

Wintry Blast Brings Snow, Half-Inch Rain

Old Man Winter reached into his hip pocket this week and pulled out a regular March blast, with snow, rain, and wind all wrapped up in a neat four-day package.

The treat began Sunday when a small amount of snow fell, and then evened off into a light mist that mist turned into fog for Monday and Tuesday, and then Tuesday night the fog got so heavy it turned into rain.

Tuesday night's rainfall totaled one-half inch, Pete Fulbright local weather observer, reported Wednesday.

Not satisfied with that, Wednesday found Old Man Winter producing snow flurries throughout the afternoon. Wednesday morning the temperature was above freezing, and some mist fell, but in the afternoon, the thermometer dropped suddenly, the wind rose as suddenly, and the snow flurries came.

The weather was not confined to the McLean area, although McLean got off light Sunday. On that day, other Panhandle areas received heavy snows. Particularly was the Sunday snowfall heavy on the South Plains where up to eight inches of snow were reported.

The snow was welcome in wheat, raising spots, assuring the plains area of a good seasoning for wheat and grass and also aiding as a blow to the dust storms this and next month. Wheat farmers were especially happy, and stated that with another inch of moisture in April and May, fine crops will result. The price of wheat, incidentally, soared to \$2.80 in Chicago Tuesday.

Legion to Sponsor Dance on March 17

The Andrew H. Floyd Post of the American Legion in McLean will sponsor its second dance in the new Legion building Monday night, March 17, it was announced this week.

Playing for the dance will be the all-negro orchestra of Josh O'Neal, from Broger.

Admission will be \$2.40 couple or stag. All proceeds will go into the Legion building fund.

Annual Red Cross Fund Drive Starts

An all-out effort to obtain McLean's quota of \$530 in the national American Red Cross drive will be made beginning this week, George Graham, chairman of the 1947 fund drive in the McLean area, has announced.

Committee chairmen for the various districts of the area have been named by Graham and are as follows: Division chairman, business district of McLean, Jack Mercer; chairman special gifts, Charles Cousins; division chairman, Alanreed, B. W. Moreman; division chairman, precinct 3, L. H. Earthman; residential district, Mrs. W. S. Lentz; Junior Red Cross chairman, Mrs. Jim Back.

In announcing that the drive will begin this week, Graham pointed out that "never in time of peace has the American Red Cross been called upon to render such extensive services to the military forces at home and abroad, and to veterans as are now required."

"Approximately 75 per cent of Red Cross funds are still spent in war-related services at home and overseas. We still have more than 2,900 workers serving outside of the United States. As our work in army and navy hospitals and other installations gradually decreases during the next few years work with veterans and their

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Lions Hold First Show Rehearsal

Initial rehearsal for the Lions Club minstrel show was held Wednesday night, but as yet the cast for the show has not been completed.

Directors J. E. Short and L. H. Campbell assigned parts to eight men and the interactor, and other members of the cast are now being selected. Talent for the show will include a number of men who are not members of the Lions Club, and several women.

Date for the show has not been announced, but it is probable that it will be held about the middle of April. All net proceeds will go to the McLean Garden Club's tennis court fund.

C. of C. to Have First Meeting Tuesday Night

The first meeting of the new officers and directors of the McLean chapter of commerce will be held Tuesday night, March 18, at 7:30 o'clock at the city hall, Ruel Smith, newly-elected president announced this week.

Some topic of discussion, it was pointed out, will be the possibilities of employing a full-time chamber of commerce secretary and manager. Business men approved the idea at the meeting held March 3, when the new officers and directors were chosen.

All officers and directors are urged to present, Smith emphasized. Those chosen at the recent meeting were Smith; Lester Campbell, vice president; Paul A. Pierson, secretary; Clifford Allison, treasurer; and directors, John Cooper, Guy Hibler, Logan Cummings, Ed Lander, Roger Powers, and Harris King.

At the March 3 meeting, considerable discussion on the full-time manager question was held, and near the close of the session, business men voted 24 to 6 in favor of hiring a full-time man. Of the six opposed, five favored a part-time manager and one no manager at all.

The main difficulty in the program will be financing the chamber, of course, and in the earlier meeting, with only about one-half of the businesses represented, a total of \$231 per month was unofficially pledged.

Most business men favoring the idea are of the opinion that the money can be collected in the form of memberships for several months, but they also fear that interest may lag at that time. Should this difficulty arise, it was explained, then the manager could not be paid.

Those favoring the project pointed out that little direct benefits from a paid manager could be expected immediately, and for this reason, some men might feel that they are paying out their money for nothing.

It was explained that a paid manager will have many duties, and those duties will consist of things which the average business man does not have time to attend to personally. A large amount of correspondence must be handled by an active chamber of commerce, it was pointed out, and the paid secretary will have this as one of his duties. His main function, however, will be that of carrying out various projects that will tend to increase business in the city. One of the first objects will be to contact various large industries, with the hope that one of them will see fit to establish a small branch plant here. Another first on the list is to work with the U. S. officials in completing the new two-lane Highway 66 through McLean.

No Nose Needed To Tell This Is Really News

Guy Hibler can't tell you much about the rain Tuesday night—he was having skunk troubles.

Guy had been "sensing" the presence of the skunks, and hadn't been able to capture the elusive animals, which were running loose underneath his house.

Tuesday night a trap he had set paid off, and Guy ran out with his gun and shot one skunk, but let the other get away.

He still has one skunk, but apparently it was too lonesome to do much emitting Tuesday night for Guy slept through the rain.

Stamp 11 Good for Not Five—But 10—Pounds of Sugar

Spare stamp No. 11 in OPA family ration books will become good for 10 pounds of sugar April 1, the office of temporary controls announced this week.

Validation of the 10-pound stamp will mark OPA's change-over from the 5-pound ration procedure for household users. The current stamp, No. 53, good for five pounds, will expire March 31.

Stamp No. 11 will be good through September 30, but OPA said a second stamp good for 10 pounds will be available July 1, providing sugar imports meet expectations.

OPA officials said it is possible that still another 10 pounds bringing the year's total for household users to 35, may be made available September 30.

Kellerville Cubs Receive Ranks

The first meeting of the recently organized Cub Scouts of Kellerville was attended by about 50 Monday night. Each cub received the honor of completing the first rank in cubbing. This was done in an impressive manner by the cubmaster, James F. Scott, assisted by Ome McPherson, assistant cubmaster.

The pack has 13 cubs registered and they each received their first rank, which is Bob Cat. The boys are divided into two dens with Mrs. Jack Boyd as den mother of den No. 1 and Charles Boyd and David McPherson as den chiefs. Mrs. Hood Williams is the den mother of den No. 2 and Duane McPherson and Billy Harris the den chiefs.

Cubs receiving the Bob Cat rank were Don Haslam, Booy Boye, Charley Barnes, Ronnie Hiley, Donald Fortin, Luther Thompson, Rex Smith, Wayne Elliott, Gene and James Farren, Freddie Sager, Thomas Vail, and Hoyt Williams. All of the parents of the cubs were present, and they each were asked forward to pin the badge on their son.

The cubs having passed their rank are now eligible for the uniform, and Cub Master Scott said they would all have their uniforms in a few days and that the pack would be 100 per cent in uniform. He also stated that he was well pleased with the interest manifested in cubbing and with the cooperation he was receiving from the parents.

Sandwiches and pop were served at the close of the meeting.

Alanreed Church To Have Revival

A revival of one week's duration will commence next Sunday morning at the Methodist church in Alanreed, Rev. W. O. Taylor, pastor, has announced.

The meeting will be conducted by Rev. Jackson of Pampa, and will close the following Sunday, March 23, the pastor said.

Services will be held each evening during the week beginning at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited, Rev. Taylor stated.

Musical Program Given for Lions

Piano and vocal numbers by LaWanda Shadid and Patty Ruth Rippey made up the program at the regular meeting of the Lions Club Tuesday noon.

Miss Shadid played both classical and popular numbers on the piano, and then the two of them played a duet. Following this, Miss Rippey sang a popular solo, accompanied at the piano by Miss Shadid.

Special guests at the meeting were Clyde Magee, vocational agriculture teacher, and Dicky Andrews, club boy who recently carried away top honors in the Top O' Texas show at Pampa.

Epidemic of Influenza Causing 20 Per Cent School Absenteeism

Interest in Local Politics Hiked As Lander Enters Mayor's Race

Two Members School Board To Be Elected

Voters of the McLean area will get another opportunity of having their "say" when the school election is held Saturday, April 5.

Two members to the school board of the McLean Independent School District are to be elected to fill the expired terms of Clifford Allison and Perry Everett.

The school board in a meeting this week placed the two names on the ballot for re-election, and thus far no other candidates have been filed, School Manager George Colebank said this week.

The election so far lacks the interest which the coming city election is garnering, and it is expected that the board election will continue to be quiet.

Only two members are to be elected. Present board members are Ruel Smith, chairman; Everett, secretary; and Erey Cubine, Boyd Reeves, John Haynes, C. J. Montgomery, and Allison.

According to the law, the city election is held each year on the first Tuesday in April, and the school election the first Saturday in April. This year, the city election precedes the school election.

Presbyterians Call Meeting

All members of the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of McLean are urged to be present at the congregational meeting Sunday night, March 16, at 7 o'clock, when voting on the candidacy of Rev. Karl Ernst for the pastorate will be held, it was announced this week.

Rev. Ernst, who has been taking graduate work in the Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, N. J., conducted services at the local church December 1. He served as chaplain in the U. S. Navy during the war.

Services at the church Sunday will be as follows: Sunday School, 10 o'clock; morning worship, 11 o'clock; evening services, 7 o'clock (congregational meeting at this time to vote on Rev. Ernst).

If a man be gracious to strangers, it shows that he is a citizen of the world, and his heart is no island, cut off from other islands, but a continent that joins them.—Bacon.

Mrs. Webb Tells Us—

'SICHOLOGY IS HARD TO UNDERSTAND'

The Sewing Circle ladies shore put me wise on how to raise younguns. Pa's sister (she puts her house in a dying condition ever nite) shore knows a lot, not to have no younguns of her own. It seems there's inverted, exverted and aggressive types—you got to study em and handle em jist keepest.

Sattidy come and I wuz amakin five Easter dresses and five pretty princess slips and aplannin on slippers and hair bows to match for Easter Sunday.

While I wuz sewin away Little Joe kept his finger on the wheel agoin round as I peddled, jist this once I didn't take time to talk to him but jist thumped him on the head with my thimble. It ain't good siciology (that word has a p in it, the ladies sed, but I can't find no place to put it) to have a weapon handy, but if you are busy it's a good idear.

Many Families Report at Least One Member Ill

The epidemic of influenza which has been sweeping the state and nation for the past week or two hit McLean last week-end and the first of this week after getting off to a slow start here last week.

Schools were still functioning, but not quite up to par, Logan Cummings, superintendent, said, and in the grade school the illness reached into the faculty and took two or three teachers out of the classrooms.

The grade schools were missing about 25 per cent of their students the latter part of last week and the first of this week, and the high school showed a slightly lower percentage of absenteeism.

A considerable number of employees at the Warren Petroleum refinery were also absent from work, although the situation was not serious enough to threaten closing down the plant.

Nearly every business house in town had an employee ill, or a member of one of the families concerned with the store ill. In some cases, every member of the family was ill, some seriously, others only slightly.

Common colds, the forerunner of flu, were even more numerous, and the sudden change in the weather early last week brought on most of these colds.

The weather itself was no aid to the ailing people. The cold spell in the middle of last week dropped the thermometer down from Spring-like weather to winter weather. Then snow fell, and then more snow Sunday. Monday's weather was damp and cold, giving the sick no relief.

Fire Insurance Credit Neutral

The credit on fire insurance for the city of McLean has been declared neutral for 1947, Fire Marshal John Sparks has been notified.

A credit of 5 per cent was allowed McLean in 1944, 1945, and 1946, but a heavy fire loss at the First Baptist Church last year caused loss of this credit.

Through the system set up by the state fire insurance commission, credits up to 25 per cent may be allowed, or penalties up to 15 per cent. In 1943 McLean had a credit of 15 per cent, and in some years in the past the penalty has also reached that figure.

One Injured in Truck Collision

One man was injured and two others escaped injury when two trucks collided on Highway 66 about five miles east of McLean Monday morning.

Injured was Guy Scurlock of Galena, Kans., who given medical treatment for cuts and bruises. Riding with him in one of the trucks was his nephew, J. L. Osborne of Galena, who was uninjured. Also unhurt was the driver of the other truck, a Pinkney Packing company truck of Amarillo, James A. McCarty.

The accident occurred during the foggy morning when the two trucks collided as McCarty was turning his truck from the highway. Both trucks were badly damaged, it was reported.

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James Scott, minister of the Church of Christ at Kalerolle, was a guest speaker Monday morning in assembly directed by Mrs. J. O. Clark.

School will be closed Friday so that the teachers can attend a

meeting in Amarillo Friday and Saturday.

Miss Lillie Williams was ill last week-end.

Patrice Castiberry Jr. was ill last week.

Who will be queen? The grade school and the Alameda High School students will pay homage to their royalty when the coronation ceremonies take place

next Tuesday night is the gymnasium at 8 o'clock. A musical rally to determine the winner of the coronation. After the coronation, the queen will be entertained with a well-planned program. The public is invited to attend this program which is the beginning of the spring activities of the junior and senior classes.

Each Bible leads the queen race with a vote of 1,361 to 1,287 for Evelyn Carpenter. For the most popular boy and girls race, Jessamie Hall and Don Allen lead with 1,463 votes to 1,422 for Flora Hill and Joe Ed Sherrod. Who will be the winners? Come and vote before it is too late.

Gene Sherrod is ill with the flu. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Day and family were Pampa visitors Saturday and Sunday.

H. A. Bullock made a business trip to Pampa Monday.

We are sorry to report Adair Prock is ill.

Bob Massey of McLean was a business visitor here Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bible were shopping in Alameda Friday.

Mrs. Hugo Rasmus was in Alameda Wednesday.

Warren Carter was in Alameda Friday.

Miss Julia Barthman of Miami visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Barthman, over the week-end.

Mrs. Wayne Griffin of Pampa and Mrs. T. T. Griffin visited Mrs. S. B. Magee Tuesday.

H. A. Bullock was a McLean visitor Friday.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. Maggie Clark is ill.

Frank Smith of McLean spent Tuesday and Wednesday here on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Chapman have returned from a visit to Oklahoma City.

Mrs. L. H. Barthman and Mrs. W. H. Hainley shopped in McLean Monday.

