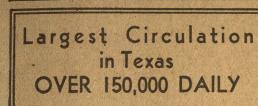
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FORT WORTH, TEXAS * * * Where the West Begins * * * SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 1935.

CENTENNIAL OF \$687,500 FROM **PWAASKED BY**

The city's application for a loan of \$687,500, with which to stage its part of the Texas Centennial next year, was filed with PWA headquarters Saturday morning.

This loan, the Government's grant of 45 per cent and the \$250,000 appropriated by the State Centennial Commission, would bring the total amount to \$1,500,000 to expend on the show.



recovered in Dallas, detectives Sat- 280 square feet, \$160,000; sheep and cities in recent months.

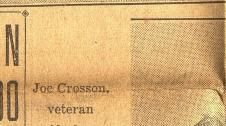
the loot seized by police in Dallas. Two of the owners are known. They are Dr. W. F. Armstrong, pens for carload cattle, 347,000

Tuesday, and Cleo Mann, operator \$20,000; fences, \$12,000.

A bond issue to secure the PWA loan will be voted upon Sept. 3 and Friday Councilman Monnig was selected to head a campaign committee which will work in the interest of the bond issue.

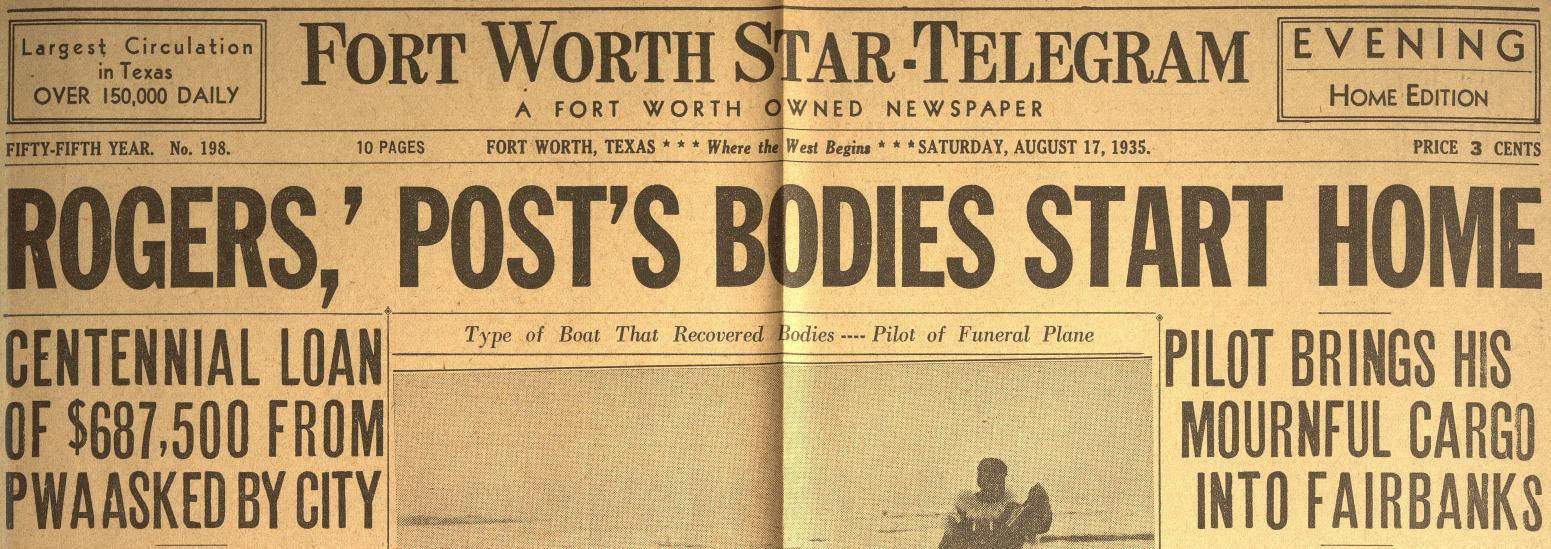
Items Are Listed. The application specifies that the site is to cost \$150,000, the construcion \$1,376,378, and overhead \$68,819 The structures are described as follows: Coliseum and auditorium 90,792 square feet, to cost \$532,378 With two men under arrest in Dallas and one in Fort Worth and two truckloads of stolen auto parts 900; cattle exhibit and building, 123. urday continued the tedious tasks of locating persons who have lost automobiles or parts in the two 63,480 square feet, \$80,000; poultry exhibit building, 27,600 square feet City Detectives Reagan and Ken-nedy have found that at least five cars stolen from here were among 2130 Warner Road, whose car was square feet, with 214 pens each 40 by rolen from its parking place in 30 feet, \$25,000; pens for carload front of the Baptist Hospital on sheep and swine, 30,000 square feet,

Type of Boat That Recovered Bodies ---- Pilot of Funeral Plane



A native, skin canoe, of the type above, bore the bodies of Will Rogers and Wiley Post over the 15 miles of water from the scene of their crash near the mouth of a small Alaskan stream, into Point Barrow. The cance is made from native and covered with reindeer hide. This photograph, which was taken at Nome, Alaska, by H. S. fter he and Reg

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FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Aug. 17 .- The first lap of his sorrowful mission ended, Pilot Joe Crosson brought his plane with the bodies of Will Rogers and Wiley Post to Fairbanks at 7:35 a.m. (Alaska Time) Saturday from Point Barrow. Crosson, veteran of hundreds of Alaskan flights and close friend of the two, landed his pontoon-equipped plane on the Chena River, fronting the city. He had left the bleak and barren Arctic outpost four hours and a half earlier.

He taxied up to a landing. Members of a Fairbanks mortuary staff took the broken bodies of the two men from the plane to their establishment.

arrival in Seattle was not announced. The dozen white settlers of Point Barrow and a crowd of natives as the bodies, wrapped in white linen, were placed in the ship.

Farewell honors were accorded the humorist and his aviator friend and companion

Post's Alaskan Friend.

Crosson, Post's Alaskan friend and an aviator, too, and Robert Gleason,

Fairbanks was the first stop en shore after Dr. Greist and Charles route to Seattle. The exact time of Brower, grizzled "king of the arctic," prepared them for the journey home.

