



—Staff Photo.

ARRIVE FOR REUNION—Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright and Governor Jester were greeted by the president of the club, the program chairman and the 8th Air Force when they arrived here Saturday at 11 a. m. to attend a reunion of the Texas Kriegie-Horyo Club.

Left to right, Governor Jester, General Wainwright, Capt. Harry Harvey of Goose Creek, president of the club; Amon Carter Jr., reunion program chairman, and Lt. Col. Thomas Dooley, the general's aide and also a former POW.

Letup in Rain Aids Harvesters

West Texas wheat farmers, anxious to get on with their harvesting, had a respite from the widespread rains which in other areas have been of inestimable value to row crops, according to Saturday morning's weather reports.

There were only a few scattered showers overnight in the Panhandle and no rain was reported from the South Plains. In the wheat country Follett reported .30 of an inch, Spearman .03, Amarillo a trace and Childress .19.

Rain, greatly needed by farmers and stockmen of Erath County, where recent dry winds had caused stock tank water to evaporate at an estimated rate of an inch a day, was reported from Stephenville. The fall there measured 2.10 inches.

Heavy in Ellis, Hill.

There were heavy rains in Ellis and Hill Counties, especially around Alvarado, which reported 5.75 inches, Itasca and Covington. Hillsboro had 1.15 of an inch, bringing the total for 48 hours to three inches, and Waxahachie, where the rain fell Friday and Friday night, 3.52 inches. The rains were needed by the corn crop.

Hackberry Creek, just west of Hillsboro on Highway 22, was flooded, tying up traffic for several hours Saturday morning.

A crest of between 38 and 40 feet in the Trinity River at Dallas, where the flood stage is 28 feet, was predicted late Saturday, as the result of heavy rains at Carrollton, just north of Dallas, where 3.30 inches was measured. Duncannonville 4.50, and 2.40 inches at Dallas.

Five Weather Deaths.

Five deaths were ascribed to Friday's weather. James H. Roberson, 41, was killed by lightning southwest of Greenville, while rounding up cattle on horseback; Turn to Harvesters on Page 2.

SUMMER REALLY STARTS TOMORROW

Sunday will be the first day of summer and the longest day of the year.

It will be the day of the summer solstice, timed at 12:19 a. m., marking the sun's northernmost point in the sky before it starts its march southward.

From now on, days will become shorter and nights longer, but hottest days of summer always follow the solstice by a month or two. The sun will rise Sunday at 5:21 and set at 7:40.

Wainwright and Jester Arrive for POW Reunion

The United States' No. 1 prisoner of war, Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, accompanied by Governor Jester of Texas, landed at Fort Worth Army Air Field at 11 a. m. Saturday as the second homeland reunion of the Texas Kriegie-Horyo Club got under way.

The 4th Army commander, his aide, Lt. Col. Thomas Dooley of McKinney, also an ex-POW, and the governor were greeted at the airfield by Capt. Harry Harvey of

Goose Creek, president of the former POWs; Amon Carter Jr., reunion program chairman, and Col. Thomas J. DuBose, 8th Air Force chief of staff.

As numerous members of the club watched, General Wainwright, the governor, a World War I veteran, and Colonel DuBose inspected a guard of honor.

Then after the airfield band greeted the visitors with ruffles, flourishes and played the Star-Spangled Banner and the Eyes of Texas, the general and his party were escorted to the Fort Worth Club.

The escort was composed of 13 members of the Fort Worth police motorcycle platoon who volunteered for the duty on their off-time. All veterans, they represented service in all branches of the armed forces.

A guard of honor at the Fort Worth Club was composed of the three Fort Worth police force members who are ex-POWs. They were John H. Owen, a member of the 131st Field Artillery (the lost battalion); Martin L. Gray, a legation guard captured at Peking, China, and Bill Lusk, member of the 104th Reconnaissance troop, captured in the Battle of the Bulge.

The Kriegie-Horyo members fell in behind the general and his motorcycle escort from the airfield to downtown Fort Worth and formed a parade of at least 35 cars.

Wainwright flew to Fort Worth from his headquarters at San Antonio, stopping in Austin to pick up Governor Jester, who will return to Austin Saturday night. The general will be in Fort Worth until Sunday night.

Immediately upon his arrival at the Fort Worth Club, General Wainwright donned a badge identifying him as "Tex" Wainwright, and he commented he had ridded himself of the nickname of Skinny he gained during the Louisiana maneuvers.

He picked up a telephone and from a Fort Worth department store ordered two summer suits, coat size 42, trousers 38 waist.

The general said he was retiring from the Army Aug. 31, and will have a housewarming that evening at a home he has purchased in San Antonio.

