton pointed out, however, that the soil must not be saturated to such an extent that it will not assure adequate strength.

Creosote-soaked pilings and timber for the stop-gaps were ordered immediately by the construction company after receiving the contract. They were to be shipped Tuesday from Denison, Cotton said.



—Star-Telegram Staff Photo.

James A. Cotton, engineer in charge of the Fort Worth district of Corps of Engineers, points to a crack in a levee on the Trinity.

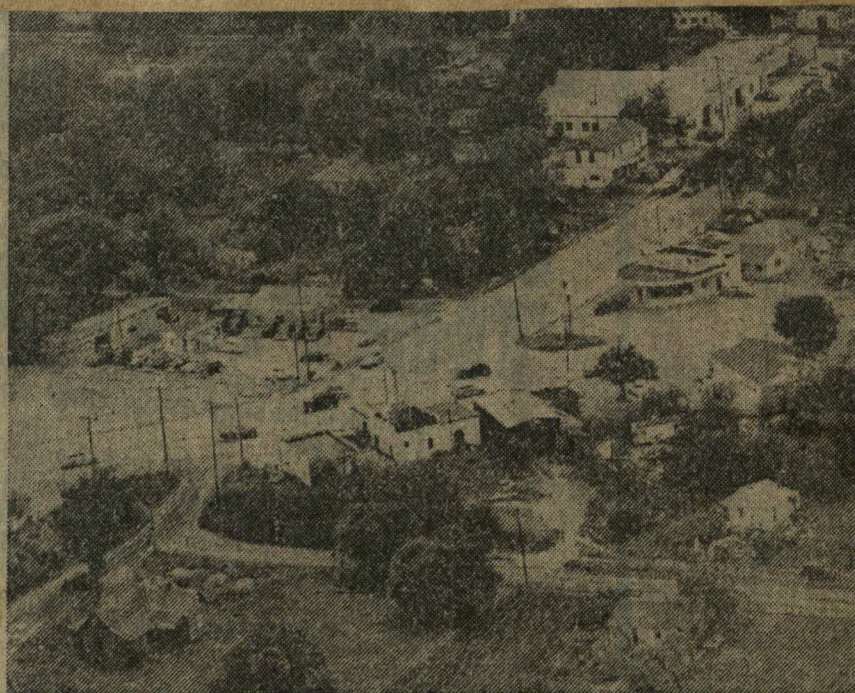


TRAPPED IN THE FLOOD . . . Elmer Sharp spent 20 minutes in the swirling waters of Sycamore Creek before someone threw him a cable and dragged him to safety.

File Photos



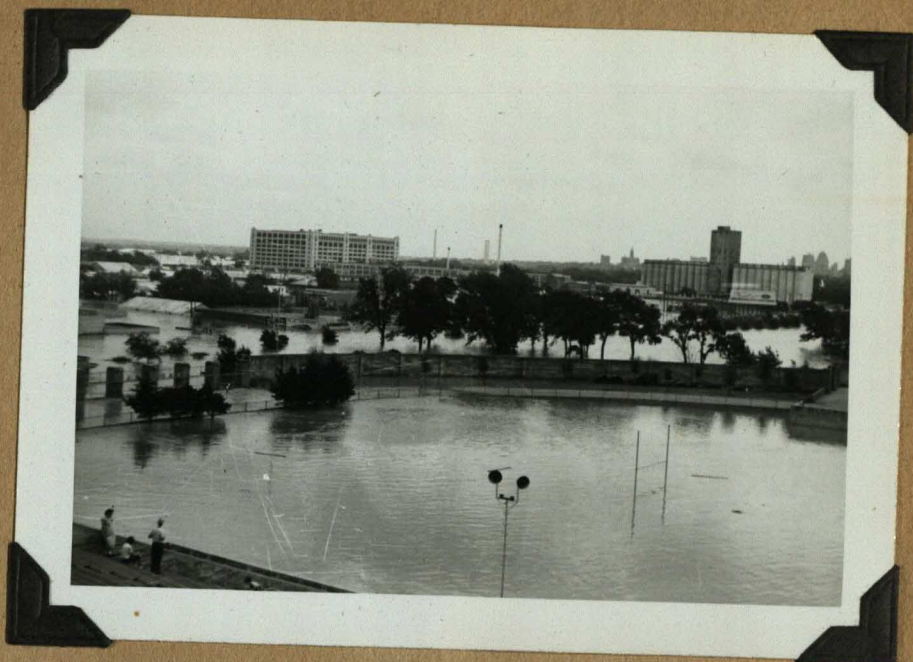
FLOODED . . . water covered businesses and homes at the intersection of White Settlement Road and Jacksboro Highway.



A YEAR LATER . . . business was back to normal at the location once flooded.















Wednesday's a Date Black in City's Memory

BY IRVIN FARMAN.

The rain began falling late in the afternoon of May 16.

By 6 p. m., it was pouring out of the darkened skies with enough force to drench persons scurrying across the street from their places of work to cafes, where many gathered to wait out the storm before trying to make it to parking lots or bus stops.

Instead of letting up, it got worse. On through the night and into Tuesday morning the deluge continued. By 3 a. m., when the cloudburst ceased, some 10 inches of rain had been dumped on Fort Worth.

A maximum of 11 inches was measured along the Clear Fork of the Trinity River at Aledo. Twelve inches fell on Village Creek on the West Fork southeast of the city.

STUPENDOUS QUANTITIES.

Water from the swollen streams poured down on the city in stupendous quantities—102,000 second-feet of flood water from the Clear Fork in the city limits, 82,900 second-feet of discharge from the Clear Fork near Benbrook.

The most disastrous flood in the history of Fort Worth resulted on Tuesday, May 17.

Fort Worth will mark the first anniversary of its most stunning disaster Wednesday.

For most of the thousands of victims tragedy came in the night, in the early morning hours of that Tuesday. It came in the sound of rushing water, filling the streets, over-running front yards, lapping at mattresses upon which they slept.

Telephones jangled some of the victims awake, as neighbors called the warning of the rising water. Then came the police sirens and the shrieks of the fire trucks, water lapping about their hub caps.

And from their homes in the city's lowlands—Brookside, Crestwood, Linwood, Strickland Flats, Riverside Drive north of Lancaster, Bailey Industrial Area, Rockwood Park, Colonial Country Club area along University Drive, W. Vickery, White Settlement Road from Henderson to University, and a jagged region north of La Grave Field and 12th Street—from their homes in these areas poured the evacuees.

flowing from faucets again until Friday night, and then only in scattered sections of the city.

RACE BY TRUCK DRIVERS.

A dramatic 1,009-mile race against time by a truck driver, Victor Brown, from Indianapolis to Fort Worth, was completed early Friday morning and a precious bit of cargo, an electric water pump motor, was unloaded and installation immediately was begun at the Holly Plant.

Water flowed from nearly every faucet in the city early Sunday morning, and it was received with as much enthusiasm as an oil gusher.

The water mains had been contaminated by flood waters where connections had been broken, however, and residents were warned to boil their water for drinking and cooking. Notice to begin boiling water was issued by the water department on May 17 and the "cease fire" order was given nine days later.

As the flood waters receded from businesses, industrial sites and residences Wednesday, homeowners and executives plunged into the task of measuring the destruction. Estimates, still uncertain, ranged from \$5,000,000 to \$25,000,000.

City Manager Jones guessed "in excess of \$6,000,000."

\$3,000,000 DAMAGE.

The 1922 flood which struck the same general area wreaked \$3,000,000 damage, it was finally calculated. But the area then was mostly undeveloped and did not have the number of residences and businesses which were hit 27 years later.

The May 17 deluge caused the cancellation of the \$15,000 Colonial National Invitation golf tournament and washed out the gutted hull of La Grave Field which had been ravaged by fire only two days before.

The golf tourney will be held later this month and the ball park is now some 75 per cent rebuilt. About 11,000 of the 13,000 seats have been installed.

With the end of one flood came another—an unparalleled flood of spontaneous giving of time, sweat and money.

Fort Worth bounced back from its brief taste of disaster like a champion fighting for his crown. The city got up off the mat and in a heart-warming, blood-tingling exhibition of doggedness, pluck and devotion swiftly erased from sight the scars of adversity.

WORE ONLY NIGHTCLOTHES.

Many of them wore only their nightclothes as they left their homes. Many carried children and pets and what belongings they could gather up hastily in their arms.

Hundreds found themselves trapped by high water and made their way to trees and housetops, from where they were picked up by boats when daylight finally came.

Ten persons perished in the angry, debris-ridden flood waters, as the Trinity burst through levees in seven places.

An estimated 13,200 persons were made homeless, and more than 3,000 homes and some 350 businesses were damaged or destroyed.

About 10 square miles of the city were flooded.

Flood waters knocked out the city's water supply. Tuesday the electric pumps at the Holly Pump Station which powered the water through the city's 720 miles of water mains lay under 20 feet of water.

People filled their bathtubs and other containers with water already in the mains when the pumps quit. Water did not begin

BUSINESS BOOMS AGAIN.

Three months after May 17 washed-out businesses were booming again, water-ravaged homes were spick-and-span inside and out, ruined wardrobes and furniture had been renovated or replaced.

How?

It was a story, first of all, of an independent people helping themselves, of people who recovered from the initial shock and then plunged into the task of cleanup and rehabilitation before all of the flood water had receded from their homes and businesses.

And then it was a story of unstinted giving by strangers who wanted only to help those less fortunate than themselves. Thousands contributed back-breaking labor to clean up debris, to repaint, repair, refurbish, replenish, recreate normalcy out of catastrophe.

On the Saturday after the flood calloused hands and soft hearts of plumbers, electricians, their

Turn to Flood on Page 16.

Few Scars Remain

Motorboat Tour of Flood Area Is Retraced by Automobile

A Star-Telegram reporter who toured the flooded parts of town in an outboard motorboat the afternoon of May 17, 1949, retraced his steps Saturday by automobile.

A few scars remained a year later.

On W. 7th a flooded out business was still closed. In residential areas some homes still bore that washed-out look, but it was nothing that a coat of paint couldn't cover.

Otherwise, the flooded areas were back on their feet.

How did the people feel about it?

Dave Hicks, owner of the Dave Hicks Trailer Company, 2200 W. 7th, figured it this way:

"I thought I had taken an awful beating until we found the body of the little St. John girl in a shed behind my place."

He was referring to 2-year-old Rene Ann St. John, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles St. John, who had been staying at a tourist court near Hicks' place.

The flood cost Hicks about \$100,000, he figured. Thirty-two of his trailers were destroyed. He was out of business three months.

Hicks was able to go back into business without the helping hand of Uncle Sam, who nevertheless loaned out approximately \$1,500,000 in business recovery loans to some 350 applicants through the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Mrs. Sam McElhannon, 805 Edgefield, recalled being awakened by her son, Michael, 15, a Star-Telegram carrier, who got up at 5 a. m. to throw his route.

"The street was full of water," she related. "We got on some

clothes and went out the back door. We couldn't get the car started so we went on foot."

They finally made it to her husband's brother's home in River Oaks.

They lost all of their furniture and most of their clothes. "In our rush we left the closet door open," she added, "and the clothes just drifted out the window. It cost us every bit of \$3,000," she thought, "to repair the house and buy new things."

The family got \$800 in aid from the Red Cross, \$600 on the house and \$200 for furniture.

Bob Roberts, now of 615 Club Oak Dr., but living at 900 Northwood a year ago, recalled being awakened by a neighbor who called him on the telephone at 4:30 a. m. that fateful Tuesday. "If he hadn't have called, we would have probably floated out," Roberts said.

The water was running board high when Roberts and his wife made it out of the house into their automobile. They drove up Park Road to higher ground and watched as the water mounted to the roof of their home.

"All we saved was the clothes on our backs," Roberts said. "I don't know what we'd have done without the help we got from the Star-Telegram."

The Star-Telegram Flood Relief Fund gave the Roberts' a total \$2,277.20, of which \$1,327.20 was for repair of their home and \$950 for furniture and clothing.

What are the Roberts going to do on the anniversary of the disaster?

"I think I'll take a jug and go out to Possum Kingdom," he said.

—IRVIN FARMAN.

Sunday, May 14, 1950

MAY 17, 1949



Rooftops here appeared like so many small islands in a sea. Residents took to the roofs for refuge until boats could take them to dry land.



YEAR LATER

The same houses sit neat and pretty, showing no evidence of having been enveloped in the flood. This is in North Crestwood.

MAY 17, 1949



Recognize this spot? You've probably passed it many times, going either to Lake Worth or the Convair plant. Boats served best as transportation when this photo was made.



YEAR LATER

—Star-Telegram Staff Photos from Ritchey Flying Service Plane.
Sure, it's the intersection of White Settlement Road and Jacksboro Highway, just north of the Clear Fork Bridge. Not many changes in the scene but the ground is a bit drier than year ago.

MAY 17, 1949



A very good idea of the depth the floodwaters reached can be had from this scene on West Seventh just west of the Van Zandt Viaduct. About 15 feet was measured here.



Apparently none the worse for the floodwaters, this business has been cleaned up. The owner, incidentally, did not ask or receive aid for his \$100,000 damage.

MAY 17, 1949



The Clear Fork spilled over a wide industrial area, flooding the Holly Plant of the city waterworks and all but isolating the western section of the city.