In this same warehouse last May the bodies of 14 Eskimo victims of gathered on the bleak Arctic shore an influenza epidemtc were laid out in plain board coffins.

Brower was the man whom Rogers said he was flying to Barrow to visit. For 51 years, Brower has operated a whaling station and trading post on the lonely, northernmost tip of Alaska.

"Red Plane Blow Up."

nedy have found that at least five mule barns, 51,528 square feet, \$70, cars stolen from here were among 000; rodeo livestock pens, ground the loot seized by police in Dallas. area 31,600 square feet, \$21,600; auc Two of the owners are known. tion arena, 7,566 square feet, \$30,000; They are Dr. W. F. Armstrong, pens for carload cattle, 347,000 of a used car lot at 1015 West Seventh Street, whose car was

stolen in Grapevine on July 11. A suspect was placed in the city jail here Friday night and was Monnig was selected. All but one exbeing questioned by Reagan and pressed unqualified support of the Kennedy Saturday. The two men issue. Oliver Shannon, representing held in Dallas, already charged the North Fort Worth Kiwanis Club, with complicity in the thefts, are declared he had come to discuss Joe O'Neal, charged with auto sites, adding that members of his in East Africa. theft in three cases, and Cliff Dog- committee were of the opinion that gett, charged with receiving and concealing stolen property.

The stolen cars and parts were recovered in various junk yards around Dallas. It required two the city would be accorded equal vans to transport the loot to the Dallas County courthouse.

Reagan estimated that 2,000 persons would view the automobile parts in an effort to identify them. A complete automobile, stripped, brings only \$55 to the thieves, the detective revealed.

\$300,000 Allowed for Flood Repairs

The sum of \$300,000 has been allocated to the WPA in this district for repairing damage caused by the re-cent floods, District Administrator George L. Dickey wrote to all county judges, commissioners and school authorities in the district Saturday. He said that application for money must be filed in the regular manner

except that the projects are not to be submitted to national headquarters in Washington. Dickey said that immediate action is necessary

BANK CLEARINGS HERE SHOW \$904,002 GAIN

Fort Worth bank clearings for the week ending Saturday were \$5,703,-934, showing a gain of \$904,002 over the corresponding week last year. The daily record: Monday, \$854,246; Tuesday, \$964,130; Wednesday, \$968,-341; Thursday, \$962,782; Friday, \$865,848; Saturday, \$1,799,932. **Roosevelts to Hold**

Wallace Malone Hurt in Quarrel at Courthouse

Wallace Malone, attorney and for-mer member of the Legislature, was Roosevelt called for a picnic lunch injured in an altercation which took at the cottage about a mile across place in the first floor corridor of the fields from the Hudson River the courthouse about 6 p. m. Friday. Lon Heed, night custodian of the

courthouse, was charged in county court Saturday with aggravated as-He allegedly struck Malone with a broom.

The altercation is said to have arted when Malone objected to efforts to put "sleepers" out of the ourthouse. He was treated at City-County Hospital for a long gash on patched from here Saturday in an Friday, the head and a bruise on the arm. effort to disperse 2,000 tribesmen

xhibit building, 27,600 square feel City Detectives Reagan and Ken- \$34,500; draft and rodeo horses an

Support Is Offered.

Representatives of various civic groups attended the meeting in The Star-Telegram clubroom at which unless the site for the show was not settled before the election the North Side would be against the bond issue. Monnig replied that all sections of opportunity and consideration in selection of a site.

Councilman Martin, who also is on the city council's site committee, said that 15 sites have been proposed. six of them on the North Side. Martin said it was almost unthink-

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Hard Hit in Raids

HOUSTON, Aug. 17 .- Bookmakers

and liquor dealers in this city Sat-

urday mournfully contemplated the

wreckage of their places of busi-

ness, caused by the crusading Texas

Rangers who swooped down upon

them Friday and left havoc in their

Headed by Sergt. Sid Kelso, the

Rangers visited nearly a dozen

places, confiscating liquor and bookie

shop equipment. Any illicit para-

phernalia too large to carry away

Family Reunion

HYDE PARK, N. Y., Aug. 17 (AP).

fternoon for a family reunion cele-

brating the twenty-first birthday of

Detailed plans for the quiet family

et-together were not revealed but

t was understood the plans of Mrs.

Other members of the family pres-

ent include the President's mother,

Mrs. James Roosevelt Sr.; the first

son, James, and Mrs. Roosevelt, and

British Troops Move in India.

SIMLA, India, Aug. 17 (AP) .- Brit-

troops and planes were dis-

John Roosevelt, voungest son.

Franklin Jr., his third son.

was smashed to bits.

on repeal Aug. 24

wake.

them

Bookies, Barmen

By International News Service.

The report, which Reuter's said was contained in a semiofficial statement issued in Rome, said the battle occurred "near Adagalle, in French Somaliland," but it was pointed out maps do not show an Adagalle, but do locate Adagalla, which is in Ethiopia, a full 50 miles globe-girdler from the French Somaliland fron-

The story was reported in the following Italian semiofficial statedated Djibouti: ment.

"It is reported from Harrar that Point Barrow Abyssinian tribesmen attacked Assaimara tribesmen near Adagalle,

in French Somaliland. "About 100 were killed, including 20 French subjects.

"The government of French Somaliland is opening an inquiry."

ITALY TO FILE PROTEST OVER CONSULAR OFFICIALS IN JURY. ROME, Aug. 17 .- Italy will file a formal protest with Ethiopia regarding a dispute between an Italian consular official of Aden and an Ethiopian, it was announced.

The dispute occurred Thursday at Diredawa, Ethiopia, and ended in a scuffle in which both men were in-

FRANCE GIVES ITALY PROPOSED SOLUTION.

jured.

Sergeant Kelso said he will hold PARIS, Aug. 17 (P).-Premier the liquor until after the State's vote Pierre Laval Saturday submitted to "If Texas goes dry, I'll file charges Italy a rough outline of a proposed against those who possessed the solution of the Italo-Ethiopian diffi-liquor," declared Kelso. "If the culty. It was handed to the Italian State goes wet, I'll return it to delegate to the three-power negotiations here, Baron Pompeo Aloisi who was expected to telephone its

contents to Premier Mussolini in Rome. The plan provides:

1. French and British renunciation of further Ethiopian economic privileges in favor of Italy.

2. Italy to be aided in floating loans for colonial development in President Roosevelt set aside this Ethiopia.

3. Italy to be given political rights in the appointment of technical advisors to Ethiopia and department heads of the customs.