Mrs. S. B. Magee visited in Pampa Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Clady of Pampa were Alameda visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Barthman accompanied their daughter Julia to Miami Sunday.

H. A. Bullock, Harvey Craig, Burney Clayton, and H. W. Hainley attended the funeral of Hoses Biggers held in McLean Tuesday.

Jessamie Hall and Evelyn Carpenter were McLean visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Lumer are moving to Conway this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hainley and Harry Jr. of McLean spent the week-end in Carlsbad, N. M.

S. B. Magee is reported ill this week. Smiley Prock is in charge of the Magnolia service station.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Chapman of McLean visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe

Chapman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Griffin visited here over the week-end.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Ruth Adridge of Danville is improving. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cap Palmer and sister of Mrs. Alma Marenman.

Joe Morser is ill this week.

Mrs. C. J. Palmer of Sibley, Okla., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Del Hill.

The Alameda P-TA met Tuesday, March 4, for a very interesting program. The devotional, "We Dedicate This Day," was given by Miss Williams. Billy's First Dance, by the 5th and 6th grade pupils and sponsored by Mrs. Alice Stubbie, a reading by Kay Stubbie and Dianne Clayton, "Founder's Day," a play by the 4th and 5th grade girls, "The Shiny Road," by Mrs. Helen Castiberry, Alice Stubbie, and Mrs. Burney Clayton, "Tolerance in Plumes," a reading by Justice Hall, and an interesting talk by the superintendent, Rose Hall.

Full," the honeymoon capital. Refreshments were served to the members, June Woods, Bob Thomas, P. A. Pearson, R. C. McNeil, J. H. Kessler, Carl Jones, Emory Crockett, J. D. Coleman, C. W. Beagan, Jim Buck, and W. E. Beagan. Mrs. J. L. Hrus and Mrs. E. D. Morris of Kalerolle were guests of the club.

Mrs. Mamie Graham visited several days last week in Miami with her daughter, Mrs. Hayden Hainley.

Dr. and Mrs. E. S. Kohn were visitors Saturday and Sunday in the home of Dr. C. D. Kohn in Sibley.

Mrs. Alma Hainley left Tuesday for Albuquerque, N. M., to be with her brother, Luther Hainley, who is seriously ill.

Mrs. Jack Morser was a business visitor last Thursday in Pampa.

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Pioneer Club Has Meeting in Home Of Mrs. Magee

A very interesting program, "Highroad to History," was enjoyed by members and guests of the Pioneer Study Club when they met in the home of Mrs. Claude Magee Thursday, March 6.

Following the business meeting conducted by Mrs. Bob Thomas, Mrs. Carl Jones had charge of the program.

Mrs. Paul Purken gave picturesque descriptions and personal impressions of "Skyline Drive" and "New Orleans."

Mrs. W. E. Beagan gave a delightful discussion on "Stages

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Mrs. R. N. Mullanax of Graham visited here Sunday with her son, M. O. Mullanax, and daughter, Mrs. H. F. Magerkurth.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Klause visited over the week-end in Amarillo with friends.

Mrs. H. E. Franks and Mrs. W. S. Lentz returned Saturday from a District 1 Texas Garden Club meeting in Lubbock.

SOCIETY

Presbyterian Ladies Auxiliary Meets at Church

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church met Wednesday of last week in the church parlor.

At the opening of the program Mrs. F. H. Bourland read the missionary names and a prayer was given by Mrs. Mattie Graham. The devotional, "Inevitable Crosses," and a prayer were given by Mrs. Bourland. The afternoon was spent filling out reports on last year's work, and the new president appointed chairmen for all her committees for the new year. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer given by the group.

Members present were Mesdames H. E. Franks, John B. Rice, Mattie Graham, Arthur Erwin, J. B. Hembree, C. E. Cooke, C. O. Good, man, and F. H. Bourland.

Graham, Bonnie Swanson, Lester of said Court, at office in Pampa, Dysart, and W. E. Bogan. Mesdames J. B. Hembree, Dee Cleman, Lester Campbell, W. S. Lentz, J. M. Payne, and Mattie Graham.

E. J. Windom and son, E. J. Jr., returned Saturday from a visit in Mineral Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Price and daughter of Pampa were visitors here over the week-end with relatives.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: L. C. McMahan, GREETING:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock a. m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 31st day of March, A. D. 1947, at or before 10 o'clock a. m. before the Honorable District Court of Gray County, at the Court House in Pampa, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 12th day of February, 1947.

The file number of said suit being No. 8630.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Ruby Payne McMahan as Plaintiff, and L. C. McMahan as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff alleges that defendant abandoned plaintiff and declared his purpose to make such abandonment permanent and that period of such abandonment has been for more than three years.

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WCS of Heald Has Luncheon in Bennett Home

The Heald W. S. C. S. met Wednesday of last week in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Bennett for a covered dish luncheon. The regular lesson for the meeting was on "India," given by the study chairman, Mrs. Nida Green.

Members attending the luncheon were Mrs. K. S. Rippy, Mrs. Nida Green, Mrs. W. L. Rippy, Mrs. Louisa Ladd, Mrs. George Reneau, Mrs. Bennett, and a guest, Mrs. Gus Swanson.

Junior Music Club Meets in Studio of Mrs. Boyett

Twenty visitors were present March 7 in Mrs. Willie Boyett's studio when the Junior Music Club met.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Raymond Glass, Mrs. Horace Brooks, and Mrs. Sam McClellan. Two new members, Bobby Boyd and Donna Ruth Magee, were introduced into the club. Two other members, Wanda Mae Clark and Charlie Joe Thompson, have moved away. Guest player for the program was Laura Mae Switzer.

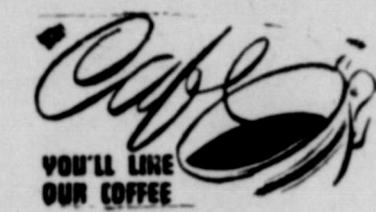
The February honor roll pupils were Shirley Allison, Bobby Boyd, Floella Cubine, Betty Ruth Dickerson, Mollie Erwin, Waneta Hupp, Monta Jean Kennedy, Patsy Lowary, Betty Jean McClellan, Billy Eugene Rodgers, Dickie Sillar, Donna Gail Stubblefield, Olenda Switzer, Frankie Tucker, Peggy Tindall, Barbara Nell Williams, and Wayne Woods.

Garden Club Hears Talk on Floral Art Arrangement

Hostesses Monday afternoon for the McLean Garden Club members were Mesdames Woody Wilkerson, Roger Powers, Boyd Meador, and C. O. Goodman.

Mrs. W. S. Lentz, president, presided during the business session and the "Timely Tip" was given by Mrs. Bonnie Swanson. An interesting talk was given by Mrs. Lester Dysart on "The Art of Flower Arrangement."

Refreshments were served during the social hour to Mesdames Leo Gibson, Amos Thacker, George



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Editorials

TO REMIND YOU

IT IS STILL a little early to urge all qualified voters to cast their ballots April 1, the date of the coming city election, but perhaps a early reminder on the subject will aid in getting more voters out to the polls.

Voters at the election will have the opportunity of electing a city mayor, two aldermen, a city secretary, and a city marshal, and from all appearances now, the voters will have a choice to make in selecting their officials.

The News has no bones to pick with any of the candidates, but we would like to urge everyone to vote, regardless of for whom you vote. Only by a large vote can a true representative of the people be chosen as mayor, and only by a large vote can true representatives be chosen for the other offices.

This is an "off-year" as far as county and state campaigns are concerned, and as a result, many people did not pay their poll taxes. No city poll taxes are collected, but to be eligible to vote in the city election, the county and state poll taxes must have been paid.

The vote may be light, but if it is, it will probably be because so few did pay their poll taxes. Interest in the coming election is rising daily, particularly in the races for mayor and aldermen. The News hopes that your interest is aroused enough to make you go to the polls and cast your ballot. For only in that way do you have a voice in the choice of your local governing officials.

LES TALK

By LESTER

Here are names of more readers who are either new subscribers or who have renewed their subscriptions recently. We'll publish more next week:

C. A. Myatt, Mrs. Jim Simpson, Mrs. Dale Burch, Jake Erskine, N. A. Greer, C. E. Cortis, C. A. Gatlin, Joe Willis, J. D. Coleman, H. W. McAdams, T. H. Hardin, Bill Cooke, E. H. Almond, W. T. Eldridge, Sid Stewart, Harold C. Petty, Clyde Magee, Mrs. W. C. Mohary, R. L. Brown, H. C. Rippy, W. C. Shull, Pete Fulbright, T. B. Roby, Fred Bentley.

John L. Lewis suffered a severe stroke to his ego last week when the Supreme Court upheld a lower court's injunction and fine against both Lewis and his union.

Not only was the blow severe to Lewis, but it was severe to the union, and all of organized labor—both now and in the future. Having lived in small towns and not near organized labor practically all of my life except for service time, I naturally side in against Lewis and his way of doing things. At the same time, I feel that unions are good things, but I am inclined to believe that many of their leaders lean a bit too far towards the communistic or socialistic beliefs. Perhaps my trouble is that I have never been too well acquainted with unions and the work they do. The only time I have ever seen them work was during the war, and I must say I would feel somewhat disgraced if I had been a party to some of the things the unions did in navy yards. For example, I have seen yard workers, well-unionized, loafing while soldiers, sailors, and marines died, simply because the union rules called for them to have certain men for certain jobs. And if one of those certain men wasn't there, the men would loaf while being paid, when they could have gone ahead with their work without that certain man. For that reason, as well as others, I am glad that the Supreme Court has decided that Lewis and his union are not bigger than our form of government. As one writer put it, the day that the Supreme Court rendered their decision should be termed a second Independence Day and should be ranked along with July 4.

The date of this issue of The News is March 13, and that day is Thursday. March 15 comes two days later, and that day will

be Saturday. And Saturday, just in case it is slipping your mind, is the final day on which you can file your income tax return, and still be in the clear. Many people have already filed their returns, since many make a final return January 15 and get it over with. But a large number who do not have to file by January 15 (and I won't go into detail on who should file when 'cause I don't know anyway) wait until the last day, and so this paragraph is put in here merely to remind you that if you haven't already, you certainly should, or soon it will be too late—to file legally I mean—and then you will wish that you had and you'll be sorry, and I will be too, no doubt, if you have read this far, because I know full well that you will be sorry if you have read this far, and that will make me sorry too, and besides I have already filed my income tax return anyway.

Harold Meador, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Meador; Alice Billy Curtis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cortis; and Earlene Eustace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Eustace, students at West Texas State College in Canyon, were visitors here over the week-end.

R. L. Appling, M. D. Bentley, and Murray Boston attended a Baptist brotherhood meeting in Shamrock last Thursday.

Mrs. H. C. Rippy and daughter Patty Ruth were business visitors in Amarillo Saturday.

Buck Mooring is reported ill this week.



It's not his ability to kick, but his ability to pull that makes the mule such a valuable animal.

Blue and White Laundry

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Cunningham Terry were visitors in Pampa Saturday. I know that the Lord is always on the side of the right, but it is my constant anxiety and prayer that I and this nation should be on the Lord's side.—Abraham Lincoln.

Charlie Gray of Dumas was a visitor with friends here over the week-end.

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Personals

G. A. Nicholson returned to his home in Ashland, Kans., last Thursday after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Nicholson.

Mrs. Jeanne Little returned to Amarillo Tuesday after a visit here with her children.

Mrs. O. G. Stokely returned Friday from a two-weeks visit with her daughter in San Francisco, Calif.

J. W. Harris of Lefors was a week-end visitor in McLean.

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PEACHES	gallon	89c
TOMATOES	No. 2	14c
PINTO BEANS	Diven tall can	10c

COFFEE	PEAS
Del Monte	Snowdrift
1 lb jar	No. 2
33c	14c

Grapefruit JUICE	Sweet POTATOES
White Swan	No. 2 1/2
3 for 25c	21c

Blackberries	31c
Potatoes	10 lb. mesh bag 39c

VARIETY MEATS

DRIED BEEF	pkg. 25c
CHEESE	AMERICAN sliced 51c
ROAST	BABY BEEF 34c

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WE—DO—SELL FOR CASH

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cash and Don of Dumas visited Monday in the home of their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Cash. Don remained for a visit with his grandparents.

Miss Meta Bruton And J. O. Haanstad Wed at Kellerville

Wedding vows were exchanged Sunday afternoon, March 9, at 3 o'clock at the First Baptist Church in Kellerville for Meta Elizabeth Bruton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bruton, and John Olav Haanstad.

Rev. W. R. Lawrence, pastor of the First Baptist Church of McLean, officiated at the double-ring service as the couple stood before a white altar decorated with tall baskets of Easter lilies and ferns, flanked by white tapers in multi-branched candelabra.

Miss Mary Beth D'Spain sang "I Love You Truly," accompanied by Miss Lota Mae Hughes, who also played the traditional wedding marches as processional and recessional. Preceding the ceremony Miss Norma Chapman lighted the tall tapers.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a street-length white gabardine dress with a shoulder length veil, and carried

SOCIETY

1934 Sewing Club Meets in Home of Mrs. Mattie Upham

Mrs. Mattie Upham was hostess Friday, March 7, to the 1934 Sewing Club.

Refreshments were served to Mesdames Byrd Gull, Elmer Kirby, A. Stanfield, Oallie Hanyes, Alice Wilson, Ellen Wilson, Dolly Morse, C. S. Rice, I. D. Shaw, and D. A. Davis.

ELECTION NOTICE

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF GRAY
CITY OF McLEAN

To the qualified voters of the City of McLean, Gray County, Texas. Take notice, that an election will be held Tuesday, April 1, A. D. 1947, at the City Hall in the City of McLean, Gray County, Texas, for the purpose of:

ELECTING A CITY MAYOR
ELECTING TWO CITY ALDERMEN

ELECTING A CITY SECRETARY
ELECTING A CITY MARSHAL

Every person who has attained

the age of twenty-one years, who has resided in the State of Texas twelve months and within the corporate limits of the City of McLean, Gray County, Texas, six months prior to date of said election, and is a qualified voter under the laws of the State, shall be entitled to vote at said election.

No person shall be eligible to any of said offices unless he possesses the requisites for voters at such an election.

E. L. Cubine has been appointed to serve as presiding officer of said election, and he shall select two judges to assist him in holding the same.

Said election shall be held in the manner prescribed for hold-

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Cindy . . . (That's my woman) . . . I made that money often my Cotton than any other crop.

Thunder! I got more out of seed alone last year than I used to get out of the whole bale and on account of the shortage of cotton and cottonseed bears it me the prices of em will stay high.

