

Texas Cattlemen Protest New Ruling Saying Ranchers Sign 'Paupers Oath'

COLLEGE STATION—(AP)—The state drought relief Monday formed a sharp protest to Washington on requiring cattlemen to say in effect they are they can get disaster feedstuffs.

The United States Department of Agriculture state committee deluged with complaints from individual cattle from county drought committees saying the rule is arbitrary.

"We can intelligently administer the plan. It will not lead to disaster" said a telegraphed complaint from three individuals in that drought-pinched southwest Texas county.

Seventeen county committees filed formal protests up to Monday and more were pouring in. They were coming by mail and telephone. There are 152 designated disaster counties in Texas.



SOUTHWEST CATTLEMEN SEEK DROUGHT RELIEF—Rep. Clark Thompson (D-Tex.), second from left, talks with cattlemen during a recess of a House Agriculture Committee hearing in Washington attended by the Texans who sought government aid because of drought conditions. Shown are left to right) Joe Robinson, Fort Bend County rancher; Thompson; R. J. Nunnally, Uvalde cattleman, and Claude McCan of Victoria, representing the Southwest Cattlemen's Association.

ear from all of them at this rate," said V. McCan of Victoria, Chairman of the Texas Committee named by the Department of Agriculture.

Other members went to the hearing with a telegram of protest from the southwest Texas counties.

Complaints were based on the fact that the state drought relief plan would require cattlemen to sign a "paupers oath" before they could receive disaster feedstuffs.

Speaker Gives Duty of Post To Community

The American Legion post in every community should have definite objectives for the betterment of and the advancement of the community, Roy Garrett of the A&M agricultural engineering department told College Station Legionnaires at the monthly meeting Thursday night. Garrett is Post Commander of Legion Post No. 159 in Bryan.

Garrett said that it is the duty of a Legion post to promote Americanism, public relations, national security, and other activities. A Legion post should concern itself with child welfare work, legislative programs, youth activities, essay contests, swimming, rifle teams, clean-up campaigns, civil defense, blood bank program and to assist families of servicemen.

In all matters, Garrett declared a Legion post should work constructively with all the constituted and appointed authorities of the community, state and nation.

John Kincannon is Commander of the College Station Post No. 541; A. D. Folweiler is Vice-Commander; R. L. Wilkins, First Vice-Commander; Lawrence A. DuBose, Adjutant; John Hillman, Finance Officer; Luther Jones, Chaplain and Howard Berry, Historian.

The membership committee is chaired by Folweiler; DuBose is chairman of the House committee; Hillman heads the Finance committee; Berry is Public Relations head; R. L. Skrabanek is chairman of the Service committee; Luther Jones heads the Visiting committee; Jim Bevins is Athletic chairman and K. A. Manning heads the Child Welfare committee.

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Short Course In Beef Cattle Production Scheduled Here

A short course in beef cattle production problems, sponsored by the department of animal husbandry, will be held at A&M August 18-25. Headquarters will be at the Memorial Student Center on the campus of the college.

Dean C. N. Shepardson of the school of agriculture will give the welcome address at 9 a. m., August 18. Registration will get under way at 8 a. m.

"Anyone who is interested in beef cattle production is eligible to attend," J. K. Riggs, associate professor, in charge of beef cattle of the animal husbandry department, says. "The work will cover various phases of breeding, feeding, management and disease and parasite control, with special emphasis on some of the newer developments in the field of beef cattle industry."

By G. L. Robertson and "Commercial Feeding," will be discussed by J. H. Jones, both of the AH department. H. A. Fitzhugh of the Straus Medina Hereford ranch at San Antonio will give a talk on "Rations for Show Cattle."

A panel discussion with Dr. Miller as moderator, including Fitzhugh, Jones, H. O. Kunkel, McCormick, Robertson and Riggs, will discuss "Inheritance of Factors of Economic Significance," and a panel discussion with Miller in charge and members Warwick, Shrode, Jones and Riggs, will close the morning session of the MSC.

Breeding Cattle Show
Fitzhugh and A. L. Smith, Texas Extension Animal Husbandman, will be in charge of a breeding cattle show in the afternoon at the

beef cattle center. Demonstrations, foot trimming, horn training, clipping, etc., use of profilometer, will be in charge of the animal husbandry staff.