Turning to Governor Jester, he stated: "I want you to come."

He also said he was going to be one of the former POWs to accept an invitation to see the XB-36 at Consolidated-Vultee's Turn to POW Event on Page 2.

THINK IT OVER

BY H. M. STANSIFER.

The Creator made beauty to be appreciated and we are guilty of the sin of ingratitude if we do not enjoy it.

PROPERTY DAMAGE HIGH

More Rain Likely as Storm Litter Is Cleared

Digging out of tree limbs and shrubbery litter left in the wake of strong winds and heavy rains Friday, Fort Worth residents were warned Saturday of the possibility of more rain.

The weather bureau predicted possible widely scattered showers for Saturday afternoon with fresh winds and higher temperatures.

Friday afternoon's rain measured 2.24 inches, bringing the year's total to 13.13 inches. Mansfield had 5.7 inches, Burleson 4.0, Roanoke 1.69 and Bridgeport Dam .35 of an inch.

The Trinity River, after rising to four feet at 7 a. m. Saturday, had dropped to 2.9 feet later in the morning, less than one foot above its normal stage.

Utilities and street repairs were being rushed Saturday after Friday afternoon's winds and rain that caused thousands of dollars damage here.

Airplanes Damaged.

Winds which averaged 45 miles per hour and reached a peak of 65 miles an hour ripped 15 parked airplanes at Municipal Airport causing damage estimated at \$15,000.

City Street Superintendent Hester reported minor washouts in all sections of the city and street crews worked through the night to remove trees and signs blown down by the wind.

An old storm sewer on Brennan Ave. near the Gulf Refinery collapsed and the street caved in. Repairs will take three or four days. Another washout was reported in the 1600 block on Edgewood St. Most dirt streets were badly damaged and many sewers were clogged.

Texas Motor Coaches reported that rains held up buses, causing 30 to 40 minutes delay early Friday night. One bus ran off Highway 80 near Grand Prairie and had to be pulled out of the mud about 9:30 p. m. but no one was injured. The line's buses were back on schedule Saturday. Greyhound Lines reported no schedule variations.

Automobiles Stalled.

The Fort Worth Transit Company had trouble with buses drowned out because of the late afternoon deluge. Hundreds of Turn to More Rain on Page 2.

Man Who Plunged From Hospital Window Dies

David Kassel, 68, of 2001 Fairmount, who plunged from a third-floor window at Harris Memorial Methodist Hospital at 9:30 a. m. Friday, died at 3:15 a. m. Saturday.

Tol Terrell, hospital administrator, said physicians had not determined the exact cause of death. He said an autopsy would not be held.

Terrell said Kassel was admitted to the emergency room at 8:30 a. m. Thursday after having swallowed paraldehyde. Kassel was still under treatment when a fel-

low patient heard him unclasp the window screen, Terrell said. The patient attempted to restrain Kassel, but was unsuccessful, the administrator added.

Services will be held at the Robertson-Mueller-Harper Chapel at 10 a. m. Monday, with Rev. L. D. Anderson officiating. Burial will be in Greenwood.

Kassel was born in Memel, Germany, and came to America at the age of 7.

He had lived in Dallas for 30 years before moving to Fort

Worth about three months ago. His wife and a brother, Leo Kassel, died about a year ago. He had been residing with his sister, Mrs. A. B. Gardner, at the Fairmount address. He was a sales representative for a ventilating equipment company.

Other survivors include a brother, M. M. Kassel, and another sister, Miss Martha Kassel, both of Fort Worth.

The family said Kassel had been suffering from a heart ailment for about two years.

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Fort Worth plant during the afternoon.

Registrations began at 10 a. m. at Hotel Texas and arrangements were made for buses to call at the hotel at 1:30 p. m. to take the visitors to the Convair plant to view the B-36.

Other than a brief business session scheduled for 4 p. m. at the Texas, the barbed wire veterans planned a two-day reunion consisting mostly of entertainment. A dance and floor show were scheduled for 8:30 p. m. in the Crystal Ballroom at the Texas; the visitors were invited to church services Sunday morning at Riverside Christian Church and First Presbyterian Church; and the final event on the program was a barbecue at Shady Oak Farm Sunday afternoon, with the former war prisoners and their wives and sweethearts to be guests of Amon Carter.

War trophies from both the Pacific and European theaters were assembled by Amon Carter Jr., program chairman, and placed on display Friday in a show window of Cox's Department Store at Seventh and Throckmorton.

Captain Harvey of Goose Creek, elected president of the club when it was organized in a prison at Sagan, Germany, in 1945, arrived Friday and will preside at the Saturday afternoon session.