

Lone Star Flag Origin Challenged

GALVESTON, Tex., Jan. 2 (UP)—The Lone Star flag, Texas' proud state symbol, didn't originate in Texas.

That is what a Georgia historian claims. Rear Admiral William L. Mann, of Savannah, whose hobby is Texas history, said yesterday the Lone Star emblem came into being when Miss Johanna Troutman of Knoxville, Ga., fashioned a banner from her petticoat and gave it to a troop of Georgia volunteers heading for the Texas battlefields in 1836.

The Lone Star banner was first unfurled by the Georgia volunteers on Jan. 8, 1836, in front of the American Hotel in Velasco, Tex., Adm. Mann said.

Most Texans think the brass button theory best explains the origin of the Lone Star symbol. That theory holds the Texas seal came into being when the new republic's provisional governor, Henry Smith, on Dec. 10, 1836, tore from his overcoat a brass button, dipped it in wax, and used it to seal a document.

The brass button bore a five-point star design, and that's how the Lone Star became the emblem of Texas, or so the theory runs until Adm. Mann came up with the petticoat story.

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In Hollywood Films Set With Eye Toward TV

By Erskine Johnson

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 2—Exclusively Yours: The grapevine is buzzing that Hollywood will produce more and more episode movies—short films strung together with big name players—and that the pictures will be sliced up into half-hour features for television after their theatre runs. Four O'Henry stories will be filmed at Fox, and George Stevens will direct three Ambrose Bierce yarns.

Watch for a big new surprise in the Clark Gable-Lady Ashley predivorce fireworks. Gable's attorneys will light the fuse on a king-size bomb.

IT MAY HELP the box-office for "The Merry Widow," but Lana Turner's frowning on MGM's ballyhoo of her "romance" with new leading man Fernando Lamas, it's only a buildup for him and Lana's assuring pals that Lamas is not THE man in her life.

TOO BAD Ken Murray can't afford a stopgap. Jeannette MacDonald and Gene Raymond, guesting on his TV show, were stopped just as they started to warble a duet. Time had run out. But who let them start the number?

HOLLYWOOD'S biggest untidy-unwasy combination: Ann Blythe and Bob Mitchum on the set of RKO's "The Korean Story," ice, sheer ice.

Lizzi Balla, the famed European dancer who makes her American debut in "My L. A.," has something in common with Deanna Durbin. She was once wed to Producer Felix Jackson, Deanna's ex.

FOX WAS afraid to have the marguerites proclaim "NIGHT WITHOUT SLEEP" with Marilyn Monroe. So the title has been switched and now the lights will blaze: "DON'T BOTHER TO KNOCK" with Marilyn Monroe.

Now that they're assuring, it can be told, George Sanders was asked to pose for photographs with shapely Marilyn Monroe some months ago. George told the pub-

Kidnaping Denied by Ex-Convict

A tough-talking ex-convict, nabbed in a running fight with Springfield, O., police, denied he forced a Kentucky school teacher to accompany him on a wild ride in Indiana over the week-end.

Larry G. Yancy, 21, Coldwater, O., said the kidnap accusations made by Ollie Bismeyer Jr. were not true. He claimed Mr. Bismeyer could have left any time during the 26-hour period when the teacher claimed he was captive.

Yancy, however, did admit taping the hands of the 24-year-old Valley Station, Ky., teacher shortly after the latter gave him a ride from Louisville across the river to New Albany.

Story Not Clear

Capt. Francis Schaffer, Springfield police chief, said the story Yancy told of his Indiana activities was not clear.

The officer said he told of using an automobile belonging to a Louisville man whom Yancy said offered to show him the way from Louisville to New Albany.

The officers said Yancy declined to give the name of the man until a reporter asked if it was Ollie Bismeyer Jr. then Yancy answered it was.

Yancy told the officer that after arriving in New Albany he put tape on Mr. Bismeyer's hands, but that it soon came off. He said Mr. Bismeyer agreed to accompany him and denied that he used a P-38 pistol, which he shot at officers here, in making Mr. Bismeyer go along.