Fate Woeat . . . Ever feller wanted to be a "What King" . . . Now there's a goin to be more of the stuff than the world has ever seen . . . Bitch a lot of them Wheat Kings ain't a'goin to have no Crown hardly . . . I'm a'goin to have Cotton along with my wheat.

An take Kaffir an maize an stuff like that . . . The crows et mine up last year.

So Ole Man Past, the Prophet of the Future, says the PROFIT of the Future is in plantin cotton . . . First there ain't no oil and ain't no more 'n enough cake and ain't hardly no linters 'tall . . . First 'ver feller needs Cotton . . . But first I gotta git 'is Farmin' . . . Sure is lots 'n First in Cotton . . . Ain't they? . . . See ya.

Sincerely, Cotton Ed.
"Friendly As Cotton"

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We know a dear old soul who thinks that open shop is better than closed shop because of the ventilation. A fiery-tempered businessman wrote the following letter.

Dear Sir: My stenographer, being a lady, cannot type what I think of you. I, being a gentleman, cannot think it. You, being neither, will understand what I mean.

Old Lady (on New York-bound train): "Conductor, does this train stop in Grand Central Station?" Conductor: "Madam, there'll be a terrible wreck if it doesn't!"

And, speaking of wrecks, we'd like to be sure that that isn't what your car is heading for! With plenty of winter hazards still to come—better be sure it stays in top condition by having your lubrication attended to here. Drive in today.

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1 lb. can 39c

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- Shampoo Modart 75c size 54c
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McLean, Your Home Town and Mine

McLean, your home town and mine, a place that we all want to grow and prosper, an up and coming community with an eye to the future. A place that we will be proud to show our friends, and rear our children. A town with fine churches, good schools, thriving business houses, good roads and good recreational facilities for all the people.

The war is over, no longer do we have the excuse to just let things wait or slide along until some other time. We have men and women ready and anxious to help build McLean, if they are only given the opportunity. It is time to start!

The town has a number of default tax lots, we have families wanting homes, either to rent, build or buy. There can be a plan worked out to get these tax lots and homeless people together.

Grocery stores and cafes have to buy certain commodities from nearby towns, commodities that could be manufactured here. There is now being purchased in the city limits of McLean \$4,341.00 in bakery supplies each month. This should support a bakery in McLean. We could also support a milk pasteurizing and cheese processing plant, a creamery. These and many other things would add new families to our city.

The chamber of commerce, men's clubs, and women's organizations will work hard to improve and beautify our community if they are given the chance. The American Legion has worked hard to obtain a large building for recreation and civic use. It can and will be successful if we will just give it our whole-hearted support.

We should advertise our town, so that the families will want to come here to establish their homes and businesses. Let them know that McLean is a progressive town that is constantly trying to better itself. A town that is interested in educating its children.

The schools have made a recent improvement, we want them to continue to do so. We have a fine school band organized now and if the people will work hard to support it as it should be, it will become one of the outstanding bands in this part of the country. A town as well as a school needs a good band.

We are proud of the fine record that was made recently by our agricultural clubs. Why can't we give them more recognition and encouragement at home? Let's have our Future Farmers of America and the 4-H Club sponsor a livestock show in their own town. We are essentially a farming community, so let's give our young farmers more backing.

The young people need more recreation centers. If we will work together, we can build them whatever they need here, so that it will not be necessary to drive at least twenty miles every time our children want to do something different.

In a few words of summary, I desire a form of city government that stresses good churches and schools, more business houses, a strong farm program, more recreation for all age groups, a building program. McLean can be a self supporting town with a minimum tax rate. The busiest highway in America runs through our town. Let's let the world know, through sound advertising, that McLean is definitely on the map.

I will appreciate your vote.

HARRIS KING
Candidate for Mayor

Pol. Adv.

GRAPE-FRUIT

8 lb bag 34c

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large size

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ORANGE

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No. 2 can 8c

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GRAPEFRUIT

46 oz. can 18c

BAKE-RITE

3 lb can

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PEACHES

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in heavy syrup

No. 2 1/2 can 28c

FRUIT

COCKTAIL

2 1/2 can

39c

BEANS

Van Camp

No. 2 can

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From Our Well Stocked Market

SAUSAGE PURE PORK

lb 45c

BACON

Squares Sugar Cured

lb 38c

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Armour's

lb 39c

PORK

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lb 55c

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lb 65c

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Grocery and Market

The McLean News

McLEAN, GRAY COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, MARCH, 1947.

NOTABLE NEWS EVENTS IN PICTURES



SHE LOVES HER DOLLY—And this little girl's sweet infectious smile is certain to attract smiles and love from others.



STYLED FOR "MARCH"—March of Dimes, that is. For it is a polio campaign fashion show that finds Mary MacArthur, daughter of famous stage star Helen Hayes, in this evening gown of navy blue taffeta.



FAMOUS EAGLE—In Independence Hall at Philadelphia, this eagle goes on display with Lois McCullough, the curator's daughter, as its first admirer. Believed to have lived from 1795 to 1805, the bird was kept in the State House and used by Artist Charles Willson Peale as a model for United States coins and flags the artist designed.



IT'S JUST YOUR POP—That's what Sgt. George Deal of Roanoke, Va., tries to tell his young son as he gives him a welcoming kiss in New York. The baby and his mother arrived at LaGuardia Field with English war brides.



NEW KIND OF PLAYMATE—Marlaine Lockheed, age 3, finds a new pet in "Flag II," Hollywood's latest animal star.



MAN JOB HAS SILVER LINING—Pfc. John Long of Chillicothe, Ohio, takes a turn at guarding \$2,200,000 worth of silver bullion stored with Nazi loot in Frankfurt, Germany.



BREAKFAST FOR TWO—Denver model Peggy Gould has a new career for herself because she answered Terrell Jacob's ad for feminine assistance with his 30 lions and dogs in a Denver performance. She says "lions are nice—nicer than men, or wolves."



HAPPY AGAIN—Helen Mount, age 9, of Flemington, N. J., poses with her new pet, a gift as a result of her plea to a radio commentator for a dog to replace her pet that died.



KING WINTER, THE SCULPTOR—Snow, wind and high altitude in northern Idaho combine to make this sculptured group in Cabinet mountains, where snow was 10 feet deep.

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MOSCOW CONFERENCE Will Debate German Peace Treaty

By EDWIN L. JAMES
(New York Times)

WITH the Big Four Conference meet in Moscow, it is apparent now that it will be a difficult affair, sure to involve issues of national politics and international ideology on a large scale. It is not to be expected that, even taking into account the preliminary work of the Big Four Foreign Ministers' deputies, it will write a German treaty. Those who are optimists hope that it will make a good beginning.

The matter of the peace treaty with Germany is, of itself, the most important matter which has come up for settlement since the end of World War II. There is involved the political future of Europe for years to come, as well as, in large part, the economic future of the Old World. To illustrate why this particular conference will not complete the job, one can cite the circumstance that before a peace pact can be made with the Reich there must be a German Government to sign the treaty. Germany is a very long way from a degree of political unity which permits of the quick establishment of a central government. Before that can be done there must be some form of German economic unity created and that is not in the immediate offing from a practical point of view, although the United States, Russia and Great Britain have expressed adherence to the principle of economic unity.

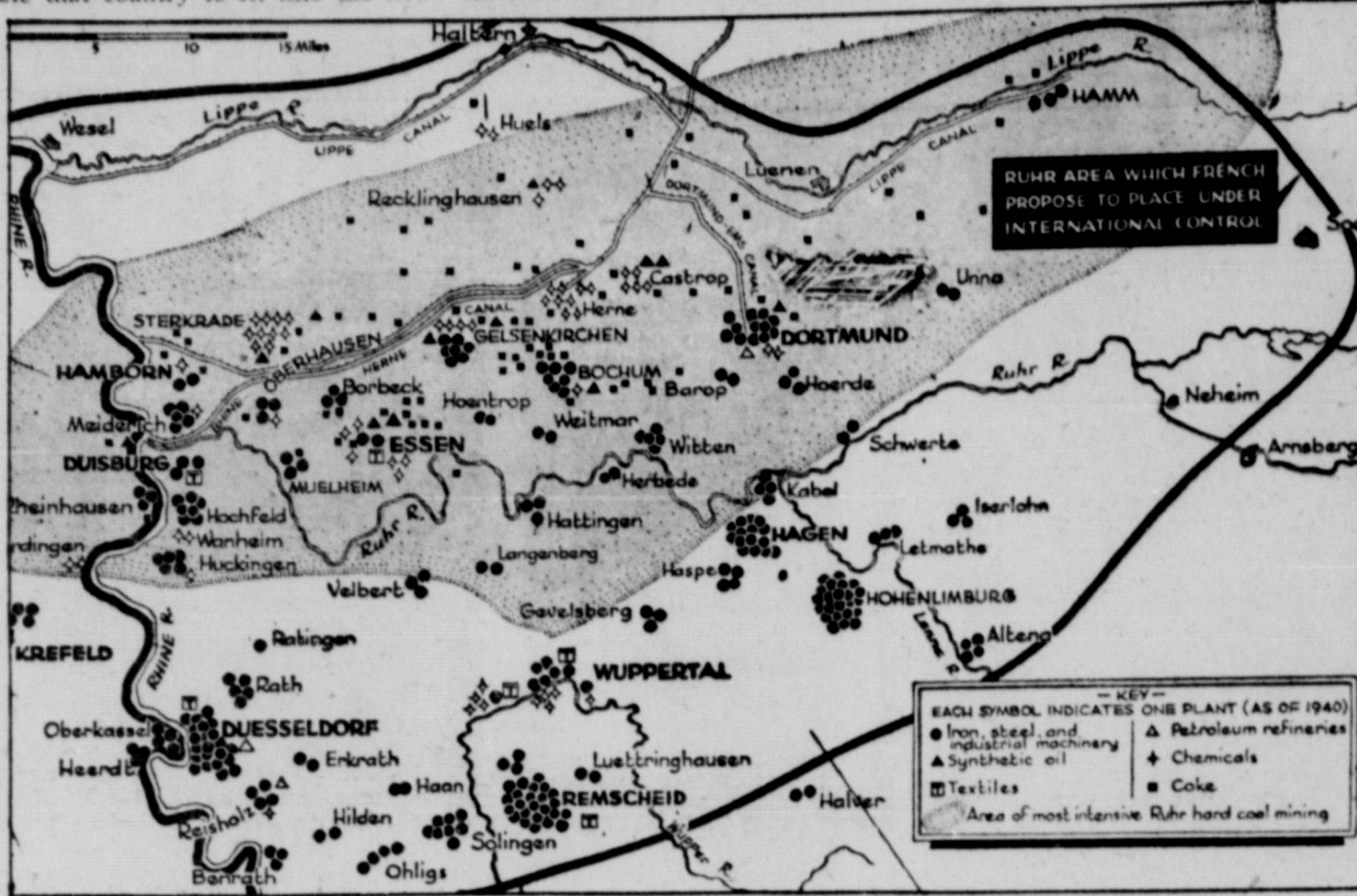
Toward Economic Unity

The Americans and British have united their zones economically to a degree. But this very act has aroused no little sharp-shooting from Moscow, with charges that things are being done which the Russians think should not be done.

Washington and London believe that not only for the sake of Germany her-

self, which must eventually be brought to the status of a self-supporting nation, but for the good of the Continent there must be a degree of economic unity established in Germany which will enable that country to fit into the now

claims to reparations are satisfied and it appears to be their idea that all of Germany should contribute thereto. Moscow has done a good deal of stripping of the Russian-occupied zone of factories and other machinery of pro-



Above is a map of the Ruhr in Germany, keystone of Europe's industrial economy.

disrupted economic puzzle of Europe. The Russians have gone a long way toward accepting that principle, but they have reservations. For example, they wish to make sure that their

duction. This has not been, in all respects, a successful policy and it is said that the Russians now see some advantages in collecting in manufactured products rather than in carting away

under a special regime governed by the Security Council of the United Nations. There is here a chapter in the old fight of the French to be guaranteed a definite and liberal supply of coal from the Ruhr for the purpose of steel production by France. The management of the Ruhr is now in British hands, since it is in the British zone. It is evident that the French would prefer a wider court in which to appeal for Ruhr

coal. This is understandable. Up to the present, Moscow has approved the Paris plan. The Russians have frequently advocated general control of the Ruhr, but it is not clear that they share the French ideas about the distribution of Ruhr coal. The British have their own economic policy, and it is a good guess that the United States is going to find itself the position of mediator in this affair. The French have shown no enthusiasm for the economic unity of Germany, but it stands to reason that the other three members of the Big Four agree on a program it is going to be difficult for the French to keep a zone out of the combination. It is possible that it will work out that the French demand for assurances on the coal may indicate their price for agreeing to economic entity for Germany.

Matter of Government

The disagreements which have arisen about the occupying powers' political matters in Germany, demarcation, for example, may well be a measure of the difficulties which will arise in the German political future. Whether or not Moscow, Washington and London can match up their views on the degree of political autonomy to be given to Germany is certain to be one of the big issues of the conference.

There is the risk of a battle of egos here. There is more common sense spontaneous or not, in the Russian and there is more of what we call democracy in the American and British zone. There is a subject which may be difficult. While there have been reports, officially denied, and these peated, that the Russians are playing with the idea of military evacuation of Germany, it is a very good guess that Moscow will seek "guarantees" before leaving Eastern Germany.

The Foreign Ministers' deputies decided to recommend that all occupying troops be withdrawn from Germany within 90 days after the making of a peace treaty. But Germany, in the eyes of all members of the Big Four, is in another category.

It is evident that the degree of success reached at Moscow will reflect itself in the preparations which probably start before the end of the year for the peace treaty with Japan. It is possible that nationalistic trading in the German treaty will reflect the more ways than one upon the map. (Continued on Page 7, column 3)

THOMAS A. EDISON Centennial

By T. J. McINERNEY
(Orin Magazine)

ON THE occasion of the birthday anniversary of another great American—Tuesday, Feb. 11—a grateful Nation marked the centennial of the birth of Thomas Alva Edison, the man who made the electric age possible.

It was Feb. 11, 1847, in the little town of Milan, O., that the great American inventive genius, son of Samuel and Nancy Edison, was ushered into this world.

His life, viewed in retrospect, dem-

but Edison valued money only as a means of carrying on his work of creating new and useful devices. The true measure of the man—a century after his birth and less than 16 years after his death—is to be found in the increased standards of living, the comforts, the conveniences, and the millions of jobs that grew out of his inventions and discoveries.