YEAR LATER

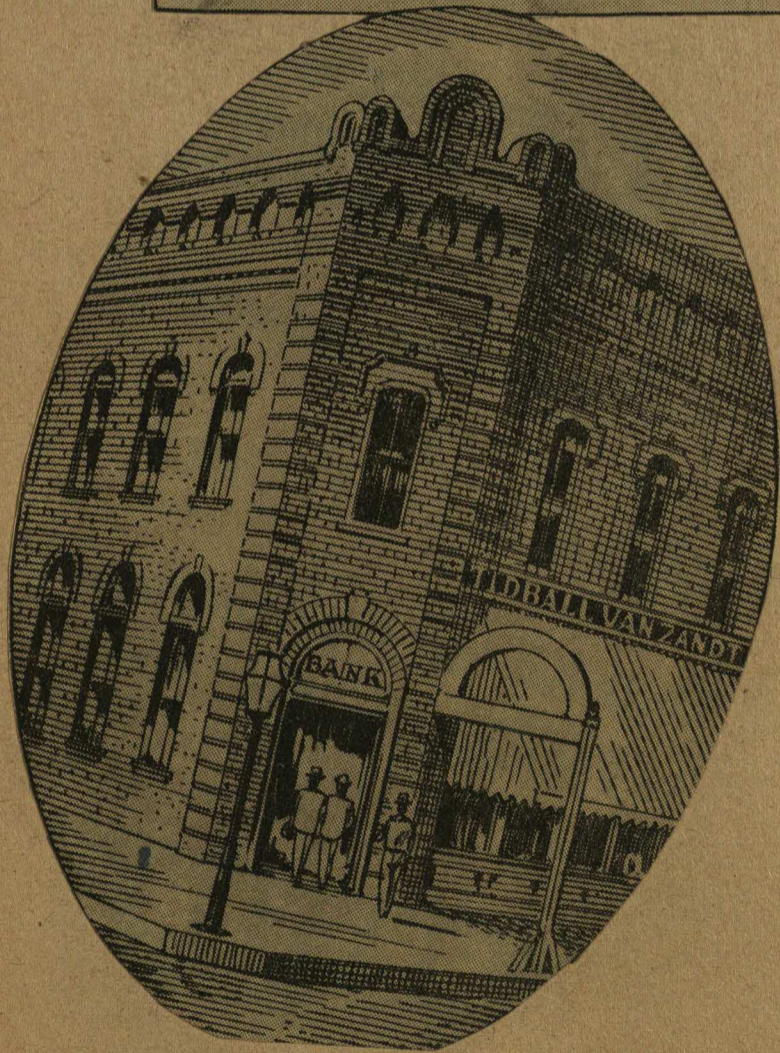
The water in the Clear Fork is but a trickle today compared to last year's flood-tide. The Holly Plant has been restored and its capacity increased manifold.

FROM AN HUMBLE BEGINNING...

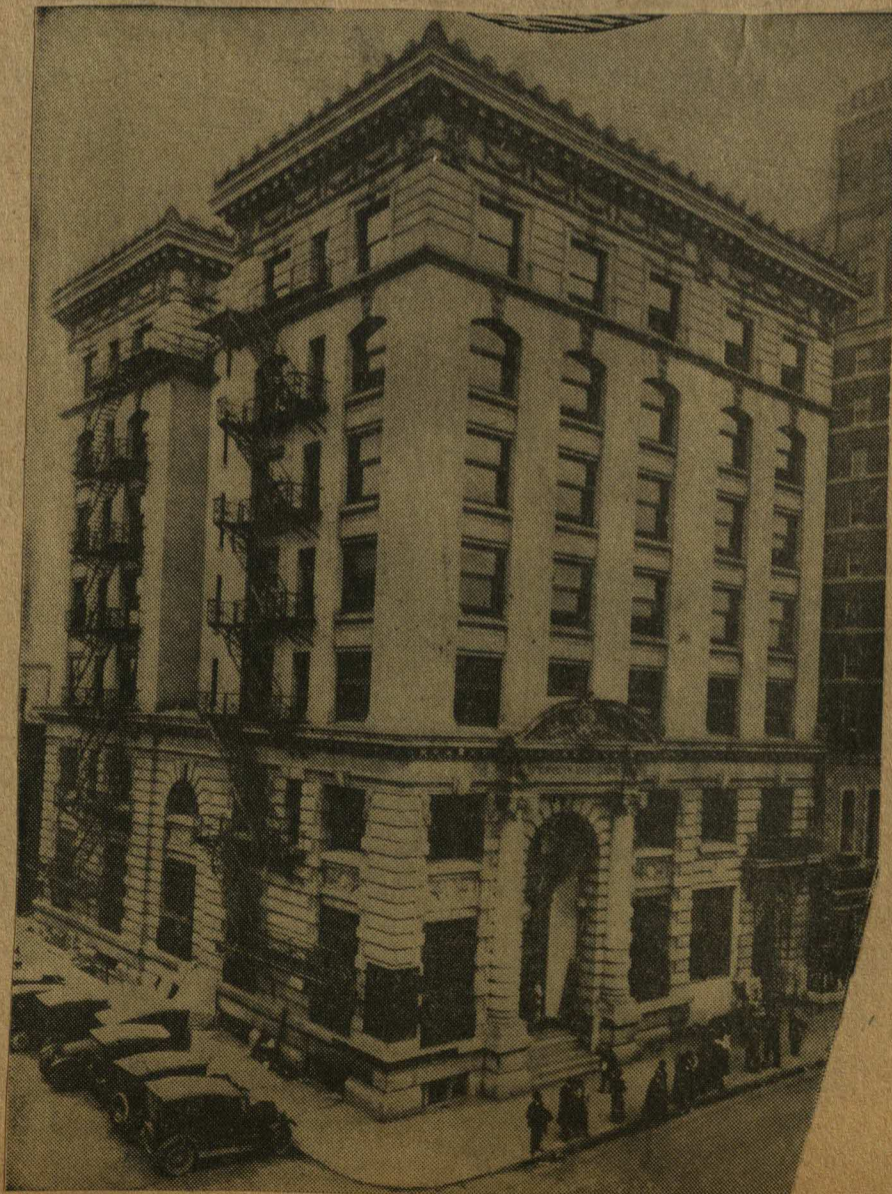
The Fort Worth National Bank has grown with Fort Worth and
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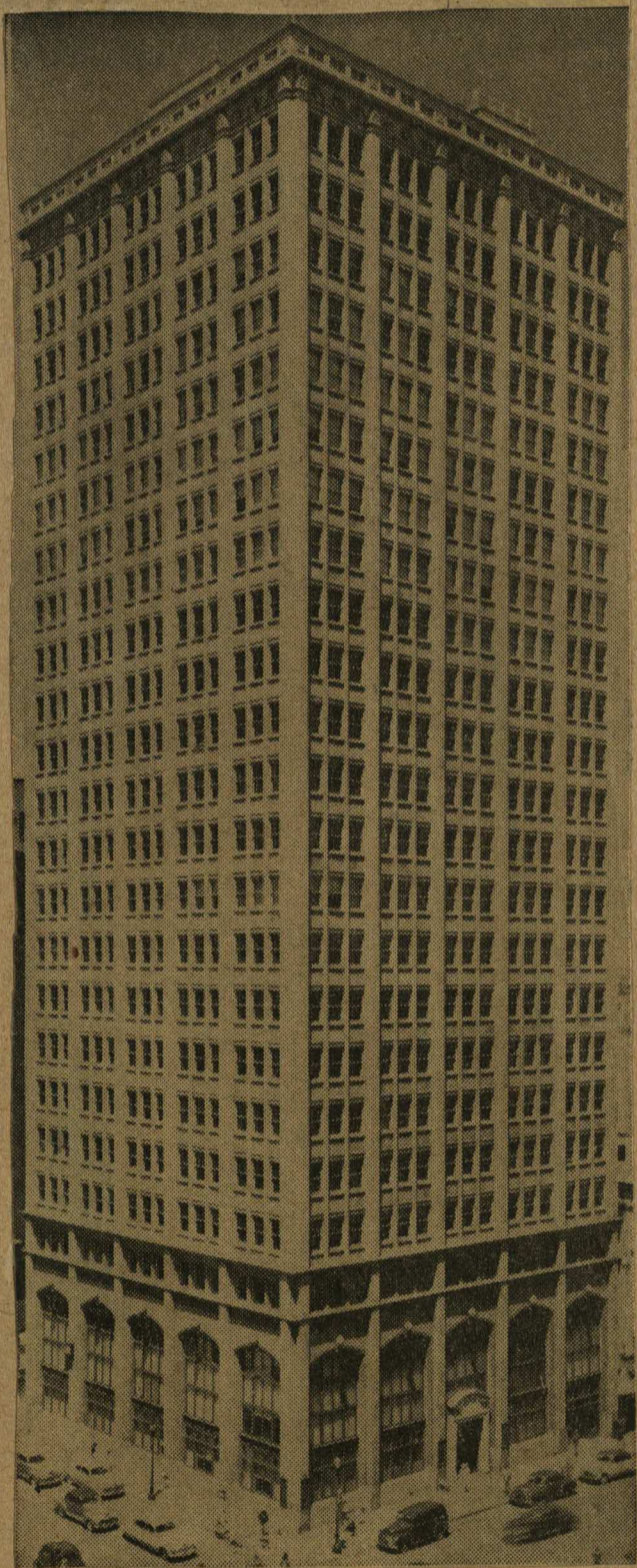
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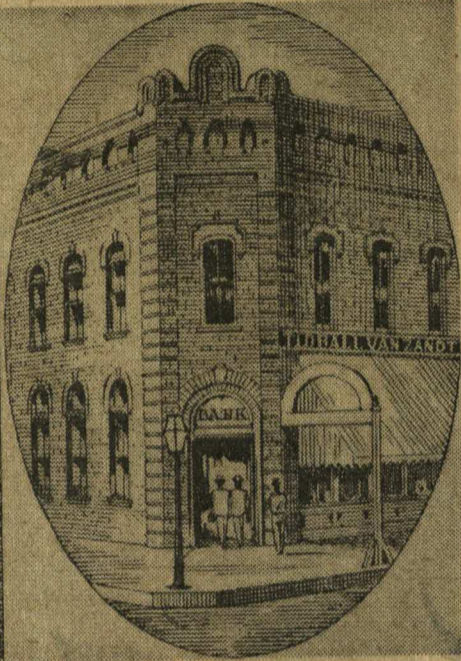


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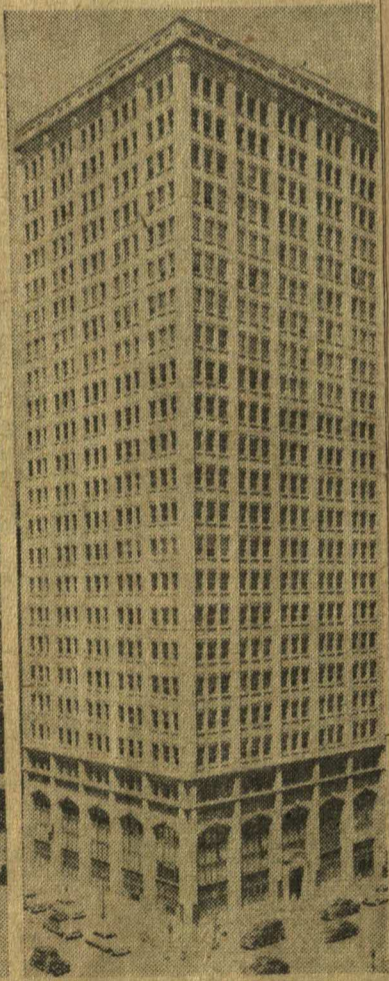
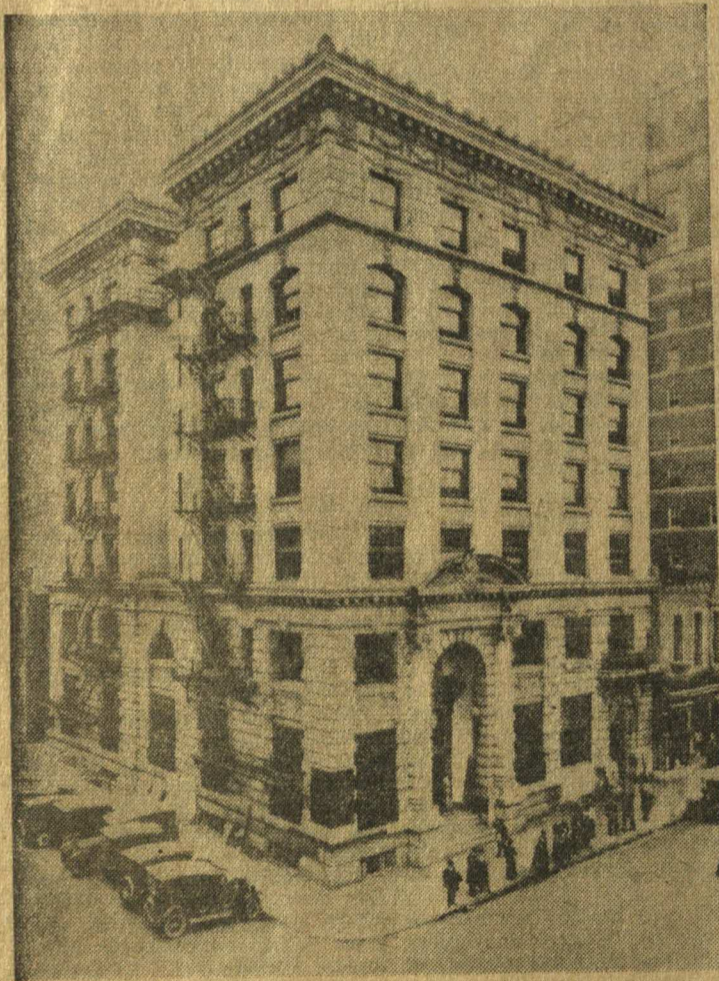
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PIONEER BANKING QUARTERS—Early day quarters of the city's first financial institution that grew into the Fort Worth National Bank. At left is the original home of Tidball and Wilson, Bankers, founded in 1873 facing

the square on Weatherford St. At right is the second home of the firm, then Tidball, Van Zandt and Company, which was occupied in 1880 at 313 Main.



BANK'S LATER HOMES—Two of the more recent homes of the Fort Worth National Bank are shown here. At left is a seven-story building at 5th and Main which was occupied in 1904. The site is now occupied by the Sinclair Building. At right is the 24-story skyscraper home of the bank at 7th and Main from 1927 until the recent move to the new 15-story building across the street. The 24-story structure now is occupied by Continental Life.

Sunday, August 31, 1952

Audichron in Fort Worth National

'Miss Time Service' Has Sped Many To Work in 12 Years of Operation

For more than 12 years a dignified black metal cabinet slightly taller than your radio-phonograph set has corrected dozens of errant clocks and gotten thousands of people in Fort Worth to work on time.

It's an amazing device filled

with wires, tubes and amplifiers, transformers, motors and sound film.

It has answered its phone number 114,112,302 times at all hours of the day and night since Jan. 30, 1940, when it was installed in the Fort Worth National Bank,

This is the Audichron, Model R-72, the only one like it in Fort Worth. It was the first such machine installed anywhere in Texas.

The Audichron or "Miss Time Service," as some call it, is so intimately associated with the lives of Fort Worth residents, that it receives fan mail and Christmas cards.

To become acquainted with "Miss Time Service," pick up your telephone and dial EDison-4581. Within 4½ seconds a feminine voice tells you about a banking service and then gives you the correct time.

The machine is now located in the lower lobby of the bank's new quarters. During its life here, thousands of visitors have watched it in operation as flashing green and amber lights dot a panel when incoming calls register on the machine.