CLIPPER SETS RECORD IN WAKE ISLAND HOP

WAKE ISLAND, Aug. 17 (AP) (By Pan-American Radio).-Pan-American Airways clipper flying boat rested on the waters of Wake La-goon Saturday, 4,992 miles from United States shores, with another pioneering record chalked up on her log.

The big plane alighted here at 12:25 p. m. Saturday (7:25 p. m. Central standard time), ordinance. completing a flight of 1,191 miles Physicians said three stitches were taken to close the cut. At one time Malone was a candi-date for Lieutenant Governor.

veteran Alaskan

aviator and

Joe Crosson.

LONDON, Aug. 17.- A Reuter's friend of dispatch from Rome Saturday re-Wiley Post. ported 100 killed in a battle between Ethiopian and Assaimara tribesmen who is

flying the bodies of the Oklahoma

and Will Rogers from

and may continue on

> to Seattle as funeral pilot. Post met the Alaska Airways flier on one

back to

Fairbanks

of his round-the-

world journeys.

Gas Company Claims Attacked by Chemist

Through Chemist W. S. Mahlie the | exclude West Texas and Oklahoma ity Saturday struck at statements gas from Fort Worth. Mahlie testimade by the Lone Star Gas Com- fied the advertisements said Oklapany in newspaper advertisements homa gas would be excluded beas to the effect the city's antidilution cause the heat value was not as high ordinance would have on the gas that specified in the ordinance 000 BTU). Second Statement.

second statement, on which

ie was asked to testify, was

in which the gas company al-

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Mahlie was the city's third witness at the hearing before a special F. Schmidt, general superinmaster in Federal Court on the gas ent of the gas company, has company's application for an injunc ously testified that Oklahoma tion to restrain enforcement of the hamrock gas coming into Fort h averaged 1,020 BTU.

The chemist was handed news

scene of their crash near the mouth of a small Alaskan stream, into Point Barrow. The cance is made from native wood and covered with reindeer hide. This photograph, which was taken at Nome, Alaska, by H. S. Jones after he and Reg L. Robbins failed in their attempted nonstop flight from Seattle to Tokio, shows also the hazardous nature of the Alaskan shoreline. In the distant background is the town of Nome. This picture was taken early in the Summer, when the ice was beginning to break up into small floes. The Eskimo, shown here, has just speared a seal and is detaching the spearhead from the shaft.

native skin canoe.

type above, bore the bodies of

Will Rogers and Wiley Post over

the 15 miles of water from the

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 (AP) .- For Will Rogers and Wiley Post, the beloved humorist and the courageous. flier, funeral and memorial services will embrace an audience of prince and pauper the world over.

Wherever the two were knownand there were few places in the civilized world where their names were not common currency-moments of respectful silence will mark their burial.

Services for Rogers, gum-chewing philosopher of the homely phrase, were yet to be arranged Saturday. But for Wiley Post, the Oklahoman who banked an aviation career on a shoestring and won, his home folk already had decided that burial will take place in Oklahoma City. Those who watched the stocky little aviator attain worldwide fame on wings will gather at small grove before the farm home of Post's parents, near Maysville, wind. Okla., to pay him tribute.

"I think the best place is right here at home," said gray-haired W. F. Post, Wiley's father, with characteristic simplicity. This was in keeping with the parents' wish, and the flier's wife was anxious to as-

At Claremore, Okla., which Rogers always looked upon as "home," a memorial service was planned. The town will close up shop because, as Joe Martin, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce put it, "we want to pay tribute to the man who meant so much to us in the best way we can."

The Weather

Sun rises Sunday 5:54 o'clock. Maximum Friday, 96 degrees; ninimum Saturday morning, 78 degrees.

Fort Worth and Vicinity-Partly cloudy and not much change in temperature tonight and Sunday. there

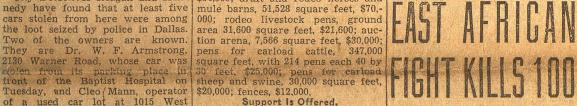
East Texas-Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday.

ers in extreme west portion.

Sun sets today 7:13 o'clock.







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pered Alaskan flights, who bade them goodby at Fairbanks and warn ed them against the hazards of the og at Point Barrow.

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An Eskimo, breathless from 15 miles of running across the tundra, brought the first word of the wreck to Barrow.

"Red plane blow up. Two men dead," the Eskimo mumbled to Staff

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Graphic Description of Tragedy Wirelessed

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (AP). - A , and metal. graphic description of how Will Rogers and Wiley Post met their Point Barrow, Alaska, was wireurday by Staff Sergt. Stanley Morgan, in charge of the Army's radio baggage carried therein. station at that outpost of civilization. The story, obtained from awestruck Eskimos who saw the accident, follows:

"At 10 p. m. last night (Thursday) attracted by group of excited natives on beach. Walking down, discovered one native all out of breath gasping out in pidgin English a strange tale of 'airplane she blew up.'

"After repeated questioning learned this native witnessed crash of an airplane at his sealing camp some 15 miles south of Barrow and had run the entire distance to summon aid.

"Native claimed plane flying very low appeared from the south, apparently sighting tents. Plane then circled several times and finally settled down on small river near camp, two men climbed out, one wearing 'rag on sore eye' and other big man with boots.'

"The big man then called native to water's edge and asked direction and distance to Point Barrow. Direction given, men then climbed back into plane and taxied off to far side of river for takeoff into

"After short run plane slowly lifted from water to height about 50 feet banking slightly to right when evidently motor stalled, plane slipped off on right wing and nosed down into water, turning completely over and native claimed dull explosion occurred and most of right wing dropped off and a film of gaso line and oil soon covered the water "Native frightened by explosion urned and ran but soon controlled fright and returned, calling loudly to men in plane. Receiving no answer native then made decision to come to Barrow for help.

"With completion of story we knew plane to be that of Post and Rogers and quickly assembled a crew of 14 Eskimos and departed in open whale boat powered with small gas motor. Hampered by recent ice floes and strong adverse current, took nearly three hours to reach destination.