Even if Edison had been content to do nothing more than invent the first practical incandescent electric light bulb, that one achievement alone would

The phonograph and the motion picture, the fluorescent lamp, the first electric railroad in America, the invention of a system of wireless telegraphy six years before Marconi's, the making of rubber from goldenrod, the business dictation machine, storage batteries, and a hundred other modern miracles—all these make every American citizen as much a beneficiary of Thomas A. Edison as if he had been included in his will.

Had Sense of Humor

One might suspect that such a man as Edison must have been a cold, humorless individual. On the contrary, he was warmly human and possessed a keen sense of humor. Vanity and pomposity were missing from his make-up. Once a delegation from the French government called on him at his laboratory to decorate him with a medal in recognition of his services to mankind. Dressed in top hats and formal attire, the visitors found Edison at work in old trousers and an undershirt. He had not dressed.

When Thomas Edison died at the age of 84, Oct. 18, 1931, he was buried in Rosedale Cemetery, in Orange, N. J., in a grave which is unmarked to this day. Somehow, it seems fitting that this great American advocate of free enterprise and progressive living should rest in an unadorned grave because, after all, the real memorials to his greatness are to be found in every electric light, every phonograph, every motion picture, every electric train, and every radio and television set that graces this Nation.

In 1946 alone 2,000,000 new customers—each representing a family unit—were added to the rolls of the Nation's electric companies, boosting the number of American families using electricity to approximately 90 per cent. And of the new customers added, only 400,000 were within the limits of cities, indicating the large increase in the farm use of electricity.

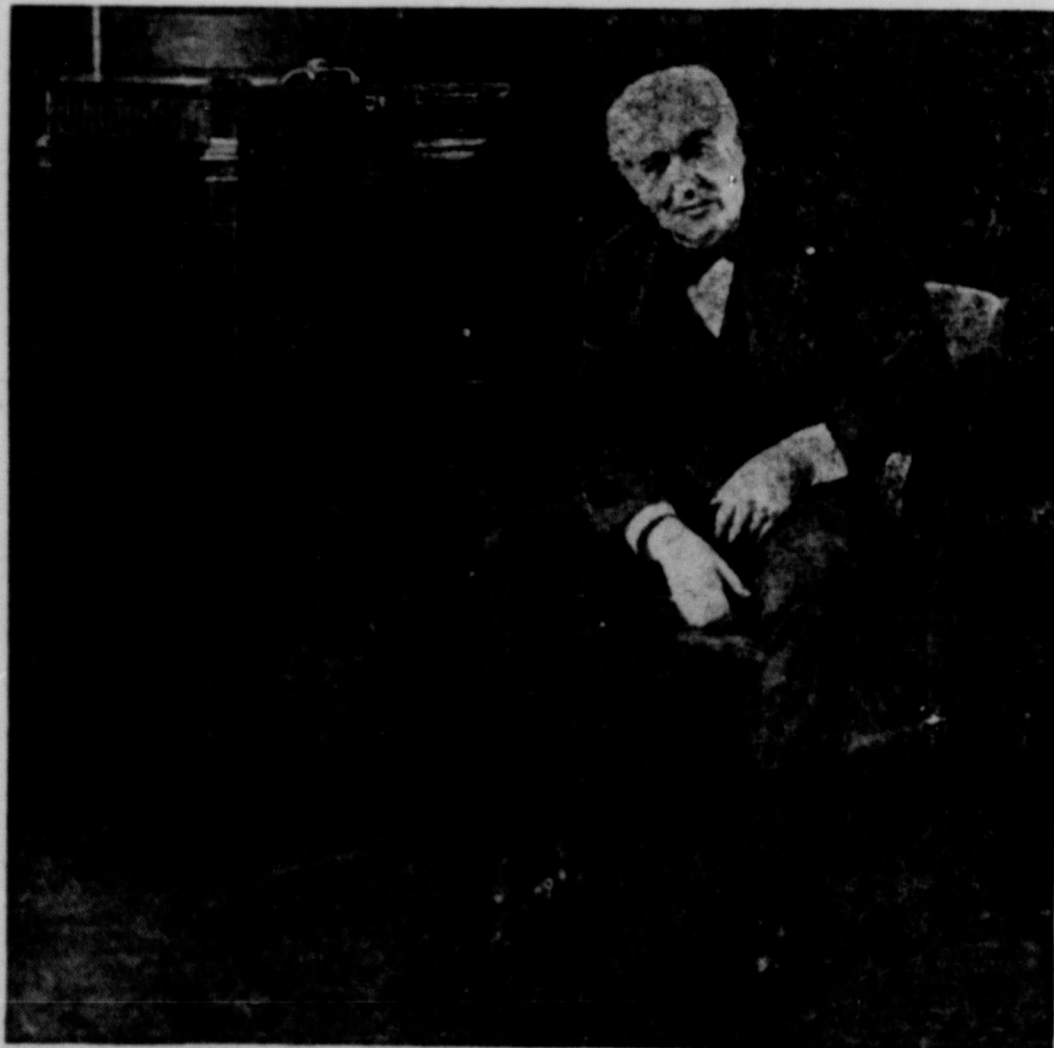
Epochal Year Planned

As a year-long tribute to the man who made all this possible, the industrial leaders who carry on his work plan to make 1947 an epochal year in the electric age.

If, in this critical year of 1947, the American people need a message of courage to help them conquer any difficulties that may confront them, the last public words of Thomas Alva Edison, delivered over the radio to the National Electric Light Association at its convention in Atlantic City in 1931, should suffice:

"My message to you is: Be courageous. I have lived a long time. I have seen history repeat itself again and again. I have seen many depressions in business. Always America has come out stronger and more prosperous. Be as brave as your fathers before you. Have faith. Go forward."

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HIS PHONOGRAPH, the talking machine, was Thomas A. Edison's favorite invention.

onstrates the heights to which a man may rise under a free economy. In many European countries Edison would have been a maker of wooden shingles, because that was his father's trade, and in such lands a son could not rise above the station of his father.

Three Months' Schooling

But Thomas Edison, whose formal education was limited to three months of schooling, contrived inventions and scientific discoveries, which, even by the most conservative estimates, gave birth to new industries with a capital valuation of \$20,000,000,000 and employing more than 4,000,000 persons.

The real measure of Edison's stature cannot be stated in dollars and cents. Hundreds of men in American history accumulated more money than he did,

have been enough to guarantee him fame as an inventor.

Bulb Only a Part

"The Wizard of Menlo Park," as he was to be known later when he moved his laboratory to the little New Jersey town of that name, considered the electric bulb only a part of his schemes and went on to devise an entire generating and distributing system for electricity.

The bulb has become the symbol of his success, but he also invented dynamos, generators, insulators, meters, sockets, fuses, and a hundred other allied items. In the electrical field alone he produced more than 260 inventions and altogether received 1,097 patents—by far the greatest number ever issued by the U. S. Patent Office to one man.

TRAFFIC Safety Seek To Halt Sudden Death

By BOOTH MOONEY
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IN ROUND figures, 2,000 men, women and children were killed in automobile accidents in Texas last year. More than 50,000 persons suffered personal injuries in such accidents, and the economic loss caused by the accidents amounted to approximately one hundred million dollars.

Such facts as these are behind the current drive of the Texas Safety Association to bring about adoption of its six-point traffic control program, which recently was placed before Gov. Beauford Jester at a special conference called in an effort to halt the rising

(1) An increase of 200 additional for the Texas Highway Patrol with adequate operating funds for traffic control purposes. There are at present only 100 highway patrolmen assigned to cover 900 miles of State highways—about 9 miles per patrolman.

(2) Adoption of the Model Traffic Code for uniform traffic regulations. Some of the traffic laws date back to 1917. They need to be revised to be able to cope with present-day high speed traffic.

(3) Broader authority for traffic control in larger cities. This would give the cities more power to deal effectively with drunken drivers, hit-and-run drivers and juvenile traffic offenders.

(4) Restrict use of driver license fees for driver license administration and the Highway Patrol through the Department of Public Safety. This would give the Department



DEATH MAP—Col. Homer C. Garrison, Jr., director of the State Department of Public Safety, presents the death map of Texas to Governor Jester at the recent safety conference. Each pin on the map represents a death by a traffic accident. Left to right: Felix C. Tapp, manager of the San Antonio Safety Council; Colonel Garrison; L. G. Graff, safety director of the Fort Worth Safety Council; Carl J. Rutland, Dallas, president for traffic safety of the Texas Safety Association, and Governor Jester.

tide of death on Texas streets and highways.

Nature of Program

The Texas Safety Association is a non-profit organization brought into being some 10 years ago to cooperate with State and local law officials and numerous private groups to make life safer in Texas. The Association's program, developed through a series of State conferences by traffic authorities and patterned after recommendations of the National Highway Safety Conference, proposes the following legislation:

ers' License Division of that department funds to operate properly, insuring the withholding of licenses from incompetent drivers.

(5) Controlled Access Highway Act. This would authorize the State Highway Department to control points of access to the main channels of traffic where it would be advisable to install engineering features that would make it easier to get safely in and out of the heavy flow of traffic.

Safety Education

(6) Adequate appropriations for driver education and driver training courses in Texas schools under direction of the State Department of Education.

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CURRENT COMMENT

By STAFF EDITOR

Biggest Plane Unveiled

The Army Air Forces recently unveiled its mammoth double-decker KC-99, world's largest cargo plane, Consolidated Vultee plant in San Diego, California.

Capable of hauling 400 troops, 335 patients or 100,000 pounds of cargo, the 365,000-pound giant plane is 110 feet long and has a wing-span of 140 feet. It is powered by six horsepower engines and the reversible propellers have 19-foot blades.

The plane carries a payload 8,000 pounds without landing.

Record Tire Output

The American tire industry produced 60,794,441 passenger car and motor truck tires in 1946 to set an all-time record, the Civilian Production Administration announced.

The mark was an increase of 136 per cent over 1945 and surpassed by 15,000,000 the prewar record of 51,000,000 in 1940.

Truck and bus tires produced last year totaled 15,837,039.

Asks Atom Leak Stopped

Chairman Hickenlooper, of the Senate Atomic Energy Committee, says members of Congress are investigating the report made by Bernard M. Baruch recently that Russia has had considerable success in probing into American atom bomb secrets.

Meanwhile, top-flight Army intelligence officers are making their own investigations, and every effort is being made to find the source of the alleged leaks.

Favors Two-Year Colleges

Dr. James B. Conant, president of Harvard University, told a Dallas audience that he is in favor of expansion of the two-year college system in order to take care of the postwar boom in education.

He said this expansion, which could be carried out under the public school system, would relieve the overburdened universities without causing them to stretch their facilities too far. He said he favored a two-year terminal college plan instead of the junior college system in which the two years are a preparation for senior college.

Vet Hospitalization Hits New Mark

The Veterans Administration reports 119,845 veterans now are hospitalized in America, an all-time high. There were 99,509 in hospitals six months ago and only 92,276 a year ago. The jump was caused by an increase in available hospital beds.

Hitch-Hiking Insects

The Department of Agriculture is making war on insects who hitch ride airplanes. Experts are afraid that an insect will ride in from overseas and have as much devastating effect as the Japanese beetle had years ago.

Authorities say they have in mind such facts as the depredations of the boll weevil. These insects, it is estimated, consumed 639,000,000 pounds of cotton last year, or about \$170,000,000 worth. The European corn-borer cost American farmers \$37,000,000 in 1946. Other big destroyers were the Oriental fruit moth, the Mexican bean beetle and the white-fringed beetle.

"Any plane coming in from overseas may bring a pest with it," S. A. Rohwer, Department entomologist, says. "All we can do is be careful and hope for the best."

Synthetic Oil Possible

The Department of the Interior claims that production of low-priced synthetic oil and gasoline on a commercial basis will be possible within a few years.

Dr. R. R. Sayers, director of the Bureau of Mines, added that, if research continues to show the progress it has in the past, synthetic petroleum products will soon be pouring into the market. Most of the synthetic products are based on conversion of coal and oil shale.

The Department pointed out that ersatz gasoline can already be produced from coal at a cost of 7½ cents a gallon, only slightly higher than the cost of producing gasoline from petroleum. (The English have made their gasoline from coal for years).

Asks Health Drive

President Truman has asked all Americans to cooperate with every agency, organization and individual doctor in the country in combating the present-day national peril, heart disease.

He pointed out that 400,000 Americans are expected to die of heart disease this year and that one out of every 20 citizens has an ailing heart. He attributed the serious rise in the ailment to the faster tempo of American life.

General Boosts Reserve Army

A well-trained army of civilian reserves is a necessary insurance for national security, Brig. Gen. E. A. Evans, director of the Reserve Officers Association, said.

He claims that we had a narrow escape in World War II because we let our war insurance lapse and that we can prevent World War III by having a strong enough reserve to persuade any enemy to peace.

Timber Shortage to Last

The U. S. Forest Service says the nation faces a shortage of timber for lumber, cardboard, paper and posts for many years to come. It is not the equipment shortage that is to blame but the fact that good timber is becoming scarcer.

The Service reports that all "destructive cutting and unwise depletion" must stop and new growth encouraged. It advocates increasing the growth of all types of timber by 50 per cent and doubling the growth of sawtimber within the next 75 years.



CIVILIAN CLOTHES—Gen. George C. Marshall, former Chief of Staff, put aside his uniform on succeeding James Byrnes as Secretary of State. Secretary Marshall will attend the Moscow Conference this month.

Home Training Vital in Defense

American home life has a direct bearing on the efficiency of the nation's armed forces, a Navy chaplain recently told Secretary of the Navy James V. Forrestal.

The chaplain, Commodore Robert J. White, declared, "The religious and moral training and self-discipline of American youth constitute a national defense responsibility which must be assumed by parents."

White drew his conclusions from interviews with 500 Navy men confined in naval prisons and disciplinary barracks throughout the nation. He said the men who have had no discipline in the home are the ones most likely to get into trouble.

Live Normal Life

Nathan Howard Gist says most of the trouble in the world today is caused by people who refuse to live normal lives.

"Knowing how to live is the most important and difficult thing in the world," he stated. "Some lives are too cramped. Some persons have no definite aim; others try to cover too much territory instead of doing a few things well. These conditions put life out of joint."

Believing that most people fail to find happiness because they put it above everything else, Gist added: "Thinking on high levels means good habits, good habits mean character and character means normal living. The normal life keeps step with the universe. There are many laws, but the law of harmony produces the greatest results."

Jet Bombs Unpredictable

The Army Air Forces have disclosed that two giant "Jet Bombers," to be driven through high altitudes at unpredictable speeds by eight monster jet motors, will be flown this summer in California tests.

