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Looking 'round

BY THE EDITOR

TEXAS CITY BLAST

Reports brought back from the Texas City blast last week by Billy Holder show that this must have been the worst destruction that has been known in the state of Texas for a long time.

Billy Holder, Calvin Shields and Dewitt and Johnnie Wells went to Texas City with the hope of locating their relatives that live there. It took 36 hours of searching to find them.

According to Billy Holder the city is awfully badly torn up. Most of the homes are in a very bad condition due to the concussion from the blasts of the ships. All the glass in the business district was broken and some of the buildings were badly torn up. There are holes all over the town that resemble bomb craters. Pieces of steel from the ships were lying all over town. As far as you would want to look there was wreckage. Bill said he was able to get within four blocks of where the first ship blew up. The smoke and debris from there on to the docks kept him from going farther. Fires were still raging when he left Saturday afternoon. He brought back with him a piece of steel that he picked up seven blocks from the blast. After looking at this steel and realizing the structure of steel, you may have some idea of the force of the blast. The steel is to remain in the Blue Bonnet Cafe for the present, but anyone may see it if you care to.

Mrs. Wiley French, sister of Mrs. Pearl Holder of Santa Anna, Mrs. Monroe Crisp, niece of Mrs. Holder and Mr. H. E. Quarlis, all of Texas City wrote their version of the destruction there and the letters will follow. Willie Shields, brother of Mrs. Holder, was a guard on the docks where the first ship blew up. He had just gone off duty shortly before the fire broke out on the Grandchamp.

Following are the letters written by these boys while they were in Texas City.

This is what I know about the blast of the big ship that blew up in Texas City. I lived about a half mile from where it was. I was in my house when it blew up and my house looked like for a while it was blown up with air, and glass began to fall. Everyone around me ran out of their houses, screaming and crying. Some were out to pieces, some had broken bones and some were not able to get away. It was the worst sight I have ever experienced. I had a brother-in-law who was badly hurt. He was on guard on the big ship. I also had one nephew killed. But I can thank the Lord for saving my family as I can't see how we came through such an awful experience. My son helped fight the war in Germany and he said he didn't see anything over there any worse in such a short time. I sure have enjoyed my cousins and my uncle that came to our rescue; the Holder boy, the Wells boys and R. C. Shields and the Leonard boy. May God bless them all.

This was written by Mrs. Monroe Crisp of Texas City.
To Calvin Shield.

This is the story of what I saw in Texas City after the blast of the big ship that took the lives of 700. Mrs. Minnie French was within six blocks of the blast and can't tell just how my family and I got out alive. A piece of the boat was within 20 feet of the trailer in which we lived, blowing a great hole in the ground. You could see the people lying in the ruins and running everywhere, out and bleeding. The houses were caved in. I was standing in a trailer and had just swept out when a large piece of steel hit
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Donations For Texas City Relief Accepted By News

We realize that the good people of this district are called upon to donate more than we all feel that we should, but now we are calling upon you to donate to a cause that is more worthy than most causes that we know of. This is the Texas City, Texas disaster. The News will accept donations for the next week and possibly for two weeks to be sent to Texas City for the relief work going on there.

In next week's issue the News will publish names of all donors and the amount of the donations.

Checks should be made out to the News Texas City Relief Fund and brought or sent to the News office. Cash donations will also be accepted. The money will be sent to the Texas City National Bank and the First State Bank of Texas City. A Texas City committee will apportion the funds.

More than likely there will never be a disaster of this type here or near here, and of course, we all hope that there will never be another of this sort, or for that matter any other disaster, but we all know they are going to come. We, who should be so thankful that we are not in an area of this kind, should be able to help these people a little.

There are several families living here that have relatives in Texas City. So far as we can find out at this time there is only one that is not accounted for. Several have been injured, but Jewel Densman, brother to Novel and Ellis Densman and son-in-law of Mrs. T. A. Smith, all of this city, is still listed as missing. He was an employee in the Monsanto Plant.

Bring or send your donations to the News and we will send them on to Texas City. Regardless of how large or small they may be, they will be appreciated alike.

The Lions Roar

A report on the activities of the Boy Scouts was given by Lion Bill McDavid at the regular meeting of the Lions Club this week. Forty eight Lions were present and five guests.

The Lions Club had for a number of years sponsored the Boy Scouts and had furnished a Scout Master for them. The club voted 100 per cent to sponsor them for another year.

The Club also voted to send a check for \$50 to the Lions Club at Texas City to be used in the relief work there.

Rev. J. W. Ford, pastor of the Methodist church in Stephenville and who is holding a revival at the Methodist church here, and Rev. Tom Granger of Bangs, who is leading the singing at the revival, were guests of Lion Henry Price. Douglas Lykin and Audrey Robbins were guests of Lion Scott Whitaker and had charge of the program. They played several numbers on their guitars. Miss Elsie Lee Harper was a guest of the Club and played the piano in the absence of Mrs. McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Baird were in Coleman Sunday afternoon to see a relative, Mr. Wylie Vaughan who is in the hospital there. While working on the highway Saturday a gravel truck backed over him and he was seriously injured.

Wilbur Nabours of Crane visited from Friday until Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Mollie Nabours.

Mr. and Mrs. James Harvey and Bob of Lubbock visited over the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Harvey.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Manley of Brownwood spent Monday here with her parents.

Laws On Consolidations of School Districts Explained

At a meeting of the Committee appointed by the Planning Board who are representatives of the several School Districts in the Proposed Consolidation for the forming of a Rural High School District, the following information appertaining to the Grouping for a Rural High School District was obtained from the Public School Laws of the State of Texas and is submitted to you for your information that you may fully understand the details of such a Grouping:

RURAL HIGH SCHOOL

I

DISTRICTS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER RURAL HIGH SCHOOL

GROUPING

Any Common School District and Independent School Districts with scholastic population under 250 (Authority Art. 2922a).

II

HOW RURAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT IS FORMED

Rural High School District of more than 100 sq. miles may be formed upon a vote of a majority of the qualified electors in the said proposed Rural High School District voting at an election called for the purpose by the County School Board and provided further, that the said Board of County School Trustees may form a Rural High School District containing more than seven elementary districts upon a vote of the majority of the qualified voters in EACH elementary district within such proposed Rural High School District (2922c).

III

TRUSTEES (2774a Sec. 4)

The control and management of the Rural High School District shall be vested in a Board of Seven Trustees elected by the qualified voters of said proposed district and provided that each of the Original Districts included in such Rural High School District must be the residence of at least ONE member of said Board.

A temporary School Board shall be appointed by the County School Board, one from each district so involved up to Seven members and said appointed Board shall serve until the next regular Trustee election.

IV

TAXATION

In a Rural High School District Grouping, Taxes shall be based on State and County valuations as in any Common School District, or not to exceed \$1.00 on the \$100.00 valuation.

In a Rural High School District it is required that Taxes shall be equalized throughout the entire district and such tax cannot exceed the \$1.00 on the \$100.00 valuation. This amount shall be all inclusive of present outstanding indebtedness together with such other bonds as may be required later.

V

TRANSPORTATION

The Transportation shall be governed as has been so directed heretofore with the exception that grouping of 100 sq. miles or more will be applicable for a Higher Scholastic rate of pay.

VI

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

All Elementary Schools in said proposed Rural High School District shall be retained as long as such individual school meets State requirements relative to State Equalization Laws. Elementary Schools that fail to meet such requirements may be Regrouped in order to qualify.

VII

Each original district shall determine by a majority vote of its qualified voters whether it shall become a part of the proposed grouping or shall remain as it is at the present time.

VIII

The failure of any one or more of the Common School Districts, or Independent School Districts to approve the proposed Rural High School District Grouping invalidates the proposed Rural High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Welch and daughter and Mrs. Welch's mother, Mrs. Davis, visited with the W. A. Davis family in Ft. Worth Sunday. Mrs. W. T. Vinson and Sarah Jane Davis came home with them. Mrs. Vinson had been visiting in the Davis home and with her son, Tom Vinson at Benbrook for two weeks. Sarah Jane, who attends school here, had visited with her parents since Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Griffin are expecting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Griffin and the children from North Camp Hood to spend the week-end here.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Weathers of Cisco were here Monday. They brought his mother, Mrs. J. M. Weathers, home after she had visited with them for a week.

The revival meeting which began last Sunday at the Methodist church is having a good attendance, and considerable interest is manifested. Rev. J. W. Ford, the evangelist, is bringing some fine messages and Rev. T. W. Granger is ably leading the singing.

The senior class of the Buffalo high school got in Monday night from a pleasant trip to San Antonio. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Harris and Mr. and Mrs. John Allen Todd and Sonny.

Dr. E. D. McDonald spent Tuesday in Abilene attending a meeting of the North Texas District Medical Society.

Gladys Myrtle Blanton went to Pecos last Friday to visit with her sister, Mrs. R. O. Rainey.

Coleman County Rent Controls Drop Soon

Rent control will be abolished in four Texas areas May 1, the federal government's regional rent control office said Monday. The areas affected are:

1. The Brownwood area, comprising Brown, Coleman and Comanche counties.
2. The Dalhart area, comprising Lamar, Hartley, Moore and Sherman counties.
3. The Paris area, comprising Lamar county in Texas and Choctaw county in Oklahoma.
4. The Pecos area, comprising Reeves and Ward counties.

Decontrol of these areas, Regional Rent Executive Russell B. Stephens said, was part of the national reduction of 700 positions resulting from a lack of funds available for rent control. Stephens said, however, that he did not believe decontrol will result in severe hardships and inconveniences because rent control in those areas already had accomplished the major purpose and was no longer greatly needed.

Piano Recital At Methodist Church

On Thursday evening, May 1st, Mrs. Mae E. McDonald will present her pupils in a piano recital at the Methodist church in Santa Anna at 7:30. This is to be the last recital in this term of school. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The following pupils will take part in the recital: Dixie Marilyn Crews, Larry Donham, Pauline Voss, Otis Taylor, Grace Lois Holland, Janice Donham, Joan Niell, Geneva Watson, Alma Lois Townsley, Dianne Williams, Evelyn Oakes, Patsy Moore, Annette Johnson, Mary Frances Williams, Joyce Rowe, Jo Ann McCary, Vernell Newman, Paula Holt, Beverley Stockard, Sedonia Simmons, Nenita Jay Allison, La Juna Burgett, Mary Jane Turner, Elaine Burgett, Novelle McClellan, Sylvia McAden, Sarah Frances Mosley, Nancy Flores, Katherine Stewardson and Coyita Griffin.

Mrs. McDonald will start her summer class on May 19th and classes will be taught, at the Methodist church.

Delinquent Names On Our Mailing List

In checking over our mailing list we find that there are several of you who have let your subscription expire. We hate to remove names from our mailing list, but when names run delinquent for more than a month or two we are forced to do so.

Newsprint is still on the hard to get list. In fact it is harder to get at the present time than most any item that you can think of, and it is also rationed to newspapers. So we have to be as conservative with it as possible.

As long as you are a paid up subscriber it goes a long way toward getting our right amount of paper to print on. Check the date after your name on your paper and if you are behind we would be glad to have you come in and renew at once.

Mrs. Dan Blake returned home on Thursday night from Sunday, where she had been with her daughter, Mrs. Stafford Helm who has been quite sick in a Lubbock hospital. She had been moved home and was getting along fine when Mrs. Blake left.

The Self Culture Club will meet with Mrs. Oder Friday afternoon, April 25, instead of with Mrs. Payne as stated in the year book.

City Finances Best In Years

Mr. W. F. Turner of the Turner Auditing Company of Stephenville and Martin, Texas, met with the City Commission last week and made a report on the audit his company has recently completed for the city.

Mr. Turner stated that in his opinion it is a splendid report and he commends the city officials for the manner in which the city's finances have been handled.

Mr. Turner's company has made six audits for the city since 1934 and he stated that it is very interesting to note the steady progress the city has made, in a financial way, since their first audit was made and especially the financial gain since 1943.

Mr. Turner also stated that in his estimation the city of Santa Anna compares very favorably in its financial status, with larger cities.

A report of 115 pages is too voluminous to have printed and anyone interested in the details of the report may examine same by calling at the city hall, where the report is on file with the city secretary.

Restrictions On Use Of Water Are Now In Effect

Again this year, as in the past year or two water has had to be rationed. The city is just asking you to conserve all the water you possibly can.

There is very little water in our lakes and it seems that there is little prospect for much water to be caught.

This is the month of April when we should get a lot of water fall. There has been very little so far this month, but even if it does rain now it will be too late to help much.

All the country is needing rain bad. Some farmers are already ready to give up their crops and if it rains start over again.

Now, if never before, is the time when we need to be as saving as possible with what little water we have. Let's all cooperate in this matter and make the water go as far as it will.

End Of Sugar Scarcity Seen

Cuba this year is harvesting the biggest sugar crop in its history. It is estimated to reach 6.1 million tons, which is about double the pre war production of that country.

Prior to the war, we used to import about a million tons of sugar from the Philippines. It will require some years to restore production to normal levels in the Islands. Large acreages formerly devoted to growing sugar in Hawaii have been covered with military installations.

The big crop in Cuba is the bright spot in the picture and promises to put an end to the sugar shortage earlier than was expected.

Mrs. A. W. Sellers left Wednesday for Ft. Worth to visit for several days with her daughter, Mrs. D. H. Middleton and her son, A. L. Sellers and to make the acquaintance of a new grandson, named Ronald Whitney Sellers.

Old friends and relatives of Mrs. Reed Cupps are sending her a card shower for her 84th birthday, which is May 4th. — Mrs. W. H. Cupps.

Mrs. Dick Tipton of McCamey, the former Sarah Ellen Rutledge of Coleman, visited Jean Irick last week-end.

Miss Sarah Ramsour returned to her home in Austin Monday after visiting over the week-end with Misses Elsie Lee and Ruby Harper. Miss Ramsour teaches public school music in the Austin schools.

Gouldbusk News

(Alene Menges)

Mrs. Carrie Spurrle was shopping in Abilene Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lohn were shopping and attended to business in Coleman Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Henry visited in the Sam Baker home Saturday night.

Mrs. John Coffee of Dumas is visiting this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Corelious and Miss Nora Knight visited Saturday night in the William L. Livingston home.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Baker and Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Baker were Sunday guests in the Buck Smith home.

Sue Crossland spent the night with Hazel Moseley Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Harding of Concho were visiting in the O. A. Autry home Sunday.

Alene Menges spent Saturday night and Sunday with Nelda Myers.

Mary Fenton spent the weekend in Coleman with friends.

Mrs. Bill Corelious and Miss Nora Knight visited in the Henry home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wan Fenton were shopping in Coleman Saturday.

We are glad that Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harding of Concho have moved into our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burleson and sons returned to their home in Abilene after a three weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Talley.

Mrs. Dick Bass and Richard Dean and Bennie Bass left Saturday morning in their car to join Sgt. Dick Bass who has about six months more of training at a Virginia military camp.

Little Sarah Jo Miller of Leaday spent the weekend with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Banks.

Miss Edna McDaniel of Austin visited over the weekend with her sister, Mrs. J. Edd Bartlett and Mr. Bartlett. Miss McDaniel is employed by the city welfare department of Austin. Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett will leave Thursday to visit with her sister, Miss Stella McDaniel in San Antonio and a brother, Dr. D. H. McDaniel and wife at Tilden.

Mrs. Ralph Matthews and Joseph Pinckney and Marcia of Brownwood visited Sunday with Miss Louella Chambers.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hardy returned Monday from a fishing trip to Marble Falls, where Mr. Hardy caught a 25 pound yellow cat.

Mrs. Gertrude Region was able to resume her duties as supervisor at the school lunch room Monday after a weeks illness a part of which time was spent in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Herring and Phil and Janice left Monday afternoon for their home in Austin after visiting from Saturday afternoon with her mother, Mrs. A. L. Oder and with Paul Oder and family and with Harry Oder and wife in Abilene.

Mrs. I. O. Taylor and children of Brady visited Sunday afternoon with Mrs. W. D. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. D. Kemp visited over the weekend with relatives at Mullin.



NEW BOOTS AFTER SIX YEARS

Marking Boyce House's sixth year on radio for the makers of Justin boots and shoes, H. J. Justin, II (right), grandson of the founder of the company, fits Boyce up with a brand new pair of boots to celebrate the occasion.