"Dense fog with semidarkness gave upturned plane most ghostly appearance and our hearts chilled at thought of what we might find

"As we approached nearer the plane we soon realized no human West Texas—Partly cloudy to-night and Sunday, probably show-crash. The plane was but a huge mass of twisted and broken wood

"The natives by this time had managed to cut into the cabin and leath in an airplane accident near extricated the body of Rogers, who had apparently been well back in essed to the War Department Sat- the cabin when the plane struck and more or less protected by the

"We soon learned we would have a difficult job freeing Post from the wreckage as the plane had struck with such terrific speed it had forced the engine well back into the cabin pinning the body of Post securely.

"With some little difficulty we managed to tear the plane apart and eventually released the body of

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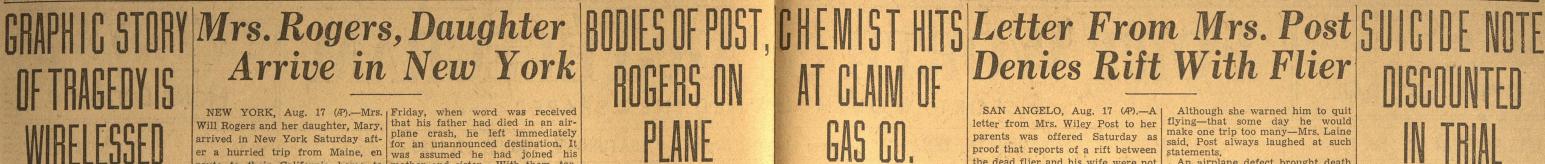
Mr. Brisbane don't want to use h old slogan any more I will take 'Don't sell America short."

Editor's Note—Some of the signifi-cant dispatches, which Will Rogers wrote in recent months, will be repro-duced by The Star-Telegram for the next few days. This one was of par-ticular interest to Texans as it dealt with his visit to Stamford.

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in the boat.

dressed the bodies.



arrived in New York Saturday aftand father.

With Dorothy Stone, daughter of Actor Fred Stone, an intimate of est Hills, it was explained that the the dead comedian, Mrs. Rogers Rogers family was anxious to leave fully laid and wrapped with eider- and Mary motored into the city New York on their sad journey to down sleeping bags found in the from Stamford where they left the Southern California with a minimum wreckage and then carefully placed train which had brought them from of preparation. Inquirers were told Oakland, Maine.

the loss of these two great men as they went into seclusion, avoiding Jimmy were not staying with the keenly as we and as we started our the public gaze and-friends said- Stones and that they intended leavtrip back to Barrow one of hiding their grief even from per- ing for the West shortly. the Eskimo boys began to sign a sons closest to them. They will hymn in Eskimo and soon all the await the arrival of the eldest son MRS. ROGERS WILL voices whined in this singing and of the philosopher-humorist, Will FLY TO LOS ANGELES. continued until our arrival at Bar- Jr., arriving by airplane tonight from row when we silently bore the the west coast, before completing Will Rogers has booked passage on bodies from the beach to the hos- plans for the trip to Santa Monica.

pital where they were turned over Brower prepared and ark, N. J., tonight. At the hotel where Jimmy Rogers, 'It is doubtful if a person in this

another son, still was registered tolittle village slept that night, all sat around the hospital with bowed

plane crash, he left immediately for an unannounced destination. I er a hurried trip from Maine, en was assumed he had joined his route to their California home to mother and sister. With them, too lay to rest the remains of husband was Miss Theda Blake, sister of Mrs. Rogers.

At the Stone home in nearby Forthat the family merely was "in se-"It is believed the natives felt Here, in New York or a suburb, clusion," that Mrs. Rogers, Mary and

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 17 .- Mrs a Transcontinental and Western Air Will Jr. is scheduled to arrive on plane to leave New York for Los to Dr. Greist, who with the kindly a United Air Lines plane at New- Angeles at 6:30 p. m. tonight, it was announced by TWA headquarters here Saturday The ship will be routed via Kan-

*** heads with little or no talking." *** **ROGERS COINED LAUGHTER FROM Gatty Lauds Post** as Flying Leader RAW METAL IN NEWSPAPERS

MELBOURNE, Australia, Aug. 17. Harold Gatty, who flew with Wiley Post on his first trip around the world, said Saturday the American was "a leader in world aviation." "His courage, experience and en-

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Post. Both bodies were then care-

Gatty "Always a free lance, he was a

pioneer in stratosphere flying." Gatty was deeply affected by Post's death.

"Wiley was an extraordinary man," he asserted. "He possessed an unprecedented capacity for becoming part of his machine.

"The absolutely nerveless manner in which he overcame his disability, teaching himself to judge distance and size with one eye, gives an indication of his character.

"He was one of the best friends] friends, although of late our interests had been widely separated. "Will Rogers was American aviation's best friend.

DUNHAM CASE TO BE CALLED DURING FALL

The case against E. J. Dunham, charged with aggravated assault on Mrs. Kathryn Henry, relief worker, Fall in County Court at Law No. 1 graph further down telling you and handled in the usual order for where to get your ammunition in all cases, District Attorney Parker case there was one." a said Saturday.

When the Citizens Constructive Association met Friday night at the Courthouse it was unanimously de- 66 cided to ask that Dunham be tried. L. O. Bearden, president of the organization, said that several attorneys have volunteered to defend

him

years, claimed he didn't know much about books.

"All I know is what I read in terprise will be greatly missed," said the papers," he often remarked.

the

It was from the daily press that philospher-actor gathered material upon which to base his opinions

"Will Rogers' remarks," said the late President Wilson, "Are not only humorous-but / illuminating." He was a true American. There was Indian blood in his veins.

"Maybe my ancestors didn't come over on the Mayflower, but they met the boat," he once declared.

War-torn Europe had a chance ever had. We remained the closest to chuckle in 1914 when Rogers, then in the Midnight Follies in New York, commented on Henry Ford's peace ship to Europe.

> "If he'll take these girls we got right here in this show and let 'em wear the same costumes and march em down between the trenches. believe me, the boys will be out of the trenches by Christmas."

Of the peace covenant, he wrote: "It says in there, 'There is to be will be set down for trial in the no more war.' and there is a para-Irvin S. Cobb, now an actor in nothing about it."