The planes will be of the "flying wing" variety, the design which is expected to be the most efficient in the world. The flying wing is exactly what the name implies—one enormous wing and no fuselage.

Personal Debts at Peak

Personal debts of Americans have climbed to a 16-year peak of \$39,600,000,000. This is the highest since the all-time pinnacle of \$40,700,000,000 reached in 1929, just before the national crash.

The Institute of Life Insurance, which made the survey, stated: "Some people may well be undermining the financial security of themselves and their families by going into debt too heavily in relation to their circumstances."

Accidents Fatal to 100,000

Accidents killed 100,000 men, women, and children in the United States last year, according to statistical department of the government. They injured 10,400,000 more. They cost an estimated loss of \$5,600,000,000. The toll was four per cent greater than in 1945.

And the home was more dangerous than the automobile.

Accidents in homes caused 34,000 deaths. Mishaps involving motor vehicles snuffed out 33,500 lives. Occupational accidents (those occurring to people at work) took 16,500 lives.

Falls accounted for 27,800 deaths, burns for 10,200, and drownings for about 7,300. Fatal firearms accidents totaled 3,100, an increase of 24 per cent, probably due to war souvenirs brought home from overseas.

The loss due to accidents includes wage losses, medical expense, and cost of insurance; production delays, and damage to property and equipment.

The 10,400,000 injuries brought a disabling injury to one person out of every 13 in the United States.

In addition to traffic accidents that killed 33,500, there were about 1,500,000 non-fatal accidents which destroyed property valued at \$750,000,000, with the over-all cost, including medical expenses and similar items, set at \$1,650,000,000.

Manufacturer Hires Pastor

A Bristol, Rhode Island, shoe manufacturer has engaged his pastor as vice-president in charge of Christian relations and has announced that his instructions will not come from the company but will be issued exclusively by God.

The pastor, Rev. Dale F. Dutton, of the Central Baptist Church, will assume his duties after Easter Sunday. He will have between \$20,000 and \$100,000 to give away each year and he will "do good as the Lord leads him to do."

President of the shoe company, Maurice C. Smith, Jr., said he was interested in helping religious groups of all kinds and creeds. His new spiritual vice-president will study pleas of obscure churches for financial aid and will pass on his recommendations to the company. The company will then decide whether or not it wants to follow his recommendations.

No Arms Cut

America will continue to labor zealously toward peace in co-operation with the United Nations. But she will not disarm, in fact she must support her foreign policy with real military strength, "until there is a dependable basis of collective security."

Thus did Gen. George C. Marshall project U. S. foreign policy in a crowded press conference in Washington, his first since replacing James F. Byrnes as President Truman's Secretary of State.

Gen. Marshall spoke of the "tragic consequences" of unilateral disarmament after the First World War. In 1922 the United States was the sole nation to scrap its battleships. There would be no repetition of that error, he said.

Customer Right Again

The Office of Small Business has made an official statement that the customer must be considered always right by any business which hopes to prosper in post-war America.

The statement came as a result of a survey showing that many wartime shortages are ending and, as the OSB says, "clerks must learn that poor selling methods, laziness, indifference and discourtesy lose trade and reduce profits. Lower profits mean less opportunity for higher wages."

Treasury Surplus That Will Evaporate

The United States Treasury closed its January books with a surplus of \$706,000,000 for the month. This was the first time since 1930 that any complete month has shown a profit.

The January picture reflected heavy income tax payments, and President Truman says the surplus will evaporate and be replaced by a \$2,000,000,000 deficit by next June. The government spent \$21,600,000,000 during the first seven months of the fiscal year.

Pocket Radios Near

The Federal Communications Commission soon will make available to the public license-free radio frequencies, which will allow a person to carry a personal broadcasting station in his vestpocket.

Inventor of the small transmitter, 36-year-old Dr. Cleo Brunetti, has perfected his mechanism so that the transmitter can be mounted on a calling card and the rest of the radio can be fitted into an empty lipstick container.

It will maintain two-way communications up to a mile.

Best Dressed Men Selected

The Custom Tailors Guild has announced its selection for the ten best-dressed men in America. The line-up includes one baseball player, one judge, one lawyer, a singer, two actors, a radio comedian, a musician and a businessman. Those listed in order were: Supreme Court Justice W. Jackson, Lippy Durocher, Doug Fairbanks, Jr., Clifton Webb, Senator Cabot Lodge, L. A. Volter of the Royal Paper Works, George Burns, Feruccio Tagliavini, Joseph Schultz of the New York bar, and Paul Whiteman.

More Advertising Urged

President Gardner Cowles, of Look Magazine, urges more extensive advertising in America as a preventative against a future depression.

"The present business situation is not as hopeful as many people think," Cowles said. "Due to our high standard of living we are operating under 'optical consumption.' It is up to us to get people to continue to buy goods. That means advertising is necessary. The break-even point in many industries is so high that even a mild recession might bring disaster to some of them."

Freight Car Shortage Hurts

The worst shortage of boxcars in 20 years has had a pyramiding effect in industry and has caused serious slashes in output and employment throughout the United States.

Flour mills have been so badly affected that production is down 40 per cent and finished goods have been jamming the warehouses.

Reason for the shortage is that railroads have been unable to buy new cars as fast as they have had to retire them for old age or disability. They need approximately 20,093 more cars before they can relieve the shortage.

Is Hitler Living?

It is nearly two years since Berlin fell in flaming ruins about Adolf Hitler's head. But there is still no positive proof that the Nazi leader is dead, maintains W. F. Heimlich, former chief of intelligence of U. S. forces in the German capital.

Heimlich, who spent months running down the story that Hitler and his mistress, Eva Braun, committed suicide in the chancellery, has some good arguments to support his disbelief.

"Hitler did not die in the chancellery," he maintains, "and as far as I know he did not die. That goes for Eva Braun and Martin Bormann (Hitler's chief deputy)."

He scoffs at the story that the bodies of the Fuehrer and Eva were burned with 40 liters of gasoline in the chancellery courtyard. It's impossible, Heimlich argues. He reasons that it takes 3,200 degrees of heat to cremate a body in a closed crematory and that even then some bones remain. Investigators who tried to burn the body of a pig with 40 liters of gas found the porker still recognizable when the fire went out.

From time to time allied search teams have been flushing high-ranking Nazi officers and civilians who had successfully hidden since the collapse of the German army. Maybe one day Adolf Hitler will be turned up, too, to face his just punishment, they say.

Grass Root Reveries

By JOE GANDY

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THE GROUNDHOG must have seen his shadow on Feb. 2 and rushed back into his hole, for February weather was the coldest in many years, temperatures going below zero over much of the United States. The snowstorm that lashed the East on Feb. 21 cost 51 lives, blocked traffic and disrupted business.

Luckily the South-west escaped the fury of this storm, although there were at snowfall and freezing weather in Texas and Oklahoma.

Now that March is here, we shall look for milder weather. The calendar says that is a Spring month, which is true actually, but not really. I have some very cold and some very warm March weather that lured peach plum trees into fruiting, then later had the fruit with hard freeze. Only seers and fools predict March weather.

Nevertheless, Spring has peeped around the corner and trees are budding, shrubs blooming, and I saw a cardinal yesterday sitting on a fence talking to its mate. Easter comes April 30 so we may have an early Spring this year. A writer in Pageant Magazine says "weather, whether we know it or not, colors our moods, sharpens or dulls our minds, makes us vigorous or lethargic." I didn't know weather would do that, but did know I am lazier in summer than in winter.

Because of some food shortages, the Government wants everybody to plant another Victory Garden this year. The last two Victory Gardens I planted were eaten up by rabbits. They sneaked into the garden at night and ate their fill while I was sleeping and dreaming about rows of snap beans, radishes,

mustard greens and young onions that would soon mature and I could eat with gastronomic delight. Rabbits are smart, and can fool the shrewdest gardener.

Bishop W. T. Manning says: "The world is in need of a spiritual revival. Peace will not be possible until we are humble enough to recognize that spiritual things are more to be desired than power or wealth, and that the hope of the world is indeed in a spiritual revival."

People have heard all this before, yet they go right on playing ball with the devil who has two strikes on them and a fast-hop ball that fans them out sooner or later, leaving them sadder but no wiser.

Television will probably show people that radio programs look as silly as they sound. The big radio stations need a housecleaning to get rid of ballyhoo, cheap comedy and mush stories. Thousands do not turn on radio programs because they will not listen to stuff that sounds silly and signifies nothing. Advertisers throw away millions of dollars each year on radio programs that people tune out. Only the better programs get a sizable listening audience.

Science has made such tremendous progress that the world is on the threshold of a new age—the atomic age. We have had a glimpse of what is possible by atomic destruction. Scientists are now probing peacetime uses of the atom. Professor Milton Burton, of the University of Notre Dame, ventures the thought that entire American cities will be able to operate on atomic power within the next 10 or 12 years. Atomic plants, he suggests, will provide light, heat, and power for all citizens, while the by-product of radiation can purify water supplies. Chances are the atomic bomb is such a terrible

weapon that no nation will dare use it to start another war for fear of reprisals. We hope and pray this shall come to pass—that the atom will bring everlasting peace, not war, to a worried world.

George Gallup, who polls the American people through his American Institute of Public Opinion, revealed in a press conference that 40 per cent of the American people consider themselves happy, 10 per cent think they're gloomy, and the other 50 per cent are both. Among other things, single persons are less happy than married persons. That is somewhat surprising, for it is generally supposed that single persons, because of the high divorce rate, are happier than married persons. Happiness is elusive, not always where you look for it. Some folks spend gobs of money looking for happiness, then give up in despair. I suspect there is happiness all around us if we try hard enough to find it. Old Negro Joe and his wife Dinah, who lived on father's farm, once told me that he and his wife were happy because "we ain't wantin' much and we ain't goin' to git much," he said.

The owner of a restaurant in New York City has glorified ham and eggs. He serves 23,000 persons a week with only ham and eggs, but he cooks his eggs in golden butter and cooks his ham by a secret process that makes it tender and delicious. I am glad some one has at last glorified the hog and hen. Both have helped to make America great.

When a man thinks a woman doesn't understand him he fools himself. Women understand men better than men understand women. Take wife, for instance. For a long while I flattered myself that I understood her and she didn't understand me. But I was wrong. Recently she looked me over kinder careless and said, "Joe, you think you are smart and that you understand a woman's mind, but what you don't know about a woman's mind would make a story excruciatingly funny!"

TEXAS BRIEF NEWS ---from Over the State

PRESS MEETING DATES

The 1947 State convention of the Texas Press Association will be held in Amarillo, Potter county, June 19 to 21. The National Editorial Association and the National Association of Press Women will meet in Fort Worth April 11-13.

TEXAS LUMBER PRODUCTION UP

The U. S. Department of Agriculture says lumber production in Texas has been steadily rising since the end of the war and should continue through 1947 to a point 10 per cent higher than in 1946.

PEACE-LOVING PEOPLE

Kenedy county, with less than 700 inhabitants, is so peaceful that the Twenty-eighth District Court never has any business when it meets there. There hasn't been a court case in four years and there hasn't been a divorce in two years.

CHANGES HIS NAME

For 17 years Dr. Leo Charles Zehn-fennig has practiced dentistry in Merkel, Taylor county, but has had trouble getting people to spell and pronounce his name right. Therefore he recently petitioned the court to change his name to plain Dr. Zee. The court complied.

LIVED ON SAME FARM 53 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Bundy, of Era, Cooke county, have lived on the same farm for 53 years. They have been residents of the county for more than seventy years and still take active part in maintaining several hundred acres of land.

EAST TEXAS LUMBER VALUE

The timber in the 36 heavily-forested East Texas counties is valued at \$275,250,000 as it stands on the stump, according to a report of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce. The area embraces 10,775,000 timbered acres, which last year produced a cash crop of lumber estimated at \$136,000,000.

APE ADOPTS KITTEN

Harriet, the ancient chimpanzee in the Fort Worth Zoo, has adopted a motherless kitten. The chimp croons to her new foster-child and has made it a little bed in the corner of her cage. The only way Zookeeper Sam Hittson can distract Harriet's attention from the kitten is with a bunch of bananas, and then for only a few moments.

TEXAS LIKE ARABIA

Prince Saud Al Saud, heir to the oil-rich desert kingdom of Saudi Arabia, claims Texas is much like his own land. "We have the same flat country," he told Houston newsmen. "We both have oil and we both raise splendid horses." Newsmen wondered whether the Prince would spread the slogan in his home country. "Remember . . . Saudi Arabia Brags!"

YOUNG EDISON

Nine-year-old Andres Martinez recently revolutionized the technique of gathering and stacking shingles at the Elrod-Thise Lumber Yard in Harlingen, Cameron county. The youngster invented a press which gathers the shingles into stacks of exactly the same size and then binds them. It cuts the time of the operation to about one-third of its original length and does the job much better.

TEXAS LEADS IN ROADS

Texas is well out in front in postwar highway construction in the four-State division of the Public Roads Administration. Construction in the division so far this fiscal year is \$58,000,000 with five more months to go. Last year the total for the entire year was \$60,000,000 and the pre-war average was only \$35,000,000. Arkansas, Oklahoma and Louisiana, the other States in the division, lag far behind the Texas average.

OLD TIME EDITORS

J. C. and J. A. Mecklin, of Hubbard, Hill county, have operated the Hubbard City News together for half a century. The two brothers comprise the entire staff of the News. J. A., the publisher, has been on the News for 45 years, so he takes care of the mechanical end of the shop. J. C., who recently celebrated his golden anniversary with the News, is the one-man editorial, advertising and circulation manager.

UNIDENTIFIED SOLDIER HERO

John L. Reeves, proprietor of an ambulance service in Dallas, was transporting a grievously ill woman in an ambulance when a wheel came off the vehicle while it was crossing the railroad tracks. Reeves knew that the Burlington Zephyr was due in 4 minutes, so he ran for help. While gone a soldier came along, took in the situation, borrowed a jack from a service station, lifted the axle off the ground and pulled the ambulance to safety just before the Zephyr roared by. When Reeves returned and learned what had happened he sought to thank the soldier for his quick thinking. The soldier had disappeared.

TEXAS CAFES CLEANEST

George L. Wenzel, nationally known food consultant from Baltimore, says Texas has the cleanest restaurants in the United States. He recently toured fifteen cities talking to restaurant proprietors and housewives. He pointed out that most restaurants suffer their greatest losses through waste, and that the average is 1 1/2 pounds of garbage per customer.