The Audichron can give 28 callers the correct time simultaneously. During July, an average of 34,386 calls were received daily.

To prove that the machine is used to get people to work on time, the statistics show the peak number of calls comes between 7 and 8:30 a. m. Minimum number is around noon.

The Audichron operation, mystifying to anyone but an electronics expert, is based on the same principle as the sound track on a movie film. An electric eye scans three separate sound tracks, one for the bank "commercial," one for the hour and the third for the minute.

This is an electronic robot that pauses neither for rest nor food in its purpose to provide one of life's most important elements, time.



CORRECT TIME—Mrs. Marian Lain, personable secretary in the personal loan department of Fort Worth National Bank, checks her wrist watch with the audichron, time service machine in the lower lobby.

Sunday, August 31, 1952



—Star-Telegram Photo.

YOUNG DEPOSITOR—The picture shows how the teller's window in the school savings department has been stepped down to the height of the children. Rosa Lee Graves, 11, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Graves of 925 E. Jefferson, is shown making her deposit with Mrs. Jerry Skelton, teller.

Each Tuesday Bank Day in Public Schools

**Armored Trucks Call
At 81 Institutions to
Pick Up Nickles, Dimes**

Tuesday is Bank Day in Fort Worth and county public schools as a result of a School Savings program initiated by the Fort Worth National Bank in 1930.

Every Tuesday of the school year, armored trucks call at 81 schools in and near Fort Worth to pick up the pennies, nickels, dimes and dollars children wish deposited in their accounts at the bank.

As well as this service, the Fort Worth National Bank has installed a junior size tellers' window in the new bank building.

Since the service was started 22 years ago, annual deposits have jumped from \$38,863.70 in the first year to \$525,873 during 1951-1952.

The plan was inaugurated with the approval and co-operation of the Board of Education and designed to teach economy and thrift to school children as a part of their schooling.

"One penny is a respected deposit," Mrs. Lois Wren, manager of the School Savings Department, said. "We have seen the penny depositors grow into dollar depositors as the children's interest increases."

There are approximately 43,000 accounts. Assistants in the department usually spend one or two days after the Tuesday deposit pickups counting and balancing accounts against deposit slips.

The rest of the week is devoted to listing the deposits and ledgers, balancing interest, posting and refilling the school bags in preparation for the next Tuesday's deposits.

The School Savings Department is in the northwest corner of the main banking room of the new Fort Worth National Bank Building.



COME TO TEXAS—This map of the Lone Star State depicts key interests and the wide variety of attractions visitors will find when they come here as tourists. From the dry rugged country around El Paso to the lush piney

woods of East Texas; from the Texas Panhandle to the Gulf Coast, are many contrasts to add to the charm of a vacation in the land of bluebonnets—the “Friendly State.”

—Star-Telegram Map by Winston Croslin.



NATIVITY SCENE IN RIDGLEA SHOPPING AREA—A lifelike Nativity scene is now on exhibit on the lawn of the Ridglea Presbyterian Church, Camp Bowie Boulevard and Westridge, in the Ridglea Shopping area. The Nativity scene is being sponsored by merchants in the Ridglea Shopping area who invite everyone to come by and see it during the Christmas season.

Ridglea Merchants Have Christmas Spirit; Sponsor Nativity Scene; Santa Arrives by Helicopter Fri.; Stores Open

There's plenty of Christmas in the air and in evidence in the Ridglea Shopping area- and more to come. The Nativity Scene with its life size figures and a realistic manger at the corner of Westridge Ave. and Camp Bowie Blvd. on the lawn of the Ridglea Presbyterian Church is attracting plenty of attention. The Nativity Scene is being sponsored by the Ridglea Merchants Association. Eddie Barton of Luby's Cafeterias, chairman of the decorations committee, was assisted by Royce Barnes, association president, Mrs. Phil Rottler, W. O. Taylor and K. R. Molyneaux.

And, of course there's Christ-

mas music and decorations in the stores of the Ridglea merchants. Roy Barnes & Son Dept. Store, Boone's Shoe Store, Cradle to College Shop, Angeline's LaPrelle Shop, Lo-Ma Shop, Luby's Cafeteria, Ridglea Appliance, Ridglea Barber Shop, Ridglea Pharmacy, Ridglea Beauty Salon, Ridglea Hardware, Ridglea Service Station, Ridglea State Bank, Ridglea Toy-Land, South's Gift Shop, Taylor Bros. Garage and Western Hills Hotel are among the firms of the

Ridglea Shopping area that have entered into the spirit of Christmas in a big way. All are offering merchandise and services for the Christmas season and are receiving a hearty response from shoppers who are also entering into the Christmas spirit.

On Friday, December 11, part of the Christmas spirit of the Ridglea Shopping area will whirr through

the air when Santa Claus himself lands at the Western Hills Hotel Heliport at 4 p.m. Through special arrangement of the Ridglea merchants, Santa Claus will make "a special flight from the North Pole" and land at the Western Hills Hotel Heliport where he will greet his friends. Afterwards, Santa Claus will be seen daily until Christmas in the Ridglea Shopping

area. Yes, Ridglea is going in for Christmas in a big way-and it looks like a big Christmas out Ridglea way.

To help along, the Ridglea Merchants are staying open nights from now until Christmas to accomodate late shoppers. Taif's Package Store, 5930 Curzon, is giving away a Serval Electric Wonder bar on Christmas Eve.

HEY KIDS LOOK . . .

SANTA ARRIVES

IN RIDGLEA BY

HELICOPTER

- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11th
- TIME: 4 P.M. IN THE AFTERNOON
- PLACE: WESTERN HILLS HELIPORT

FREE GIFTS
For All Good
Little Boys & Girls

THIS SPECIAL FLIGHT
FROM THE NORTH POLE . . .
ARRANGED BY YOUR RIDGLEA
MERCHANT'S ASSOCIATION

Santa will be in Ridglea every afternoon until Xmas — Starting Friday, December 11th at 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Friday night 6:30 to 8:00. Sundays 3:00 to 5:00. Weekdays 6:00 to 8:00 P.M.

December 11, 1953

WEST SIDE POST

COMBINED WITH

The Ridglea **N**ews

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1953

Post Office Asks Help In Getting Out Record Mail

Fort Worth's Post Office Department is expecting the largest

volume of mail in its history this Christmas season.

Chronic Christmas Card warriors are being asked to start earlier than ever this year in an effort to stave off the bulk of the Christmas Eve flood. Aside from the mail-your-cards-early advice, Acting Postmaster D. C. Jernigin is handing out some sound ideas that will help.

Fort Worthers can speed their cards on their way and take some of the strain off the Post Office force by responding to Jernigin's pleas.

Post Office patrons are being asked to separate their cards in bundles. One bundle should be for all cards going out of town. The other would be for those with Fort Worth addresses. When the cards are separated, the bundles should be tied securely with twine.

This Friday postmen of the city are delivering with the day's mail labels to be put on the bundles. The labels state "All for Local Delivery" and "All for Out of Town Delivery." Use of the labels in mailing the cards is important for speeding up their distribution, Jernigin said.

Another tip to speed messages of Christmas cheer: "Our business is not quite as rushing in the morning as in the afternoon and night," Jernigin's plea for help states. "Early morning mailings...will help to spread the workload."

Nativity Scene On Display on Camp Bowie

The Nativity Scene, with its life size figures and a realistic manager, is attracting hundreds of viewers at the corner of Westridge Ave. and Camp Bowie Blvd.

Sponsored by the Ridglea Merchants Association, the Nativity Scene will be on display on the Ridglea Presbyterian Church lawn until after Christmas. Eddie Barton, chairman of the Christmas decorations committee was assisted by Ridglea merchants, Royce Barnes, association president; Mrs. Phil Rottler, W. O. Taylor and K. R. Molyneaux.

One of the highlights of Christmas in Ridglea, the Nativity Scene has attracted thousands of spectators in the past years. Christmas music and the appearance of Santa Claus add to the Christmas atmosphere.

Santa To Use Helicopter To Pay Visit Here Friday

Jolly Old Saint Nicholas, chucking tradition to the winds, will come flying into Fort Worth with whiskers waving in the breeze aboard a helicopter, this Friday at 4 p.m.

Although his sleigh and eight tiny reindeer were left behind, his helicopter will be loaded with souvenir gifts for the hundreds of West Side small fry expected to greet his arrival at the Western

Hills Heliport.

From the heliport he will proceed to the beautiful and inspiring Nativity Scene on the lawn of the Ridglea Presbyterian Church, where he will distribute more souvenir gifts and take orders from eager youngsters for gifts they wish him to leave in their stockings on Christmas Eve. He will return to the Nativity Scene

each week day evening from 6 until 8 o'clock and from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturdays for the next twelve days.

Santa's helicopter arrival and his daily visits to the Nativity Scene will be made possible through arrangements made by members of the Ridglea Merchants Association.



REPRODUCTION OF THE NATIVITY SCENE as it appears near the Ridglea Presbyterian Church on Camp Bowie Boulevard at Westridge Avenue. An annual attraction in the West Side during Christmas, the giant display, a part of which is pictured here, attracts thousands each holiday season.

-1953-

Convair Ice Show To Open Next Wednesday in Coliseum

Convair Recreation Association's 1953 Ice Show will open Wednesday, Dec. 16. This year's production entitled "Melody on Ice," will play each night from Dec. 16 through Dec. 21 with a Sunday afternoon matinee.

Playing in the Will Rogers Coliseum the show will be under

the direction of Jane Zeiser of Dallas. Milt Stewart will play Santa to Convair children this year, with a gift from CRA for each child.

The extravaganza, with a Holiday theme, will feature well-known professional figure skaters as well as many excellent skaters from Convair. Stars of the show include Lucille Ash, Sully Kothman, and Carol Williams. Local favorites include; Glenna and Nickie Carter, Larry Rocquemore, Barbara Jean Miellmier and Sara Lee Jenkins.

Featured numbers range from "A Christmas Party," starring Santa's good little girls and boys, to a "New Year's Eve Ball," a finale which includes the entire cast. The CRA orchestra, under the direction of Glenn Carter, ice skating commissioner, will provide music for the show

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 - Green **PINEAPPLE** 8-Oz. **46^c**
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 - Nat'l. **PINEAPPLE** 8-Oz. **41^c**
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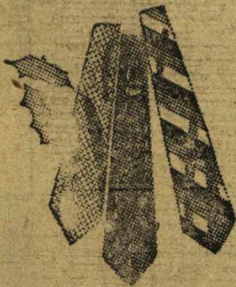
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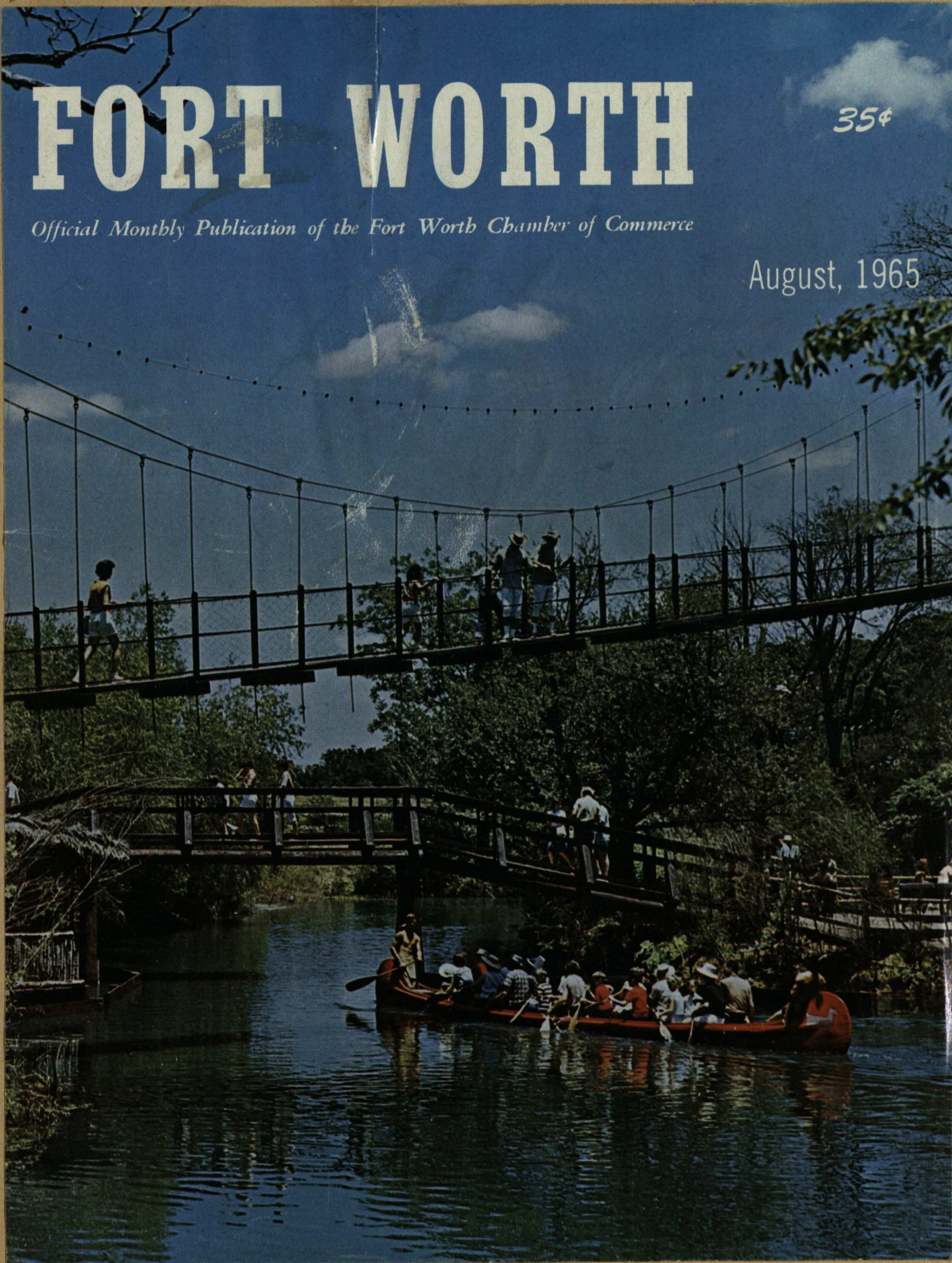
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Half a year and more than 100,000 miles later, Fort Worth's Miss Judy Hill who went to Memphis late last December as a Maid of Cotton contestant returned home in July after living the Maid of Cotton role all over the United States and through much of Europe. Judy began her tour almost as soon as the judges for the National Cotton Council of America had submitted their decision. During the six-month tour, she visited all parts of the U. S. and made two trips to Europe. One of her last func-



tions was to appear in a motion picture in Spain. There were many memorable events, but one of the outstanding ones was the visit Miss Hill had with a fellow Texan, President Lyndon B. Johnson at the White House. The subject of the half-hour visit? Texas, naturally. Now it's back to TCU to complete her work toward her degree.