KABC To Broadcast Battle Of Flowers

For the benefit of the many Texans who cannot be present to witness the colorful spectacle of the 52nd Annual Battle of Flowers Parade, which will wind through the picturesque street of downtown San Antonio, April 25, Radio Station KABC at 680 on the radio dial will present a special radio description of the parade from 5:45 to 6:15 p. m. this Friday, the day of the parade.

Two KABC announcers, stationed at points of vantage along the way, will describe in detail for the radio audience the colorful spectacle which promises to be on a more elaborate scale than ever before.

The Battle of Flowers, a traditional procession of breath taking beauty, will again this year feature brilliant floats, marching units, mounted groups and army entries. Many visitors insist that the Battle of Flowers Parade is the most beautiful and elaborate in America.

A feature of the KABC broadcast will be the announcers' detailed descriptions of the Queen and her royal court, whose elaborate costumes and beautiful floats are high lights of the spectacle. King Antonio, who traditionally rides in a golden carriage drawn by four palomino horses and who is escorted by the uniformed members of the colorful Texas cavaliers, will also have his retinue described for the benefit of the radio audience.

To recapture the whole spirit of the fiesta for a nation wide audience, a coast to coast broadcast originating at the KABC studios in the Milam building and heard over the American Broadcasting Company network will go on the air Saturday, April 26 from 1:00 to 1:30 p. m.

Scheduled to be heard on the program are General Jonathan

Wainwright, hero of Bataan; Texas Governor Beauford Jestor's speech at the solemn and dignified Pilgrimage to the Alamo; a "Texas Tall Tale" for the benefit of those folks not fortunate enough to live in Texas, as told by KABC's Bill Lister; and the background western music of the Texans.

More details about San Antonio's week long celebration will be given throughout each broadcast day on the variety of interesting programs heard over KABC. Listeners from all over the state will keep their radio dials set on "680" for all the details of Fiesta Week in old San Antonio.

NATIONAL SERVICE LIFE INSURANCE DIVIDENDS

A vast majority of the service men and women who took out national service life insurance during World War II will eventually receive dividends on their policies.

Payments to individuals will vary greatly, as they are based on the amount of insurance carried, length of time held, and age at time the policy was taken out.

NEW HELICOPTER

A tiny helicopter which can be strapped to the back of a paratrooper in place of a parachute, and a small, lightweight, one-piece helicopter which eventually may be flying what the motorcycle is to highway traffic have been disclosed.

SELECTIVE SERVICE BOARD RECORDS

Selective Service records of the men who served in the Armed Forces during World War II will be consolidated in state depots for use of claimants for federal benefits and state pensions and bonuses.

Keep your News subscription paid up.

National and International News Hi-Lights of the Week

The Security Council Friday night defeated Russia's effort to place American aid to Greece under United Nations supervision.

The proposal was supported only by Russia and Poland. Columbia, Belgium, Britain and Australia voted against it. The United States, China, France, Syria and Brazil abstained.

An order that will decontrol upward of 50 rental areas is being drafted by OPA officials, it was disclosed Friday night.

Congressional sources said the order will be issued along with an executive order transferring the administration of rent control from OPA to Housing Expediter Frank Croden.

The United States Steel Corporation and the CIO-United Steel Workers Sunday announced a new wage agreement calling for a general increase of \$1 a day, paving the way for a year of peace and production in the nation's vital steel industry.

The agreement, announced by CIO President Philip Murray and President Benjamin Faules of the corporation, calling for a flat 12½ cents and hour raise and for two years. It contains a wage reopening clause after one year. The union estimated the increase at 15 cents hourly, including the cost of several auxiliary benefits.

Government over the possibility of an early end to the nation wide phone strike faded quickly.

Monday night when striking New Jersey telephone workers rejected a company offer to raise the wages 7½ cents and hour.

The wage offer, first to be made by any Bell subsidiary since the strike began more than two weeks ago, had been seen as a possible opening wedge in a national settlement.

President Truman on Monday coupled a pointed demand for sharp price reductions with an appeal for home front "unity" to avert a major depression that would carry disaster for the forces of democracy the world over.

Addressing the annual luncheon of the Associated Press, the president declared that "prices must be brought down" and taxes kept up until the country is over the hump of inflation.

By keeping its economy sound, he said, the United States can not only continue to aid the weak but "demonstrate to all other nations the vitality and superiority of a free economy."

Homer Goodgion left Tuesday on a business trip to East Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Blue attended funeral services at Talpa Wednesday afternoon for Dr. S. A. Lowrie of Post.

Mrs. G. W. Teagle had as visitors Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Kitchen of Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Powell of Kerrville visited over the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stockard.

Marvin West and family of Rockwood visited his parents here Sunday.

Mrs. Bill McDavid returned home Tuesday night from Lubbock, where she had visited since Sunday with her sister, Mrs. J. C. Sharp.

Mr. B. T. Woodward left last week for Fontana, Calif., for a visit with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. West.

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Fire Merciless Killer

By Graham Patterson, Publisher
Pathfinder News Magazine

The series of disastrous hotel fires last year emphasizes once again the urgent need of improved protective measures against this most sinister, most cruel of man's enemies.

Each year there are upwards of 10,000 persons — men, women and children — whose lives are sacrificed to the fire demon.

Aggressive and concerted effort is made to combat the scourge of infantile paralysis — and rightly so — yet every year there are four times as many children killed by fire — avoidable fires — as fall victims to polio.

Moreover, for every child fire kills, there are three that are

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scarred and maimed. Isn't such a toll frightful enough to demand every weapon and effort to combat it?

In addition to the loss of human lives, fire exacts a heavy toll in property destruction. In 1946 the fire loss was \$600,000,000 — the highest in 10 years.

George W. Elliott, chairman of the National Fire Protection Association's board, told a recent meeting of that group, which included hotel men, civic representatives and fire authorities from all sections of the U. S.: "There is no problem in the country affecting the life and welfare of the public that is so pressing . . ."

No one will disagree when he recalls the frightful fire in the Hotel Wineoff in Atlanta, Ga., that took 119 lives, or the fire in the La Salle Hotel, Chicago, that snuffed out 61 lives, or the Hotel Canfield tragedy in Dubuque, Ia., in which 19 persons died.

A well known fire protection authority has stated that a few simple precautions might have saved many lives in the tragic Atlanta hotel fire. For instance a single \$50 door installation at the entrance to the stairway to

the third floor would have, if closed, prevented the spread of the fire to the upper floors.

That proper remedial measures can be taken is proved by the efforts of the City of Boston to curb the fire menace.

Hotel men and civic officials there have been engaged in an aggressive fire prevention campaign since the disastrous Cocoanut Grove night club holocaust in 1942 that took 500 lives. Hotels, theatres, night clubs, restaurants, office buildings, schools, churches and business establishments have cooperated.

The principal objectives are the abolishing of inflammable decorations from public places, more rigid building inspection regulations, strict enforcement of laws covering exits and a thorough overhauling of the city's fire department.

It was difficult to carry out all parts of the program during the war years when many materials were practically unobtainable. Yet in hotels, theatres, office buildings, and other structures, wider aisles, altered stairways, new fire escapes appeared. One hotel installed 32 doors costing \$550 each; another hotel is spending \$100,000 for greater fire safety, three theatres laid out \$300,000 for improvements needed to comply with newly passed laws.

The City of Boston itself is expected to provide a half million dollar this year for better fire fighting equipment.

Unquestionably there are many places where laws passed for the protection of the public are not obeyed. When the commissioners of the District of Columbia some months ago ordered an investigation to check compliance with the local safety code, it was discovered that 1,638 of 3,500 buildings inspected were violating the fire laws.

It seems to me that although new and better safety measures are undoubtedly needed, what is needed first is a determined effort to see that existing laws are obeyed, and offenders properly punished.

There can be no excuse for risking people's lives and no penalty is too stiff for those who do.

Texas, with its 254 counties stocked with a large number of cattle, sheep and goats, swine, chickens, turkeys, horses and mules, has only about 300 veterinarians engaged in private practice.

Trade in Santa Anna.

Pecan Insect Pest

Pecan growers, from the man with two trees in his back yard to the man with a commercial grove, may want to join in on a fight to grow more nuts this year.

The battle going on is against an insect called the pecan nut case bearer, and he is a tough little enemy. Entomologist Paul Gregg, of the Texas A. & M. College extension service, says that the nut case bearer destroys up to three fourths of the total Texas pecan crop. However, the insect can be controlled by spraying at the right time, says Gregg.

The effective spraying period against the nut case bearer is short, and it varies with the season and locality, the entomologist says. In general, however, growers have found that spraying as soon as possible after the nuts have set is effective. When the blossom end of the nut turns brown, it is time to start the spraying campaigns. This stage of growth is coming up soon in most of Texas' pecan groves.

Entomologists have worked out a new spray mixture that has given the case bearer plenty of trouble. The mixture is composed of six pounds of lead arsenate, one pint of nicotine sulfate and three quarts of summer oil emulsion in 100 gallons of water. The old spray mixture that growers have used for a long time is still effective — six pounds of lead arsenate in 100 gallons of water. DDT is also showing much promise against the case bearer, Gregg says. Six pounds of 50 per cent wettable DDT powder to 100 gallons of water is the recommended mixture.

Mrs. G. F. Barlett returned Sunday from a week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Martin Lehnis at Rogers, Texas.

Veterans attending the University of Texas continue to make better grades than non-veterans, a study of the 1946-47 fall or first semester shows. Records from the registrar's office show that male veterans passed 80.6 per cent of hours registered for compared with 76.3 for male non-veterans. All male students except those in the graduate school and school of law were included in the study.

Over 63,000 World II veterans are studying farming right on the farm under two Federal laws administered by Veterans Administration.

Classified

FOR SALE: 5 room house. Hosch Furniture Co. 13-tfc

Bulk Garden Seeds: We have received a shipment of new garden seeds and package flower seeds. Griffin Hatchery. 4tfc

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Alton Bishop, W. T. 3-c, came in on a surprise visit Saturday to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bishop. He is stationed at Charleston, S. C., and is on a 30 day leave.

Jess Owen of Hobbs, New Mexico visited several days lately with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Owen. On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Owen had all their children and grandchildren with them for the first time in a long time. Other Owen and wife and daughter, Ray Owen and wife and the

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three children, their daughter, Mrs. I. O. James, I. O. and the three children and Jess from Hobbs and his children, Jodean and George from Coleman.

Mrs. Clara Kilmer left Monday afternoon for Placid for a visit of several days with her son, Willie Kilmer and son.

Mrs. John Campbell returned Saturday afternoon from a visit of two weeks with her sister, Mrs. L. V. Kimmons of Mullin.

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Trickham News

(By Mrs. Beula King-ton)

Mr. Warren Colvin and his daughter, Emmy of Georgetown spent a few days here last week. They were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Whitley and spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Boenicke. Mrs. Boenicke brought Emmy to the school house where she formerly attended school and also to see Mrs. Kingston for a few minutes. I was surprised to see her so grown-up; in fact, as tall as I am. The other two children, Bill and Genia were visiting their grandparents at Stephenville. Mrs. Ben McIvor spent several days last week in Brownwood visiting her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Bobo and son, Cullen.

In the terrible disaster at Texas City last week, we around here were fortunate in that none of our relatives were killed; but Mrs. Harris of Mt. View had a nephew to lose his life and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Henderson of Brooksmith lost a son-in-law; Mr. Ted Miller and Mr. Miller's nephew, too, lost his life. These bodies were brought to Brownwood where funeral services were held last Saturday.

Mr. Ted Miller's wife is a cousin of Mrs. Bud Laughlin and they attended the funeral.

M. L. Bradley spent Friday and Saturday with Key Bradley, William Bradley, who had been out of school the last three or four weeks, was able to start back to school today.

Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Haynes and Nancy Jo spent Sunday with her parents. Sorry to hear Mrs. R. S. Stearns is feeling so bad lately.

Gene James and family attended the closing exercises of the Concord school last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Steward of Eden and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Whitley and baby of Santa Anna spent Sunday with Mrs. May Rutherford and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Whitley.

Mr. Ed McClatchy and his son, Glenn McClatchy and family of Temple spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Thompson and Vassar.

Mrs. Key Bradley visited Mrs. Shield Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Gene James and children visited in the Curtis home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Will Simmons, Mrs. Owen Hall and daughter, Celinda of Brownwood spent Sunday with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Thompson.

Mrs. Rutherford had as her guests for the day last Tuesday her sister, Mrs. Laura Carter and her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Phillips of Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Walters of O'Donnell, but formerly of Trickham announce the marriage of their daughter, Beth to Curtis Finley on April 16. Friends here of Beth wish them much happiness. A clipping from the O'Donnell Index sent to Mrs. Glenn Haynes speaks of the nice showers given to them by friends there.

This being San Jacinto Day, school was dismissed for the day. Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Price and several of the patrons went to the creek for a picnic. Too bad to have an invitation to go with them but this is my day to collect and write news so I had to stay at home. Someone want my job. Sure would love to turn it over to you.

Miss Pearl Ford of Brownwood is here visiting her sister, Mrs. C. P. Shield.

Mrs. Zona Stacy spent several days at Whon last week attending the Nazarene revival there. Mrs. Leta Price and Truman, also Mrs. Kingston went down Sunday and were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Fiveash, also Mr. and Mrs. Buster Wynn, their dinner being spread together.

The Methodist revival meeting that was held at Rockwood last week closed Sunday night and as mentioned in last weeks News, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stacy had charge of the singing for that meeting.

Mrs. J. B. Weathers of Shields visited her mother, Mrs. L. E. Page today, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson attended church at Bangs Sunday.

Visitors at Sunday School and church here were Mrs. H. F. Featherston of Floydada who is here visiting Mrs. Jim Featherston, John and Lou.

Mrs. Edgar Wallace Cole and her daughter, Ruth, were also here and Bro. Burgett returned home after the morning service, bringing Mrs. Burgett and their two daughters with him for the night service.

Mrs. Minnie Wilson and Mrs. Mable Sheffield visited Mrs. Lee Dockery and her sister, Mrs. Watkins Sunday afternoon.

Being away Sunday I went to the church house this morning to see how many were out for Sunday School and it was only 55. Were you in Sunday School anywhere last Sunday?

Mrs. Emma Paulson is spending a few days in Brownwood

this week. Sorry Oscar Boenicke is suffering so much. He now has the shingles on his forehead and he has gone to see the doctor. He didn't rest any at all last night. The doctor started giving him shots today.

This is Tuesday morning and Oscar is ready to go back for another shot. He said he rested some last night.

Whon News

Mrs. Tom Rutherford

Friends are sorry to hear Mrs. Allyn Gill had and appendicitis operation Sunday evening. She is in a Brownwood hospital and we all truly wish here a speedy recovery.

Calvin Shields from this community went to Texas City soon after the terrible report was given. He has a brother and sister and their families living there. We truly say we are glad to report that all were unharmed. Calvin returned home Saturday night.

Sunday visitors in the Henry Smith home were Rev. and Mrs. La Farney of Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Wallace and children and Louise Averett.

Mrs. Zona Stacy of Trickham was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Smith.

Leon Carter chaperoned a few children of the community to Concord Saturday to the picnic. The boys played ball in the afternoon and all reported an enjoyable trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Cheatham were greeting friends in Whon Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Shields and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Adkins and daughter, Vonnice.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Jones of Stephenville have moved into our community. We say welcome. They are employed by Mr. Renfro.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Schulz and son visited Mrs. Schulz's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Black in Mullin Sunday.

Mrs. Beula Kingston and Mrs. Leta Price and son of Trickham were Sunday visitors in the Gus Fiveash home.

Friends will be glad to hear that Rex Turney, who has been suffering with a broken foot for several weeks in a Brownwood hospital is improving and hopes to be able to come home some time this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rutherford and baby of Pearsall were greeting relatives here Sunday morning. They returned to Pearsall Sunday afternoon.

Jim and Faye Gill of Coleman were out at the ranch here Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Wallace and children went to Brownwood Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Oscar Lovelady and son, Darwin went to San Angelo Saturday. They took Mrs. Lovelady's father, Mr. Sam Smith out there.

Mrs. Lovie Adkins attended a 4-H Club meeting in Coleman

Saturday afternoon. Bert Carter and L. J. Lovelady went to Brownwood Monday afternoon.