CANAL TRAFFIC BOOMS

The intracoastal canal, which links South Texas with the Mississippi and the East, is growing so swiftly that 15,908,020 tons of cargo were carried over the single section from Corpus Christi, Nueces county, to the Sabine river during 1945. The 1946 figures, which will not be available until next December, will probably be higher, according to the canal association. Builders of the canal system estimated that traffic would never top 2,000,000 tons annually.

NEW DRUG FOUND FOR TUBERCULOSIS

Drs. Kenneth L. Burdon and Edwin A. Johnson, of Baylor College of Medicine, in Houston, have discovered a drug which they say will probably be effective against tuberculosis. The drug, which they call eumycin, was developed from harmless bacteria taken from the soil and it has proved effective on rats and guinea pigs. The scientists will not know how effective it will be on humans for several months.

DOGWOOD TRAILS TO OPEN

The annual opening of the dogwood trails in the vicinity of Palestine, Anderson county, has been set for March 30. The date is subject to change, however, because the opening must coincide exactly with the dogwood blossoming period. In connection with the opening of the trails, the East Texas Council of Garden Clubs will hold their annual spring meeting in Palestine on March 28.

LEG THIEF SOUGHT

Dallas police were out on a limb recently when they sought a thief who had looted a car in the downtown area. The thief broke into the car, overlooked a woman's fur coat and a camera and stole an artificial leg.

CELEBRATES CENTENARY

In Dallas, Mrs. R. B. Schaeffer recently celebrated her 100th birthday. The widow of a former surgeon in the Confederate Army, Mrs. Schaeffer lived for a long while in Brookston and Paris, Lamar county. She moved to Dallas in 1941. Her anniversary was the occasion of a large family reunion.

RING FOUND INSIDE POTATO

Twenty-seven years ago, Mrs. Faye Miller, of Savoy, Fannin county, lost her wedding ring. Mrs. Vol Dawson, Jr., who now owns the old Miller house, recently found the ring inside a potato that was stored under the house. Mrs. Miller, who now lives at Bells, Grayson county, had no explanation of how the ring got under the house or inside the potato.

QUARTER HORSE SHOW PLANNED

The American Quarter Horse Association has accepted the invitation of the Texas Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo to hold an official show during the rodeo festivities, July 2-4, at Stamford, Jones county. Additional barns will be erected for the show and a special class, consisting of get-of-sire, will be added.

FRANK JAMES NO HARD DRINKER

Dr. John F. Storey, a dentist of Beaumont, Jefferson county, recently challenged a wire service story which said that Frank James, reputed outlaw, was a hard drinker. "Frank often went riding with me in my buggy. I never heard of him taking a drink and he became a reformer after the old gang broke up," Storey said.

TEXAN HEADS INTERNATIONAL

A 33-year-old oil man from Midland now heads the Junior Chamber of Commerce International. C. Taylor Cole was named to the position at the final session of the international organization at the convention held recently in Dallas. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, was chosen as the site for the 1948 World Congress.

TEXAS CABBAGE LEADER

The U. S. Department of Agriculture says that Texas will easily lead the nation in the production of cabbage in 1947. More than 136,800 tons will be produced in the Lone Star State this year. The production in Florida will be 23,800 tons less and that in California 54,700 tons less.

SMU GETS MORE LAND

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Nicholson, of Longview, Gregg county, have given Southern Methodist University 22,786 acres of ranch land in Webb county as a permanent endowment to its students. The gift establishes a permanent endowment of \$200,000 and is so designated that half the proceeds shall go for theological scholarships and half for other purposes.

HANDSOMEST SADDLE IN THE WORLD

Sam O. Myres, known to horsemen all over Texas as "Tio Sam," is now engaged in rebuilding the \$20,000 saddle he made for Col. Joe Miller in his Sweetwater, Nolan county, shop. Miller wanted the best saddle in the world back in 1916 and he commissioned "Tio Sam" to make it for him. Sam not only made it a work of art but studded it with 247 diamonds, 120 sapphires, 16 rubies and four large garnets, and he trimmed it with 15 pounds of gold and silver. The value of the saddle was estimated at \$10,000 thirty years ago, but experts say it is worth twice as much now.

EXPERT VIOLIN MAKER

Eighty-six-year-old Bob Smith, of Waco, McLennan county, is still making excellent violins out of the wood from the ruins of the old Cotton Palace there. He is now engaged in making his eightieth violin. He uses the model of an old Stradivarius for "fancy fiddlers," but he makes his own "improved" models for Texas hoe-down players. Smith also uses wire strings for his violins, insisting that they give a better tone than the regular cat-gut string.

MEXICAN GOOD CITIZEN

Trevino Gamez, who lives in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, believes in being a good citizen wherever he is. He recently received a parking ticket in Dallas and despite the fact that he was safe from prosecution, sent in the fine money anyway, not choosing to take advantage of the international border laws. "Laws are for everybody," he wrote to the corporation court clerk.

FISH DYING OF OLD AGE

Marion Toole, State Game and Fish Commission biologist, says strict regulations have caused fish to die of old age all over the State. He cited Lake Buchanan, in Burnet and Llano counties, as an example where too stringent restrictions resulted in thousands of black bass being found on the surface of the water, dead or dying from advanced age. "It's better to let people catch them than to let the fish die that way," Toole said.

OFFICERS NAMED FOR CIRCUS

Leo M. Kuehn, Jr., has been elected president of the fourth annual Community Circus and Homecoming Round-up, which will be held in Gainesville, Cooke county, April 23, 24 and 25. The round-up was started in 1939 and has been held annually, except for the war years.

VETS' LOAN ANNOUNCED

A total of 12,837 GI loans with an aggregate value of more than \$66,000,000 have been approved thus far by the Dallas office of the Veterans Administration.

TEXAS INSTITUTIONS' STATISTICS ANNOUNCED

Of the 52,292 veterans in Texas institutions of higher learning during the autumn-winter semester 25,626 were in universities, 18,521 were in senior colleges, 7,248 were in junior colleges and 897 in professional schools, according to a survey by the University of Texas Veterans Advisory Service.

\$12,500,000 CORN REFINERY

The Corn Products Refining Company, of Corpus Christi, Nueces county, has placed an order with the farmers of Texas for 6,000,000 bushels of milo maize each year. Delivery is to start as soon as the company's \$12,500,000 plant on Nueces Bay is completed in early 1948. The new plant will grind 20,000 bushels of milo maize a day in the manufacture of such products as salad oil, starch, dessert foods and syrup.

TEXAS SILK INDUSTRY PROGRESSES

Texas approached a step nearer its goal of becoming a major silk center recently when the Adams Engineering Company, of Dallas, was awarded a contract to produce the world's first successful automatic silk-reeling machines on a mass scale. The contract was awarded by the American Silk Corporation at Mineral Wells, Palo Pinto county. Walter Scott Roberts, president of the company and co-inventor of the machine, says it produces finer quality silk than does the hand-reeled Japanese process.

The loans have all been used to aid vets in purchasing homes, farms, farming equipment or in establishing new businesses.

GILLESPIE FAIR SET FOR AUGUST

The 50th annual Gillespie county fair will be held in Fredericksburg on August 22, 23 and 24, it has been announced. Gilbert Kaderli, of Fredericksburg, is the new president of the fair.

18,000,000 SEEDLING TREES TO BE GROWN

More than 18,000,000 young tree seedlings will be grown at the Indian Mound nursery of the Texas Forest Service near Alto next year, it has been announced. This is the greatest production of seedlings ever grown in Texas. Slash pine seedling will be chiefly produced, but many other varieties will be grown. Approximately one million acres of land in East Texas are said to be in need of reforestation.

SAIL SHIP DOCKS IN GALVESTON

Workers at the Todd Drydocks in Galveston were surprised recently to see a four-masted Portuguese bark sail in for repairs. The vessel, launched in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1892, was called the Foz do Duoro and had a steel hull with three square-rigged masts and was fore-and-aft rigged on the spanker. She was 260 feet long, 43 feet wide and of 2,323 net tons. The Foz do Duoro plies between Mexico and Portugal.

MORE ACREAGE NEEDED

An additional 2,000 acres is needed for the Big Bend National Park and the Federal government will begin large scale work in the area, Claude Meador, director of the Big Bend Trail Association, says.

NEW HOSPITAL PLANNED

Originally planned as a \$600,000 structure, the Beaumont Baptist Hospital in Jefferson county will cost a total of \$1,000,000. Plans have been enlarged because of the response to a fund-raising campaign.

MAYOR GETS SALARY ANYWAY

R. J. Kroeger, mayor of Harlingen, Cameron county, last month asked the city commission to reduce his salary from \$2,400 a year to \$1,000. This month the commission decided to compromise with the mayor. They said he will get \$50 a month or \$600 a year.

TEXAS DOG CHAMPION

Texan Boy, a white and liver pointer, owned by D. B. McDaniel, of San Antonio, has been named the new quail champion of the National Quail Trial Club. Trials were held at Quilak, Mississippi, and Texan Boy won over a field of eight finalists.

FREE ORANGE BLOSSOMS FOR BRIDES

The Chamber of Commerce in Allen, Hidalgo county, is offering orange blossoms for marriage bouquets. Only catch is that the cost has to come to McAllen for the wedding.

TWO-HEADED TURTLE EXHIBIT

A two-headed turtle was the feature of all exhibits at the twelfth annual North American Wildlife Conference at San Antonio. A sign under the turtle explained that he was named "Stalin" because "one head looks east very comfortably. The other to the west with infinite confidence."

NEW NEWSPAPER IN LLANO

A new weekly newspaper, the Llano County Leader, has been established in Llano, with Jerry MacGuire and W. Whitley as publishers. They bought the newspaper plant of the Liberty Leader for their new publication.

COLLEGES LEASE U. S. LAND

The War Assets Administration has leased five acres of land and buildings to Texas Technological College and Texas A. & M. for seven years at an annual rental of \$3,139.50. The land lies 15 miles northeast of Amarillo, Potter county, and is part of the Ordnance Company. The entire property, which cost the government \$24,991, includes 16,903 acres and 414 buildings.

DOW PLANS HUGE PLANT

Dr. Willard H. Dow, president of Dow Chemical Company, predicts that his organization will spend \$100,000,000 on plants at Freeport, Brazoria county, during the next five years. He added that the plants will employ 600 people and will support a community of 100,000. Work already under way at Freeport totals about \$25,000,000. Dow's plant has been making magnesium out of sea water.

BAYLOR BIRTHPLACE TO BECOME STATE HISTORICAL PARK

Plans were made at the recent annual meeting of the Baylor Historical Society to convert the birthplace of Baylor University into a State historical park. Baylor originally was located at Old Independence, Washington county. A charter for the college was obtained when Texas was still a Republic. Sam Houston was one of its early benefactors.

PLASTIC EYE CLINIC PLANNED

A Veterans Administration clinic will furnish plastic artificial eyes to ex-G.I.s. The clinic will be opened soon at McKinney, Collin county. Dr. Robert E. Stewart, of the clinic, says there are 600 veterans in the tri-State area served by the Dallas V. A. office who are entitled to new plastic eyes. "They are a great improvement over the old glass eyes," he said. "They will do everything a natural eye will do except see." The clinic will also supply seamless plastic eyeglasses, hands, ears and other prosthetic devices.



EDISON KIN AT CENTENNIAL PREVIEW—Mrs. Thomas A. Edison, widow of the great inventor, cuts a huge birthday cake at Menlo Park, N.J., as her daughter, Mrs. J. Sloan, looks on during a pre-observance of the scientist's 100th birthday, February 11.

THE FLOP FAMILY



SLANTING FLOOR SAVES LITTLE PIGS

An ingenious life saver for little pigs—as simple as it is practical—is the result of an accident in Kentucky. The results were so fortunate that the method is recommended as a good way to increase efficiency in meat production.

The accident was the failure of the foundation in a farrowing house. This let down one side of the floor and caused it to slant. The slanting floor proved a life-saver for the little pigs born in the pen a few days later. Now the general recommendation is for slanting floors in farrowing houses—a slope of an inch and a half to the foot works well.

This new idea in swine husbandry takes advantage of two simple facts in porcine behavior. One, on a sloping floor a sow prefers to lie down with her back to the high side. Two, clumsy little pigs stagger a bit the first few days, and even on a slightly sloping floor tend to tumble to the low side. Thus the mother is not so likely to lie down and crush one or several pigs.

The actual gain has proved much greater than most would suppose. Kentucky farmers are gaining from one to four pigs to the litter.

HOW MUCH SKIN DO YOU HAVE?

It is estimated that there are from 14 to 18 square feet of skin on the average adult human body. Of course, the surface area of the body, which is practically equivalent to the number of square feet of skin, varies with sex, height and weight of the individual. Obviously the body of a tall, thin person might have a much greater surface area than the body of a short, fat person who has the same weight. One method of computing the number of square inches of skin is by pasting over the nude body a special kind of very thin but strong paper that adheres closely to curved surfaces. The paper is fast dried, then removed, cut into small pieces and measured. The thickness of the skin of the human body varies considerably. It is thicker over the back than it is over the breast. One investigator says the skin averages one-sixth of an inch on the palms of the hands and the soles of the feet and only one-fiftieth of an inch on the eyelids.

CLIMATE PRODUCES NEW RACES IN PLANTS

Whether climate produces racial changes in man is still open to dispute, but it certainly does produce changes in plants, experiments reported by Dr. Jens Clausen and associates show. The experiments were conducted in the great range of climatic zones presented by the sea-to-mountaintop topography of California, with the common plant known as milfoil or yarrow as guinea-pig. Slips from the same plant, set out in three different climatic zones, produced three different botanical races, with very distinct characteristics in stems, leaves and flowers.

AMAZING NEW CAMERA

The Polaroid Corporation has developed a new camera which is no larger than the conventional roll-loading type but which will be able to print the pictures it takes within a minute. The camera uses concentrated chemicals which make a contact print immediately and allow the photographer to check on his results on the spot.

The release date and price of the cameras has not been announced.

A LITTLE FUN Jokes to Make You Laugh

Tall Tales

A group of ex-GI's were sitting in a beery discussing things they had seen and seeing who could tell the tallest tale. One fellow said, "Well, boys, I met the man who pumped the water that made the Great Lakes." Another said he pulled all the teeth out of the mouth of the Mississippi river; and a third fellow declared himself to be the man who dug the Grand Canyon with a pocket knife. But the winner declared he saw a lightning bolt hit a cow barn and set it ablaze, then it traveled along a pipe from the barn to a water tank, ripped it open, and released the water, which poured down on the barn and extinguished the fire."

How Silly!

Then there was the pompous looking woman who was holding forth at a club meeting and telling of the dream she had had the night before.