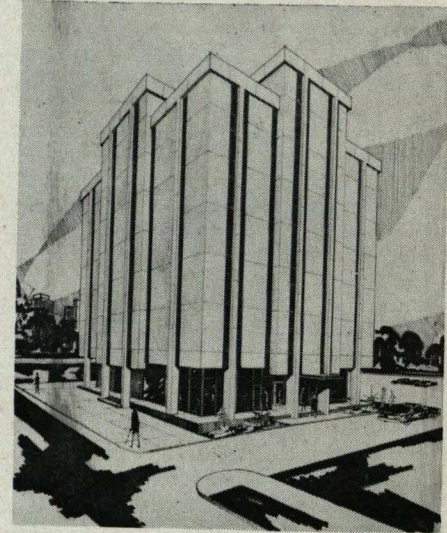
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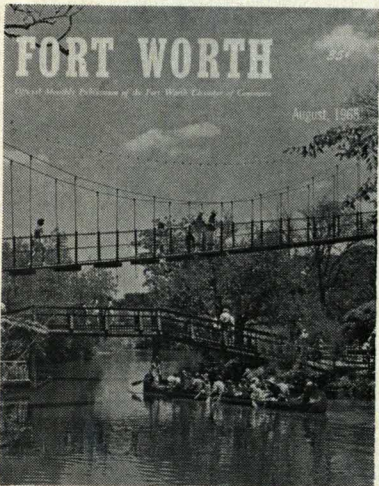
Behind the Scenes—

Once each year FORT WORTH takes a look at the city's growth which so often is best understood in terms of new building and plans for future construction. In this issue, we have through the eyes of our staff and people who are directly related to the construction business prepared material which gives a thumb nail sketch of what is going on in Fort Worth. Needless to say, we have not been able to cover everything, nor could we use all the photographs which were submitted.

Often under the pressure of deadlines and in an attempt to cover stories, we have discovered a new talent. This was true in the case of getting photographic coverage of the blockbusting celebration in early July. With an extra camera, but minus an extra photographer, we assigned Fred Price, our advertising manager to the duty of trying to get a good shot of the falling buildings. As far as we knew when the camera was handed to Fred, his knowledge of photography was limited to shooting a pre-set box camera. But when the finished photos were returned, we found that under the pressures of getting the picture at the right split second, we had discovered another photographer for the staff, who from now on will be doubling in brass. You can judge the photo for yourself on page 21.

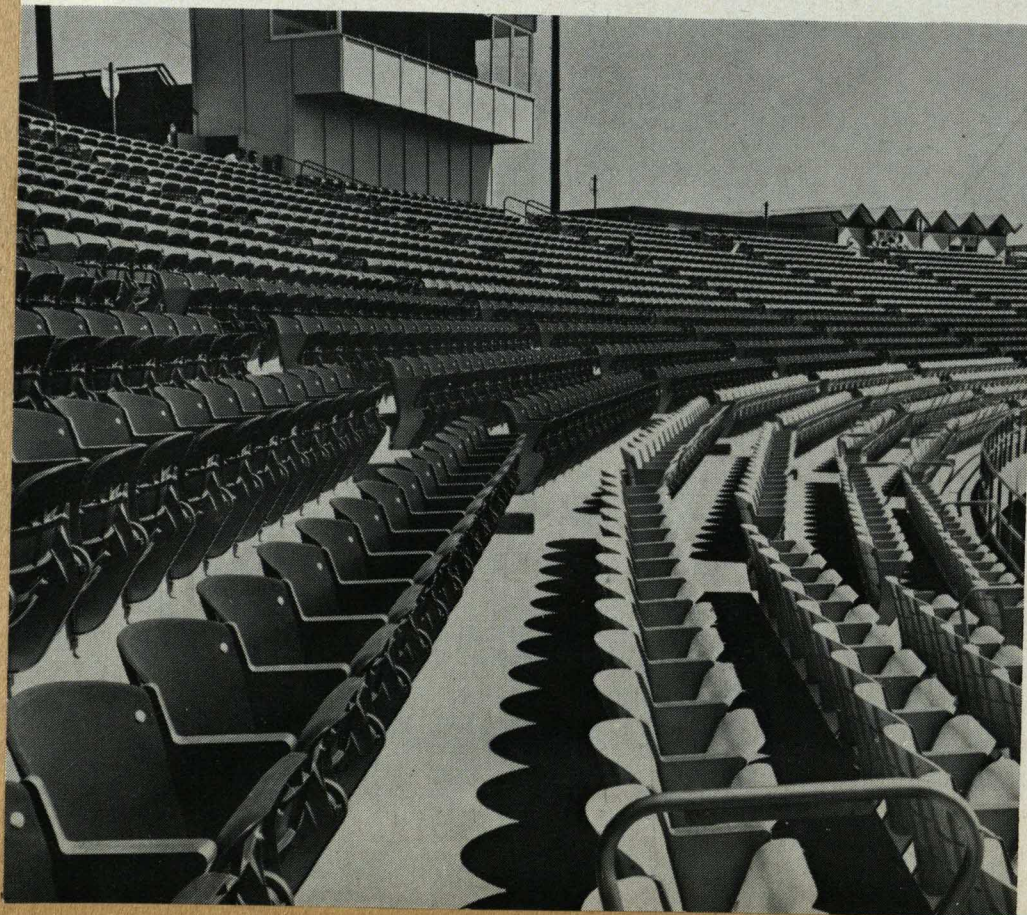


Architect's sketch of the eight-story Medical Tower to be built at 8th Avenue and Rosedale, is by Kirk, Voich & Smith, architect-engineers. It is to be built by Childs Construction Company, Inc.



ON THE COVER: Increasingly gaining in popularity as the place to visit is the fabulous Six Flags Over Texas. In this man made wonderland visitors of all ages get a glimpse into the romantic history of Texas as well as having fun. On the cover is the river where Indian canoes splash along under the bridges leading to Skull Island. The color photo was furnished by Six Flags, and the cover printing is another through the courtesy of Anchor Printing & Lithography.

The Fort Worth-Dallas Spurs, in Texas League baseball, are playing this year in the new Turnpike Stadium. In this photo are shown some of the 5,963 stadium seats which are in contrasting hues of bright yellow, green, and orange. High density, durable polyethylene is used for seats and backs as modern baseball fans demand contemporary comfort even in the sports arena.



Old Walls Topple

New Construction Continues To Rise

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Six Million Bricks

When 14 square blocks of brick buildings are demolished, what happens to the six million bricks?

The problem has been solved and some of the old brick already have been shipped out and are being used in new buildings under construction.

Acme Brick Company with headquarters in Fort Worth has contracted for all of the brick from the old buildings being torn down to make room for the Tarrant County Convention Center, and these building materials will be distributed throughout Acme's six state system. Acme has outlets all over Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri.

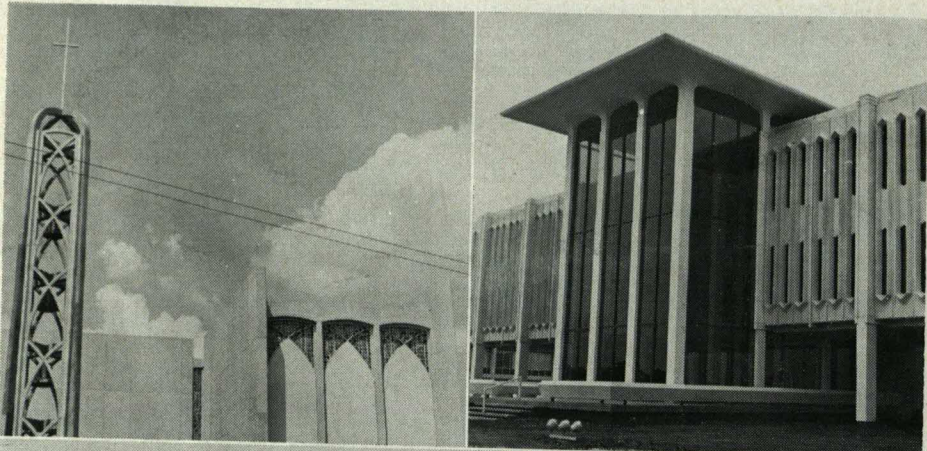
A spokesman for the company said there continues to be a heavy demand for antique brick in the construction of new homes and buildings, and this new source of supply will help meet these demands.

"These bricks have seen a lot of Fort Worth history," one onlooker observed when the first of these old pieces of fired clay began falling in July.

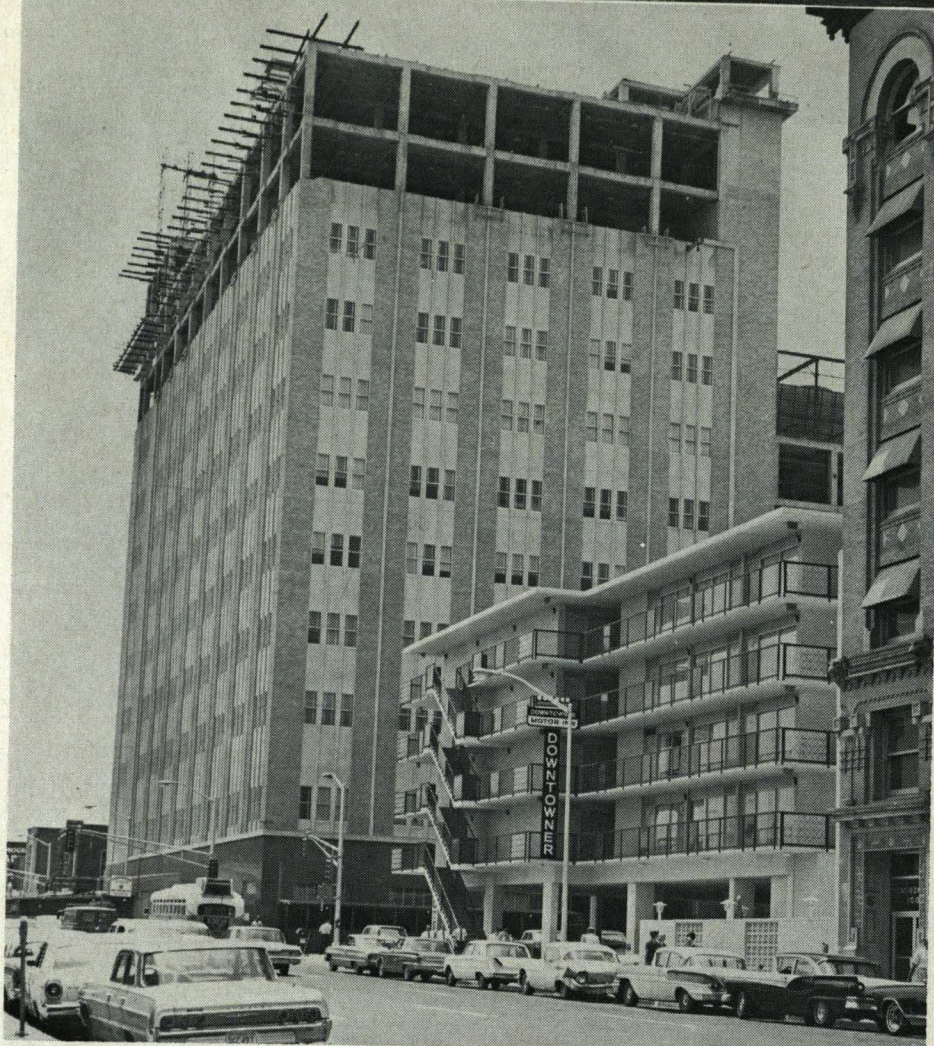
The section of the city where the demolition is underway was one of the first parts of downtown Fort Worth to be built of permanent type materials. This construction began in the 1870's about the time the first railroad was built in Fort Worth. This was the hub of the business district for many years but time took its toll of the area. In recent years the section slipped into the skid row status populated by cheap hotels, taverns, pawn shops and an assorted number of small businesses.

Now the old structures are falling, and the bricks that have held together for so many years are being broken apart for their new lives in new locations. They may add a glow of mellowness to new homes, or a touch of color to a sparkling new office buildings, but wherever they end up, a little bit of the history of Fort Worth will be enshrined in their clay hearts.

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Just completed are two new religious edifices located in the Ridgmar section of Fort Worth. At left is the free standing bell tower and the beautiful ultra-modern Holy Family Catholic Church. This "church-in-the-round" is a classic example of contemporary church architecture. At right is another contemporary structure, the new home of the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission. This building contains the floating studios where religious programs for the Southern Baptist Convention originate for world-wide distribution.