Rockwood News

(Mrs. Ray Caldwell)

The Methodist revival closed Sunday evening. Bro. Morton left in the afternoon for Childress to begin a revival there. Mr. Leveridge and girls and Mr. Durham of Coleman were with us Sunday evening and Mr. Leveridge spoke to us on stewardship.

Capt. and Mrs. Frank McCreary, Jr. and son and Mrs. F. E. McCreary spent Friday night and Saturday in Eldorado with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ashmore.

Mrs. Cyrus Grimm is a medical patient in the Brady hospital and is doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Epps and boys of Houston and Mrs. Reed Steward of Lohn visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Caldwell and boys Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stacy of Trickham, Mr. and Mrs. Butler Fowler and Mrs. Ray Caldwell visited with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Steward Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Smith and children of San Saba spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bos-tick.

Misses Joyce and Bobby June Wise of San Antonio spent the week-end here with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Evan Wise.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Black and son of San Angelo spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bryan.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Maness of Brownwood spent Saturday night and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Uless Maness.

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Lancaster of Trickham visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. King Sunday. Miss Bernice Johnson of Coleman spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fox Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Selke of Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Dav-

enport of Loraine and Mr. and Mrs. Fay Mosier of Big Spring visited with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Miller and Betty.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Cheatham of Lubbock visited here with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Box.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim West and baby spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Nasworthy of Winchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cooper and girls spent Sunday in Baird with Mr. and Mrs. Alton Davis and family.

Mrs. Sherman Heilman and daughter, Ernest Heilman, Miss Rosa Belle Moore, Mrs. Lee Mc-

Millan and Cyrus Grimm visited with Mrs. Cyrus Grimm who is a patient in the Brady hospital Sunday afternoon.

Best wishes to Lonzo Moore and Marie Western, who were married last Saturday. Mrs. Moore is a Brady girl and operates a beauty shop there.

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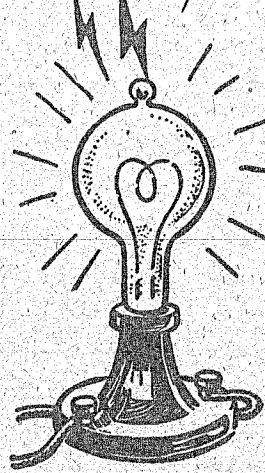
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WHO'S WHO

The senior class is proud to present to you this week one of their outstanding honor students Odell Woods. Odell stands 5'5" tall, weighs 112 pounds and has light brown hair and blue eyes. During her four years in Santa Anna high school she has been a member of the homemaking club four years, pep squad two years and press club one year. Odell states that her favorite actress is Jeanne Crain, actor, Bing Crosby and Cornel Wilde. Her likes are bookkeeping, English, fried chicken, cherry ice cream, blue and a certain G. I. Her dislikes are any kind of cooked greens, homemaking and catty people.

She says her most thrilling experience happened on July 6, 1946.

Odell's ambition is to become a bookkeeper and those who are in her bookkeeping class know she will make a good one.

When school is out she plans to go to work.

Success to you, Odell, from the senior class.

In this, our last week of the Who's Who, the seniors are proud to present the last (alphabetically) two seniors of this year. First we have that likeable boy, who is sweet 16, Leroy Stockard. Leroy is 5'8" tall, weighs 124 pounds and has brown hair and brown eyes.

Leroy has been very active the four years that he has spent in S. A. H. S. During his sophomore year, he represented the Spanish club in the Hallowe'en carnival. Leroy says that the most out-

standing thing he did during his junior year was to pass Algebra II. During that year, also, he represented the band in the Hallowe'en carnival. This year he represented the Spanish club in the Hallowe'en carnival, again. Leroy has been a member of the Press club one year, the Spanish club two years and the band four years. He plays the clarinet in the band and he is president of that organization this year.

Leroy likes chocolate ice cream, cake and red heads. He dislikes people you can't depend on. His ambition is to become a doctor. Likewise, he plans to enter college, any college following graduation to take pre med. His most thrilling experience was the Dallas Fair. Leroy states that his favorite subject is trig and his favorite teacher is Mr. Kattner. His ideal person is his sister, Opal Mae.

Best of luck to you always, Leroy, and when you become a famous doctor we can say, "We knew him when..."

JUNIOR NEWS

The junior class of 1946-47 has been a very cooperative group. Everyone has worked together and have had a happy school year. In the beginning of the school term the junior class had charge of the concession stand at the football games.

Later, in October, the junior class sponsored the Hallowe'en carnival, which proved a great success.

Next came the junior-senior banquet which was planned and given by the junior class.

During the year the class has had one class party and we are planning another one for May.

Although the junior class has lost some of its good students during the school term, I am sure the class will continue cooperating and make as good a senior class as they have made juniors.

GOSSIP

Well, here we are — back again after a week of collecting some nice, juicy gossip for you.

We noticed H. L. Biggs was here Saturday night and had a friend Bob with him.

We also noticed he had a good time Saturday night. Was that Coyita G. we saw him with about 11 Saturday night or did our eyes deceive us?

Another out of town visitor was Ruby June Humphries who spent the week-end with Coyita. Bob Oyelo was cute wasn't he, Ruby. Too bad, Freddie, that you had to stay in Brady.

Say, Jerry, who were you with Saturday night?

It seems that this little glowing ember between Olin and Wanda is becoming a full fledged fire from the reports we've received about Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. She was also seen

trying on his new football packet for size at noon Monday. Doesn't Boyd's fit any more? How about that? Better watch her, Boyd.

Another three night date was Barbara and Stanley. That seems to be getting to be a regular affair. They have now become one of these lunch room couples. What happened to Paul, Barbara and Elaine, Stanley?

Who was the tall, dark and handsome boy Ruby G. was seen with over the week-end? But everything appeared to be fine between James and her Monday.

Elaine and Raymond were seen together again Friday night. With them were Sarah Frances and Howard Lee. All seemed to be having a good time.

Could that have been Glenn S. that brought Doretha Faye to school Friday noon? And then she went to Brownwood with Pat! My! How she gets around!

Bob and Betty Ann were feeling their importance Saturday night going to Coleman in McCaughan's new Plymouth. Snazzy, eh? They seemed to be doing nicely Friday night also.

Margaret and Kenneth seemed to be happy and well pleased with the world Friday night. But Margaret seems to find 3rd period World History class very interesting, too.

Julia Anna and Jonie enjoy eating at the lunch room, too.

June, R. L., Paula and Dewey always manage to compose a foursome on the lawn before school and at noon. Convenient to have the grammar school kids at high school, isn't it?

Come on kids, and fill that little white box full of gossip in answer to our S.O.S. Until next week, we are,—Peek and Squeak.

A DAY AT S. A. H. S.

I am not a stranger, as I am a member of the student body, but I was a visitor to many classes and would like to tell you the things I saw. Bright and early you see the boys and girls walking to school and others coming on the bus. This eventful day was Friday and as you came up and glanced at the flag pole, you saw the freshman flag flying triumphantly. Soon it was taken down, by the dignified seniors. On the campus you see everybody talking about what they did last night or just gossiping. If you should go to the study hall you would find industrious students, Estelle and Wanda Dixon. As the bell ring and you go into the building, you meet some strangers but yet they are your friends. It is Boyd Stewardson and his friend, Jackie Hammerick from San Saba. Going on up the stairs to home room starts the day off with splendor. After the roll is checked everyone goes to assembly. With Coach Whitaker presiding. He makes many important announcements as "The Womanless Wedding" Friday night. Then we are dismissed to go to our first period classes. Something different happened today in geometry. Everyone went to the blackboard and worked problems in proportion. There was still room for those

who played hookey. Junior English class was the same as usual. We read poetry from our literature books. Public speaking class was interesting and exciting. The students gave some commercials which they had written the day before. They were all good but some outstanding ones were Joe Sellers and Howard Lee Lovelady. Joe's commercial about a Chevrolet was very good for people who had run down feet. Howard's presented us the modern and streamlined type of Ford.

English was especially amusing. On coming into the room, you could see where Don Woodruff had been walking on the blackboard. Joe Hal England wrote an amusing poem, "Oh to Be in Norway." American history and world history were the same. We worked in our work books which brought the usual task of finding enough fountain pens. Besides Mrs. Davis calling Coyita down for talking, we discussed the importance of good grades, womanless wedding, honor roll, and the pie supper. It is now time for lunch and if you notice, there's quite a scramble to see who can get out first. Many go home for lunch and others to the lunch room. Those who go to the lunch room act like they have not had a meal in a week but really they want to get back to school to play. The things to play are baseball and tennis. On the tennis court you will see John Hardy Blue, Elgean Shield, Gene

Rice, Glenn Martin, Raymond Steward, James Goodwin and James Watson.

After lunch you will see the gossipers on the lawn. You see Sarah Francis and Howard Lee, Tommy Sue and Gene. Also you see Johnny, Ethel and Kelly sitting with Hilton, Joe and Weldon. After lunch we check the roll and go to our fifth period classes. In chemistry if Mr. Kattner is not there you will see the students — studying. Home-making classes are cutting out and making their dresses. Senior or English classes gave book reports and studied grammar. Sophomore English classes had a spelling match. Texas history is another exciting class. That is if you call a test exciting. Everyone was concentrating except Raymond Steward who had to go clean the ink well first. These things and many others take place making S. A. H. S. an exciting and enjoyable place.

ARMY AID AT TEXAS CITY
All facilities of the Fourth Army were placed at the disposal of Gov. Beauford H. Jester by Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright after the Texas City disaster. The U. S. Army rendered emergency aid for the second disaster in Texas within a week, sending blood plasma, penicillin and anti-tetanus serum, gas masks, army rations, field kitchens and even bulldozers. Nurses, doctors, chaplains, medical technicians, military policemen and cooks were dispatched to help in the devastated area.

Mrs. Scott Whitaker and Scott and Judy have been visiting her parents at Seymour.

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NATIONAL GLORY AND DECAY
LESSON TEXT—1 Kings 3:5-9; 5:13-16; 11:4-9.

MEMORY SELECTION—Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.—Proverbs 3:5.

Success or failure in life is determined by the measure of a man's devotion to God and obedience to the will of God. We speak now of real success, not according to the ideas of the world. We are concerned with what a man is and what he does for God, not with what he may happen to possess.

The life of Solomon falls into three divisions, corresponding to his early manhood, middle life and old age. It moves from glory and blessing to tragedy and judgment.

I. Wise Youth (3:5-9).

We use the word youth to cover the early years of Solomon's reign. He was now a young man, but the godly background of his rearing and his faith in God, showed in his choice of wisdom as God's greatest gift.

Sometimes we wish God would give us such an opportunity. "That is just what he has done. He has appeared to you, not in dreams, but in broad daylight, and by his Son, Jesus Christ has said as plainly as he could, 'Ask and it shall be given you.' He has repeated it three times, saying, 'Ask, seek, find.' And then he has returned to say, 'Every one that asketh receiveth, and he that seeketh findeth, and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.'" We have no right to say that Solomon was more favored than we. We are more favored than he. If we are not, it is because we ask not. If we lose peace and joy, happiness and heaven, it is all for want of asking" (Joseph Hammond).

The noble and intelligent choice of Solomon has been much admired, and rightly so, for he chose the greatest gift that could come to any man, "an understanding heart." He might have asked for money or power, but with the lack of wisdom to use them properly they would have been a curse to him and to others. Long life is but a continued blight to a foolish man, for it only extends the time of his folly.

II. Strong Manhood (5:13-16).

The temple of God which David had wanted to build was, by God's own decree, built by Solomon. Such a tremendous undertaking called for much in the way of men and materials, and Solomon demonstrated his great capacity as a builder in bringing the project to a glorious conclusion.

He also built great cities (1 Kings 9:17-19), and organized his government (4:1-28). He ruled with powerful, armed forces (10:26). All this required much money and manpower, which he got by levying from his people. As long as he walked in the way of the Lord he prospered, and his country grew in standing and in riches.

God is interested in the men of this world who are gifted with ability for mighty projects and extensive organization. The Lord is ready to bless such men in our day, and use their gifts and their money for his glory (see the life story of Henry P. Crowell—Breakfast Table Autocrat, published by Moody Press).

The sad thing is that such power is often too much for the spirit of mortal man, and he becomes proud, arrogant and self-willed—and then God has to turn away from him. Solomon's choice of wisdom had "pleased the Lord" (1 Kings 3:10) and God had blessed him. But note the qualifying word "if" in verse 14. Solomon failed God in his later years as king. The tragic results are written for all to read. That way none of us should ever go. The lesson is plain—faith takes blessing from God; unbelief brings failure and sorrow. Let everyone that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.

III. Sinful Old Age (11:4-9).

It would seem that a man who knows the Lord, should grow in grace and become even more intimate with God as he grows old. One might expect that the passing of years should mellow and sweeten life. But sad to say, it is often not the case.

When Solomon was old, he went after false gods. How tragical! Little wonder that one of the saintliest

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Boyce House, Texas well known "walking, talking one man Chamber of Commerce," will celebrate his sixth year on radio this Sunday (April 27) with a special program. "I Give You Texas and the Great Southwest" is heard over KKKO (Ft. Worth-Dallas) and KTSA (San Antonio) at 12:45 p. m. and over KGNC (Amarillo) at 3:00 p. m.

Guest on his program this week will be H. J. Justin, II, a grandson of the founder of the Justin Company.

House is author of the best-seller "I Give You Texas", two sequels and several books and articles on East Texas oil booms, and columnist on newspapers in the south and southwest for more than 30 years.

House recently won national recognition in Life Magazine as Texas' No. 1 Booster, but his reply to that was that everyone in Texas is either a booster or a social-outcast.

"Looking 'round"

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the ground within a foot of me. Children were running in every direction crying and bleeding. I saw people who had their faces and heads all cut until you could hardly tell who they were and some were friends of mine.

Galvin Shield, Billy Holder, Dewitt and Johnnie Willis can tell you just how bad things really are at this time. My daughter, Iris Mae Herne saw this morning

Church Notices

BUFFALO BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.
Preaching Services, 11:00 a. m.
Training Union, 7:00 p. m.
Preaching Service, 8:00 p. m.
Wednesday night prayer service, 7:00 p. m.
Rev. J. W. Ballard, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Bible School 10 A. M. Geo. P. Richardson, Supt.
Communion and Preaching service 11 A. M.
Ernest H. Wylie, Pastor.

Cumberland Presbyterian Church
Sunday School at 10: a. m.
Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.
Preaching Services first and second Sunday evenings. Fourth Sunday morning and evening.
J. W. Burgett, pastor.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Church School 10:00 a. m., Mr. Hardy Blue, Supt.
Morning Worship 11: 00 a. m.
Evening Worship Services 7:30 p. m.
Methodist Youth Fellowship 7:00 p. m.
"I was glad when they said unto me.
Let us go into the house of the Lord."
HENRY PRICE, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship, 11 a. m., 2nd and 4th Sundays.
Ladies Auxillary, Mondays following each 2nd Sunday.
Choir Practice, 6 p. m. each Friday.
Ben H. Moore, pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Preaching services 11:00 a. m.
Training Union, 6:30 p. m.
Preaching Service, 7:30 p. m.
Prayer Service 7:30 p. m.
S. R. Smith, pastor.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Evangelistic Service 7:00 p. m.
Sunday Young People's Service 6:00 p. m.
Thursday and Saturday Services 7:00 p. m.
You are cordially invited to attend.
James C. Nelson, pastor.

men this writer ever knew prayed constantly as he went on into his eighties, "Lord, keep me from ever becoming a wicked old man." Other old men and women (yes, and all of us) could well pray the same prayer.

So it became necessary for God to wrest the kingdom out of the hands of the great Solomon, and Israel goes on to its history of a people divided, of disobedience to God, and of ultimate judgment. Of that we shall see more in the weeks just ahead.

that her father-in-law had never been found and a lot of the women lost their husbands.

Mrs. Ollie Crisp and family were saved. God only knows how we are still living. — Mrs. Wiley French and Mrs. Ollie Crisp.

I don't know who will read this but my friend, Wiley French asked me to tell what I knew about the blast or two of them in fact. I was about 300 feet from the ship S. S. High Flyer when it exploded at 1:12 a. m. Thursday. All I can say is it was just plain hell. I have seen lots of towns destroyed by bombs but none as bad as Texas City by just one blast. I have been through the morgue two times and that is an experience alone. It will be weeks before all the bodies are found. Some will never be found. — H. E. Quarlis of Texas City.