The morning session on Thursday will be held in the MSC and at 8:30. R. O. Berry of the department of animal husbandry, will discuss "Factors Affecting Reproductive Performances." C. M. Patterson, Texas Extension Veterinarian, will talk on "Maintaining Herd Health. At 10:30, R. D. Turk, department of veterinary parasitology, will discuss "Parasites and Control Measures." H. Schmidt, department of veterinary research will discuss "Hyperkeratosis," to wind up the morning session.

"Beef Cattle Equipment," slides, will be given in the afternoon by U. D. Thompson, and A. L. Smith, Texas Extension Animal Husbandman.

Dr. Tyrus R. Timm, head of the department of agricultural economics and sociology and Jimmy Mitchell, manager, Texas Livestock Marketing Association, Fort Worth, will talk on the outlook.

Smoke Towers Over City Firemen's School Starts

Black columns of smoke and white streamers of dry chemicals hung over the city Monday as the firemen's training school started.

Fire marshalls who were between noon Sunday and noon Monday totaled 150 and visitors swelled to nearly a thousand.

The school—largest until now—had an attendance totalling 930 persons from 23 states and five foreign countries.

New phases of the school being offered for the first time include a brush and grass fire section of the basic course, and an industrial course, specially offered for representatives of industry.

Several new additions to the combined operations of the basic course include a miniature tank farm, simulating a cluster of large oil storage tanks in the field, and a complete service-station set-up with pump, auto on the service ramp, and a transport truck.

Another new phase of the demonstration field includes a mock-up for storage vault with carbon dioxide extinguishing system, a large scale automatic sprinkler system and a four-room house which will be fired repeatedly.

Lauhoff Grain Gives \$3,000

The Lauhoff Grain Company, Danville, Ill., through Dr. Howard Lauhoff, has made available to the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station a grant-in-aid of \$3,000.

It will be used in support of studies on (1) determination of the value of partially dextrinized starch products in finishing feeds for broilers and turkeys and (2) determination of the relationship between such products and other nutrients commonly used in poultry feeding, Dr. R. D. Lewis of the Station, announces.

The research will be conducted under the direction of Dr. J. R. Couch of the departments of poultry husbandry and biochemistry and nutrition.

Postal Rate Increases May Mean Reduction In Service

Washington 25, D. C., July 21, 1953. The Administration spokesman, the Postmaster General, Arthur E. Summerfield, appeared before Congressional committees this week and urged postal rate increases. The Postmaster General recommended an additional cent on each piece of non-local first class mail. He recommended that domestic air mail be increased from 6c an ounce to 7c an ounce. He also recommended a rate increase on second class mail, which consists of newspapers and magazines; however, the increase is not to apply to "free-in-county" privileges for newspapers. An increase was requested in third class mail, which consists mainly of circulars, advertising matter, and merchandise weighing less than 8 ounces. According to the Postmaster General, these postal rate increases would produce \$240,000,000 annually.

Postal Deficit is Large
The postal deficit last year totalled three quarters of a billion dollars. I agree that steps should be taken to reduce the postal deficit; however, I cannot agree with all of the steps being taken by the Administration. At the same time

the Post Office Department is attempting to raise rates; it has announced a plan to improve mail service in 150 major cities by extension of window service and letter collection of mail. Simultaneously with this expansion of service in 150 cities, the Postal Department is conducting inspections in many rural areas, including most of the 6th Congressional District, for the purpose of determining whether many of our Fourth Class Post Offices should be closed.

It is highly desirable that the Post Office Department support itself as nearly as possible, but I believe that the Postal Department is one of the last services which should be reduced in the interest of pure economy. There is no question but that the Post Office Department can be made self-supporting if we drastically increase the cost of air mail service and make a substantial increase in rates on third and fourth class mails. A great deal of money can also be saved by closing thousands of small post offices. In taking these steps, we would be reducing the one Federal service which touches practically every man, woman and child throughout the

Truce Staffs Work On Military Details

PANMUNJON—(AP)—Two groups of Allied and Communist staff officers met again Tuesday amid the hustle and bustle of preparing this dusty Western Korean Village for signing an armistice in the three-year war.