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'AW, I CAN'T WRITE!" ROGERS

ONCE TOLD SYNDICATE HEAD

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 17. (A)-Will | Hollywood, today recalled the time Rogers, who once said he had he made a bet with Rogers that studied the fourth reader for 10 he couldn't make the late President Calvin Coolidge smile.

Rogers and the President were introduced. Rogers said: "I'm sorry, I didn't

atch your name." Coolidge said: "I'm Calvin Cooldge," and laughed out loud.

When in 1928, Rogers was put forth as a possible candidate for President by his friends, and after Coolidge had made his famous 'I do not choose to run" statement, he remarked:

"Rogers chew: to run. The nomination leaves me dazed, and if I can stay dazed, I ought to make a swell candidate.'

A few years ago, an English was visiting Rogers statesman studio and he was explaining the ights.

"Over yonder is supposed to be old Arizona, where they fry eggs in the ice box; and this is a town in Texas, where men are men and women run for governor; and this s a street in New York, which has just been annexed to Los Angeles."

The late Dwight W. Morrow was a close friend of Rogers, and this was the tribute the actor paid him: "Morrow was the best ambassador that ever lived, for he admitted that he wasn't one and knew

ROGERS ON PIANF (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

Sgt. Stanley R. Morgan, United States Signal Corps wireless operator. Hastily mustering a party, Morgan engaged a fast motorboat and set ou in the gathering darkness for Walak pi, a tiny native settlement at Ref. uge Inlet, where the tragedy occur. red. His journey was slowed by floe ice.

Eskimos already had removed Rogers' body from the wreckage, but the sergeant had to use ropes to pul the shattered plane apart before Post's body could be lifted from beneath the motor in two feet of icy water.

The bodies and personal effects taken from the plane were placed in a native skin boat and towed to Barrow

News Shocked Nation.

Sergeant Morgan flashed the word by wireless to Col. George H Kumpe, in charge of the Alaska relegraph System headquarters, operated by the Signal Corps, in Seat-

The Signal Corps notified Mrs Post in Ponca City, Okla., and the Rogers family in Skowhegan, Maine "I wish to God I had been with him when he crashed," Mrs. Pos cried, when she learned of her hus-

band's death. It was only through a last-minute

decision, prompted by the jestin of Rogers and her husband, who said the trip was not one for woman to take, that Mrs. Post stor by the plane and waved goodby the travelers when they took Aug. 1 from Renton Airport on Lake Washington for Juneau.

The Rogers family was stunned Mrs. Rogers started for California with her daughter, Mary Rogers, 19 Will Rogers Jr., was in California but headed East by plane. The othe son, James, already was in the East

At Oklahoma Lity Harry Fred erickson, oil man friend of Post lisclosed the two were planning t fly over much of the world in carefree two-month trip. From Alaska they had intended to fl across to Siberia, down the Chin coast and into Russia.

News of the tragedy shocked the Nation.

President Roosevelt, Vice Presi dent Garner, Governor John W Troy of Alaska, celebrities, friends and neighbors of Rogers and of Post joined in expressions of sorrow Nome Cancels Reception.

The entire populations of Juneau capital of Alaska where the aeria vacationers spent a night as guest of Governor Troy, of Dawson in Yuko Territory, Aklavik on the Arctic delta of the Mackenzie River, Fairbanks and Anchorage had shoul-

dered Post and Rogers around when they dropped in on their casual tour of the North. Nome, to the westward, sorrowfully canceled arrangements for : giant reception. Rogers had said jocularly during his flight toward Alaska that he wanted to "rope a

AT GLAIM OF GAS CO.

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egedly claimed it was not consulted on the ordinance and that no hear ng was held.

Mahlie said that the ordinance was assed on July 18, 1934, and that in April of that year the City Council discussed the question of gas dilu-

Attending the meeting, testified the chemist, were several gas company officials, including L. B. Denning, president; W. F. Wright, distribution manager for the Fort Worth-Dallas area. Schmidt and others; representatives of the Texas Railroad Commission, and Dr. E. H Schoch of the University of Texas He said the dilution ordinance was discussed at length and that Dr. Schoch described the old city ordinance as a "joke" and said there

hould be a new one. Sent to Washington.

Mahlie said he was then sent to Washington to gather information on which to base the new ordinance He said he conferred with officials of the Bureau of Mines and the Bureau of Standards, including E. R. Weaver, head of the gas division. who was the city's principal witness at the hearing Friday.

The witness said the question of quality of gas supply was first brought to his attention in 1927 when he made an investigation and reported to then City Manager O. E. Carr. Gas company counsel objected to his stating what the report contained, on the grounds that the eport was based on information ther than his own observation, Quality of Gas.

The investigation which resulted in the new city ordinance was begun late in 1933, said Mahlie. He said he made an analysis of 10 samples of gas and found they contain. ed an average of 14.75 per cent nitrogen.

O. K. Shannon Jr., attorney for the tatements made by Mahlie in the eport on which he said the antililution ordinance was based. He admitted including in the report such statements as the following: That the pressure maintained by the Lone Star Gas Company here is

generally satisfactory. That the heat value of the gas rarely falls below 1,000 BTU which he described as gas of good

That a reduction in rates is of far nore importance than the dilution question if the standard of service t that time, June 6, 1934, was main-

ined That from a study of gas pressure onditions here he could see no cause or complaint.

Analysis of Complaints

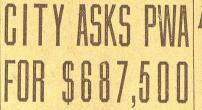
SAN ANGELO, Aug. 17 (AP) .- A | letter from Mrs. Wiley Post to her parents was offered Saturday as proof that reports of a rift between the dead flier and his wife were not

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Laine, owners of a small farm near Nolan, said a letter from Mrs. Post, written a few days before she left Los Angeles for Ponca City, Okla., assured them the talk started by a radio broadcast

from New York was unfounded. The letter blamed some of the trouble upon San Francisco report-

Mrs. Post said newspapermen there had asked her questions in such a manner that no matter how she answered them the inference was that all was not harmonious between the couple.