LOCALS HELD OVER FROM LAST WEEK

Mr. John Simmons left Tuesday for Temple in answer to a message that a cousin, Ben Simmons, had died there suddenly on Monday. Funeral services for the deceased were held there on Wednesday.

Mrs. Patsy Willis left for her home in Corpus Christi last week after a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. L. W. Guthrie. Also visiting Mrs. Guthrie recently were her brothers, George and Joe Webb of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McDavid have moved this week into their nice home, which is one of the houses for veterans. It is located on a lot just west of the A. D. Hunter home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Henderson and Byron Lee returned to their home at Warren, Arizona, Tuesday. They had been here for the funeral of her grandfather, Mr. A. E. Campbell.

Jim Daniell, who was taken to

the Sealy Hospital last week suffering with a heart attack, is improving and has been moved to the home of his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Eubank.

Mrs. E. A. Cartwright and Messrs. F. A. Mann, E. C. Mann and W. J. Mann, all of Phoenix, Arizona came on a surprise visit Sunday with their sister, Mrs. J. R. Gipsch. They will be here several days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Burden of Lubbock and George Burden made a trip to Austin to get Mrs. George Burden and Georgia Marie who had been visiting with relatives in Elgin, Corpus Christi, Kennedy and Austin for the past week.

Mrs. H. D. Garrett of El Paso came last week for a 10 day visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Turner. She traveled by plane from El Paso to San Angelo.

A fish fry was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Francis, Friday night, April 11, by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Francis of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Francis and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gray, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Monroe and George Burden all of Santa Anna.

Week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Priddy were Mrs. Sammie Pase of Temple, Grace Anderson of Corpus Christi and Mrs. Roy Cahow of San Angelo.

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Jr. of Dallas visited over the week-end with her sister, Mrs. R. L. Loftis.

Mrs. T. W. Doster and son, Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Bradley of Smyrna Beach, Fla., came last Saturday and are visiting Mrs. Doster's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Todd. Mr. Bradley is superintendent of schools at Smyrna Beach and is on vacation. They will be leaving for home before the week-end but Mrs. Doster and Thomas will be returning to make Coleman county their home when he gets out of school.

"Shorty" Bishop and family got moved last week to the home they had bought some time ago in the north part of town and Mrs. Ethel Payne and family, who had been living there, moved to the house in the south part of town the Bishops had occu-

pied.

Mrs. S. R. Smith returned on Tuesday from a visit since Friday of last week with her son.

Coleman Gay and daughter, Mary of Austin visited last week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Gay. Mrs. Gay returned home with them for a few days visit and her sister, Mrs. Walker of Coleman, is caring for Mr. Gay while she is away.

Mrs. J. R. Gipson and her visitors, her brothers and sister, Messrs. F. A., E. A. and E. C. Mann and Mrs. E. A. Cartwright of Phoenix, Arizona, attended church in Coleman Sunday and visited in the Willie Gipson home.

Mrs. H. W. Kingsbery's home looks most attractive in the interior with its new wallpaper and paint job throughout the house.

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Cy Hartman finally got his new barn painted, but plenty of folks had a hand in it. Whenever someone got a free day, or a little extra time, they'd come over and help out with paint and brush.

And Cy, to show his appreciation, held a big "barn warming" Saturday—for all the folks who'd helped him (but not barring those who couldn't). Ma Hartman supplied sandwiches, and Cy rolled out a mellow keg of beer.

You'd never think of a barn as "homelike." But with those lanterns hanging from the rafters; makeshift tables spread heavy with food; and Ed Carey's fiddle playing while the folks enjoyed their beer—Cy's barn was sure a mighty hospitable-looking place!

From where I sit, it's just about as appropriate to have a barn warming as a housewarming... if only because it's another chance to get neighbors together in a spirit of good fellowship.

Joe Marsh

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State Dept. Of Health Letter

If you have not been vaccinated against typhoid fever within the last two or three years, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer, advises you to go to your doctor or to the nearest health officer and have him give you the three "shots" that will protect you against the disease.

"The three shots that will protect against typhoid are given at intervals of one week apart," Dr. Cox stated. "As it takes some time for the protective treatment to be established throughout the system, it is wise not to delay in having it done. My advice is, have it done now so that immunization may be complete before summer arrives and vacation trips are taken."

This advice was addressed particularly to Boy Scouts, Girl

Scouts and other youngsters who are looking forward to spring and summer hikes and trips. It is, however, meant also for others, young and old, whose business or pleasure during the summer will take them to places where there may be doubt as to the purity of the water supply, or as to the care with which food is handled.

The old adage that "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" is particularly applicable to this disease, which is so dangerous and debilitating when it does occur, and which can be prevented, so easily through immunization.

HOME TOWN BOY MAKES GOOD

W. L. (Lee) Woodward of Alva, Okla., was elected president of the Southern Gas Association at a meeting of the association, held at Biloxi, Miss., last week. The association covers much of the southern states. Mr. Woodward is well known here, having been reared in this vicinity. His first work was with the Santa Anna Gas Company.

Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock the W. M. S. of the First Baptist church met at the church for the regular Bible study. Seventeen ladies were present and three one hundred per cent daily Bible readers, Mrs. Seth Risinger, Mrs. S. R. Smith and Mrs. John Pearce.

Our WASHINGTON Letter

By Congressman O. C. FISHER

House Passes Labor Bill

By a vote of 208 to 107, the house last week removed any doubt of its determination to pass some constructive labor legislation. Only a handful of the southern members yielded to the strong pressure to forego enactment of any corrective labor legislation and voted against the bill.

Among Texans, only five members joined with the northern democrats to oppose the measure. They were: Rayburn of Bonham, Pickett of Palestine, Combs of Beaumont, Thomas of Houston and Thomason of El Paso. A substantial majority of all the democrats, however, voted for the new strike control labor relations bill.

The Wool Bill

The present wool purchase program expired on April 15. The senate has passed a bill to continue the program for two years and to authorize the disposal of the stockpile at competitive prices.

I am now informed the house will debate the issue during the week of April 28, if plans work out. The senate bill has been amended by the house committee on agriculture in a very important respect. The amendment directs the secretary of agriculture to impose import fees on foreign wool where he finds it necessary to prevent losses in sales of government owned wool and to prevent further reduction in the number of sheep.

The sheep population has declined by 25 per cent during the past four years in this country and there is considerable fear that the liquidation process may continue unless the wool market is stabilized and given needed protection from ruinous foreign competition.

Therefore, the import fee is highly desirable and, if enacted, will be the best news the sheep

man will have had for a long time. This new protection is reported to have the blessing of the secretary of agriculture, which indicates the president likely will sign the bill if it is passed.

Speaking of wool, the bureau estimated 1946 wool production at 3,710,000,000 pounds, grease basis, which is slightly below the 145 output but 12 per cent less than the record 1941 production. Australia's wool production last year is estimated at 970,000,000 pounds or 4 per cent above 1945. On the other hand, 1946 production in South Africa declined 7 per cent from the previous year's level and was the smallest since 1922; 1946 production in New Zealand showed no change from the 1945 figure. In South America wool production continued at an all time high level. Production in Argentina for the 1946 season held to record totals while Uruguay's output reached a new high.

The increase in the 1946 output of the major southern hemisphere wool producers was offset by smaller production in the United States and Europe. Total 1946 wool production in Europe, excluding the Soviet Union, amounted to 421,200,000 pounds, slightly less than in 1945. However, the indicated 1946 production in the U. S. at 358,000,000 pounds was 7 1/2 per cent below 1946 and the smallest output since 1927.

Among our recent visitors was Leon Durst, formerly of Junction, just back from more than a year of public relations work with the occupation forces in Germany.

With typical Kimble county loyalty, Durst confided in me: "I still think I'd like to get back to Junction one of these days."

Another visitor was Savers Farmer, also of Junction. Here in interest of the wool bill, he was greeted by the best cherry blossom display in history. A half million people flocked to the Tidal Basin area to see the white and pink colors and to witness the coronation of the cherry blossom queen. It all happened the day the Kimble county ranchman got to town.

Miss Helen Routh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Routh, of Ballinger, has joined our office force. An accomplished stenographer and secretary, Miss Routh was formerly with the federal public housing authority in Ft. Worth. It was her first trip to crowded Washington and, believe it or not, in two days she had found a comfortable place to live!

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ewing of Waco visited over the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Don Ewing, with his mother, Mrs. Don Ewing, Rex Golston and family.

Texas Boys And Girls To Be Honored At State Fair

In recognition of their achievements, the boys and girls of Texas 4-H clubs, Future Farmers and Future Homemakers will be guests of the State Fair of Texas on Saturday, October 4, it was announced in Dallas recently.

That date has been set aside on the State Fair calendar by the Junior Livestock and Agriculture Committee, which already has started formulating plans for one of the largest rural youth gatherings in history.

Committee members, headed by A. B. Jolley, expect a crowd exceeding even the 1946 record of 30,000 young people. The program for the festival day is now in the process of being planned and will be announced at a later date, Mr. Jolley said.

The special day for rural youth falls on opening day of the State Fair of Texas and also marks the beginning of the junior livestock show, which will continue through October 7, according to an announcement by Ray W. Wilson, livestock manager for the Fair.

Members of the committee are: Leonard Afdahl, head cattle buyer, Swift & Co.; Wiley Akins, general manager, Burrus Feed Mills; R. Lano Barron, state supervisor, vocational agriculture; Dr. H. K. Crutcher, Dallas; Henry Gantz, associate editor, Farm & Ranch; George E. Haddaway, editor, Southern Flight; C. T. Johnson, southwest public relations director, Sears, Roebuck & Co.; J. M. Fatridge, associate editor, The Progressive Farmer; Miss Josephine Pasdril, supervisor, home-making education, State Board for Vocational Education; J. W. Potts, 4-H club specialist, Texas A. & M. College extension service; L. I. Samuels, area supervisor, vocational agriculture, NTAC; Fred M. Shaw, Texas Power & Light Co.; Miss Lorene H. Stevens, Texas A. & M. College extension service, and Mr. Jolley, Dallas county agent.

Needs for and additional structure at the Libson hospital of the Veterans Administration at Dallas was met by War Assets Administration in the scale of a B-1 overseas type barrack building located at Meacham Field, Fort Worth. Suitable doors, windows, plumbing and other fittings were located at other places by WAA for the vets hospital. The new building will be used for medical therapy treatment of disabled veterans and for retaining of the physically handicapped.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Golston and their daughter, Gardner, of Tyler visited Sunday with his brother, Rex Golston and family.

Weekly WAA Surplus News

A quantity of folding steel hospital cot bed, dressing carriages and folding litters, now offered for sale by War Assets Administration, would fit into various hospital expansion program in the Southwest. Included in the public sale also are splinet sets, sterilizers, operating tables and instrument and dressing cabinets. The sale closes April 30.

Direct on the spot aid to victims of the Texas City explosion disaster was tendered through the Grand Prairie Zone five office of War Assets Administration with instructions to open the Houston WAA warehouse to any needs of the sufferers. General C. B. Rucker also instructed WAA officials at Houston to make demands on any of the regional organization within zone five. First aid equipment was sent to Texas City within hours after the first marine explosion.

One of the largest sales at the sites at Dal-6 WAA warehouse at Grand Prairie will be held beginning May 2. Hand tools and industrial equipment will be offered. Commercial buyers as well as priority groups will be entitled to purchase.

All personal property owned by the government at Camp Howze, Gainesville, was recently sold when over 200 bidders from Northeast Texas and Southern Oklahoma purchased 64 lots of miscellaneous materials. WAA's real property division will hold sale of realty at the site in the future.

Establishment of a 2,000-bed tuberculosis sanatorium at Camp Fanning, near Tyler, Texas, by the State Board of Control for Texas is contemplated in an application for buildings and ground made to War Assets Administration at Grand Prairie, Texas by the State Board. A bill has been passed by the Texas legislature authorizing this application.

Ex-GI clothing including shirts, sweaters, hats, jackets and underclothes, will be sold through a sealed bid sale which will close May 6, it has been announced by the Grand Prairie office of WAA. Customers Service Center at the Grand Prairie office will furnish information concerning this sale.

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Rockwood News

(Mrs. Ray Caldwell)

Held Over From Last Week
It's winter time again here this morning and we have had about an inch of rain which is greatly appreciated.

The hearts of all in this community were shocked and grieved as the Baptist church burned last Thursday afternoon. Plans are being made for a new building. We are having Sunday School in the school building and W. M. U. in different homes at the present.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Morton of Eastland visited in the home of his parents, Bro. and Mrs. B. Morton.

Mrs. Lee Miller is in Brownwood at the bedside of her brother, who is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Estes and Bovina visited here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Estes.

Several from here attended the dedication service at the Baptist church at Whon. I was there and greatly enjoyed it. They have a lovely church building.

The Methodist revival is now in progress. The pastor, Bro. Bascombe Morton, is doing the preaching and Bro. and Mrs. Walter Stacy of Trickham have charge of the song services.

Mr. and Mrs. George Loffle Estes of Post are visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Steward and family visited his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Steward and daughter of Ft. Stockton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Boss Estes, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Steward and Mrs. Ray Caldwell attended workers' conference at Harmony last Thursday.

Mrs. Royal Cotten and children of Brownwood, Mrs. Boss Estes and Mrs. Ray Caldwell visited with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Fondren last Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Barker of Rochelle spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John X. Steward and girls.

Mrs. Rena Burson and boys of Kileen visited here Sunday with her sisters, Mrs. Carrie Davis and Mrs. Bill Bryan.

Miss Minta Jane Hall and Mrs. Allie Nall of San Antonio spent Sunday here with Minta's parents and Mrs. Nall's brother, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Hall.

Capt. and Mrs. Frank McCreary, Jr. and son of Randolph Field are here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. McCreary.

Central Colorado Soil Conservation

District supervisors, B. B. Fowler, Lance Smith, Andy Broyles, R. A. Miller, Jim Dibrell.

Grass planting has recently been completed on the farms of Clyde Thate and Vernon Bullard in the Marshall Branch conservation group; S. C. Edmondson, Echo conservation group and T. N. Evans, Rex Garrett, W. H. Thate and Solon Nilson in the Buffalo conservation group. A total of 82 acres were planted and to reach maturity. Many grasses are slow to germinate consisting of sand lovegrass, yellow bluestem, little bluestem, blue grama and slender grama. The grasses were planted for seed production to increase scarce seed supplies.

Additional grass plantings were made last week by B. B. Fowler, Rockwood conservation group; C. A. Miller, Echo conservation group; T. J. Allen, Anderson conservation group and Mike Porker and J. G. Sartor in the Novice conservation group. A total of 56 acres was planted. A special type of drill equipped for planting grass seed was used, which was leased from the Middle Clear Fork soil conservation district at Abilene.

Rex Garrett, conservation leader in the Buffalo conservation group, reported last week that blue panic and lovegrass planted on his farm March 5 are coming up. Seed of most perennial grass plantings have been plowed under as failures in the past

due to lack of knowledge of their growth habits. Many of the earlier maturing species such as the lovegrasses, blue panic and yellow bluestem may make only a light seed yield the first year. Other species are slower in germinating and reaching maturity.

C. D. Parmer, Leedy conservation group, purchased fertilizer for his fish pond last week. He used 200 pounds of 4-12-4 and 30 pounds of ammonium sulphate (Ford fertilizer) per surface acre of water.

Commercial fertilizer is an important item in fish pond management. Its use increases fish production by stimulating the growth of a larger food supply in the pond. Two applications of fertilizer at the above rate two weeks apart are recommended for early spring and then apply as needed during the remainder of the growing season to keep a "bloom" on the water.

Biologists recommend the use of commercial fertilizer for the control of moss in fish ponds. A microscopic plant growth caused by the fertilizer in the surface of the pond shades out the moss.

Otis Jonigan, manager, Bowen Hereford Farm in the Bowen conservation group reported good results from harrowing first year sweet clover. A spike tooth harrow with the teeth set at a 45 degree angle was used. Early cultivation of first year sweet clover is essential on most farms to control weed growth. Following the use of the harrow, Mr. Jonigan expects to plow the clover. Second year clover was plowed last week on the Bowen farm.