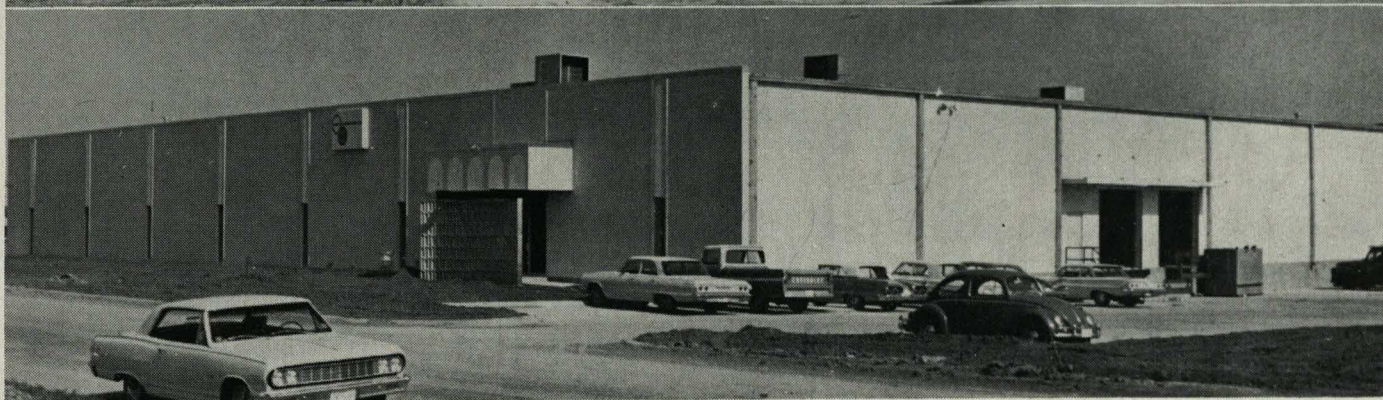
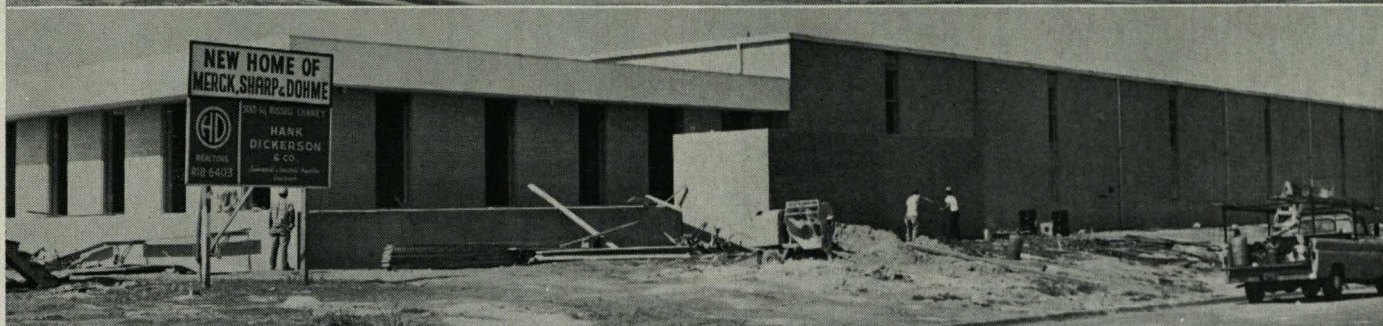
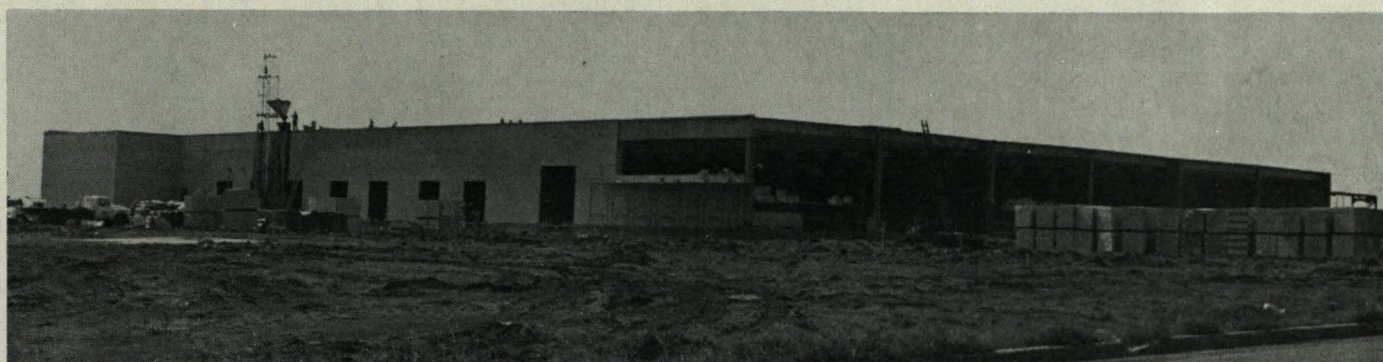


At left are two new additions to the downtown Fort Worth scene. Rising in the background is the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's building expansion designed to make room for additional communications equipment to serve the city. In the foreground is one of the city's newest hotels The Downtowner Inn.



Texas Electric Service Company's East Service Center, 2118 S. Bowen Road, was designed by Maples-Jones & Associates and built by Lesikar Construction Company.

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In Tarrant County

Great Southwest Keeps Up The Pace

The Pepsi-Cola Company will soon occupy this 80,000 square foot building at 1000 113th Street. The building will house a syrup concentrate plant for the worldwide soft drink manufacturing firm.

The Rome Cable Division of the Aluminum Company of America will use this 32,000 square foot building to warehouse its line of cable, wire and other aluminum products. It is located at 721 Great Southwest Parkway.

Merck, Sharpe & Dohme will use this 35,400 square foot facility for warehousing and distributing its nationally known line of drugs and pharmaceuticals. It is at 3308 Avenue F East.

The Purex Plastics Corporation, a division of Purex Corporation, Ltd., will house Purex's manufacture and sales facilities for its line of plastic bottles. This 25,000 square foot structure is located at 1205 Avenue H East.

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Hospitals Build For Future Needs

A report issued recently by O. C. Armstrong, chairman of the Harris Hospital board, and W. P. Earngey, Jr., hospital administrator, casts a projection on the future needs of Fort Worth. Work has been going on recently in the process of enlarging all medical facilities in Fort Worth, but the population growth has made a continued expansion program necessary in all the large hospitals.

At the time the Harris report was issued, an announcement was made of the \$2,648,000 expansion program. Features of the building program include the addition of three floors to Mary Gibbs Jones Women's Building to accommodate 112 new medical and surgical beds for patients; a modern 15 bed intensive nursing care, more parking space; the enlargement of laboratory and x-ray services; and the relocation of storage facilities.

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The Armstrong-Earngey report related that since the community is growing at the rate of approximately 25,000 persons per year, 75 new beds will be needed each year to keep pace with the population growth, and a minimum of three beds per 1,000 must be made available with the community for each additional 1,000 increase in population.

The report further stated that there are 1,950 beds in Tarrant County with an estimated population of 635,000 or 3.07 beds per 1,000; and that within the next three years 429 beds will be added to the supply in the community, including the proposed Harris Hospital expansion. Based on an estimated population of 710,000 in 1968, the ratio of beds per 1,000 population at that time will be 3.4.

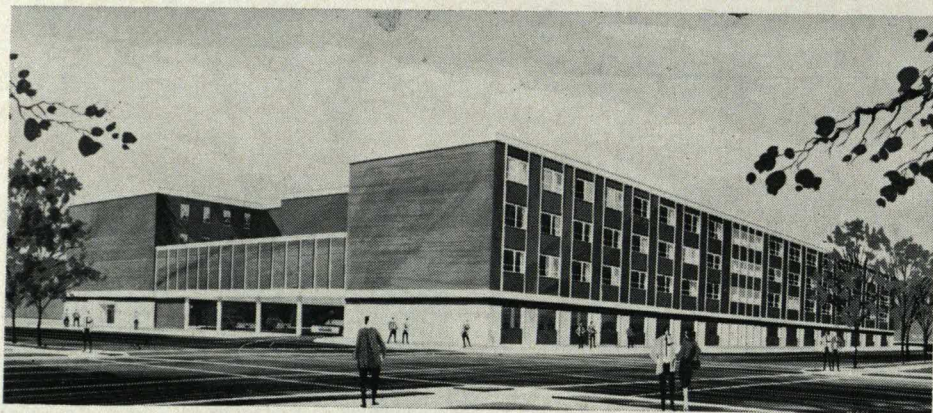
Further stated in the report was that application had been made to the Texas

State Department of Health to help provide 50 per cent of the funds under Hill-Burton assistance. The other half of the construction costs will be paid by contributions to the hospital, as well as through long term financing. It is anticipated that the proposed building program will be followed by the eventual modernization of existing facilities in the hospital's main building. Harris Hospital is owned and operated by the Central Texas Methodist Conference.

Ground was broken in late May for the \$4,500,000 expansion project at St. Joseph Hospital. Operated in Fort Worth for the past 76 years by the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, St. Joseph is making planned strides to keep up with the growing hospital needs of the city's growing population.

This project consists of extensive remodeling and additions to the hospital

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Proposed new 3-story addition to the Mary Gibbs Jones Women's Building of Harris Hospital. Estimated cost is \$2,648,000. Preston M. Geren is the architect and engineer.

located at 1401 South Main Street. Major categories of work includes the addition of a two-story element in the east service court consisting of a new kitchen, dining room and food serving. Also included is the addition of seven floors, sixth through 12th over a previous addition built in 1958, and the extension of the fourth and fifth floors to the north.

Remodeling will be done in the south east ground wing and first floor, a portion of the X-ray department on the first floor, a central supply and pharmacy in connection with the addition on the fourth floor.

Additional mechanical and electrical

facilities will be added in the existing mechanical building to accommodate the increased load due to the expansion of the building.

When the new addition is completed in the next 18 months, St. Joseph will have space for 290 new beds, making a total of 480 beds for the hospital.

All Saints Episcopal Hospital is in the process of adding 70,000 square feet of construction that will cost \$1,314,000. This north wing of two floors will create space for an additional 56 beds. Expected completion date is September 1. Other facilities in the new construction will be five double rooms for intern residents and on-call

duty quarters as well as new educational and nursing headquarters facilities. Two new elevators are included in the construction.

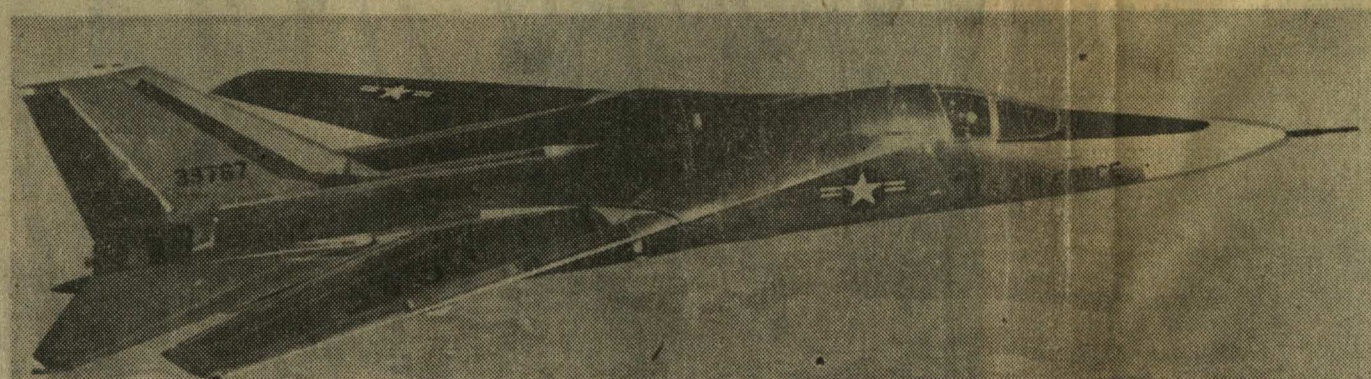
A seven to 10 million dollar building program at John Peter Smith Hospital is planned to be started in October. In this continuous expansion program, the bed capacity of this hospital will be raised from the present 208 to a final 525. The hospital district taxes will finance the expansion. Included in the program will be the expansion of space above the middle wing of the present building and an enlarged emergency care facility, radiology department and a power plant. Also planned for later phases of construction will be a laundry department, a dietary department including a cafeteria and dining room.

Phase one, which is estimated to cost \$1,400,000 is expected to be completed in mid 1966. Funds in the amount of \$380,000 will come from the division of hospital services of the State Board of Health, and \$1,100,000 will be from hospital district taxes which previously have been collected. Parking space for 450 cars also is expected to be completed next year.

Two new floors have been added to the Fort Worth Children's Hospital. This hospital currently has 68 beds since the construction of this phase has been completed. When the final expansion is complete, there will be 102 beds available. This project cost \$1,060,000.

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F-111... GD TELLS IT LIKE IT IS!



Pilots say the F111 will do things no other airplane will do, that it is "a hell of a weapons system."

General Dynamics engineers believe it is a breakthrough in the state of the art of building airplanes.

... BUT, some politicians have consistently attacked it as "McNamara's Folly," and as "fundamentally unsound."

What is the truth?

In an attempt to set down the facts and figures, the Star-Telegram submitted a series of questions to Frank W. Davis, president of General Dynamics - Fort Worth. We made them as penetrating as we could. —Sec. H.

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Panel Bares Plan To Unite Districts

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consolidation would not necessarily affect individual schools, although in most cases it probably would.

Board to Decide

The committee left it to local school boards in the proposed consolidated districts to decide where individual schools would be located and if new schools should be built.

In the suggested district of Azle, Lake Worth and Eagle Mountain-Saginaw, for instance, the new board would decide where students in the district would go to high school, whether to keep one study the report further before more of the three existing high schools in operation and whether to build new centrally-located schools.

In many cases, communities in a consolidated district would be able to keep their elementary schools but would have to send their high school students to a central high school.

The Governor's Committee said its reorganization plan "concerns the combination of tax rolls, assets and liabilities, school boards and school district administrations."

The report included maps of each county showing school district boundaries and suggested consolidated boundaries. The committee asked that the Legislature adopt the map, then leave it to the State Board of Education to work out final details.

Before the plan would go into effect in September, 1971, each county would have the

school, higher pay and more fringe benefits for teachers, more non-teacher personnel such as librarians and counselors, teacher aides, an allowance of \$1 per pupil to the districts for instructional materials and extra money for schools with large numbers of low income and non-English speaking students.

But to finance these measures, the committee said, it will be necessary to cut down drastically on the number of expensive-to-operate small school districts and to equalize taxes in all districts.

Saturday's report also covered the finance plan, covered in a separate story in this edition.

The committee's plan would leave 219 of the state's 254 counties with only one school district each. Six counties would have two districts, eight would have three and only one — Harris — would have more than 10 districts.

Although the committee set a standard of 2,600, its plan would allow smaller districts to operate if they are county-wide. Many of the 219 county-wide districts would be under the 2,600 enrollment mark.

The plan would all but eliminate school districts with less than 1,000 students. Presently there are 174 such units. There would be only 48 under the committee's proposal.

Special schools, such as Fort Worth's Masonic Home, would not be affected by consolidation.

Parts of two other school districts would be in Tarrant County although they are not included in the county total

Legislature May Boost School Funding

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of the biggest bones of contention in the entire Sherman said.

Rep. Tommy Shannon said he had heard other legislators say they would oppose the plan. "I assume that it marks more or less the feelings of their constituency," he said. "I think certain portions of the legislature have some very strong opinion."

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THE LEGISLATOR said they were not opposed to the recommendations concerning Tarrant County, but would oppose committing their

State Sen. Tom Creighton, Mineral Wells, voiced opposition to the consolidation plan and said he will vote for it "at this point."

Sen. Creighton and Burt Musgrove, who said he will oppose the plan, were principal panel members at a county-wide hearing Dec. 17 in Gordon County. Pinto County to discuss consolidation issue. So far, 400 county residents are opposed.