Near Indianapolis Yancy said he crashed the car in a ditch. Then he said a station wagon parked in front of a church where services were in progress and they went on to Indianapolis where the station wagon was abandoned. Yancy said that Mr. Bismeyer agreed to accompany him and they began hitchhiking toward Ohio. Some miles from Indianapolis, he said, they stopped in a restaurant and Mr. Bismeyer decided to leave. Yancy said that he had been free to leave at any time.

Paroled From Prison

Mr. Schaffer said that Indiana authorities had been notified of Yancy's arrest but that they had not placed charges against him. The prisoner said he was paroled from the Folsom Prison in California three and a half months ago on a robbery conviction and that this was the first trouble he had been in since his release.

His troubles in Springfield began when Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wilkes returned from New Year's Eve party and found him asleep in one of their beds. Mrs. Wilkes called police.

Officers said Yancy drew a P-38 German pistol when they came to arrest him, cursed them, and ordered them to "lay on your bellies." They said he opened fire when they backed in the kitchen. The officers said at least six shots were exchanged in the house before Yancy fled through a window and tried to take a truck.

Times Amusement Clock

LOEW'S

"Quo Vadis" with Robert Taylor and Deborah Kerr, at 11:30, 2:40, 5:30 and 8:35.

CIRCLE

"Weekend With Father," with Van Heflin and Patricia Neal, at 11:14, 4:36, 7:20 and 10:10.

"Great Adventure," at 12:25, 2:10, 6 and 8:35.

ESQUIRE

"Streetcar Named Desire," with Marlon Brando, at 6:35 and 9:10.

INDIANA

"Distant Drums," with Gary Cooper, at 12:25, 2:40, 6:35 and 10:12.

"St. Benny the Dip," at 11:25, 5:30 and 8:45.

KEITH'S

"My Favorite Son," with Bob Hope and Betty Hutton, at 12:40, 2:45, 5:55 and 10.

"Highly Dangerous," with Dana Clark, at 12:25, 2:40, 6:35 and 8:35.

LYRIC

"Captain Fabian," with Kertel Plonk, at 12:25, 2:40, 6:35 and 10:12.

"The Sea, the Sun," at 11:25, 5:34 and 8:51.

Bowlers: There's a page of bowling news, cartoons and pictures each week in The Sunday Times.

New Year's Traffic Crashes Are Fatal To Two Local Men

The new year today had a running start on the old in city traffic deaths. Two died in accidents here yesterday—none for Jan. 1, 1951.

And the old year's total was higher than 1950, when Indianapolis had the worst record for cities of its size. Sixty-two were killed in 1950. Sixty-nine died last year, even though there were fewer accidents.

One of yesterday's victims was Fred Winfield, 40, of 6844 Ferguson St., custodian at Broad Ripple High School.

Mr. Winfield was thrown from a car driven by Fred Kuester, 55, also of 6844 Ferguson St. It had collided last night at Walnut and East Sts. with an auto driven by Robert Eugene Poole, 20, of 401 S. Harris Ave. Poole was arrested on a preliminary charge of reckless homicide.

The death of Mrs. Vera Stevens, 55, of 1905 N. Illinois St., was reported in yesterday's Times. She was first believed to have been killed outside the city limits on Southeastern Ave. It was determined today death as a "good Samaritan" happened a few feet inside Indianapolis. A car hit her as she hustled across the avenue to help a motorist in the mud.

Outside the city yesterday, William T. Boston, 43, of 677 East Dr., Woodruff Place, died in Murphy Hospital, Elwood. His car hit a utility pole on Ind. 37, between Elwood and Noblesville.

INDIANAPOLIS TRAFFIC CASUALTIES (One Day)

	1951	1952
Accidents	4	7
Injured	3	2
Killed	0	2

(365 Days)

	1950	1951
Accidents	9203	8440
Injured	3507	3866
Killed	62	69

Includes persons killed by trains.