Second year sweet clover has been given two plowings to control weeds on the T. J. Allen farm

in the Anderson conservation group. Mr. Allen expects to comply with state requirements for certifying pure seed and plans to control weeds by plowing and hoeing in order to harvest clean seed. He reports an excellent stand of first year sweet clover on 45 acres which he has recently cultivated with a spike tooth harrow.

Additional grass plantings were made last week in the Novice conservation group by J. O. Casey, Roy Casey and J. D. Herring.

A. C. Atchley has requested use of the district-owned funnel attachments to plant grass seed this week.

Lovegrass plantings were completed last week on 25 acres by John Will Cox on the Cox ranch at Gouldbusk and on five acres by Warren and Allyn Gill in the Whon conservation group. The plantings were made with row planters equipped with funnel attachments furnished by the district.

A conservation group was formed by interested farmers in the Cleveland community last week at a meeting at the school house. Mr. E. R. Cupps was chosen conservation leader to represent the group. Members of the group are: E. V. Campbell (Hayes Estate), Payne Henderson, E. R. Cupps, Silas Wagoner, Mrs. Beulah Fleming, C. O. Welch, Bill Williams and W. H. Cupps.

A meeting to form a conservation group has been called by W. W. West in the White Chapel community to meet at his home Tuesday night of this week.

Mrs. Edd Jones visited with relatives in Ballinger last weekend.

County Red Cross Nursing School Visitor

Miss Ruth Freeman, administrator of nursing services of the American National Red Cross is visiting the Coleman county chapter of the Red Cross to observe their nursing problems. Coleman county was selected for this visit because of their outstanding work in offering home nursing classes in rural communities. She visited the class at Cleveland where 11 women were having the last class meeting. After the meeting the class served refreshments.

"There is great need for this type of instruction, particularly where families are far away from medical care" Miss Freeman said. "It is our hope that eventually at least one member of every family will have preparation in the home care of the sick."

Mrs. J. Nixon Niell is the instructor in charge of these classes which have been given in Muke-water, Cleveland, Novice, Glen Cove, Coleman, Gouldbusk, Fisk, Valera, Trickham, Santa Anna, and Shields and in the high schools at Centennial, Coleman, Novice, Santa Anna and Talpa. A total of 258 women have completed the courses since the program began in January. The course includes instruction in recognizing the signs of illness, caring for the sick person, and giving simple treatments ordered

by the doctor. "Coleman county Red Cross is doing a wonderful job," Miss Freeman added. "It should be an inspiration to other chapters who would like to do this same kind of work."

Mrs. Joe K. Taylor, chairman of the Coleman County Red Cross chapter said that it is hoped that such home nursing instruction will become a permanent part of the Red Cross program.

HENRY E. HALMON FINISHES AT AIR FORCE SCHOOL

The Army Air Forces announced today that Henry E. Halmon, Pfc., the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Close of Santa Anna, was graduated on March 28, 1947 from the Army Air Force Finance Clerk Typist School located at Lowry Field, Denver, Colo.

This training course graduates Pfc. Halmon as a qualified specialist in this line of AAF service. Previous to his entering the army, Pfc. Halmon attended high school here.

GENERAL WAINWRIGHT MADE "NATIVE TEXAN"

Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, Fourth Army Commandeer, has received a copy of a resolution by the Texas senate making him a "native Texan" and bestowing upon him all the rights and privileges of a Texas born citizen.

The resolution was signed by the lieutenant governor and all members of the Texas legislature.

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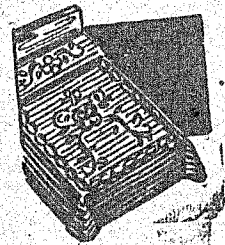
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Purdy Mercantile Company

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Have you ever been to Hot Springs, Arkansas?

It's not so far from us Texans — 325 miles from Ft. Worth — less than from Wichita Falls to San Antonio for instance, and Texas folks think nothing of a drive like that.

Your columnist visited Hot Springs recently — and it was a most enjoyable experience. All activities seem to center on the main street because the city is in two sections which are connected only by that on thoroughfare — so closely do the mountains press at the midway point.

And such a main street! On one side is bathhouse row, palaces of stone in a setting of trees and velvety lawns, and in the distance the vast structure which is the Arlington Hotel; on the other side of the street, shops with displays of lace, jewelry and curios. People from every state in the union saunter in a leisurely manner along the sidewalk. Incidentally, Texas ranks second for out-of-state visitors, Illinois being first.

There are sight seeing buses drawn up at the curb, and there is a shooting gallery on that main street — the targets are against the side of the mountain. One spot was blasted out of solid rock to make room for a filling station and nearby is a bus stop which is only a few paces from a ledge of rock under which one can take refuge from rain.

Over yonder is an ancient two seated carriage, the kind the governor used to ride in when there was a parade when you were a boy; and the old driver is wearing a high top hat. Hon-ymooners go for a drive in the quaint vehicle, and of course have their picture taken. From somewhere there comes the sound of music — and you look through a fringe of trees and see, in a park bandstand, an Army band.

Hot Springs has facilities for 31,000 visitors, declares Miss Alta Smith, of the Chamber of Commerce, who for years has ably publicized the city's many attractions. But the races were in progress, and finding accommodations for the wife, her mother and my self was a problem —

which Miss Smith solved by appealing to a former Texan, Vance Bryan, who used to run a big trucking business out of Kilgore and now is owner of the Jack Tar Court Hotel, favorite stopping place for famous athletes, big business men and movie stars — the most luxurious quarters I've ever seen.

To sum up the swirl of impressions of the three days: Hot Springs seem a gigantic fair, colorful fiesta, a perpetual holiday where everyone is having a great time.

MRS. EDD BARLETT HOSTS HOME MAKERS SOCIAL

Mrs. Barlett, the class teacher, was hostess to members of the home makers class of the First Baptist church when they met Friday afternoon at the church.

Mrs. Paul Hardin gave the devotional based on "water" which was beautiful and inspiring. Mrs. Ben Vinson read Proverbs 4: 14-27 for the second scripture lesson.

Mrs. Barlett conducted the business session, for which the quilt block piecing will continue, and the program for a Bible quiz was very interesting in which all took part.

Then refreshments were served to the 13 present, Mrs. Paul G. Hardin, Mrs. N. J. Stacey, Mrs. Ben Vinson, Mrs. C. L. Langford, Mrs. J. T. Gregory, Mrs. R. M. Bell, Mrs. I. J. Taber, Mrs. Glenn M. Chure, Mrs. M. H. Patterson, Mrs. J. M. Chitt and as visitors Mrs. George L. Brooks and daughter, Freda.

Community Singing

The regular Fourth Sunday community singing will be held next Sunday, April 27 at the Cumberland Presbyterian church at 2:30 p. m.

Attendance and interest were better than usual for the last meeting and it is hoped there will be many good singers and those who like to hear good singing present next Sunday. Everyone welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Jones and their granddaughter, Karen Jones of Shields were shopping in Santa Anna Monday and were dinner guests of her mother, Mrs. T. T. Perry.

Revival In Progress At Assembly Of God Church



The Rev. and Mrs. James C. Nelson, pastors of the Assembly of God church, of Santa Anna, extend a hearty welcome to the public to attend the revival which will begin Sunday, April 27.

The Rev. C. R. Farren of Bangs is the evangelist. Services each evening at 7:30.

IMPROVEMENTS

The ambitious home owners in the southeast part of town have made and are making the following improvements.

Mr. Gregg has given his gray home a white trim; Mr. West has finished a cellar; Mr. Murray Bowden is greatly improving his driveway; Mr. Richard Smith is having a large room built on the south side of his home and is also improving his driveway. Mr. Moore is adding two rooms to his home when he can secure workmen.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Miller and son, Barry Leniel of Austin came through Santa Anna Sunday morning enroute to Coleman. Mrs. Seth Riley Risinger accompanied them to Coleman where they all enjoyed a delicious lunch and family reunion at the Hugh Lewis home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Earnhart and Geneva and Cora Fay and their son, Ira from Odessa visited with relatives in Temple last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Mallett and Alvin visited in Coleman and Brady Sunday.

Mrs. W. P. Burris Greatly Improved

After about 11 months as a shut-in, quite a bit of the time in the hospital, because of a broken thigh, Mrs. W. P. Burris is able to get about over the house and into the back yard. Her son, Lloyd Burris took her over to his house for a while last Sunday and then for a ride over town. She enjoyed being out in the nice spring weather and seeing the many improvements going on in Santa Anna.

Mrs. Burris, who is 86 years old, has borne her long affliction with great cheerfulness and patience. During her affliction she has received 175 get well cards, has been given two showers, other gifts and many flowers.

H. D. CLUB HAS MEETING AND SHOWER

The Home Demonstration Club had its regular meeting Friday afternoon, April 18 in the home of Mrs. S. K. Moredock and at the same time a shower was given for Mrs. Joe C. McClusky, the former Jeannine Stockard.

Mrs. D. H. Moore gave an interesting Council report.

Roll call was answered by "Things that annoy me at a club meeting". Mrs. Claude Conley read an interesting article on "Being a gracious hostess and being a considerate guest."

The honoree then opened the many lovely and useful gifts which were passed for all to admire.

The hostess served refreshments of sandwiches, congealed salad, mints and fruit punch to the 30 ladies, including Mrs. Erma Largent of Brownwood, sister-in-law of the honoree that were present.

The receiving rooms were decorated with a wealth of spring flowers and many not present sent gifts.

The next meeting of the club will be Friday, May 2 at the home of Mrs. Roy Stockard, when a Mother's Day program will be given.

Mrs. Lela Hayes and Mrs. Lola Stephens attended the state convention of cosmeticians and hair-dressers in Dallas Sunday and Monday. Both were models for nationally known hair stylists.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Henderson, who have been staying at Junction for several weeks, came home for the week-end and brought as guests Mr. and Mrs. Ross Madison and Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Ferris. The visitors returned to their homes at Junction Sunday afternoon. The Hendersons remained for a longer stay.

Mrs. T. J. McCaughan and Betty Ann and Margaret and Mrs. Lois H. Niell and Bob Henderson attended the Ice Capades in Ft. Worth Saturday. Elizabeth Eeds and Joyce Hunter returned home with them.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this method of thanking the doctors and nurses at the Sealy Hospital for the many deeds of kindness shown us during our stay there. We also wish to thank our friends for their thoughtfulness. To all we say thank you. Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Glenn.

Rev. S. R. Smith left Monday for Crandall, where he will be with his son, Rev. Glenn Smith, in a revival meeting. This meeting is held in connection with the Simultaneous Revival Program of Baptist churches in Kaufman county.

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Saturday — One Day Only — April 26

JOHNNY MACK BROWN RAYMOND HATTON

IN

"TRAILING DANGER"

SUNDAY & MONDAY

APRIL 27 AND 28

WALLACE BERRY

IN

"The Mighty McGuirk"

THURSDAY & FRIDAY

MAY 1 AND 2

"BUTCH" JENKINS

IN

"My Brother Talks to Horses"

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY

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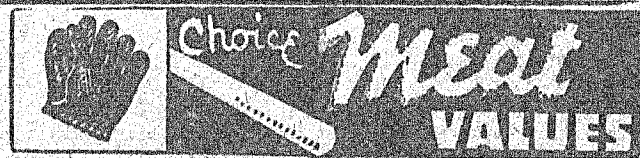
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Tomato Plants	Certified Marglobe	50 Plants to bunch	.20
Squash	White or Yellow	Pound	.12
New Potatoes	Texas Triumph	Pound	.07
Grapefruit	Texas Seedless	10 Pound Bag	.39



Picnic Hams	Swift's Half or Whole	Lb.	.47
Bacon	Armour's Good and Lean	Pound	.59
Cheese	Longhorn Cream	Pound	.46

Apricots
Packed in heavy syrup
Gallon can
69c

Pure Lard
Armour's Star
4-lb. carton
\$1.49

White Syrup
Big Shipment
While it Lasts
Saturday

Coffee
Admiration
1-lb. Vac. Seal Jar
43c

Tomato Juice Treasure Brand
Can **.12**
3 cans for **33c**

Fruit Cocktail Everyready, Packed
in Syrup, Can **.37**
3 cans for **\$1.05**

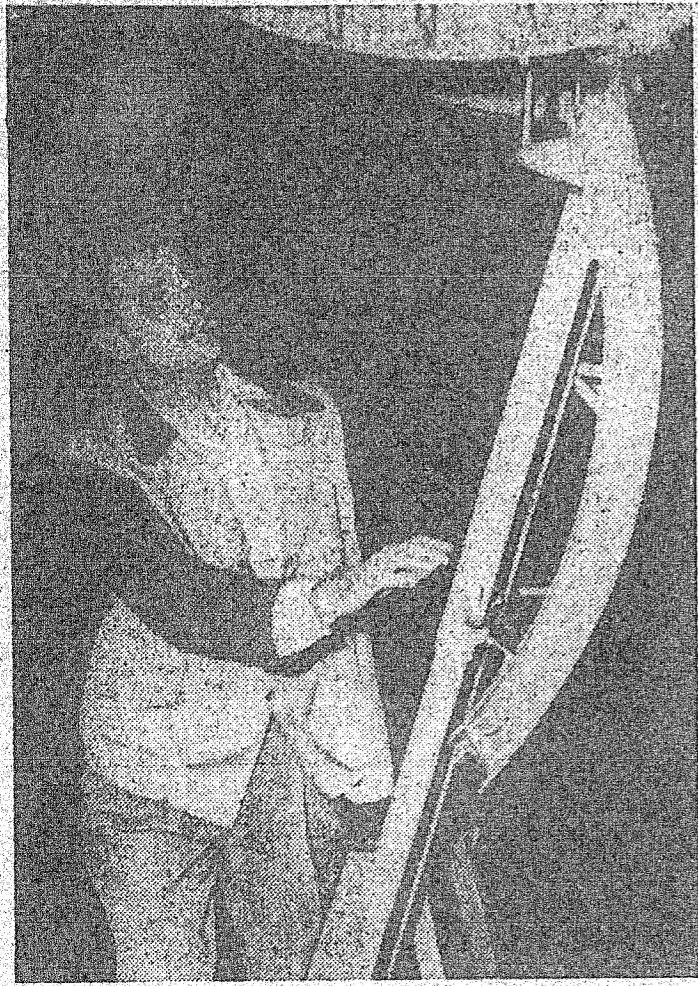
GREEN BEANS Cut Stringless
Can **.10**
3 cans for **27c**

PEAS School Days Sweet
Peas, can **.12**
3 cans for **33c**

SPAGHETTI Packed in Tomato
Sauce with Cheese
Can **.10**
3 cans for **27c**

HOMINY Swint's, White or
Golden, can **.10**
3 cans for **27c**

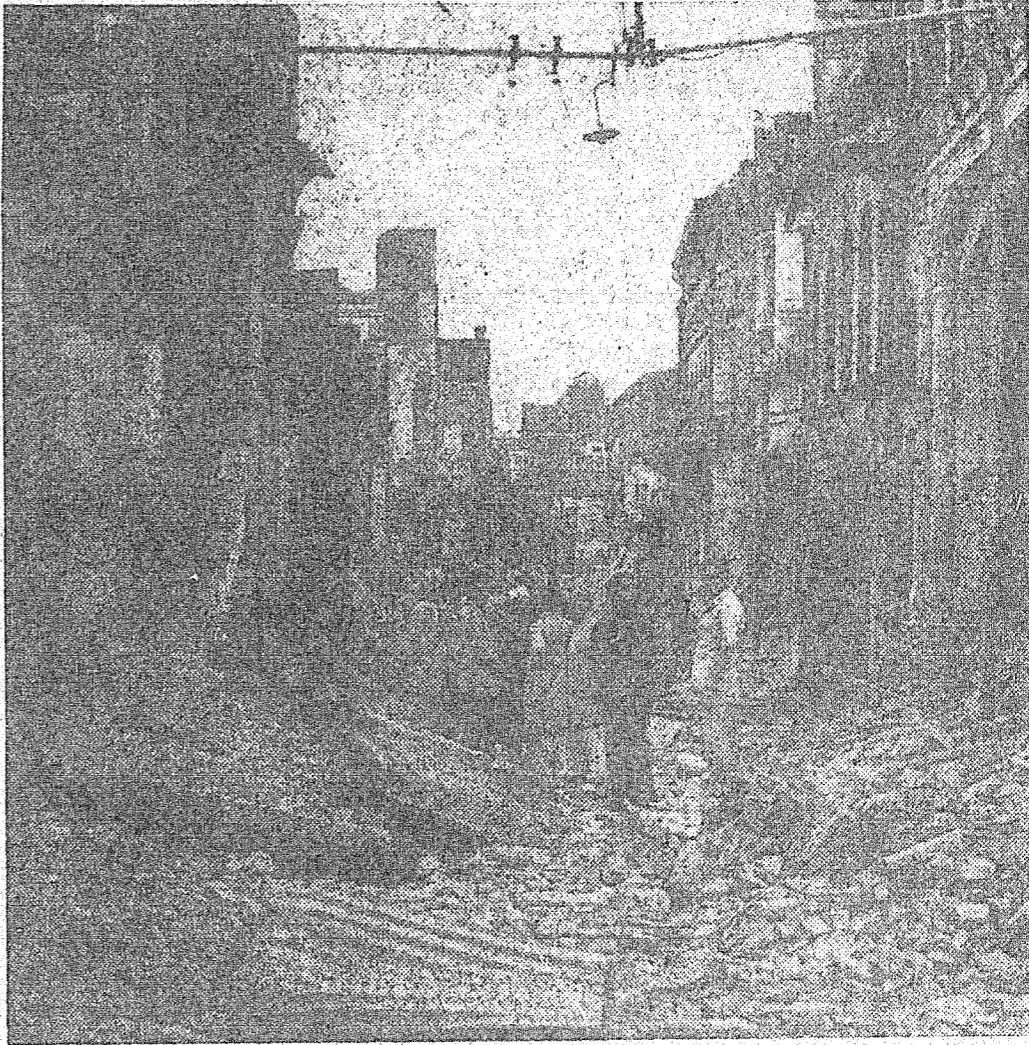
NOTABLE NEWS EVENTS IN PICTURES



AT IT AGAIN—Flyer-industrialist Howard Hughes climbs aboard a duplicate of the XF-11 plane in which he crashed last summer nearly to lose his life. Once again at Culver City, Calif., he's running a series of tests on the craft, designed and built by him for the U. S. Army.