One group of officers apparently was working on final military details of a truce such as a line of demarcation. The other group seemed concerned with administrative details. Both groups convened at 10 a. m. (7 p. m. CST Monday).

For the second day, final arrangements for the historic signing went on within sound

saws rushing to complete a huge, 10,000-square-foot Korean style hall for the ceremony.

The Reds also had swarms of workers building a side road in the neutral zone.

No date for a signing has been set as yet. Some observers said there would be a signing within a week, followed 12 hours later by a ceasefire.

Occupying a back seat, South Korea officially took a dim view of these preparations. A high official who asked that his name not be used called, the current moves an "unconditional surrender by the Allies."

Deadline For Transfers To Consolidated

Parents of children who live outside the A&M Consolidated School District have until July 31 to transfer their children to the A&M Consolidated Schools, Superintendent L. S. Richardson has announced. No charge is made for transfer.

Proper forms may be signed and submitted either at the A&M Consolidated High School office or at the county superintendent's office at the court house.

Residents in the areas adjoining the A&M Consolidated School District, such as the Bryan portion of Oak Terrace, North Oakwood, Garden Acres, and Beverly Estates are particularly affected by this deadline, Richardson said.

Major Gen Choi Duk Shin, South Korea's truce delegate, he would continue the boycott he has observed since May 25 and Foreign Minister Pyun Yung Tai said no South Korean representative would attend the signing ceremony.

The staff officer sessions in Panmunjon were aimed at pulling together loose ends and paving the way for the full truce teams to fix the date and time for signing.

Gaines Says Insecticides Are Great Aid

The development of and the usage of new organic insecticides has raked the ranks of insects, according to Dr. J. C. Gaines, head of the A&M entomology department.

"However," Dr. Gaines says, "the fight to control insects is a never-ending fight. The progress to control insects has been especially good since World War II, with the discovery and development of new insecticides. Household pests have felt the control measure to a marked degree," he said.

The seventh Post Control Short Course held at the college Friday, heard detailed reports in the study of certain insects, its biology and control. More than 40 attended the course.

Consider the Pharaoh ant—the best known of the household ants, F. M. Fuller Jr., assistant extension entomologist, said in a paper read at the short course.

"It is of tropical or subtropical origin and is found throughout the world. It varies in color from yellow to red and is 1-12 to 1-16 inch in length."

The Pharaoh ant is sometimes referred to as the sugar ant. "It will feed on sweets but prefers greasy food."

Overall supervision of an armistice would be handled by a commission consisting of representatives of Sweden, Switzerland, Poland and Czechoslovakia. The Swiss and Swedish teams have been in Tokyo for some time. Peiping Red radio announced Monday that the Poles and Czechs are in Peiping.

A total of five separate staff officer groups held 10 different conferences in Panmunjon Monday in one of the busiest days of the two-year-old talks. These began in the morning and continued through a sweltering afternoon on until nightfall.

Reservations Must Be Made for Tickets

Reservations for season tickets for Aggie home football fall must be returned to the ticket department not later than July 31, according to the director of athletics.

There is no limit to the number of tickets a person may have but there is a limit of two tickets for those who are game tickets for the Thanksgiving Day game at College Station.

Reservations for seats will be made at the athletic office on August 1.

Games will play Houston, Texas and Texas at Kyle season.

All Bryan and College Station troops are eligible to enter. No entries will be accepted after Wednesday July 22 at noon, and entries should be turned in to Albert B. Stevens, petroleum engineering dept.

No preliminaries will be held, and all races are final. Winners are eligible to enter the council-wide first annual invitational swimming meet to be held Saturday August 15, at the Prudential Life Insurance pool in Houston.

Officials for the meet are as follows: starter, Col. Frank Anderson; recorders B. B. Smith and Don Burchard; timers, Bill Dayton, Bud Denton, Hugh West, Don Parnell, Jerry Holder, and Joe Hladek; judges, Jack Lynn, George Roth, George Rivers, and Royce Rogers; diving judges, Bud Matthews, John Speick, and Jack Van Wagner; presentation of awards, Dean H. W. Barlow.

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Boy Scout Swim Meet Here Thursday

The Boy Scout District Swimming meet will be held at the P. L. Downs Jr. Natatorium Thursday, July 23 at 7 p. m., Barney Welch, meet director has announced.

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