"It was terrible," she explained. "I dreamed the animal that went to make up my fur piece was standing right there at the foot of my bed glaring at me." One of her listeners turned to another woman and said, "How silly of her to let a rabbit frighten her."

Fish Story With a Moral

A housewife decided that a bowl in which she kept gold fish needed cleaning. She filled her bathtub with water, emptied the fish into it, thinking that the poor little things would enjoy a big swim. But instead they swam around in small circles the size of the glass bowl.

People are like that. They become so used to their own ideas and their own limited vision that the moment some fellow with imagination tries something new they yell, "It can't be done," instead of trying to swim beyond the narrow circle of their everyday habits.

Informal

Old Chief Train-Whistle was losing his popularity. For many years he had ruled his tribe according to the wisdom of his father, but now that most of the younger braves were wearing honorable discharge buttons, things just weren't the same. Now, Chief Train-Whistle was not the kind of Indian who is easily defeated. He hired himself a public relations man—a Pueblo dweller who had recently been connected with the OWI.

"You're too formal with your people," said the public relations expert. "You want to be more human, more personal. Let me write your next speech."

That was how it happened that old Chief Train-Whistle stood up in the next council meeting and said: "All of you know me as Chief Train-Whistle, but I hope in the future you will feel free to just call me 'Toots!'"

Sign Language

A junk auto shop near a railroad crossing in Denver displays this message for motorists:

GO AHEAD—TAKE A CHANCE. WE'LL BUY THE CAR!

The Good Old Days

Mother was telling her son some stories of the time she was a little girl. The youngster listened thoughtfully as she told of riding a pony, sliding down the haystack and wading in the brook at the farm.

Finally he said, with a sigh, "I wish I'd met you earlier, mother."

When Father Failed

Tommy looked up from his book and asked, "Father, is it true that man is known by the company he keeps?"

"Yes, sonny," "Well, father," asked Tommy, "if a good man keeps company with a bad man, is the good man bad because he keeps company with the bad man, or is the bad man good because he keeps company with the good man?"

Dad's First Patient

The doctor's son was 12 years old and had a vivid imagination. When he put it to work, his father's professional reputation sometimes suffered. One day the boy invited a playmate into the house and they discovered a skeleton—relic of the physician's medical school days—in the closet of the consultation room.

"Gosh! What's that?" asked the young visitor.

"Oh, that," said the doctor's son. "That's dad's first patient."

Tried the Drinkers

Judge Ben Lindsay, Denver criminal trial judge, was lunching in a cafe one very hot day when a friend came by and remarked on the judge's choice of hot coffee as a drink.

"Don't you ever try hard iced drinks, Judge, like gin and ale?"

"No, I haven't tried them myself," replied the judge, "but I've tried a lot of fellows who have."

Prophecy Fulfilled

The evening lesson was from the Book of Job, and the minister had just read, "Yea, the light of the wicked shall be put out," when a fuse blew and the congregation was left in total darkness. This minister was of stern stuff, though, and with scarcely a pause he met the situation.

"Brethren," he said, "in view of the sudden and startling fulfillment of this prophecy, we will spend a few minutes in silent prayer for the electric-light company."

Poultry News

By JOE FETEL, Manager, Western Hatcheries, Dallas.

Springtime Is Chick Time

Yes, the time of the year has come when the merry cheeps of the baby chicks and turkey poults are familiar sounds to be heard around almost every farm. The poultry business has grown from the stage when the little red hen hatched off a dozen baby chicks to now where the big mammoth incubators turn out many thousands per hatch. The poultry business has become an industry in the true sense of the word. It comes under the heading of BIG BUSINESS. Most recent records indicate that cotton is the leading industry with cattle second and poultry third in the State of Texas. The poultry business in Texas amounts to the large sum of \$150,000,000 yearly, so when you invest in the chicken business you are investing in one of the three largest industries in the State.

Don't Gamble
Just like investing in any other business, it does not pay to gamble in uncertain quality of stock. Please remember: good chicks are a desirable investment. Whether your chicks pay a dividend depends, first, upon the quality of the chicks you buy, and second, the care you give them. This is true whether you want chicks for meat purposes or for egg production.

Your hatcheryman will be glad to explain his breeding program to you. He has an investment in it and knows that it is one of his best advertisements.

Good management must accompany good chicks. Bear in mind that all the work and investment the hatchery puts into the breeding and hatching of your chicks can be capitalized on only when nature's processes are augmented by proper and efficient handling on your part.

Buy only as many chicks as your brooding facilities will accommodate. Under average conditions, allow one-half square foot of brooder space per chick. It is generally recognized that a 10x12-foot brooder house will accommodate up to 300 chicks. Crowding usually results in less rapid growth, greater mortality and unprofitable birds.

Order chicks ahead and early. Place your order as far in advance as possible. Then you have a better chance of getting the exact chicks you want when you want them.

Every effort should be made to raise chicks as early as possible for best results, particularly when egg production is the paramount factor involved. Chicks hatched in the late winter or early spring months, for example, will reach laying age as the egg price cycle starts its normal late summer and fall upward swing.

Early summer hatched chicks often are purchased to take fullest advantage of the investment in equipment, but you should expect slower growth because of summer heat.

Get chicks from pullorum tested stock. Buying chicks from a hatchery maintaining a reliable pullorum-testing program is the best insurance against pullorum disease. Make sure that pullorum infection in parent stock is reduced to a minimum and reactors removed from the supply flocks.

The Big Three

Follow the big three, feeding, housing and sanitation. Take good care of your baby chicks. Concern yourself with the big three in management and your chicks will become more efficient workers for you. Give the chicks plenty of a well-balanced starting mash. Provide tender young green feed daily. Be sure there is enough feed and watering space. Use a deep, highly absorbent litter. Avoid dampness and drafts. Keep the brooding temperature at the proper level. Do not overcrowd. Scout the brooder house and all equipment before it is used. Stir litter frequently. Provide clean range. Keep chicks away from older birds.

Before the chicks arrive, if possible, move the brooder house to ground which has not been used by chickens or turkeys or fertilized with poultry droppings for two years. See that the brooder house is rat-proof, has no cracks which might be conducive to drafts and has a waterproof roof. Thoroughly clean and disinfect the brooder house from ceiling to floor. Wash the brooder house with a solution of hot water and lye (one gallon of household lye to 15 gallons of extremely hot water, boiling preferred). Scrape away old droppings and dirt with a putty knife. After scrubbing and scraping is finished, spray the brooder house with an approved disinfectant. This should be done several days prior to the time the chicks are expected, thus allowing the house ample time to dry out thoroughly. Remember, the brooder house is not clean until every bit of dust and filth has been removed.

Check and clean all equipment. While the task of cleaning and scouring the brooder house is going on, check your equipment to see that it is working order and ample for your needs. Scrub all the equipment with hot lye water and then expose to the sunshine to dry.

Here is a list of essential equipment:

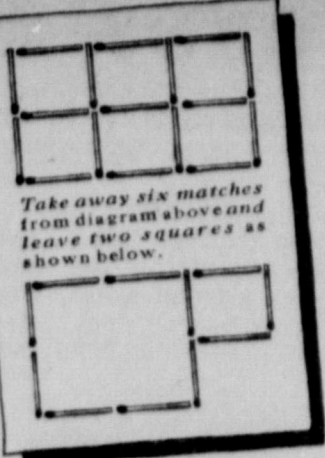
Water fountains (one 1-qt. fountain per each 15 chicks); feeders (one inch per chick at start); two thermometers, brooder stove, disinfectant, feed, litter, brooder fuel, chick guard.

Successful preparation of the house and equipment, before the chicks arrive, will have an important bearing on the number of chicks you can raise to maturity or marketable age for it is important that chicks get the proper start.

This is the first of two articles by Mr. Fetel on raising baby chicks. The second article will appear in the next issue of the Magazine Section.

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The United States produces three-fourths of the world's corn (the botanical variety, that is). Every State in the Union grows it.

Ancient Buddhists chose the fish as a symbol of constant watchfulness against temptation because a fish never closes its eyes.

LATEST "SEE-IN-THE-DARK" DEVICE

Newest "see-in-the-dark" device, intended to help humans to see as well as bats and owls, or even better, is termed an "image intensifier" by its inventor, Russell H. Varian of Wantagh, N. Y., research engineer with the Sperry Gyroscope Company.

The image intensifier is intended to make clearly visible objects in light too dim for good seeing. It focuses the visual image, by means of a lens, on a photoelectric grid. Electrical impulses thus produced are amplified as much as necessary, then fed into a suitable image-producing vacuum tube for reconversion into visible pictures.

CONSTANT SPEED WINDSHIELD WIPER

An answer to the motorist's problem of slowed-down windshield wipers when the car is ascending a hill or accelerating has been provided by the Ford Motor Company in the form of a vacuum leveling tank recently placed on the market as an accessory.

The tank helps keep windshield wipers operating normally under all driving conditions by maintaining constant vacuum to the wiper motor.

CAMERA PHOTOGRAPHS 340 SQUARE MILES

A new wide-angle camera capable of photographing with startling detail 340 square miles from an altitude of 30,000 feet is described by William M. Blair in the New York Times.

Washington, New York and Boston have been photographed with the camera. In the New York picture Manhattan buses and taxicabs can be distinguished on Fifth Avenue.

The camera was designed by Dr. James G. Baker, director of the National Defense Committee's optical research laboratory at Harvard during the war.

It is equipped with a hemispheric lens and glass plate and eliminates the distortion common to the regular flat plates and lenses. Details can be easily seen in a forty-by-forty inch enlargement. The lens is of four inch focal length and a six inch lens is ready for a new camera which will provide even greater definition.

An aerial camera probably weighing about five tons is also being constructed. It will have a front lens thirty-two and one-half inches in diameter and a 240-inch focal length.

REDS COMPLETE SHIFTS OF TROOPS

The Russians completed their troop movements in the Russian zone of Germany recently and then announced that portion of the Reich was open to correspondents.

The Russians made no statement regarding their troop strength, but it is believed that they have more troops than the combined strength of the United States, France and Great Britain.

400 MILES OF BOOK SHELVES

The Library of Congress is reported to contain more than four hundred miles of shelves which hold six million books, ten million manuscripts on American history, almost two million pieces of music, and a million and a half maps.

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Texas Farm News

Soil building in East Texas depends largely on the use of commercial phosphate with clovers.

About 95 per cent of the substance in grass comes from sunlight, air and water. The remaining 5 per cent is made up from nutrients from the soil.

Texas turkey growers plan to reduce production of turkeys in 1947 five per cent below 1946 because feed prices have risen and turkey prices have remained constant.

The cash receipts of the nation's farmers aggregated \$4,000,000,000 during the first two months of 1947, an increase of 30 per cent over last year. Higher prices accounted for about 25 per cent of the increase.

A single peach tree in the yard of Mrs. N. G. Bagley, of El Paso county, yielded seventy quarts of peaches last year and at least one additional bushel which Mrs. Bagley gave away to friends. The season was a particularly good one for all El Paso fruit growers, and it is estimated that preserved fruits totaled \$59,062 in value.

The Texas A. & M. Extension Service is urging everyone who can to plant a vegetable garden this year. A goal of 800,000 gardens has been set for 1947. Horticulturists point out that one half-acre of vegetables can produce \$100 worth of foodstuffs in a year. The Extension service points out that every garden should have a well-drained location, pulverized soil, adapted vegetable varieties planted at the right time and proper row and hill spacing.

The Sweet Potato Growers Association was formed recently in Gilmer, Upshur county, by processors, businessmen and farmers interested in the Statewide development of the sweet potato industry. Twenty-eight counties were represented by more than 350 members. The association has the threefold purpose of promoting further use of sweet potatoes, assembling and distributing information on combating disease, and improving cultivation, harvesting and marketing process.

Dan Danvers, of Converse, Bexar county, has announced that his registered Guernsey cow, Robsdy's Cappy, has set a record by producing 7,532 pounds of milk and 373 pounds of butterfat in one year.

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The Cat and the Kid



An all-out fight against such enemies of King Cotton as the boll weevil, leaf-worm, fleahopper and boll-worm was promised recently by 125 top-flight entomologists meeting in Hillsboro, Hill county. The scientists said a strict control of insects is the first step toward a sound cotton program for lower costs and higher profits.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced a program for supporting turkey prices until June 30 at an average liveweight price of 27.9 cents a pound at the farm. The government will buy enough surplus dressed turkeys to keep the prices up. Officials say the total purchase may reach 10,000,000 pounds.

Corn hybrids will soon take the place of open pollinated varieties of corn in Texas, according to E. A. Miller, Texas A. & M. agronomist. Miller believes open pollinated varieties cannot yield nearly so well as the hybrids and his figures give the hybrids a 33 per cent advantage in production efficiency. There are already 800,000 acres in Texas—one-fifth of the total corn acreage—planted to hybrids.

An agricultural research program covering 48 counties in Texas has been started by the Texas State Research Foundation in Dallas. A team of soil scientists is being assembled in conjunction with a team of crops experts in an all-out effort to restore the productivity of the Texas farmlands. The Foundation hopes to find means of overcoming the ravages of erosion and constant tillage.

The production of the 52,000 Texas home demonstration women and 4-H girls last year amounted to a value of approximately \$1,734,975. More than 560,000 garments were made at home under the program, worth more than a million dollars. The women and girls also concentrated on cleaning clothes, making dress forms and patterns, making dyes, building closets and hundreds of other home-making tasks.

Southeast Texas farms are making the tung nut pay off at the rate of about \$10,000 a year. Today a coastal strip from Southeast Texas into Florida grows practically all of the United States' tung production. The oil from the nut is the principal drying agent in paints and varnishes, and the supply today is far below the demand. New plants and the maturing of more trees will swell this year's crop above the 1946 production of 100 tons in Southeast Texas. The production is centered in the Beaumont area.

The year 1946 gave Texas farmers their second highest crop value in history—\$946,000,000—exceeded only by the 1919 figure of \$1,071,000,000, highest ever recorded. Except for the fact that the cotton crop was much smaller than average, last year's Texas crop values would easily have passed the 1919 high mark. When the \$200,000,000 value of animal and animal products produced in the State is added, the grand total amounts to \$1,150,000,000.

The Tyler, Smith county, Junior College is in the process of acquiring 700 acres of land and 27 buildings at nearby Camp Fannin and will start a miniature A. & M. College, with extension services. The junior college expects 1,000 enrollments and will give preference to veterans.

Texas farmers applied the record total of 20,000,000 pounds of poison to cotton fields during 1946 to control insects. An excellent job of controlling the boll weevil and flea hopper was done, but the boll worm did much damage in many sections of the State. The weather was a limiting factor in killing boll worms, rains at unfortunate times preventing effective control.