Under the Governor's committee recommendation Pinto County's seven districts would be consolidated into one.

"Several things about the plan are disturbing to me," Creighton said. "I see a tremendous problem in the proposal. The report is in terms of taxing income



—Associated Press Wirephoto

ON WAY HOME—Astronauts Frank Borman, left, James Lovell, center, and William Anders returned salute of the honor guard of the USS Yorktown as they prepared to leave the ship Saturday.

December 29, 1968
**Apollo Crew Cheered
 At Stopover in Hawaii**

HONOLULU, Hawaii (AP) — The Apollo 8 astronauts touched ground Saturday, for the first time since circling the moon, for an aloha welcome from more than 10,000 Hawaiians who rolled out a red carpet to meet them.

The moon mariners left Hickam Air Force Base here after a stop-over of less than an hour. Their C141 jet transport was to take them on a direct flight to Ellington Air Force Base near Houston and only a half hour's drive from their homes.

The crowd gave a big cheer as the trio's plane touched down at Hickam Air Force Base at 2:18 p.m. HST and taxied up to the red carpet. Their airplane, designed for an aircraft carrier, folded its wings like a bird.

"Sixteen years ago I stopped here in Hawaii as a second lieutenant going the other way and spent Christmas Eve here," said Air Force Col. Frank Borman,

"and I didn't get nearly this reception."

"I'm proud to be a part of something I think our country and the whole world can be proud of and I want to thank you, the American people, for helping make it possible," Air Force Col. William A. Anders told the crowd.

"Welcome to the good earth, moon men," said a sign bobbing in the crowd. "Aloha, moon men," cheered another. Still a third, apparently waved by a visitor from the mainland, said, "Canada welcomes you."

The astronauts, wearing blue flight suits and caps bearing the name of the aircraft carrier USS Yorktown, waved to the well-wishers as an Air Force band played "Up, Up and Away."

They got a carnation flower lei and a kiss from two pretty girls, one of them Olympic diving champion Keala O'Sullivan.

Then the trio stood at attention as the band played the National Anthem.

"I'm only sorry we can't spend more than the 20 or 30 minutes we have here before we have to leave on our way back to Houston," Borman told the crowd.

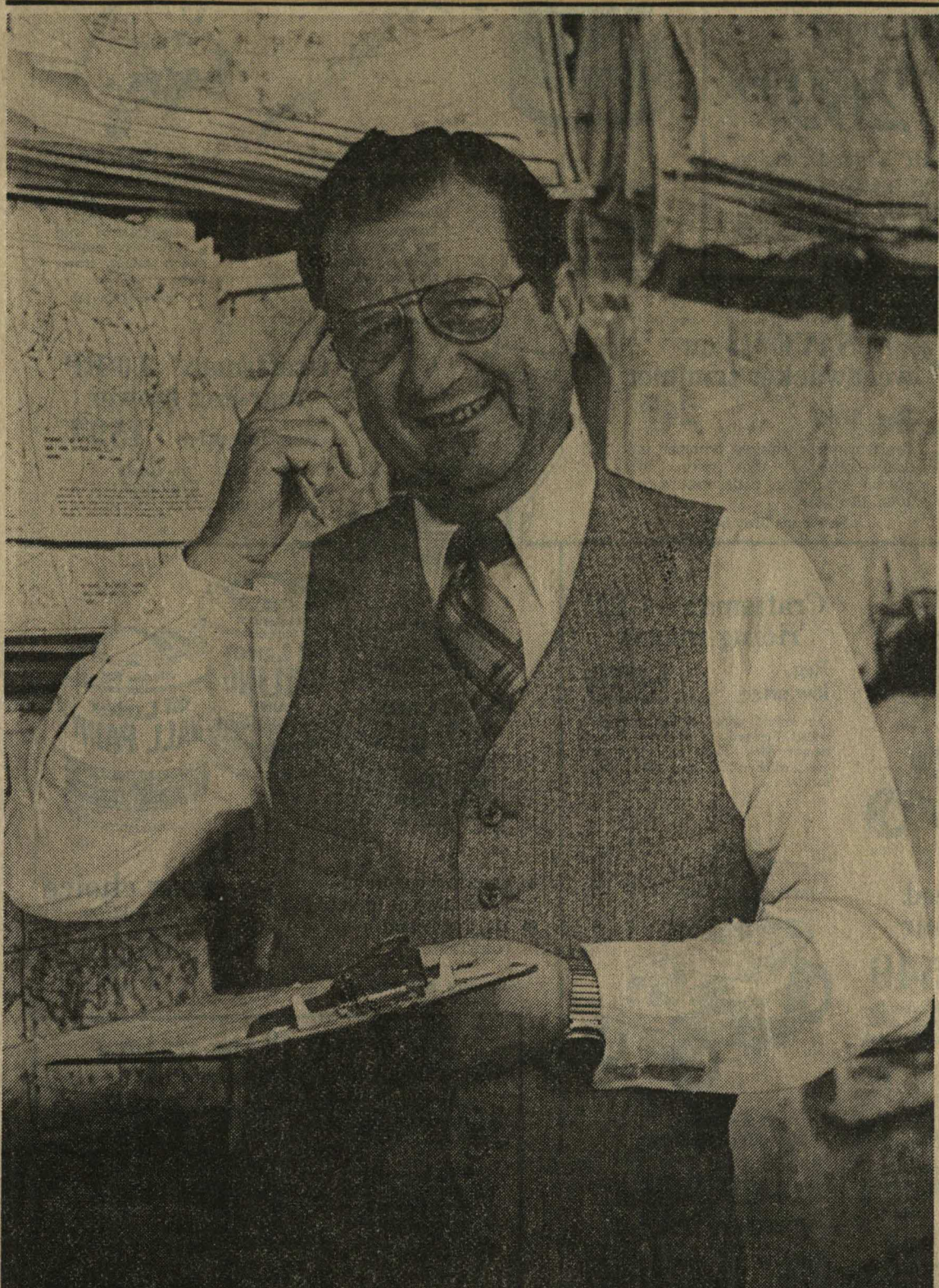
Then they boarded an Air Force C141 transport plane and took off on a 6-hour, 56-minute nonstop flight to Ellington Air Force Base near Houston.

They are expected to arrive in Houston at 2:55 a.m. EST.

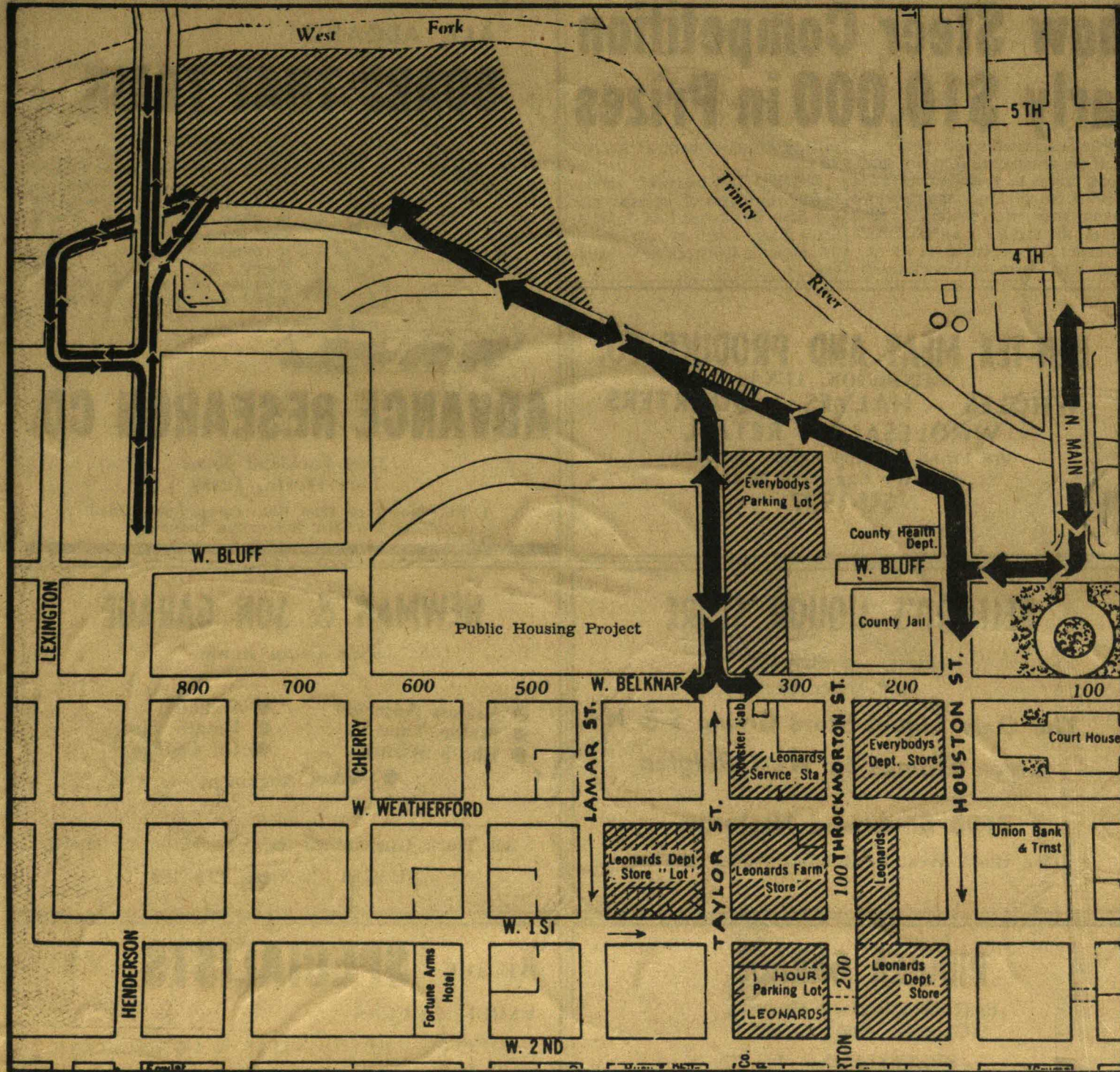
Despite the hour, the families of Borman, Anders and the third astronaut, Navy Capt. James A. Lovell, will be on hand to greet the three moon mariners, the first men to see the lunar surface from only 69 miles.

Among their greeters in Hawaii were Gov. John A. Burns, who got out of a

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5 TEXAS NEWS
WITH HAROLD TAFT



LEONARD'S FREE PARKING AREA AND BUS ROUTES—Heavy arrows above mark routes to and from free parking area now offered by Leonard's Department Store for shoppers. Buses provide frequent service without charge to and from Leonard's and Everybody's. Lighter arrows on Henderson Street show other convenient entrance and exit for the free parking area.

Leonard's Has Free Parking

Leonard's Department Store is now offering a free parking lot with free bus service to the downtown store and back to the free parking lot area for the convenience of shoppers.

The huge free parking lot area being provided by Leonard's has four entrances and exits, is newly paved, has a shelter house and is located immediately east of the Henderson Street (Jacksboro Highway) bridge over the Clear Fork of the Trinity River and north of the Public Housing Project.

Two-Leonard-owned buses ply the route often during shopping hours from the free parking area to Leonard's and Everybody's and return. The bus rides without charge are available from 7 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., except on Friday and Saturday nights when the service is operated until 10 p.m.

Direct route to the free parking area from downtown is north on Taylor Street

Approaches to the parking area have been built from the south end of the Henderson Street bridge with loop routes paved around each side of the bridge for easy entrance and exit.

The blue buses, bearing Leonard's signs, pick up passengers to the parking lot at the northeast corner of the intersection of Throckmorton and First Streets. Stops are also made at Everybody's Store.

Attendants are on duty at the parking lot to assist motorists but the drivers are allowed to park their own cars, lock them and take the keys with them. The free parking area is lighted at night.

The free parking service, a timely aid to Christmas shoppers, will be continued on a permanent basis. Operation of this new service by Leonard's will not alter the operation of the three parking lots by the store in the downtown area.

Friday
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May 4, 1979 ■ Price 15c

800 tomato plants
in his yard; and
they're portable

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Rangers in a trade

not for
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WINCH WAY IS OUT — Two persons in a stalled multi-purpose vehicle in the 1800 block of Vickery Thursday solved their problem by attaching the cable from a

winch on the front of the truck to a post beside the road and pulling themselves out. (More flood and storm photos on Page 2A).

Deluge leaves death, damage

By ANITA BAKER
Star-Telegram Writer

High water in Tarrant, Dallas and surrounding counties continued to recede today at a leisurely pace, leaving behind death, destruction and layers of mud.

The body of a woman, whose car apparently was swept into Nolan River near Blum Thursday, was pulled from the river about 4:30 a.m. today.

Spokesmen in Hill County early this morning said they had no identification or information about the accident. Deputies were at the scene at the time. Water entered homes and businesses, drowned out automobiles as more than 4 inches fell in many parts of the area.

The line of thunderstorms also sent tornadoes swirling through Keene and De Soto, causing about \$1.2 million in damage in the latter city, southeast of Dallas. No injuries were reported, except for minor scrapes and bruises in the tornadoes.

Several other tornadoes and funnel clouds were reported throughout the area, including one which touched down

near Aledo, west of Fort Worth, and another near Alvarado in Johnson County. A barn and several other buildings were destroyed.

A small twister hit early Thursday morning just north of Keene, destroying a mobile home.

A Keene police dispatcher today said the city had not had any water damage and that water had receded.

Rain measuring more than 5 inches dropped on Cleburne, sending Buffalo Creek on a rampage and forcing residents along the stream that runs through town to flee their homes.

A police dispatcher there today said about 30 homes received water damage, although none had more than an inch of water inside. High winds blew trees over, knocked down power lines and caused roof damage, the dispatcher said. Power was out in isolated areas of the city for a short time.

Thursday night, some areas along county roads 600 and 529 were without

telephone service for a short period of time.

Flooding was reported throughout the area. A Fort Worth firefighter said the department received 77 telephone calls Thursday about high water.

Families were evacuated from numerous homes in Arlington and Grand Prairie as creeks flooded there.