TO FLY TO SEATTLE. tion's question of "was the purport-"I do not know what Wiley will say about it when he hears of it," the letter read. "I think the San ed suicide note written by your PONCA CITY, Okla., Aug. 17 (AP). daughter?" with: Mrs. Wiley Post Saturday aban-"It was not. I know my daugh-Francisco reporters got mad bedoned her plans to fly to Seattle to cause Wiley would not tell them ter's handwriting as well as I know meet the body of her husband. Mr. Rogers was with him, and de-Instead, the widow of the in- her face." cided to take it out on me. I intrepid flier will rest here Saturday, Edward Toby, handwriting extended to go to Alaska with them. going to the farm home of Post's pert, substantiated this testimony parents near Maysville Sunday, by saying that, in his opinion, the but for some reason Mr. Rogers there to await the body of the man note was not written by the dedidn't want me to go, and, after all, he is paying all the expenses for the she married after an aerial elopeceased. He made contrasts of handtrip and what he said had to go." | ment. writing characteristics on cross-examination and admitted that no person writes his name the same way two times.



(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1) able that anyone would vote down the issue.

"We are at the cross roads," he said, "and it is a matter of going ahead or going backward. The school bonds carried by a vote of two to one, and the grant was only 30 per cent. Now we can get a grant fo 45 turities of \$200,000-and annual inper cent from the Federal Government and another \$250,000 from the State."

Enlargement Urgent.

almost everyone who visits the Tex- as he was in revealing his innumas Centennial Exposition will also see the Frontier Days pageant and respect of business men as a as company, promptly seized upon stock show in Fort Worth. He said shrewd investor. that enlargement of the stock show is urgent.

> Among other speakers were E. O. Gillam, president of the People's Progressive League, who said he is able to the actors' equity fund. for every kind of improvement; Ha Ashburn, East Fort Worth Lions Club, who said a bigger and better stock show is necessary; Council man Brown, who urged that the committee organize at once to pu over the bond issue; Dr. W. G. Phi lips, president of the Riverside Civi League, who said it would be a ca lamity for the stock show issue not to carry, and Robert K. Hanger, who called for a demonstration of civic leadership in the campaign.

The meeting also was attended by Post from Alaska to the United Ed H. Winton, G. C. Cole, A. S. Bil-



Although she warned him to qui flying-that some day he would make one trip too many-Mrs. Laine said. Post always laughed at such statements

An airplane defect brought death to Post and Will Rogers, famed comedian, in Alaska, and an airplane defect was responsible for the marriage in Wichita Falls of Mr. and Mrs. Post. The couple had started to the

Laine farm for the ceremony when plane trouble developed at Wichita Falls. They decided to be married there and get parental blessings ator

Mrs. Post's parents, without telephone or radio, were notified by a neighbor of the deaths of the roundthe-world flier and his companion.

MRS. POST ABANDONS PLAN

Rogers' Estate Estimated at 2¹/₂ to 6 Millions

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Aug. 17 (AP) Will Rogers left an estate unofficially estimated at between \$2,500,-000 and \$6,000,000.

From close business and finanwas learned Rogers' wealth consisted of extensive real estate holdings here and in Oklahoma, government bonds, life insurance totaling \$800,000-not counting recent macome from motion pictures, radio and his syndicate writing at upwards of \$600,000.

Extremely closemouthed in dis-Monnig expressed the belief that cussing his financial activities, just erable charities, Rogers won the

The actor's wife and three children are beneficiaries of the bulk of the life insurance. Fifty thousand dollars of the amount is pay-



DISCOUNTEN IN TRIAL

GATESVILLE, Aug. 17 (AP) .--Damaging prosecution testimony closed the trial of Mrs. Ethel Johnson Saturday when two witnesses said they did not believe the accused woman's slain daughter-inlaw wrote a purported suicide note.

Mrs. Johnson of Dallas, wife of a Federal Radio Commission inspector, is charged with slaying Bernice Blankenship, her daughter-in-law

William Davenport, father of the lain girl, answered the prosecu-

Arguments were expected to start during the afternoon.

The defense rested Friday.

M'CRAW FINDS DESK LOADED WITH GIFTS

AUSTIN, Aug. 17 .- Attorney General McCraw had a second celebration Saturday of his thirty-ninth birthday

Returning to his office after a birthday dinner in Dallas Thursday and a trip to San Antonio Friday, cial associates of the humorist it McCraw found his desk stacked high with presents from friends. The centerpiece was a huge watermelon



When the Citizens Constructive Association met Friday night at the Courthouse it was unanimously de- 66 cided to ask that Dunham be tried. L. O. Bearden, president of the organization, said that several attorneys have volunteered to defend him.

Although present at the meeting, Dunham did not speak. Members of a committee stated that Dunham's case had been investigated and that it was one worthy of aid.

Several spoke against the local relief organization. Pat Petty was applauded when he said that the majority of people prefer work to paid syndicate writers in the world relief.

RUSSIAN POLAR FLIER PAYS TRIBUTE TO POST

MOSCOW, Aug. 17 (AP).-Sigmund Levaneffsky, the Soviet airman who recently was forced to turn back Driscoll related, that Rogers, then a from a projected flight to America via the North Pole, paid tribute Amsterdam Theater in New York, Saturday to Wiley Post's ability as a flier

"His name will long stand in the history of aviation," he said.

Rogers' Ranch Is Desolated by His Untimely Death

(P).-A warm California sun, rising over the Santa Monica Mountains, swept away gray mists Saturday from the grief-stricken ranch where of any newspaper feature published Will Rogers lived and played.

His favorite rocker on the big house stood empty. Silence gripped the green polo field and the calfroping ring that usually rang with early morning shouts.

Bud Sterling, a former world's champion roper, curried down "Bootlegger," the comedian's favor-Ite polo pony, but not for its owner. There was a rough-hewn log cabin newly built standing desolately by a shady stream. It never will be erected.

Rogers made the original purchase George. of 200 acres of the ranch, which now embraces almost 1,000 acres, early in 1927.

buildings. One was given over to treachery from those who sought to a huge reception and dining room ransom him. with a kitchen in back. The other housed Rogers' study and the family bedrooms. The keynote was like Rogers' life-simplicity.

Within shouting distance stood the stables where he kept his string of 20-odd combined polo and cow ponies. A dozen others browsed over the broad acres, pensioned after active service in the polo wars.

Near at hand spread the turf of his polo fields, one of the finest in the of homes. world, with a bottle-neck calf-roping ring and a nine-hole golf course. greens and fairways well kept.

family who did.