SPIRIT OF SPRING—Springtime lilies frame Gloria De Haven's beauty.



INDIAN RIOT'S AFTERMATH—Hundreds died in Punjab, India, along this street devastated by fighting between Sikhs, Hindus and Moslems before militia restored order.



MOTHER QUAD FASHION—Mrs. Harry Zariff takes her quads for stroll in Brooklyn.



ALL SET — Gloved for spring is this pert model who is ready for the very old proverb—"drop your glove and you'll meet your love."



"BRASS" DOESN'T PASS THE BUCK—Adm. Chester Nimitz (right) and Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower pass up Congressional and military "big shots" off Capitol Hill to chat with Pvt. Oliver Bacon, Winslow, Arizona, blind patient at Walter Reed hospital.



WOMEN DEPRESSED—Touring the imperial forestry buildings in Japan, Empress Nagako and Emperor Hirohito examine a ukulele, a by-product of the forestry's...



HIGH CHAIR FOR THREE—The David Coopers of Albany, N. Y., solve the tricky problem of feeding their triplets simultaneously with specially built high chair for three.



FIRST FORD AUTO—Henry Ford, famed American industrialist who died last month at the age of 83, is shown above with Mrs. Ford as they took a ride last summer in the first auto built by Mr. Ford.

FOREIGN Ministers Council Ends Conference at Moscow

By ELBERT CLARK
(Continued from New York Times)

THE Foreign Ministers Council concluded its 7-week conference in Moscow April 24 with a record of complete failure to agree on the German and Austrian peace treaties or the American proposal for a four-nation pact to guarantee in the demilitarization of Germany.

The next session of the Big Four Council of Foreign Ministers will be in London next November.

The conference ended with a farewell state banquet given at the Kremlin by Generalissimo Joseph Stalin.

At the final session of the conference Secretary of State Marshall charged the Soviet Union with blocking action on the treaty for Austria and declared the United States favored referring the whole problem to the United Nations Assembly if a treaty is not completed by the time the assembly meets in September.

Marshall also charged Russia with blocking the American proposed four-nation pact to keep Germany demilitarized.

One Constructive Action

The only constructive action of the whole conference was the sudden Soviet yielding to the British proposal for the return of all prisoners of war to Germany by December 31, 1948. Russia hold more prisoners than any other power.

In response to a toast to the United States by Gen. Stalin at the banquet in the Kremlin, Secretary Marshall said: "It will not be possible in a month or two to evaluate the progress made here and to clarify the issues. This was just the first round. In our

impatience we probably expected more progress than could properly be expected.

"With all my impatience, I think we have a fair chance of reaching agreement on these critical matters within a reasonable time, however depressing delays may seem."

In terms similar to Marshall's, British Foreign Minister Bevin said, "It has taken considerable time, but I believe the exchange of opinions will be most useful to clear the way for more detailed study, and when we look back on the Moscow conference I believe it will be seen as one of the best contributions in the building of peace."

The most optimistic view, based on the presumption that the conference would fail to agree in so short a time, is that the air has been cleared, the period of harshest accusations has been left behind and the way has been paved for a far better solution later.

Both schools of thought agree that a central German Administration, either provisional or permanent, has been pushed into the dim future, that the

chance of economic unification has receded with it and that fond German hopes for quick economic recovery and self-government have gone glimmering for a long time to come.

Big Four Views

It is possible at this stage to review the apparent philosophies of the four

notion of what lies ahead. Here is the way they look from Berlin:

The United States and Great Britain, united on the policy level as never before, have put the economic recovery of Germany ahead of virtually every other consideration. This is not to say that they are unaware of considerations of military security or of fostering "democracy," demilitarization, etc., but they seem to believe that these must go hand in hand with economic recovery or even a little behind it. Their theory is that one cannot do much with a hungry, desperate, disillusioned nation.

To this end they urged speed in solving the German problem, at least so far as the provisional structure is concerned. Essential, they insisted, was the economic unification of the entire country, which certainly must involve some measure of political unification as well. With economic unification, the agriculture, industry and commerce of Germany could be coordinated to elevate the living standard and reduce the cost of the occupation.

French Attitude

France, over run three times in three-quarters of a century by German armies, places security above all other considerations and refuses to join in any major commit-

ments relative to German unification or recovery until the security issue has been settled to her satisfaction. The Americans and British consider her unco-operative—she considers them unrealistic.

The Soviet Union certainly is interested in security, probably above all else, but the idea of how to achieve that security has certain sordid aspects which render agreement to the general satisfaction of all extremely difficult. The Russians at worst really hate the Germans, and with good reason. At best, their attitude is coldly correct.

But the wise men in the Kremlin appear to believe that the best means of achieving security is by such a reorganization of the German economy, such ideological penetration, that friends of a proletarian dictatorship will dominate the economic, political and cultural life and provide a mighty bulwark against German aggression eastward.

So much for the four big powers. A fifth power, Poland, occupies an important strip of Germany and has not the slightest intention of letting go. She has deported all but a half million or fewer Germans from that area and imported enough Poles to make them outnumber the Germans ten to one. Russians back the Poles in their claim to this area despite the protests of the United States and Britain. It is deemed highly unlikely that it will ever again be part of Germany.

As the zones line up now, they can go on, perhaps indefinitely, but none of the powers will have accomplished its purpose unless it is Russia, whose political aims seem to thrive on economic stringency and political confusion.

EX-GI'S TO GET MEDALS

The Army will begin distribution of its American Defense Service, World War II Victory and Occupation medals to eligible soldiers and veterans.

Present supplies of the three medals are limited, but token presentations were made to qualified outstanding individuals during Army Week.



THE KREMLIN—Above is pictured the main building of the present Kremlin in Moscow, where the Big Four met to discuss the problems of writing peace treaties for Austria and Germany and where visiting foreign ministers were dinner guests of Premier Stalin as the Moscow conference ended April 24. The Kremlin was designed in the latter part of the fifteenth century by architects employed by Ivan the Great. The Kremlin, a word meaning citadel or fortress, is the center around which Moscow has grown, originally containing the palace of the Csars, government buildings, houses for high dignitaries, and the principal cathedrals and churches. Today the Kremlin is the heart of the Soviet Union, where decisions affecting the entire world are made by Premier Stalin and his advisers.

occupying powers, to see what makes them disagree and to develop some

STATE PARKS Provide Playgrounds for Vacationers

By BOOTH MOONEY

1339 Liberty Bank Bldg., Dallas, Texas. VACATION TIME is approaching, and this year thousands of Texans will take vacations for the first time since the war.

Texas is so huge in area and so diverse in scenic attractions that no Texan need go elsewhere in search of an ideal spot for rest and recreation.

Among the appealing and popular vacation spots of Texas are the 38 State Parks. More than 50,000 acres of the State's most beautiful acres are encompassed in this system of State Parks, all of them now complete or under construction. In addition, there is the Big Bend National Park, slowly but surely developing into a wonderful place to spend a vacation.

Natural Beauty Retained

All these playgrounds, scattered throughout the State, have natural beauty of their own. In the words of an official guide to the park system, "From gorgeous canyons in the plains country of the Panhandle, to islands and beaches on the Gulf, and from mountains in the West to the cypress bayous and pines in the East, they form an area so planned as to retain all the natural beauty of this land of contrasts."

Each year more and more Texans are discovering the out-of-door appeal of our State Parks. This was true even during the war years when most vacations were curtailed. In fact, wartime restrictions on travel may have aided in causing Texans to learn more about Texas. At any rate, the number of persons visiting the State Parks jumped from 684,383 in 1939 to an all-time high of 2,003,689 in 1944. This year, in view of the improvements made in nearly all parks, plus the fact that many Texans will be taking their first vacations since the war, the number of park visitors is expected to be greater than ever before.

There is much to see. Whether the vacationer goes east or west, north or south, he will find that the State Parks Board, in charge of our system of playgrounds, has taken advantage of a great variety of scenic beauty to make parks attractive.

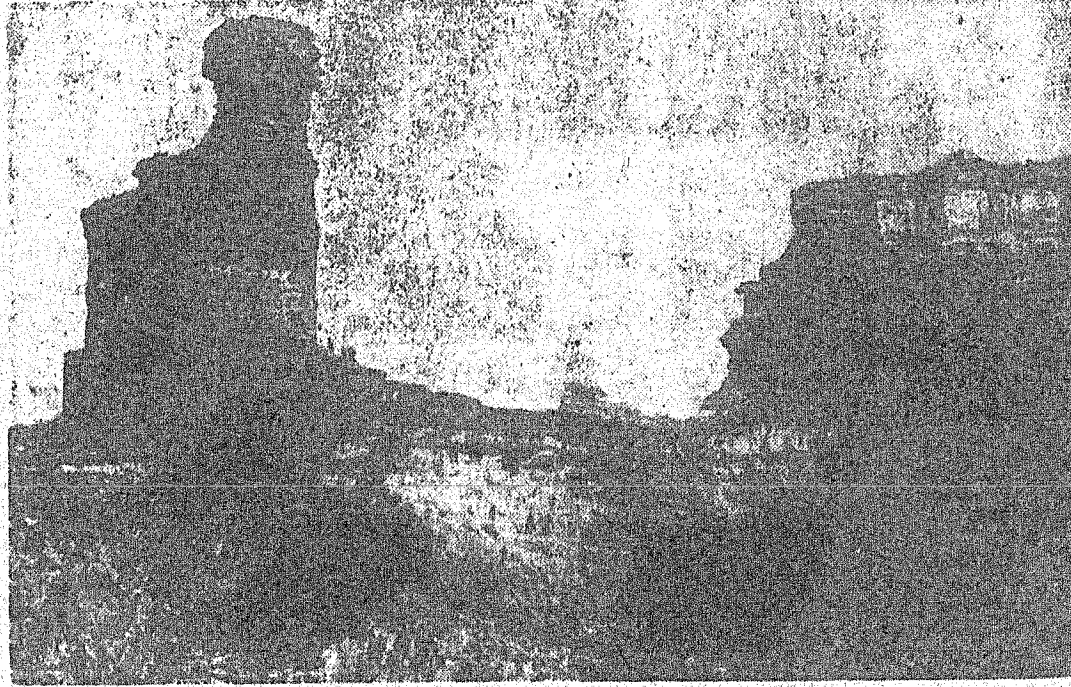
Something for Every Taste

If vacationers want to view awe-inspiring masterpieces of Nature, they may go to Big Bend or Palo Duro Canyon. If interested in the third largest cave in the world, there is Longhorn Cavern, located in the heart of the Texas Hill Country. If fishing is uppermost, they may go to Gekner State Park, located 20 miles north of Uvalde, where the Frio river offers many opportunities for skill with the

funny tribe. Many a pilgrimage will be made by ex-soldiers and their families to the 36th Division State Park, at Brownwood, formerly Lake Brownwood State Park.

So it goes throughout the State. The State Parks Board has done a good job since its creation in 1923, of developing an organized recreational system in Texas. The parks will be at their best this Spring and Summer—ready for an influx of visitors from all sections of the State and from many other States.

Some of the parks are operated under contracts with concessionaires, but most of them are operated directly by the Parks Board under the supervision of the executive director and an office staff in Austin. The parks are closely supervised. Each has a park manager, who receives a small salary, a house with utilities, and in addition a percentage of the net income derived from the admission fees charged in some parks and from sales of refreshments.



The "Lighthouse," curious rock formation in Palo Duro Canyon State Park.

Most Parks Free

Entrance into most of the parks is free both to Texans and to out-of-State visitors. In cases where admission fees are charged, they are moderate. Facilities for picnicking, hiking, nature study and photography are provided at no cost. Reasonable fees are charged for special services, such as use of cabins, boats, horses or burros and the like.

Quite a few parks have cabin areas, with rustic cottages available to visitors who wish to spend a week or more in that particular area. Texans, however, who plan vacation visits to State Parks should write the State Parks Board, Austin, Texas, to determine just what accommodations are available. It should be kept in mind that tourist travel will be heavy this sum-

mer and advance reservations always should be made.

Rules governing the use of State Parks must be clearly understood. All parks are wildlife preserves, and no hunting or use of firearms is allowed. Fishing may be enjoyed, however, in many of the parks. A speed limit of 20 miles an hour inside the park areas has been set and is strictly enforced.

Visitors to parks that lie within the wooded areas of the State are urged to be vigilant against causing forest fires. More than 45 per cent of all the forest fires in Texas are caused by carelessness of campers and smokers, according to the Texas Forest Service. Special care should be exercised in the building and extinguishing of camp fires.

These parks belong to the people of Texas and the State Parks Board wants them to be widely used. The rules set up for their use exist simply for the protection of the parks the same as for protection of any other public property.

Full information about any of our State Parks can be obtained by writing the State Parks Board, Austin, Texas.

BABY Karakul Lambs Raised for Their Furs

By STAFF WRITER

BLACK SHEEP are supposed to have a bad reputation, but on the JJ Ranch, a few miles from Clairemont, Kent county, Texas, there is a herd of Karakul black sheep that is the basis of a large and valuable fur industry. The JJ Ranch has the biggest herd of Karakul sheep in the nation, consisting of about 3,000 ewes and 35 bucks. From these sheep Mr. and Mrs. Jay Atkins, owners and operators of the JJ Ranch, last year marketed 1,000 Persian lambskins, plus some 22,000 pounds of wool.

Only the young lambs are valuable for fur. When a lamb is three days old, the fur loses its silkiness and within a week the fur has become wool. The lamb remains black for about six months, but as it grows up the wool gets longer and a full-grown buck or ewe has white, gray or brownish wool.

Fine Furs From Little Lambs

On the JJ Ranch, which covers about 13 sections of land, Mr. Atkins is in charge of production while Mrs. Atkins designs fine Persian lambskin coats, capes, hats, bags and accessories. The West Texas couple are said to be the only fur producers in the United States who market their own custom-made Persian lamb coats and accessories.

Obtaining the pelts of the black sheep is an art in itself. The pelts are taken from three-day old or younger Karakul lambs during the winter months—December, January and February. It is necessary that this be done during the cold season because the fur will slip when the weather is warm. During cold weather the skin on a Karakul sheep will tighten, while it has a tendency to open up in warm weather.