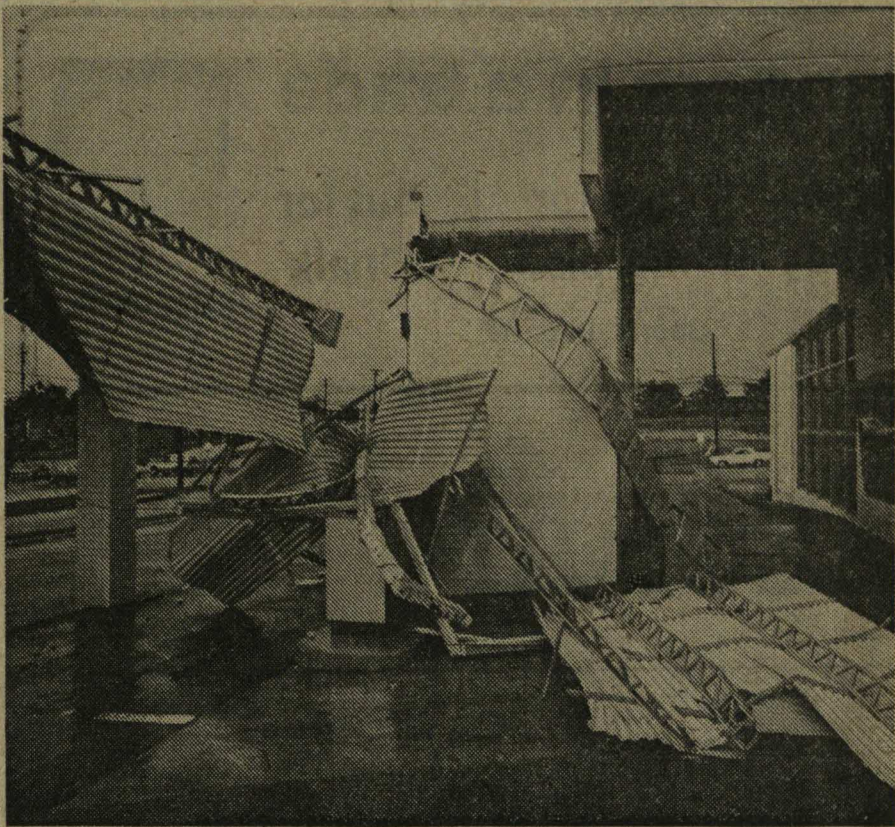
Two tornadoes passed through De Soto, following a similar path, although the first one caused the most damage.

The first tornado hit De Soto High School shortly after a 10 a.m. practice emergency drill at the school.

When the second emergency signal sounded, it took students a while to realize it was not just a drill, one person said.

Students huddled in the halls on the first floor of the building, but most of the damage was confined to the school gymnasium and driver education building. Windows were blown out on the second floor.

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WEATHER DAMAGE — High water and winds did extensive damage across a wide area of the metroplex Thursday. Included were the DeSoto



Write Ed Brice

Let Ed Brice look for the answer to your question or your problem. If you think he can help, write him care of the Star-Telegram, Dept. E, P. O. Box 1870, Fort Worth, Tex. 76101. Include your name, address, ZIP and telephone number.

Bacall made TV commercial

VOICEOVER: "In the Sanger Harris TV commercial for Norell, is that the voice of Lauren Bacall we hear?" — Mrs. F.E.G.

BRICE: That is, indeed, the voice of "The Look."

TEXAS-MADE MOVIES: "I am a composer of underscore music and a supporter of Texas-made movies. In Texas, we have a whole spectrum of quality composers and musicians who are not being utilized in films because of the old Hollywood syndrome. I would like to know the business address of Ms. Pat Wolfe, executive director of the Texas Film Commission. This would be of great help to me and a lot of other musicians

gave them your name and address and by the time you read this you should have heard from the organization.

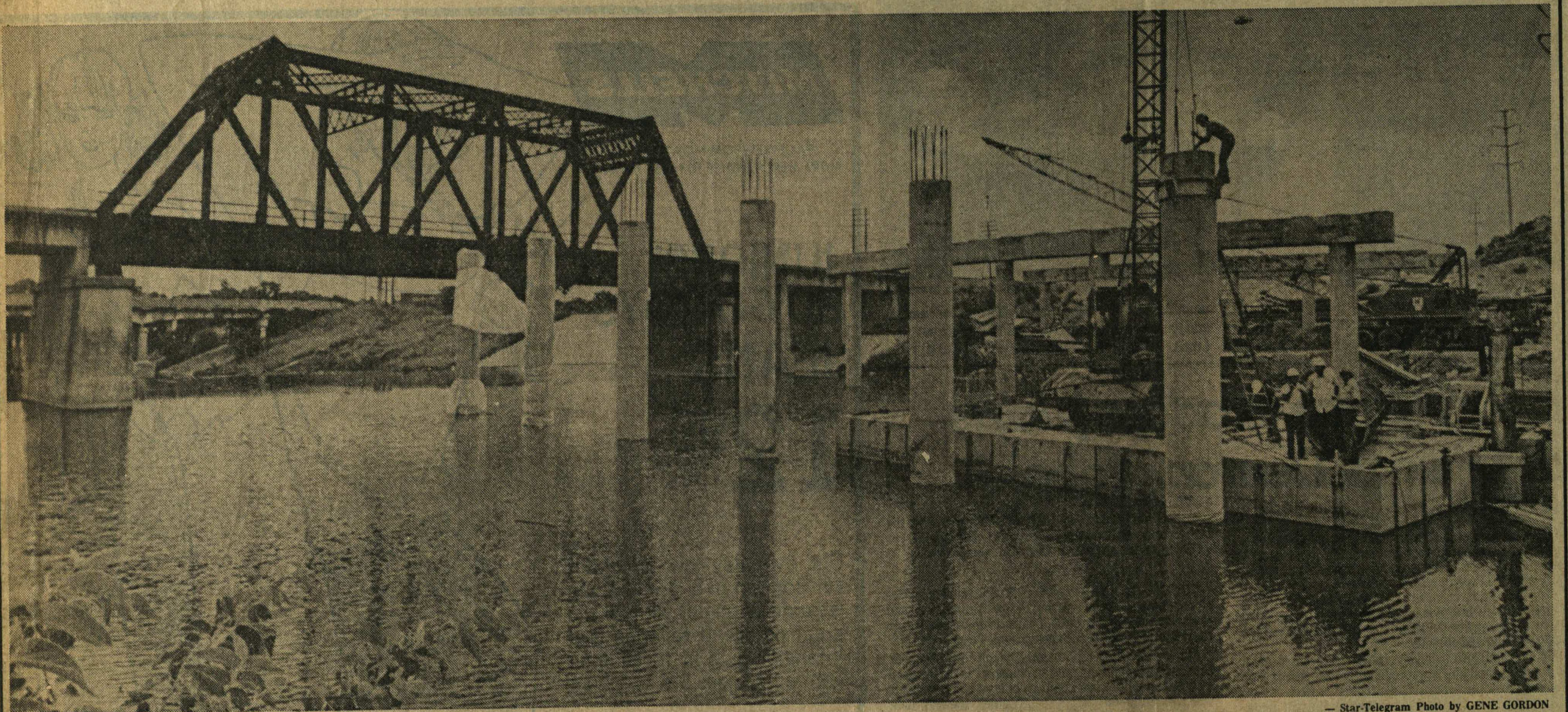
EX-OFFENDERS: "Why do half a job. You said to give ex-offenders a chance, but there was no phone number. Please print in your next issue . . ." — X.

BRICE: Our reader who asked about the center still is in prison and specifically asked for the address. However, the number is 336-4011.

CEMETERY GROUP: "The Medlin Cemetery Association will have its annual meeting Sunday. Everyone is asked to bring a basket lunch." — Mrs. A.B.C.

CAPULIN MOUNTAIN: "What can

Fort Worth bridges going up



— Star-Telegram Photo by GENE GORDON

COLUMNS AND FIGURES — Construction crews are working their way across the Trinity River by building a bridge on Fort Worth's

proposed Metropolitan Highway 50, which will connect the West Freeway with Rosedale. The highway, about 50 percent complete, is expect-

ed to be open to traffic in October of 1980. Construction began in June 1978.

Hotels, offices, housing to boost downtown FW

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THURSDAY EVENING

New downtown

*It's not 'Will it happen?'
but 'When will it happen?'*

By **RON HUTCHESON**
and **BARBARA JOHNSON**
Star-Telegram Writers

Architect Martin Growald sat on the sixth floor of One Tandy Center, tie askew, feet on the desk and looked at a city he admits he doesn't understand. "Someday it's going to all come together and this city will explode," he said. "It may have started when Charles Tandy built this; it may not be until 2010."

"But the question is not, 'Will it happen?' It's, 'When will it happen?'"

Although Growald has his doubts, some civic and business leaders say the fuse already has been lit. "There's an entrepreneurial spirit in Fort Worth now that just wasn't here a few years ago," said Bob Kolba, real estate consultant to Bass Brothers Enterprises. "It takes someone to bite the bullet and say, 'I'm going to do it. I'm going to build it.'"

Kolba, Trammell Crow's financial administrator before he took the job with Bass, said there have been a number of Dallas developers in recent years willing to gamble millions to build speculative office space.

But while the city 33 miles to the east blossomed in chrome and glass, Fort Worth sat passive, the shy onlooker.

From 1960 to 1975, nine of the 11 major retail stores in the 1,250 acres that make up Fort Worth's central business district closed or relocated to the suburbs.

In 1943, there were more than 300 businesses, 27 restaurants, three theaters and 26 hotels on Main Street. By the mid '70s, the street's residents had dwindled

to 80 businesses, five restaurants, one theater and two hotels.

For the first time in years, there is strong evidence the downhill slide has ended.

"With a few exceptions, the skyline of the downtown area didn't change one brick from 1960 to 1970. In terms of high-rise structures, there wasn't much going on in downtown Fort Worth," said Jim Wells, manager of economic development at the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce.

"In the last five years, we've doubled the amount of office space in this city (to 5.6 million square feet)."

Since World War II, there have been three striking additions to the city's skyline — the First National Bank of Fort Worth in 1961, Fort Worth National Bank in 1974 and Tandy Center in 1975.

"The next stupendous creations," Growald said, "will be the two hotels."

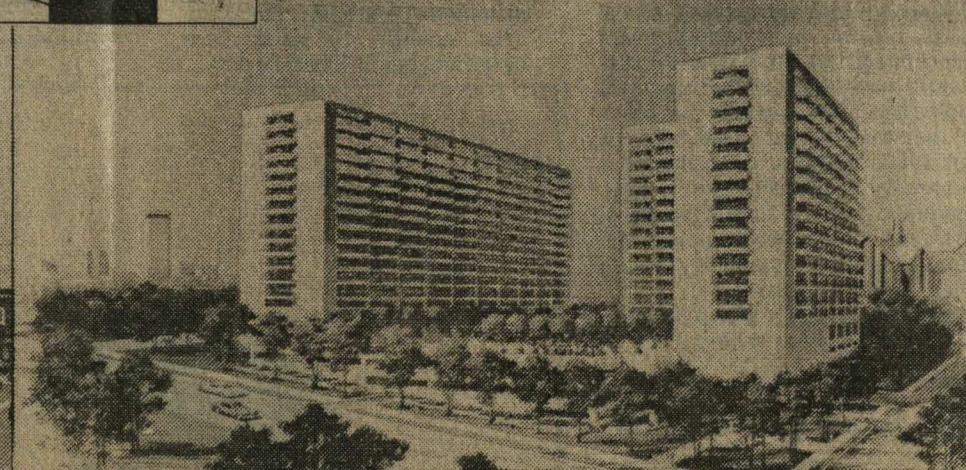
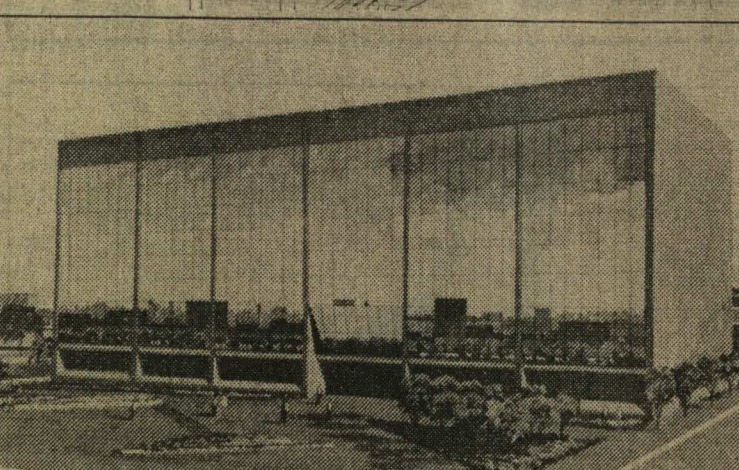
The two hotels have Fort Worth boosters bursting at the seams with optimism.

"Until we get our additional hotel spaces, I think we've basically reached a plateau in our downtown development," said Bill Shelton of the Chamber of Commerce. "With them, we enter a new level of activity."

At the south end of town, near the Convention Center, Woodbine Development Corp. plans to spend \$32.6 million to transform the aging Fort Worth Sheraton into a Hyatt Regency.

To enhance the project, the city of Fort Worth is seeking \$6 million in federal

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Star-Telegram graphic by DALE RUSHING

NEWSKYLINE...map shows planned projects; top right, model of Tarrant Savings; bottom left, Records Building; bottom right, Retirement Towers

The flood of '49

By JIM MARRS
Star-Telegram Writer

It was raining hard when L. C. Pennington went to bed at Monday night 30 years ago.

But this night the claps of thunder and the drumming of the thunderstorm's rain did not provide a lulling background for sleep.

"My dad (Dee Pennington) was living with my niece in a little house by Sycamore Creek in Cobb Park," Pennington said. "I got a call and they said the water was getting up there so I got up and went to see about Dad. There was nobody there with him and he had lost his leg while working for the city.

"By the time I got there, the water was up and I had to swim over to the house. Dad was sitting on top of a stove with his foot on a table.

"The police came by with a boat to get him. They started to go out with him, but they tried to go with the current and when they tried to turn and go cross-current, the boat turned over.

"One of the policemen tried to hold onto my dad with one hand and a branch with the other, but a branch sticking out of the water cut his arm clear to the bone.

"I lost my dad."

The senior Pennington was one of 10 persons who died during that hellish night when one-tenth of Fort Worth went underwater.

It was the Great Flood of 1949 and an occasion still much talked about among the city's old timers.

It was a time of death and destruction, of lost homes, lost businesses and lost hopes. But it also was a time of courage and perseverance, of unselfish work and a community spirit probably unparalleled in the city's history.

Although the city had been flooded at least five times in its history, no one was prepared for that night of May 16-17, 1949.

People going home from work that afternoon had been drenched by the spring thunderstorm, and by nightfall, it showed no sign of letting up.