LOS ANGELES, Aug. 17 (AP).-, somewhat bashfully, exhibited a new Will Rogers, who greeted an offer suit.

to write a daily column for newspapers of the country with the remark, "aw, I can't write, but I'll try," was one of the two highest

at the time of his death. Charles B. Driscoll, editor of the Will, visiting here Saturday, told of the comedian's writing career and rise to fame.

It was more than 20 years ago, "fill in" entertainer at the new was offered a chance to do a daily newspaper feature by V. V. McNitt, president of the MacNaught Syndicate at the time.

Appearing at first under the read-"the worst story I've heard today," the title was changed two years later after Rogers cabled from London:

"I've run out of stories and will have to quit."

It was then McNitt suggested a daily feature of remarks on current news topics, which grew into the popular "Will Rogers remarks."

The feature grew and more than SANTA MONICA, Cal., Aug. 17 500 newspapers printed the column, Driscoll said.

"Conservatively, the Will Rogers feature had the greatest circulation in the world," the editor said.

veranda of the rambling frame ed into the syndicate office, and were.

KALGAN, Inner Mongolia, Aug. 17

The man, shot to death, was found four days ago near Paochang. Some authorities believed his captors kill-The home was in two separate ed him because they suspected

MANY NOTABLES ON MEMORIAL PROGRAM

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 (AP) .- Will Rogers' and Wiley Post's friendseaders in all walks of life-paid them tribute over the radio waves that have carried much of Rogers'

Gore of Oklahoma, Speaker Joseph the country. Although Will neither played golf T. Byrnes, George M. Cohan, Thomof NBC.

"How do you like it?" he asked Driscoll. Assured he was sartorially perfect, Rogers added:

"Well, I decided all of a sudden to go to London and I didn't have any clothes with me so I went out and making his plans for the trip, which bought two suits. Paid \$22 apiece McNaught Newspaper Syndicate and journalistic mentor of the famous have 'em cut down to fit."

And that, Driscoll said, was the start of Rogers' trip to England to attend the London peace conference, where he mingled with the diplomats of the world-and kept the going to catch. world informed on the conference.

WIDOW BENEFICIARY TO \$800,000 IN INSURANCE.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 (AP) .-- John J. Kemp, insurance brokers, disclosed Saturday that Will Rogers ords that still stand; at Chicago and named as sole beneficiary to about at Bartlesville, Okla., he made dan \$800,000 of life insurance his wife, Mrs. Betty Blake Rogers.

In the event of Mrs. Rogers' death, the humorist's three children were to have been beneficiaries, according to the terms of the policies.

Kemp said that the policies, the last of which were taken out nine years ago, did not contain nonflying clauses and that all money due the widow would be paid on demand.

"Had Mr. Rogers taken out insurance five years ago, after he had become an inveterate air passenger,' Kemp said, "his premiums would Several years ago Rogers stroll- have been almost double what they

LAST RITES ARE SAID FOR SLAIN JOURNALIST'S BODY IS IDENTIFIED MRS. NELLIE HOUX SCOTT

Rev. I. D. Hightower conducted (AP).—Emissaries sent to Paochang to funeral services Saturday afternoon identify the body of a slain white for Mrs. Nellie Houx Scott, 49, who man telephoned Saturday that it died Friday night at her home, 2731 was the body of Gareth Jones, kid- Avenue E, after a long illness. Servused as the retreat for which it was naped British journalist and one- ices were at Polytechnic Methodist time secretary to David Lloyd Church, of which Mrs. Scott was a Hill Burial Park.

She is survived by her husband, W. L. Scott, postal service employe; a son, William L. Scott Jr., and a brother, Frank Houx, Gordon, Texas. Mrs. Scott was a member of the Order of Eastern Star, Woodman Circle and Polytechnic Parent-Teacher Association.

GERMAN FREE MASONS ARE TOLD TO DISBAND

BERLIN, Aug. 17.-Pushing its American character." hureorous philosophy into millions drive against what it calls "enemies of the state," the German govern- lighted by Rogers' jubilee broadcast Fred Stone, Senate Leader Joseph ment Saturday sealed the doom of to England last May in which he T. Robinson, Senator Thomas P. all free Mason lodges throughout said:

nor cared much for the same, he as Hitchcock Jr. and many others Frick ordered all state governments If they can't come over, let us know kept the course in top shape for joined in a memorial service for the to dissolve immediately all free Ma- if there is any chance of joining those guests and members of the pair Friday night over the network son lodges still in existence, and you-all on about the same terms as | ness." to confiscate all their property,

Anchorage had shouldered Post and Rogers around when they dropped in on their casual tour of the North

Nome, to the westward, sorrowfully canceled arrangements for a giant reception. Rogers had said ocularly during his flight toward Alaska that he wanted to "rope a reindeer" and Nome citizens had the deer ready.

Rogers was making his first visit to the Northland, while Post had been in Alaska three times, twice on globe-girdling flights and later on hunting trip.

Hunting and fishing apparently were uppermost in Post's mind in he said was to be culminated by a "tiger hunt" in Siberia, just a short hop across Bering Sea from Nome. Rogers bought a pair of trousers two sizes too big for him at Juneau. explaining he would need the extra girth if he ate all the fish Post was

Post's last flight was expected to be a tame one, virtually without hazards as compared with the aeria trail blazing that won him fame. Twice he had flown 'round the world-once with the Australian. Harold Gatty, as navigator-to rec gerous but unsuccessful attempts to establish new heavier-than-air craf

altitude records in search of stratosphere data; four times in the Winnie Mae, old high wing monoplane that circled the globe, Pos sought substratosphere information in attempted flights across the continent.

CROSSON VISITOR HERE TWO YEARS AGO.

Joe Crosson, veteran Alaskan p ot who flew the bodies of Wil Rogers and Wiley Post to Fairbanks Alaska, Saturday, visited in For Worth about two years ago.

Reg L. Robbins and H. S. Jone of this city became acquainted with Crosson in 1932 when the aviator were attempting to set a nonstor Seattle-to-Tokio flight record. H repaid the visit about a year later.

England Mourns Rogers Like Own

LONDON, Aug. 17 (P) .--- Will Roy member. Interment was in Rose ers, who kidded the royal family a no Englishman dared to do, wa mourned in Great Britain Saturday as in his native land.