During lambing time the Atkins are quite busy. With two helpers, they are constantly out riding the range, striving to find the young lambs before their fur turns to wool. Many a time Mrs. Atkins has bottle-fed the tiny young lambs found on the farflung acres of the JJ Ranch.

How Furs Are Processed

Finding the lambs, however, is only the beginning. Much work remains to be done. One person can handle only about 20 pelts a day, for the skinning

is a delicate operation and must be followed by tacking each skin on the wall to dry. After thorough drying, the skins are taken down and baled in lots of 100 and shipped in wool sacks to New York City. Two months later, the tanned furs are back in Texas, where furriers work them into coats and a long list of other items of women's wearing apparel.

The lamb pelts are worth about \$22 each, and some 22 pelts are needed to make one coat. This, it must be admitted, is big and costly business.

A typical hat designed by Mrs. Atkins and made of the black fur sells for \$50, a bag for slightly more.

The long wool developed by full-grown Karakuls is unfit for fur coats, but is a marketable item in itself. The wool clipped from



A two-day-old Karakul lamb is bottle-fed by Mrs. Jay Atkins on the JJ Ranch, near Clairemont, Kent county, Texas.

the older sheep is sent to Boston, where there's a ready market. The wool, because of its elasticity, is especially in demand for rug-making and for upholstery.

Rattlesnakes Another Menace

Raising Karakuls is profitable, but, according to Mr. and Mrs. Atkins, the business has its drawbacks. One of the worst menaces to their profits is the coyote. The Yellow House canyons near Clairemont are full of coyotes, and they have killed as many as 500 of the Karakul sheep in a single year. Poisoning and shooting the coyotes have helped some, and so has the use of Walker hounds, costing \$150 each, in hunting down the killers. In spite of all this, however, the owners of the JJ Ranch say there are still plenty of coyotes in the Kent county area.

Another Menace is Rattlesnakes

They have killed 150 Karakuls in one year, and they continue to take a large toll. Mr. and Mrs. Atkins have become fair veterinarians, however, and their losses due to snakes have decreased. They use serums and other approved methods to save the lives of sheep bitten by snakes. Fast action is the basic need. Any delay in treatment is fatal. Care of the sheep also requires thoughtfulness and work. Supplemental rations must be fed to them in cold weather. Several times a year there must be a general roundup for decking, bagging and shearing. Fortunately, Karakul sheep can

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CURRENT COMMENT

By STAFF EDITOR

Amendment Would Limit President's Term

If the proposed amendment to the U. S. Constitution limiting the presidency to two full terms or not more than 10 years is ratified by the required 36 States, the task may take several years.

This is how the proposition stands: The amendment has been approved, so far, by eight States—Maine, Michigan, Iowa, Kansas, New Hampshire, Illinois, Delaware and Oregon.

Legislatures in 21 other States still are in session. They are Alabama, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Texas, Vermont and Wisconsin.

Thus, if all the State legislatures now meeting or scheduled to meet this year would approve the amendment, the deal at the end of the 1947 sessions would only be 29—seven short of the required 36.

Young Ford II Heads Huge Business

Henry Ford II stands today, at the age of 29, as the master of a world-wide industrial empire.

The death of his grandfather and guide, Henry Ford, Sr., left Henry II to lead the vast Ford Motor Company enterprises.

Young Henry's devotion to basic human principles already has endeared him to Ford employes who looked on his father as a co-worker, rather than an employer.

11,367,989 Served in Army

A total of 11,367,989 men and women served in the Army between Nov. 1, 1940, and July 31, 1946, the War Department reported.

Saying the report was "final" on personnel by States of residences for the war period, the announcement reported Army strength at 1,799,102 last July 31 and said 9,568,887 of those who entered service had been separated from duty.

New York contributed 1,157,000 men and 24,741 women to lead all States in Army personnel, while Nevada had the smallest number, 11,000 men and 317 women.

The figures on total strength and present strength for Texas and Oklahoma are:

Texas, 541,000 and 9,652; Oklahoma, 169,000 and 2,766.

Home Accidents Kill More Than Atom Bombs

Accidents in American homes exact a greater toll every two years in killed or injured than the atomic bombs in-

flicted upon the Japanese, Maj. Gen. Leslie R. Groves, wartime commander of the atomic bomb project, declared.

Much of the blame, he said, can be attributed to women who worry more about how a household item will look rather than whether it is safe or not. Men, he added, also are to blame, but in a smaller measure, and youngsters least of all because they need to be trained in ways of safety by their elders. The remedy, he said, lies in a concentrated, all-out campaign of education on all fronts—a united, co-ordinated effort by the government, schools, press and radio.

Hoover Hits Juvenile Delinquency

War-bred juvenile delinquents were cited as America's "peak" criminal group by FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover in the April edition of National Parent-Teacher.

The magazine, published in Chicago, is the official organ of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers.

Hoover declared: "Today the men and women arrested most frequently are around 21 years old. These young people were petty offenders during the war, but have now graduated into the big leagues of crime."

The FBI chief blamed parents and communities for the increase in juvenile delinquency, asserting:

"Some communities permit conditions to exist that mislead or corrupt their youth and many more are neglectful of young people's needs for education and recreation."

Vet Seniority Not Guaranteed

The Supreme Court recently ruled that the Selective Service Act does not guarantee a veteran's seniority on his old job as long as he remains with the pre-war employer.

The ruling was given on an appeal from a decision by the U. S. Circuit Court in Cincinnati which held that a veteran's pre-service seniority rights extend beyond his first year of re-employment.

The union and the company asserted the decision would affect hundreds of

thousands of nonveterans as well as veterans.

Record Wheat Crop Seen

A winter wheat crop which may total close to a billion bushels, largest in the nation's history, is shaping up throughout the grain belt, the U. S. Department of Agriculture reported.

Wheat came through the winter in excellent condition, received rain at just the right time this spring and in mid-April was turning green as far north as central Minnesota, the U. S. weather bureau said.

A winter wheat crop of close to a billion bushels would exceed the record 874,000,000 bushels harvested last year.

With these prospects, grain men already are worrying about the railroad

end of American oil resources has been set within fifteen to twenty years. The end that most petroleum men now see is in the so-called "structures," the domeshaped underground formations in which most present oil fields lie.

Measured in terms of those structures, America's oil resources ought soon to reach their limit. Most of those rich structures are known.

But Rieber points out there is another, entirely different underground formation, known as a stratigraphic trap. And there, he says, may be found the petroleum resources that will be greater than anything the nation has known in the past.

New Superbombers Almost Ready

Gen. George C. Kenney has disclosed that the striking power of his globe-ranging bomber fleet will be intensified in a few months with the first deliveries of two new-type superbombers.

The chief of the Strategic Air Command (its mission is to be ready to go anywhere in the world at any time) said he expects B-50 bombers to begin reaching the SAC's two very heavy bomber forces shortly.

When test flights of the huge B-36 are completed to the satisfaction of the AAF, production lines will begin supplying the strategic command with these airplanes.

The Boeing B-50, while technically a modification of the wartime B-29 superfortress, has so many new or improved features that it is virtually a new design in range speed and general performance.

Production of the standard B-29's was stopped a year ago.

The B-36 is officially described as capable of ranging out 10,000 miles from base with carrying capacity of one ton of atomic bombs.

T. B. Death Rate Down

Tuberculosis killed fewer people in the United States in 1945 than in any previous year, the U. S. Public Health Service reported.

The 1945 toll was 52,916, a drop of 3.3 per cent under the 54,731 in 1941 and 24.4 per cent under the 70,080 of 1935.

The death rate two years ago was 40.1 for each 100,000 population.

U. S. Changes "Ruin" Japanese Houses

The Japanese government figures it has spent more than \$20,000,000 to fix up Japanese houses and apartments for American occupancy.

But what is really worrying the government is that after the Americans go home Japanese home owners are going to descend on the government with all sorts of claims for "damages."

The owners like their houses Japanese style, not Western style, and the plumbing and central heating and water systems that are being put into the houses according to American specifications are not wanted by the Japanese.

Congress to Check Government Spending

Senator Reed of Kansas told Federal agencies that Congress will make its own check on how all government money is being spent, beginning with the new fiscal year July 1.

"We are going to have our own staff to see how you spend all this money," Reed commented to Post Office Department officials who were asking restoration of \$3,269,000 operating funds in the postal budget.

Must Retain Military Strength

Secretary of War Patterson, on the 30th anniversary of United States entry into World War I, declared that Americans should never forget that in "this imperfect world military strength still determines the destiny of nations."

Patterson took the anniversary as an occasion to pay high tribute to the U. S. Military Academy at West Point.

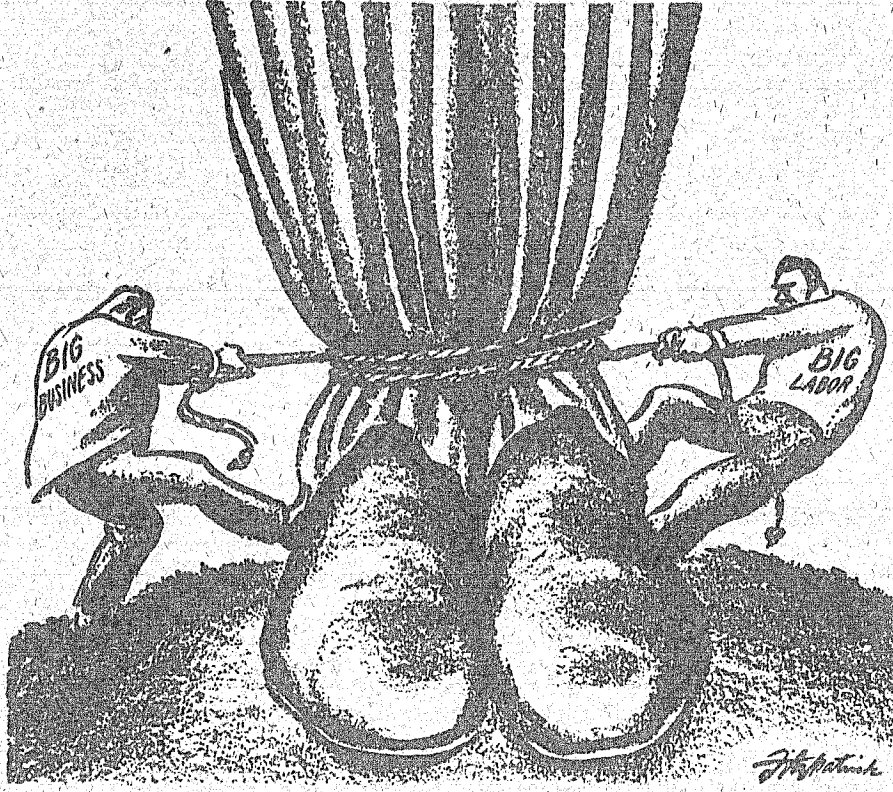
56,000,000 Employed in U. S.

Employment throughout the nation rose a half-million to reach the 56,000,000 mark in March—and Spring got the credit for the increase.

The Census Bureau provided the figures.

It's a season for more farm work, and expanding farm work accounted for 250,000 of the 500,000 persons who were added last month to the number already at work, the bureau said.

Most of the extra 500,000 were persons who work only seasonally, however, so the number of unemployed declined only 160,000 from February to a total of 2,330,000 in March.



"How Long, Uncle Big?"

box car situation, in view of last year's jam, when wheat was piled on the ground in fields and along railway tracks.

In each of the Southwestern States of Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas, center of the main winter wheat belt, record yields are believed possible.

Much Oil Yet to Be Found

Frank Rieber, expert in seismology and electronics, in a forecast of the future oil resources of the United States, says oil possibly will be discovered in larger amounts than the sum total of all the past petroleum structures of the United States.

More than once in the last decade the

Grass Root Reveries

By JOE GANDY
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MAY, loveliest month of the year, is here again with its wealth of blossoms and pretty weather. I love to look upon and smell the wild plum tree blossoms on Coon Creek. In one place, there is a dense thicket of these blossoms and they rival in beauty and fragrance the dogwood blossoms which lead the parade of wild Spring flowers.

Now, that the winter of our discontent is out of the way, we should get down to work and put things in order. Ever since the war things have been out of

order. For two years we have been trying to fix things and they ain't fixed yet. There is the Moscow conference deadlock, and the mess over in Greece and Turkey and the mess at home. If not strikes, it's something else to clutter up the road to peace, prosperity and the pursuit of happiness. I've quit worrying and gone to plowing. Hard work is the best solution of my troubles and it may be the best solution of Uncle Sam's domestic and foreign troubles.

I reckon it's up to us farmers to pull the nation out of the bog. We did a mighty good job of pulling during the war and are doing it again. Another bumper crop year, headed by a likely record wheat yield, was forecast the other day by the Agriculture Department. But farmers don't like to do all the pulling—they want the labor unions to come pulling and stop squawking about higher wages and shorter hours. More production will take care of higher prices and it's a lead pipe cinch that you don't get more production by working shorter hours.

It's fishing time in our neck of the

woods and the anglers—young and old—are hitting the dogwood trails to "old blue," a deep and wide hole of water on Coon Creek, fed by springs, and famous as a retreat for channel cat and bass. The best fisherman in our community is Uncle Mose Jackson, a negro, who fishes with pole and line and frogs for bait. Folks wonder how Uncle Mose catches so many fish, some big ones, but to Uncle Mose it is all very simple. He gets off to himself, keeps quiet and hides behind bushes. He says fish can see, hear and talk; that if you "lets 'em sees you and hears you, dey gits scared and won't touch yer bait." The top rod and reel fishermen laugh

at Uncle Mose and say he is crazy, but the fact remains that he brings home the fish and his wife, who takes in washing, brings home the bacon. Uncle Mose has a poor opinion of rod and reel fishermen. One day he confidentially told me that the only time bass strike artificial bait is when "dey feels kinda funny and don't hab much appetite."

If you want to live longer Dr. Henry Sherman, professor of chemistry of Columbia University, tells you how to do it by increasing the quantity of vitamin A in your diet. Foods rich in vitamin A, the doctor says, are carrots, beets, turnips, spinach, mustard and turnip greens, sweet potatoes, apricots, yellow peaches, tomato juice, milk, cheese, eggs, butter and liver. This report of Dr. Sherman ought to make Victory Gardeners feel pretty good.

Some thieves have a sense of humor according to this item in a Lincoln, Neb. newspaper:

"Thieves stole the hubcaps from the car of John T. Faber, of Lincoln. A few days later the caps were returned with a note reading: 'I'm sorry brother, but they wouldn't fit.'"

Saying grace before meals is practiced by 43 per cent of the families in the United States. This has been learned by questioning among families living in large cities, in small towns, and on farms across the nation. Thirty-six per cent, or about 12 million, say grace regularly, and seven per cent occasionally. Saying grace before meals is an old and beautiful custom. I am surprised that 57 per cent of families in the United States never offer thanks to a beneficent Creator for the food they eat. Such folks yelp the loudest when hit by hard luck and hunger.

Cancer is now the No. 2 cause of deaths in America. It is estimated that 185,000 persons will die of cancer in 1947. The American Cancer Society says hope in conquering cancer lies largely in knowing and being constantly alert for the seven danger signals that may indicate cancer. Any of them should send one instantly to a competent physician for diagnosis. They are:

1. Any sore that does not heal—particularly about the tongue, mouth or lips.
2. Any painless lump or thickening, especially in the breast, hip or tongue.
3. Bloody discharge from the nipple or from any of the natural body openings.
4. Progressive change in the color or size of a wart, mole or birthmark.
5. Persistent indigestion.
6. Persistent, hoarseness, unexplained cough, or difficulty in swallowing.
7. Any radical change in normal habits of elimination.

There is no time to be lost if you see one of those danger signals. The sooner cancer is discovered and identified the greater are your chances of cure.

This was written by a woman and describes a woman more perfectly than anything I ever read:

"A woman cannot put on her clothes and forget about them. She has to keep her dress pulled down and her stockings pulled up. Seniors have to be straightened, buttons tucked in, and here must be passed to renew makeup and comb hair. She has to hold on to her hat and her purse, and watch about her gloves and handkerchiefs. The amazing thing is that she can do all that the dress and will keep herself tucked in and smoothed out. If all a woman's energy is ever released for positive doing, she will rule the world."