By the morning of May 17, as much as 11 inches of rain had fallen along the Clear Fork of the Trinity River and a full-foot of rain fell on Village Creek along the West Fork of the river.

The stop-gap levees along the river were no match for the torrential rains. Work had only just started on Benbrook Dam.

The rising waters began to cover low-lying city streets. It flowed into more than 2,000 homes and hundreds of business firms.

The hand-written police log of that night is a grim reminder of the flood's progress.

At 7:27 p.m. flash flooding was reported between the 1900 and 2200 blocks of East Lancaster. By 9 p.m. police barricades were going up on North Main and in Sycamore Park.

At 11 p.m., people were reported sitting in trees near the intersection of Cherry Lane and White Settlement Road. More high water and stalled cars were reported in a variety of locations.

By 1 a.m., Police Chief R.E. Dysart was notified that a full-scale emergency was taking place. At 1:46 a.m. came reports of shouts for help along Sycamore Creek and one minute later, police dispatchers were ordered to broadcast only emergency messages.

At 3 a.m. the police log was closed for the first time in the city's history. There was simply too much to do to keep the log current.

Through that long, wet night, police and fire sirens wailed throughout the city. Telephones rang incessantly as residents called friends and relatives to warn of the rising water.

Many of those caught in the low areas were forced to flee in their nightclothes.

The hardest hit areas were along University Drive near the raging Trinity, the industrial area along West Seventh Street and the North Main and North Riverside Drive sections.

Mrs. Ira Adams, along with her husband and 80-year-old mother, lived behind a floral shop on University. About 3:30 a.m. their small frame house collapsed.

"The sea of water flooded everything. Mother did not have a chance. She could not even swim. I could not get to her," Mrs. Adams told newsmen at the time.

Mrs. Adams and her husband swam until they managed to hang onto the top of the ferris wheel in Forest Park. She said she heard her husband call to her, "but then I did not see him again."

Railroad workers finally heard Mrs. Adams' cries for help and got to her with a rope.

Harry Auferath had problems other than the water. Forced from his car by the high water, Auferath was

bitten by a snake as he clung to some bushes.

Dick Sallman, who lived on N. Bailey, was awakened by a phone call from Star-Telegram Photographer Al Panzera. Panzera told Sallman a levee had broken and that the water was rising.

Sallman rolled out of bed and found himself waist deep in water. He got out just in time.

R.W. Goodall in the Crestwood area reported that water was rising one-fourth inch every 20 seconds.

Bessie Washington, then 18, stood with her mother on a West Lancaster railroad bridge watching the rising water.

"We lost our footing and were swept away," she later told two policemen who managed to haul the girl to safety with a rope. Her mother was swept away.

But, the individual disasters of the night did not prepare the city's population for the stress of the next few days.

As dawn broke through the tail end of the thunderstorm clouds, thousands flocked to the high ground near Summit Street to see something they would never forget — the swollen Trinity River water covered the first two floors of the Montgomery Ward store on West Seventh.

Only the tops of trees and a few roofs were visible where only hours before were entire neighborhoods. Small boats of every description were ferrying people in and out of the flooded areas.

Some were being rescued from trees and other bits of high ground, while others were rowing to their homes in mostly vain attempts to salvage their belongings.

And, once the flood waters began to recede, the real work began for Fort Worth.

At least 10 persons were killed in the flood and hundreds injured. About 12,200 persons were left homeless. Water and electric service were out for days.

Damage estimates ranged from \$5 million to \$25 million.

And there was the very real danger of a typhoid epidemic. Within days, more than 19,000 residents had been inoculated against the disease.

Dozens of persons were treated at hospitals for severe diarrhea because of drinking the untreated water. Public notices were issued to boil all drinking and cooking water.

Most of those left homeless by the flood were temporarily housed on the grounds of Will Rogers Coliseum.

The coliseum took on the appearance of a refugee camp. Children romped through the coliseum and nearby Pioneer Palace while their stunned parents quietly accepted Red Cross aid.

Aid began pouring into the city from everywhere. Clothing, bedding and other items were collected in Denton, Mineral Wells and even as far away as Lubbock. Wichita Falls sent several shipments of clothing to Fort Worth.

Texas Gov. Beauford Jester told the city, "You can just write your own ticket as to what you need — whatever we have that we can give you."

By mid-summer, the Red Cross had disbursed \$957,184.71 to the 3,860 persons who registered for relief. The Star-Telegram collected \$225,362.50 from residents for flood victims.

But the most immediate problem facing the city in the days after the flood was water. First there had been too much, now there was too little.

Water service was out all over the city. Residents drained the last bit into bottles and bathtubs.

Truck driver Victor Brown raced against time pushing his truck more than 1,000 miles to bring a precious water pump to the stricken city.

By Sunday morning, water service had been restored and most residents welcomed the running liquid as if it were oil.

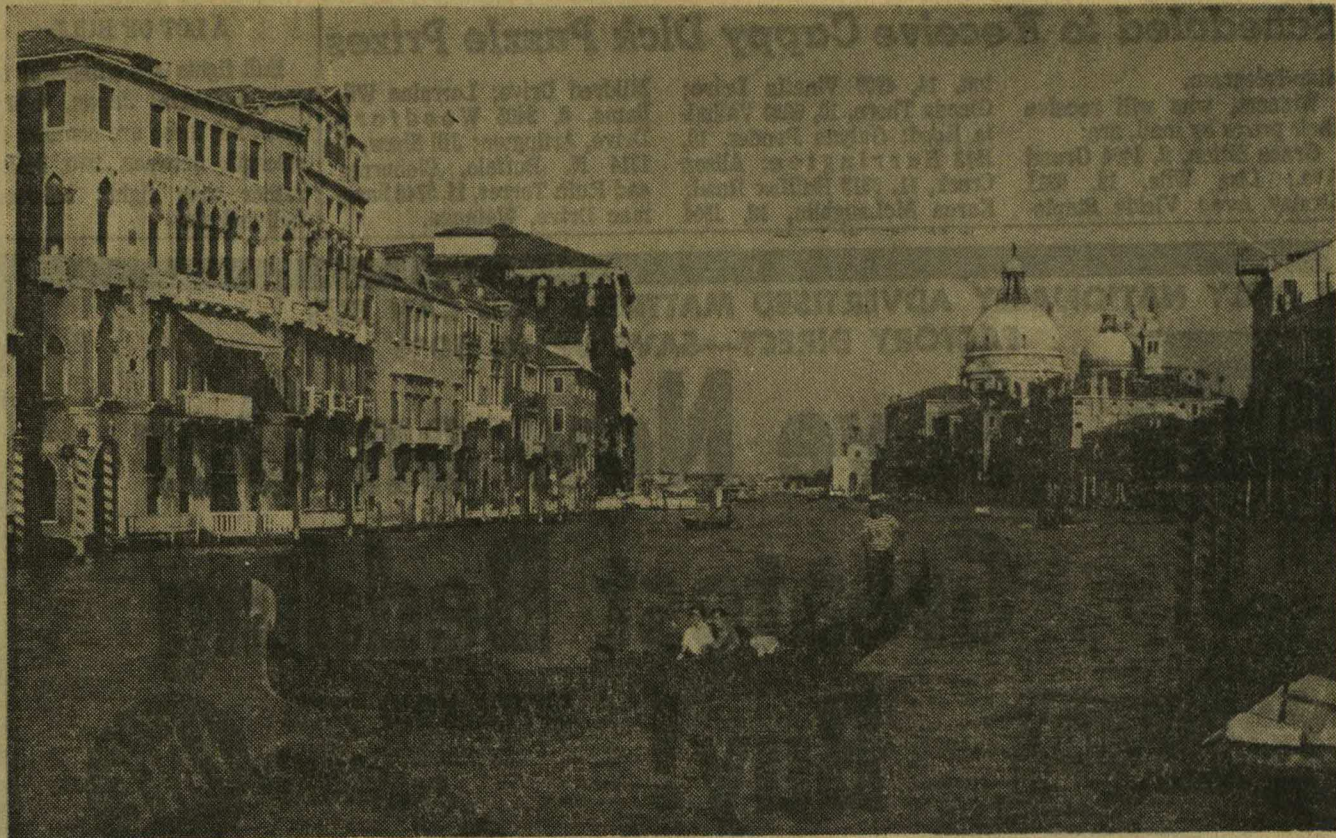
There were some isolated incidents of looting reported, but generally, the salvage work moved smoothly. One 29-year-old woman was arrested when it was learned that her door-to-door pleas for aid were fraudulent.

In addition to the damage in the city, the Soil Conservation Service estimated more than \$8 million in crops were destroyed and top soil displaced. Tarrant County commissioners estimated \$375,000 in damages to county roads and bridges.

Although Texas Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson asked that Fort Worth be declared a disaster area, most city residents felt the situation was manageable.

"Fort Worth never was down and is far from out," proclaimed a letter sent across the nation by the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce.

But although the flood waters soon receded and the homes and businesses rebuilt, the memories of the Great Flood of 1949 remain vivid today in the minds of those who lived through it.



GRAND VENICE CANAL—The city of canals, Venice, has a main street, too—called the Grand Canal. Thousands of Americans will visit the watery Italian

city this summer. The gondola ride, a favorite way of seeing the best of Venice, is a \$5 voyage. But for just eight cents you can see same sights on a canal bus.



CHAMPS ELYSEES IN LIGHTS—The Avenue des Champs Elysees in Paris is illuminated by thousands

of lights put up as decorations for the 1970 Christmas season. In background is the Arc de Triomphe.

—Associated Press Wirephoto

Wednesday morning

Partly cloudy . . . Warm temperatures and southerly winds of 10 to 20 mph are expected Wednesday; skies should remain partly cloudy. **Weather data on Page 8C**



Mazel back with another losing cause **1E**



Eddie Chiles is keeping his cool **1F**

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Argentine planes damage destroyer

British sailors being rescued from ship

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LONDON — Argentine fighter-bombers launched a massive attack on British ships off the Falklands Tuesday and severely damaged a sister ship of the lost destroyer Sheffield, British officials reported Tuesday night. The destroyer appeared to be sinking, and a full-scale rescue operation was under way.

The British frigate Antelope sank on Monday after an intense air battle.

Striking on the anniversary of Argentine independence Tuesday, Mirage and Skyhawk jets bombed warships in Falkland Sound that were protecting the British beachhead.

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on East Falkland Island. In a series of violent battles, three Skyhawk jets were brought down by missiles, the British Ministry of Defense said.

But a number of Argentine warplanes burst through British defenses and hit the destroyer, a 4,100-ton vessel with a normal crew of 280. It appeared certain that there were casualties. Military sources said that another ship had been damaged, probably not so seriously.

The Argentine military command claimed that three British frigates were hit Tuesday.

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"In the last hour or two there has been quite a significant and major attack on our ships," Defense Minister John Nott said on a late-night television program. "One of our ships has been badly damaged and is in difficulty. Clearly what we know at the moment is bad news."

The original British task force included only two other Type 42 guided-missile destroyers after the Sheffield went down. They were the Glasgow and the Coventry.

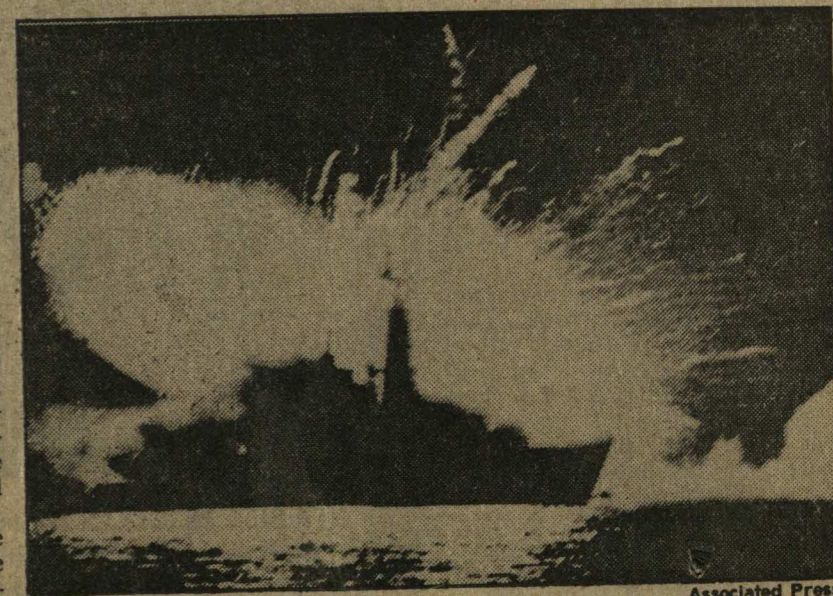
British anti-aircraft defenses were more successful in repelling the early waves of attackers. One Skyhawk, the ministry said, was shot down north of West Falkland, and two were downed over Falk-

land Sound. One of the Argentine pilots ejected, according to ministry officials, and was picked up by a British boat. The pilot, who had an injured leg, was the first prisoner taken in the battle for air supremacy.

Later, the ministry reported, Harrier jump-jets bombed the airstrip and other targets at Stanley, capital of the Falklands. A spokesman denied Argentine claims that two Harriers had been lost in the raid, but he conceded that enemy batteries had fired at them.

In four concerted raids since the invasion, the Argentine air force has lost 31 of its jet aircraft, by London's count. Brian Hanrahan of the

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fighting chance."

House Democratic leaders, meanwhile, committed themselves to seeking to modify the Republican plan, sponsored by Rep. Delbert Latta, R-Ohio, to provide for more funds for Medicare, education and federal retirees. The Democrats acknowledged, however, that such changes would enhance the prospects for adoption of the Republican proposal.

"No question, politically we run the risk," said Speaker Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill Jr., D-Mass.

Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Calif., an influential member of the Budget Committee, explained that "If those amendments to Latta are adopted, they improve Latta's chances."

The House Democratic leadership has made it clear that it regards the budget vote as an important party vote, and defectors may face punishment in the form of not receiving

Session to study prison bill

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Clements said.

Prison officials stunned legislative leaders with an initial proposal for the special session to approve a \$388 million emergency appropriation as a "down payment" on an expansion program that would eventually cost \$1 billion.

"If we maintain our present course — the largest prison system in the country, the fastest rate of growth in the country — let's just build a big wall around the whole state and a chain-link fence along the Gulf Coast and change the whole state into one big prison," Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby said.

Austin said prison officials scaled down the \$388 million emergency request to \$85 million but were not satisfied with the \$45 million agreed to by Clements and top legislative leaders.

"It doesn't solve the problem,"



TOP STATE OFFICIALS announced a special session of the Legislature opened up to include the prison

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