Truman Due To Tip Hand By Feb. 6th

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2—A Democratic Congressman from Ohio said today that President Truman told him he hopes to announce his political intentions for 1952 before Feb. 6, deadline for filing in the Ohio Democratic primary.

Rep. Wayne L. Hays (D. O.) talked at some length with the Chief Executive and said he asked him directly if he is ready to say whether he will run again. Mr. Hays will support Sen. Estes Kefauver (D. Tenn.) for the 1952 Democratic presidential nomination if Mr. Truman decides not to run.

Mr. Hays said the President told him he is not ready to announce his intentions. Reporters asked Mr. Hays if he meant that the President would declare his own personal intentions by Feb. 6.

"He said he hoped to do that," Mr. Hays replied.

He said he suggested to Mr. Kefauver last week that he come to the White House and see Mr. Truman.

"Mr. Kefauver said he thought he would do that and I told the President about it," he said. The President said that would be fine.

Mr. Kefauver has expressed a desire for the Democratic nomination in event Mr. Truman does not seek re-election.

Antifreeze Cocktail Kills Two Youths

PINE RIDGE, S. D., Jan. 2 (UP)—Two youths have died after drinking a "poison cocktail" of antifreeze and shellac, a special Indian officer reported today.

Charles Piece, the officer, identified the boys as High Hawk, 17, and Mitchell Red Star, 16, a third youth, Edron Cross, 16, was hospitalized.

NEIGHBORHOOD THEATRES

DOWNTOWN
AMBASSADOR—Through Friday: "Utah Wagon Train" and "Longhorn."
NEIGHBORHOOD
ARLINGTON—Through Saturday: "Detective Story" and "Smugglers Island."
AVALON—Through Saturday: "The Scarf" and "China Corsair."
BELMONT—Through Saturday: "Day of the Living Dead" and "Riders From Tucson."
BELL—Through Saturday: "Painting the Clouds With Sunshine" and "The Desert Fox."
CORONET—Through Saturday: "The Scarf" and "China Corsair."
CINEMA—Through Saturday: "Crosswinds" and "Never Trust a Gambler."
CORONET—Through Saturday: "Rhubarb" and "Comin' Round the Mountain."
DANBY—Through Saturday: "Salome Where She Danced" and "Ma and Pa Kettle Go to Town."
EMERSON—Through Saturday: "Golden Girl" and "Flying Leathernecks."
FOUNTAIN—Through Saturday: "Honeychile" and "When Worlds Collide."
GARFIELD—Through Saturday: "Force of Arms" and "China Corsair."
HAMILTON—Through Saturday: "Golden Girl" and "Crosswinds."
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LINCOLN—Through Saturday: "Holidays" and "The Scarf of the Little Girl."
MELBOM—Through Saturday: "Comin' Round the Mountain" and "Jesse James."
OLD TRAIL—Through Saturday: "Too Young to Kiss" and "Honeychile."
ORIENTAL—Through Saturday: "Jungle Manhunt" and "Tomorrow's Bride of the Corolla" and "The Spiders."
PILY—Through Saturday: "Bride of the Corolla" and "The Spiders."
REX—Through Saturday: "Painting the Clouds With Sunshine" and "Across the Wide Missouri."
RITZ—Through Saturday: "Sunny Side of the Street" and "Thunder of the Hills."

Still a Lover
ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Jan. 2 (UP)—Mrs. Katherine Muhlenberger, who was 93 on the first day of the New Year, celebrated her birthday yesterday by engaging in her favorite pastime—reading love stories.

NAMEING backache, loss of pep and energy, headache and dizziness may be due to slow-down of kidney function. Doctors say good kidney function is very important to good health. When some everyday condition, such as stress and strain, causes this important function to slow down, many folks suffer nagging backache, feel miserable. Minor bladder irritation due to cold or wrong diet may cause getting up nights or frequent passing.

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