ABOUT 20,000,000 BOXES of grapefruit were shipped out of the Rio Grande Valley the past season plus 3,850,000 boxes of oranges, according to official government figures. The total shipments brought \$57,258,000 to growers.

Flax growing has increased in Texas from 1,000 acres in 1937 to more than 90,000 acres today. Clarence Dubose, of Victoria, Victoria county, recently told the State Chemurgic Conference at San Antonio. The 1947 yield will probably be worth almost \$5,000,000, and he predicted that Texas farmers will increase their acreage greatly during the next decade.

Blackeyed peas have developed into a big cash crop in West Texas. In Dawson county and vicinity the 1946 crop of green field peas brought farmers an average of \$110 per ton and in Lawson county alone 25,000 acres were planted. Yields were reported from 400 to 2000 pounds per acre. Lubbock, Lynn, Terry, Bailey and Hale counties were also planted to blackeyed peas in large quantities.

The value of farm products in the Rio Grande Valley has tripled in the last five years, according to the U. S. agricultural census. The four valley counties of Hidalgo, Cameron, Willacy and Starr were covered in the report. The value in farm products in 1940 was \$15,434,288 and in 1946 it was \$50,100,407. Wages paid to farm laborers were also tripled. Valley farmers paid \$10,280,917 in 1945 to 5,874 laborers. In 1940 they paid \$3,221,062 for 8,282 laborers.

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Twenty-nine registered Poland China hogs were sold recently for \$2,672.50 at the Panhandle Plains Poland China Breeders semi-annual auction at Plainview, Hale county. The record price ever paid at an auction for a boar was laid on the line by Raymond Boyd, of Lubbock county. He paid \$130 for an animal owned by John Adams, of Tulia, Swisher county.

In all the 254 counties of Texas there are only 300 veterinarians engaged in private practice to care for the huge stock population of the State.

More than 5,900 acres of pasture land were cleared of cedar in Real county in 1946, according to County Agricultural Agent C. B. Gaston. Scarcity of labor has slowed down clearances during the last few years, but a tremendous increase is expected in 1947. Some Real county ranchers claim the carrying capacity of their land has been increased 500 per cent since clearing.

A special cotton production committee of the State-Wide Cotton Committee of Texas has been named to formulate an all-out campaign among cotton farmers to reach a 1947 State goal of 2,000,000 more acres planted this year than in 1946. This would be a 40 per cent increase over last year and will reach the production mark set for Texas by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Timber wolves that have been ravaging livestock in the Red River Valley bottom of Bowie county have come under the fire of the local county commissioners court, which has established a bounty of \$5.00 on their heads. Game Warden Clarence Tidwell told the court that the wolf packs were growing larger. Some of the wolves reach 100 pounds and their depredations had become so great that Walter Stewart, of the Stewart Ranch, near New Boston, Bowie county, reported he had lost 300 goats to the wolves. Cattle and sheep losses have also been great.

At least 1,200 cows should be signed up for service before an artificial breeding association begins operation, the Texas A. & M. Extension Service says. This will be sufficient to insure a sound financial organization.

Production of all citrus for the 1946-47 season has been forecast at about 204,000,000 boxes, according to U. S. Department of Agriculture figures. This total will be 11 per cent above last year and 53 per cent above the 1935-44 average. Texas will rank third in orange production, with 3,500,000 boxes; second in grapefruit, with 25,000,000 boxes, and third in lemon production.

Edgar Brown, Orange county farmer, paid \$15,000 recently to a 4-H club boy for Flattop, grand champion steer of the Houston Fat Stock Show. The price was the second highest on record for a grand champion show steer, the highest being \$44,000 paid in Kansas City last year. The enterprising 4-H club boy was 16-year-old Jim Bob Steen, of Goldthwaite, Mills county.

A club girl made a clean sweep of the San Saba County Fat Stock Show held in late January, taking not only the top prizes of the exhibit but also in the class she entered. According to County Home Demonstration Agent Dudley B. Hambright, Peggy Sawyer, member of the Cherokee girls' 4-H club, with three calves fed under the su-

pervision of County Home Agent A. B. First, second and third in the heavyweight division, and then sweep up grand champion reserve champion in the entire show. The reporter for her

Although a near-triply of fertilizer is on the current farm demand is still higher. The U. S. Department of Agriculture has estimated that present American fertilizer supplies are only double the amount of agricultural fertilizer supplied by the foreign hand. Nitrogen fertilizer is especially short.

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Engineers of the Federal Power Commission say it is possible to toss a harness on winds and tame them into producing \$50,000,000 worth of cheap electricity each year.

Plans for wind generators have been discussed for several years, and Percy H. Thomas, staff member in the office of the commission's chief engineer, says he now is convinced they will work on a gigantic scale.

Huge windmills would be constructed on towers 575 feet high, 20 feet higher than the Washington Monument.

Thomas has plans for a generator for each tower that would have a capacity of 6,500 kilowatts or around 8,670 horsepower.

Connected into the existing power circuits of the nation, between 800 and 1,000 of these gigantic aerogenerators would produce about 20 per cent of the nation's electricity, engineers estimated.

Already, Thomas says, studies have shown that there is sufficient wind in virtually all parts of the nation to operate such huge windmills.

What it takes, he says, is a steady wind of around 20 miles an hour. Wind force increases with elevation.

That is why he proposes to build each windmill on a tower 575 feet high. Each tower would be placed on a carefully selected site where studies show winds prevail.

Each windmill, Thomas estimates, could be constructed for \$500,000.

Compared with hydroelectric and steam plant costs,

the wind generators are cheapest, Thomas says. He estimates the cost of production at around one and a third mills per hour. Average steam and hydroelectric prices range from around two mills to seven or eight mills, Thomas says.

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Stretching the dollar that goes for clothing depends on the buyer's knowledge of fabric quality, clothing construction, design, and line and color suited to the individual.

Regardless of whether the article is homemade or ready-made, it should have the same features that go to make up a good garment. The buyer should get the best garment that can be afforded whether it is a house dress or a dress for street wear. Many find that fewer but better clothes are more economical, since dresses of poor quality are short-lived.

The time and strength of the woman who does the sewing should decide whether she buys clothing ready-made or makes it at home. Sometimes it is better to sacrifice a bit on quality and construction rather than endanger health by tedious sewing tasks. However, if a woman sews well, she can have attractive, stylish garments of good quality for less money than ready-made of the same quality. Her clothes will have more individuality when made at

LOCKER PLANTS PLUS FARM FREEZER

Many farm families launching into the attractive venture of having a frozen food supply find it hard to decide between buying a home freezer or renting space in a community frozen food locker, says Lenore Sater, head of household equipment research in the Bureau of Human Nutrition and Home Economics.

"The outstanding advantages of home freezing facilities over the locker plant," Miss Sater explains, "are convenience and greater assurance of quality—in frozen fruits and vegetables. The disadvantages are higher cost and more danger of food loss, if any breakdown occurs in the power lines or refrigerating system."

Balancing all factors, a good answer for an average family of four would seem to be combining rented locker space with a small home freezer of about six cubic feet, she concludes.

Here is the way she analyzes the answer, in cost and convenience.

"A six-cubic-foot home cabinet with separate freezing compartment will probably provide capacity for freezing the quantity of fruits and vegetables maturing each day, and for storing them until they are taken to the locker. When the growing season is over, the cabinet will provide ample home storage for a number of packages of each type of food frozen, and space

POTATOES ARE NOT FATTENING

One food which has been basely slandered is the potato. Unfortunately it has acquired the wholly undeserved reputation of being fattening, and for this reason many people practically exclude it from their diets. Actually, they would probably find it to their advantage to eat potatoes freely.

Proof that the potato is not fattening, when compared with other common foods, is given in the following table.

	Calories per ounce
Raw potatoes	16.7
Boiled potatoes	26.8
Bacon	177.1
Butter	217.9
Wheat flour	99.8
Lard	255.0
Peanuts	155.4
Peanut butter	169.0
Apple pie	77.0
Shredded wheat	102.8
Soy beans	99.8
Spaghetti	101.2
Granulated sugar	113.4

TESTED RECIPES

- Meat and Vegetable Mix**
- 1/2 can pork loaf
 - 1 cup uncooked noodles
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon pepper
 - 2 cups whole kernel corn
 - 1 green pepper
 - 1 small onion
 - 1 cup milk or tomato juice
- Dice pork loaf or any desired meat, and brown in small amount of drippings. Boil noodles in salted water until tender. Season meat and noodles. Into a greased casserole, put alternate layers of meat, noodles and corn, adding chopped green pepper and onion to each layer. When dish is filled, pour milk or tomato juice over. Bake in moderate oven (350 deg. F.) for 30 minutes.
- Lentil Soup**
- 1 cup lentils
 - 2 sprigs parsley
 - 3 cups water
 - 1 stalk celery
 - 1/2 bay leaf
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - Pinch thyme
 - 1 teaspoon butter
 - 1/2 tsp. vinegar
 - 1 carrot, diced
 - 1 onion, chopped
 - 1/2 cup tomato juice
- Soak lentils overnight in water to cover. Drain, add water and salt, bring to boil and skim. Melt butter, brown carrot and onion, add to lentils. Add salt pork in the piece. The celery, parsley, bay leaf and thyme into herb bouquet in small square of cloth; drop into soup. Simmer about 1 hour, until lentils are tender. Discard herb bouquet, remove pork, put soup through colander. Dice pork and return to soup. Just before serving add vinegar or tomato juice. Delicious with croutons of rye bread and cheese, toasted. Serves 4.
- Ham and Noodle Casserole**
- Mix about 1 cup chopped left-over ham, 1 cup sour cream, 2 cups cooked broad

home and also she will have more clothes for the same amount of money.

A woman who does not sew well, will probably get the most from her money by buying ready-made clothes, for she may not get good construction and style by sewing at home.

freezing leftover and cooked foods.

"Six-cubic-foot cabinets range in price from \$200 to \$335, with an average price of \$298. With an operating cost of about 70 kilowatt hours per month, a cabinet of this size costs about \$73 a year to own and operate, if the life of the cabinet is assumed to be 10 years."

"Supplementing this home freezer with three lockers at \$12.50 per locker, and using the facilities of the locker plant for handling meat, and assuming that trips to the locker will be cut in half by the use of the home equipment, the total cost to the farmer per year is about \$155.

"This combination plan costs a family a little over 80 cents a week more than if the family depended entirely on a locker plant. In return, the family can have higher quality fruits and vegetables due to more rapid handling from garden or orchard to the freezer. Also, the family has the added convenience and satisfaction of keeping an ample supply of frozen foods at home."

In actual farm practice, Miss Sater adds, many farm families of this size may not be satisfied with a freezer of only 6 cubic feet. That is, in balancing dollars and cents costs against intangible returns in convenience and satisfaction, they may stress the latter.

LOCKER PLANTS PLUS FARM FREEZER

POTATOES ARE NOT FATTENING

The potato is not a concentrated food. It contains only 10 to 20 per cent starch. At least 75 per cent of its bulk consists of water. A medium-sized potato contains only 100 calories, or less than a slice of bread.

So this fine vegetable should not be held guilty of expending the waist line, adding another chin, or producing convexity where there should be concavity. The real culprits are the inordinately large amounts of butter, cream, or rich gravies which many persons eat with potatoes.

Potatoes help maintain the alkalinity of the blood. The ash of the potato contains ten times as much potash as that of fine flour bread, and is more alkaline than the ash of most of our common foods. Bread, on the other hand, is rich in phosphoric acid, and when used too freely tends to lessen the normal alkalinity of the blood and tissue fluids—a condition not conducive to buoyant health. An excellent way to conserve health, therefore, is to mix potato flour with wheat flour.

HINTS FOR HOMEMAKERS

- Creases and matting in heavy blankets and rugs after laundering can be prevented by hanging them wet to drip dry rather than attempting to ring them out.
- Lipstick stains on napkins may be easily removed with a mixture made of equal parts of ammonia and the regular household solution of hydrogen peroxide, using quick, short strokes with a small cloth saturated with the mixture.
- The electric toaster should never be turned upside down and shaken to remove crumbs that have collected inside. A soft brush can be used to remove the crumbs.
- The widespread belief that putting salt in wash water prevents bright colored cloth from fading is untrue, since the use of salt actually tends to harden the water. The best precaution

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Baked Veal in Casserole

- 2 tablespoons flour
 - 2 teaspoons salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon pepper
 - 1 1/2 lbs. veal, cut in 1-inch pieces
 - 2 tablespoons fat
 - 1 clove garlic
 - 1 cup sour cream
 - 1 1/2 cups chopped onions
 - 2 cups hot cooked rice
 - 2 tablespoons chopped toasted almonds
- Mix together flour, salt and pepper. Add veal and stir until each piece is well coated with flour. Melt fat in frying pan. Add garlic and heat until lightly browned; discard garlic. Add veal and onions to fat and fry slowly until browned, stirring frequently. Turn into a 1 1/2 quart casserole. Add sour cream. Cover and bake in a moderate oven (350 deg. F.) about 1 1/2 hours, or until veal is tender. Serve on hot rice with a garnish of almonds. Makes six servings.

Fish Cutlets

- 2 cups cooked flaked fish
 - 4 slices bread
 - 1 cup milk
 - 1/2 teaspoon tarragon
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon pepper
 - 1 onion, grated
 - 1 tablespoon butter
- Cube bread and soak in milk, to which tarragon has been added. Combine fish, soaked bread, salt, pepper and onion. Form into egg-shaped cutlets, set on shallow baking dish, dot with butter and broil 2 inches from moderate heat for 10 minutes or until brown. Serve hot with lemon wedges and chili sauce.

Liverwurst Patties

- To equal parts of mashed liverwurst, mashed potatoes and broken bread crusts soaked in milk, add minced onion, salt, pepper and poultry seasoning to taste; mix well. Drop from spoon onto hot greased skillet; brown on both sides.

Sliced Cucumber Pickles

- 2 1/2 qts. sliced cucumbers
 - 2 1/2 cups sliced onions
 - 2 tbs. salt
 - 2 1/2 cups vinegar
 - 1 cup molasses
 - 2 tsp. turmeric
 - 2 1/2 tsp. mustard seed
 - 2 1/2 tsp. celery seed
- Arrange alternate layers of cucumbers, onions and salt in a large bowl. Let stand for several hours or overnight. Drain. Mix vinegar, molasses and spices in a large kettle and bring to a boil. Add the cucumbers and onions. Cook about 5 minutes or until clear. Turn into hot, sterilized jars and seal airtight according to manufacturers' directions.

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