Rogers really liked England an the feeling was mutual. It was recalled that the Prince of Wales, h riend, once described him as 'great man." Long tributes both to the cowbo

comedian and to Wiley Post, wh perished with him in an Alaska plane crash, were published b morning papers. The Express sa they stood for "what is the finest i

The British were especially

"We'd like to have them (Minister of the Interior Wilhelm King and Queen) come over here. Canada."

hat a reduction in rates is of far ore importance than the dilution uestion if the standard of service that time, June 6, 1934, was main-

That from a study of gas pressure nditions here he could see no cause r complaint

Analysis of Complaints.

That an analysis of complaints istered with the City Utility Detment for the four years ending 2. 31, 1933, showed 143 on account high gas bills, 16 regarding low essure and 540 about the rates. Assistant City Attorney Floyd rought out that the report also con-

ned statements of an opposite na-That operation of the gas com-

any's Joshua dilution plant deacted from the quality of service

That there was "absolutely no ocsion" for operation of the plant om the consumers' standpoint. That passage of rules and regula-

ons governing gas service here was nperative to protect the consumers.

"Have you ever seen a public ervice company as generally deised by the citizenship as the Lone ar Gas Company?" asked Floyd. Shannon rose to his feet with an

bjection and Mahlie was not peritted to answer.

Shannon tried to bring out that an mended dilution ordinance was bassed last June without giving the gas company a chance to be heard. Mahlie said he believed the orlinance was held over a week before passage and a copy supplied to the gas company to give it a chance to protest.

"In the Dead of the Night."

"As a matter of fact," asked Shannon, "wasn't the ordinance passed in the dead of the night'-?"

An objection from city attorneys nterrupted him and Shannon withdrew the question.

Recessed for the weekend when Mahlie left the witness stand, the nearing is expected to be resumed uesday.

Weaver completed his testimony from his hospital bed Friday afternoon. He left Saturday morning for Estes Park, Colo., where his wife is vacationing, to recuperate from an illness.

Technical details of the series of tests he conducted here last Spring to determine the effect of gas dilution were described in his final testimony. The tests led him to conclude that ending dilution would improve the gas service here.

SUGGESTS CLOWN GET TIPS FROM THE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (AP). Circus clowns will read the congressional record for new "gags" if they take a tip from Vice President Garner.

Earl Shipley, young chalkface performer with a circus ! "playing" Washington, was introduced to Garner by Representative Maverick of Texas. | Garner suggested that Maver- 1 ick show Shipley the House in | action, saying:

"He might learn a lot that I would help him in his busi-

ver the bond issue: Dr. W. (+ Phil ips, president of the Riverside Civic League, who said it would be a calamity for the stock show issue not to carry, and Robert K. Hanger, who called for a demonstration of civic leadership in the campaign.

The meeting also was attended by Ed H. Winton, G. C. Cole, A. S. Billingsley, H. C. Vandervoort, Dave Tandy, J. M. Estes, Marvin D. Evans, Jess Johnston, M. M. Murray, Larry Sisk, J. H. Brillhart, Ernest Allen, Gordon Boswell, J. B. Thomas, H. B. Friedman, E. C. Tays, Galen McKinney, H. D. Young, Louis Cohen, Melvin M. Faulk Jr., L. J. Baker, Dyke Cullum, G. P. Schmal, H. D. Withers, T. T. McGown, Homer Covey, V. E. Goodman, Fred Brasted and E. J. Hosey.

Wheat Gain Over Last Year Seen

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17. - Although the United States wheat crop estimates were reported today at 133,367,000 bushels less than was anticipated a week ago, the country's wheat crop is expected to be 110, 749,000 bushels over that of last year, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics said.

The world wheat crop of 3,030, 385,000 bushels, according to estimates of 39 countries, including the United States, shows an increase of 183,903,000 bushels over last year's crop. The United States crop estimate for this year is 607,678,000 bushels, as compared to 496,929,000 for last year, when wheat suffered heavily from the record drouth.

The United States corn crop i estimated at 2,272,147,000 bushels, an increase of 895,021,000 bushels over last year.

PENSIONS PETITION **PROTEST IS ENTERED**

OKLAHOMA CITY, Aug. 16. (P) A protest against sufficiency and validity of signatures on an initiative petition for a vote on an old age pension constitutional amendment is on file with the secretary of state.

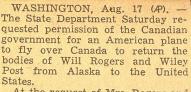
The protest was filed Friday by Dr. J. M. Ashton, research director of the Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce. The sufficiency and legality was challenged on 19

A. W. Gilliland, attorney for the protestants, said a detailed examination of petitions would begin Monday.

OFFICERS QUESTION THREE WOUNDED MEN

ANADARKO, Okla., Aug. 17 (P) .-Three men, shot and wounded at a residence in Binger, an oil town north of here, were questioned by officers Saturday in an effort to learn the motive. None of the three was wounded seriously

Ervin Jay was shot through the arm and in the face, Gene Acker through the right wrist and King Spencer through the right leg. three live in Binger,



At the request of Mrs. Rogers and Mrs. Post, Pan-American Airways is arrainging for a twin-engined Electra type transport plane to bring the bodies from Fairbanks to their homeland. It will be piloted by Joe Crosson. who went to Point Barrow for the bodies.

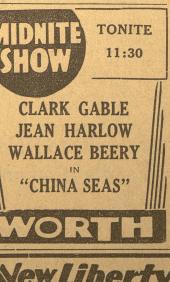
The plane was expected to fly from Fairbanks via Burwash Landing, Whitehorse, Telegraph Creek and Prince George.

Death Bond Made by Special Ranger

ROCKSPRINGS, Aug. 17 (AP) .--John D. Smith, about 30, of Junction, was killed when shot five times in front of a local cafe late Friday night.

Roscoe Morris, special ranger emoloyed by ranching interests in Real County, surrendered to Sheriff Ed Young and waived examining trial before Louis Strackbein, justice of the peace. His bond was set at \$5,000, which he posted.

The grand jury convening in One Hundred and Twelfth District Court here Monday will investigate the killing.





Little (north ADDED: Cartoon — Novelty — Charlie Chase Comedy—Musical Revue.