Woman already rules half the world and some day will rule all the world. I would like to vote for a woman President in 1948.

U. S. Gold Reserve Up

The government's gold assets made a net increase of \$205,000,000 in the last 12 months, according to the latest available Treasury figures. The total value of gold now on hand was listed in excess of \$20,257,000,000. The nation's gold reserve has been steadily increasing since the end of the war, when the exports began meeting more of the import bill than they did during the conflict.

Lumberman Sees Big Year

The lumber industry this year "expects to equal or better" its 1946 record of 32,000,000 board feet, officials of the National Lumber Manufacturers Association reported.

R. A. Colgan, Jr., Washington, executive vice president, said, "The 1946 production was four times the requirements of the National Housing Agency, and our industry expects to match or better that pace this year. We're already well above the comparable rate of production."

1976 to See 825,000 Vets in Hospitals

The number of veterans in Veterans Administration hospitals is growing steadily and by 1976 may reach 825,000, Dr. Forrest G. Bell, medical director of the VA branch office in San Francisco, has told the National Conference of Social Workers.

To provide proper care for the veterans, Dr. Bell said, the VA will have to develop the largest single medical organization in the world.

In July, 1945, there were 76,843 patients in VA hospitals and about 4,529 veterans in other hospitals, the director said. Today these figures are 109,000 and 13,000, respectively.

During the last fiscal year the VA medical program cost about \$156,300,000. Dr. Bell asserted that for 1948 the budget needs "have been estimated at \$506,263,000."

Longest Strike in Nation Ends

The bloody, 18-month-old strike of 13 brotherhoods against the Toledo, Peoria and Western Railroad came to an end recently, a little more than a month after the president of the 239-mile line had been slain from ambush.

Executors of the estate of George P. McNear, Jr., the 55-year-old assassinated rail head, announced a verbal "mutually satisfactory" agreement had been reached and that the strikers probably would return to work Monday.

The strike was estimated by a spokesman for the railroad's officials to have cost the company more than \$2,000,000 in revenue and the approximately 600 striking and non-striking employes more than \$1,000,000 in wages.

The strike first began in December, 1941; was halted by government seizure of the line in March, 1942, and was resumed Oct. 1, 1945, when the property was returned to its owners.

Russia Due Stiffer Bill for U. S. Aid

Russia stands to get a stiffer lend-lease bill than any of this country's other wartime Allies, once the long-delayed settlement talks get under way.

The reason, however, is neither Soviet-American differences on current world issues nor the Kremlin's year-long refusal even to discuss her \$11,298,000,000 lend-lease account.

It is the larger proportion of lasting, civilian-type goods which were shipped to the Soviet Union as part of the \$50,000,000,000 flow of supplies which poured from the United States to its Allies up to V-J Day.

In the case of other nations this country has agreed to accept—either in cash or promises to pay—less than 3 cents on the dollar.

But officials who helped wind up the vast enterprise said today Russia would be expected to pay at a substantially heavier rate.

Japan's Navy Melts Into Salvage Pile

The finishing touches are being put on the once powerful Japanese navy. What was left at the end of the Second World War is now being junked.

All that remains of the 350,000 tons of fighting ships, once the third greatest fleet in the world, is a group of partly scrapped hulks and some scrap metal. The demolition is about at the half-way mark.

About 81,000 tons of scrap steel have been salvaged since the scrapping operations began a year ago. The total will reach 165,000 tons.

Thirty-one ships are being scrapped in 17 Japanese ports. Nine vessels, still operable at the time of the surrender, were used in repatriation and only recently were released for scrapping. One converted carrier is used as a transport.

The U. S. Navy has announced that all operable ships will be scrapped by the end of this year. No completion date has been set on heavily damaged ships, since they no longer are a war threat.

Struck by American raids, 22 damaged ships lie aground or partly sunk in Japanese ports.

TEXAS BRIEF NEWS --- from Over the State

ACTOR FINANCES WILDCAT WELL
Hollywood actor Walter Pidgeon gave the Texas oil industry some glamor recently when he announced that he was backing the drilling of a wildcat well near Abilene, Taylor county.

TEXAN PILOTS JAP CARGO
Earl W. Hale, of Harrold, Wilbarger county, piloted the first commercial air cargo plant to reach Japan since the end of the war. It was a C-54 of the Northwest Airlines and it flew from St. Paul, Minn., to Tokyo in 35 hours and four minutes.

COTTONSEED DROPS
Cottonseed crushed at Texas mills during March slumped 15 per cent below the figure of a year ago and sagged 50 per cent below the February 1947 mark, according to Bureau of Census reports released by the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.

DOGS ON FORCE
One white mongrel and one tan pooch have become unofficial traffic officers on the Taylor, Williamson county, force. The dogs stand guard at the Taylor School street corner and force automobiles to slow down for the children. Police say they are more effective than the warning signs. The dogs work a five-day week. They don't show up on Saturdays and Sundays when they aren't needed.

MARBLE TOURNNEY
Grade school marble-shooting champions from 25 Texas districts will gather in Austin on June 5 and 6 to settle the first annual State marble championship. The tournament is being sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The winner will represent Texas in the national tournament, to be held at Father Flanagan's famous Boys' Town in Nebraska on June 25 and 26.

LIFE INSURANCE IN TEXAS
Texas families received \$30,005,000 in life insurance death benefits during 1946, compared with \$35,784,000 the year before, the Institute of Life Insurance has reported. Of the aggregate payments, \$29,130,000 was paid out through 11,165 ordinary policies; \$5,251,000 was under 2,407 group life insurance policies, and \$3,624,000 was under 15,894 industrial insurance policies.

NYLON PLANT EXPANSION APPROVED
The Civilian Production Administration has given the green light to the E. I. duPont de Nemours Co. in its plan to spend \$722,000 in expanding its plant at Orange, Orange county. The plant would boost production of adipic acid, an essential in the manufacture of nylon. Three new buildings will be erected and three older buildings will be substantially enlarged.

TEXANS GRANTED PATENTS
Two present members and one former member of the University of Texas Engineering staff have been granted patents on a commercial quick-freezing machine and process. Dean W. R. Woolrich, Dr. Louis H. Bartlett and Howard R. Brown were the designers of the process which is supposed to "flash" freeze foodstuffs 20 to 40 times faster than other commercial processes now in use. The new process retains natural flavors and prevents oxidation and dehydration. It also allows such items as fruits to be packed loosely instead of in a congealed mass.

PARAFFIN WAX HELPS EXPANSION
The refinery of the Magnolia Petroleum Company at Beaumont, Jefferson county, is adding new units costing \$45,000,000, which will increase production of paraffin waxes and industrial lubricants more than 50 per cent. To be added are a solvent-dewaxing unit, a solvent treating plant, vacuum stills, a pipe still and extensions to the power plant which will include a new steam generator, a turbine and necessary tankage. Waxes and lubricants from the plant are shipped from the Beaumont port to Mexico, Africa, India and Central and South America.

PENSION CLAIM FILED AT LAST
A pension claim for a 61-year-old daughter of a Union soldier recently took Denton and Tarrant county Veterans Administration investigators back through records 65 years old. The VA believes the research will result in a \$36 a month pension for Miss Florence H. Harpole, who lives on a 30-acre farm near Argyle, Denton county. The claim was based on a law, passed in 1873, which held that a veteran's child was eligible for a pension if he or she was physically incapacitated at the age of 16. Miss Harpole has had chronic diabetes since childhood and was found to qualify after intensive research was made into birth and death certificates of her family.

100-YEAR-OLD PIONEER DIES
Mrs. Eliza Taylor, 100-year-old pioneer of Grayson county, is dead at Van Alstyne, in that county. She is survived by one daughter, 80 grandchildren, 88 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

COLLEGES WARNED AGAINST COMMUNISM
President Hubbard, of Texas State College for Women, recently warned the Association of Texas Colleges to beware of "innocent sounding organizations using American colleges as a front for spreading Communism." He claimed the Communists were attempting to set up a fifth column inside American colleges.

SCIENTIST CITES U. S. NEEDS
Dr. Harlow Shapley, director of the Harvard College Observatory and president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, told a Dallas audience recently that America must not rest on its laurels as the most advanced nation in the world but must concentrate on junking primitive scientific procedures and encouraging and financing talented youths to continue their studies. "All the gadgets in the world don't mean a thing," he said. "Personnel is what makes science advance." He said that this country is short of trained personnel in all scientific fields.

PORTRAITS OF HEROES READY
The portraits of three Texas-born heroes of World War II have now been completed and will be hung permanently in the Texas Memorial Museum in Austin. The heroes who have been honored in oils are General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower, Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz and Lt. Gen. Ira C. Eaker, chief of the strategic Air Forces that bombed Germany. The artist who completed the pictures is Seymour Stone, of New York City, and the portraits are the gift of Amon G. Carter, of Fort Worth. General Eisenhower is a native of Denison, Grayson county; Admiral Nimitz was born in Fredericksburg, Gillespie county, and General Eaker's birthplace is Spring Creek, Llano county.

VETERANS' EDUCATION DEMANDS INCREASE
Requests of Dallas veterans for education and training are increasing from 4,000 to 5,000 a month, the Veterans Administration says. A total of 59,711 World War II veterans from Dallas are either enrolled in institutions or are receiving on-the-job training now and the program is expected to expand to 80,000 after September 1.

OILMAN'S GIFT REALIZES HIS AMBITION
Twenty-nine-year-old Tom Slick, of Bexar county, had a lifelong ambition to do something for the betterment of human welfare, and he has realized it by donating more than \$1,000,000 during the last five years to worthwhile scientific organizations. His latest gift, \$213,000 worth of oil stock, went to two personally-conceived projects, the Foundation for Applied Research and the Institute for Industrial Research. The two projects are intended to help out in the production of inventions which will benefit mankind.

SEVENTY YEARS OF BLISS
Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Oliver, of Streetman, Freestone county, recently celebrated their seventieth wedding anniversary and they say their marriage has been so blessed that there seldom has been a cross word between them. Mr. Oliver is now 91 and his wife is 89 and they are completely content with their lot in life. "I guess it's because I never was one to hurrah around," Oliver said. "I never drank or smoked, and I never used tobacco or even cold drinks, and I tried to be tolerably clean." Mr. Oliver is an accomplished wood carver and has turned out everything from violins to a bridge fashioned completely out of interlocking maple wood.

HOUSTON POPULATION ESTIMATED
The Houston Chamber of Commerce guesses its own urban population at 480,000. It estimates that another 143,000 people live in the suburbs and a total of 700,000 are now living in Harris county.

TEST FOR MESQUITE USES
Extensive tests are being conducted by Henderson Moquat, of Three Rivers, Live Oak county, to find practical uses for mesquite. Some of the wood is being turned into flooring by the Tennessee Valley Authority and various other attempts are being made to make this waste product of value to mankind.

FORT WORTH GROWING FASTEST
Fort Worth showed the greatest area growth during 1946 of any city in America, according to statistics of the City Managers Association. Fort Worth annexed 36 square miles last December 17 and increased its area from 17.1 to 52.1 square miles. Dallas held the same distinction in 1945, when it annexed 39 new square miles. Only 17 cities in America of more than 10,000 population gained as much as one square mile in 1946 and seven of these were in the Lone Star State. They were Dallas; San Antonio; Beaumont, Jefferson county; Borger, Hutchinson county; Lubbock, Lubbock county; Tyler, Smith county, and Waco, McLennan county.

VETERANS NUMEROUS IN COLLEGES
Of the estimated 105,000 students attending junior and senior colleges in Texas, more than half are veterans of World War II, according to the Texas Commission on Co-ordination in Education. There are 70,374 men and 28,578 women enrolled and of that number, 54,562 are vets.

ANOTHER TEXAS CENTENARY
Mrs. Leonia Frangos, of Brownsville, Cameron county, who recently celebrated her one hundredth birthday, attributes her longevity to the fact that she has always lived by the rule of "early to bed and early to rise." She also believes her happiness in living in the United States has prolonged her life. Mrs. Frangos was born in Greece in 1847 and came to this country at a relatively advanced age in order to live with her son in Brownsville.

BAD CHECKS FOR CAR TAGS
Hundreds of Texans this year tried to get away with paying for their 1947 license plates with "hot" checks. At first local police were merely removing the plates from the cars after the owner's check had bounced, but the situation has grown so bad in Houston that criminal proceedings are being considered. In one day the tax collector in Houston received \$3,000 in bad checks.

AGRICULTURAL LEADER DIES
George B. Terrell, of Alto, Cherokee county, former Congressman and father of Texas agricultural laws, died recently at the age of 83. He served many years in the State Legislature and sponsored laws which set up the State agricultural colleges. He was also author of laws requiring the grading of fruits and vegetables and he pioneered the idea of instituting experimental stations throughout the State.

CAMP WOLTERS ACQUIRED
Camp Wolters, where thousands of United States infantrymen trained World War II, has been acquired for development of a huge industrial center. Ernest Mims, of Mineral Wells, Palo Pinto county, is in charge of the project and he says he will move the new domestic silk industry, already in operation at Mineral Wells, into the camp site soon. It will be followed by other industries. The amount of money involved in the transaction was not disclosed.

REBUILDING TORNADO-WRECKED TOWNS BETTER AND SAFER
Tornado-wrecked towns of the Texas Panhandle will be given every opportunity of rebuilding along the most modern lines, representatives of the Federal Housing agencies have promised. Building material manufacturers and suppliers are channelling supplies to the stricken area and, after conferring with Federal authorities, officials of the devastated towns said they were confident they can rebuild their cities so they will be both beautiful and safe.

SEES MOTHER AFTER 21 YEARS OF BLINDNESS
Billie Joe McDonnell, 22-year-old student, recently stepped off an airplane at Austin and saw his mother for the first time since early childhood. When Billie Joe was less than a year old, he was struck with blindness. His eagerness to join the ministry prompted ministers from all over Texas to help him regain his sight. Money was raised to finance the transplanting of a cornea from a recently dead man into his right eye and Billie Joe's sight was restored. He intends to continue his studies for the ministry.

MOTOR HEAD URGES PEACE
James D. Mooney, president of Willys-Overland Motors, recently said at Fort Worth that peace could be maintained "at least for a few generations" if this country followed a program of military preparedness, of aiding nations needing help, and of alliance with Great Britain. He said he did not want a large Army and Navy but he advocates a framework organization which could expand rapidly. He emphasized the need of research in atomics, ships, aircraft and ordnance.

SAYS STALIN IS A NEW HITLER
Eddie Rickenbacker, World War I ace, recently told the Texas Legislature that "unless we penetrate the iron curtain of communism with the truths of democracy, we are on our way to World War III. In 1935 the name was Hitler. Today it is Stalin," the 57-year-old pilot said. He advocated "sending back to Russia all those who don't believe in our laws." Rickenbacker praised the attempts of the U. S. government to penetrate the iron curtain with specially beamed radio programs and suggested we try to stimulate a peaceful revolution so as to induce the Russian people to "throw off the shackles of communism."

CRIME INCREASES 65 PER CENT
Crime in Texas during the first six months of 1946 showed an increase of 65 per cent over the same period of the preceding year and it is still climbing, according to Homer Garrison, director of the State Department of Public Safety. Garrison pointed out that the national average rise was only 13 per cent. He added that Texas, with 1,959 killed, 70,000 injured and \$70,000,000 lost in traffic accidents per year, was still the safest Southwestern State during 1946. "But that is because of the demerits of the other States," he said. "Texans should not be proud of the carnage they cause on their highways."



WHITE HOUSE POW WOW—After members of the Omaha Indian tribe of Nebraska had called on President Truman to discuss Indian affairs, Elizabeth Askren, granddaughter of Rep. Karl Steffan (R), Neb., presents bouquet of roses to the chief executive.

PALM-TREE PLANTING

Former soldiers and sailors who saw military service in the so-called paradise of the South Sea Islands are going to have a lot of memories revived if the plans of the Galveston city fathers work out. The Civic League plans to open a city-wide palm-tree planting season. "We hope to make Galveston look like a South Sea island," Mrs. E. R. Newell, president of the group, said. "Since the palm tree is the only species which will prosper here, the city should use it as a mark of distinction."

OLD GRAY MARE GETS TRAFFIC TICKET

Police Chief J. L. Avinger, of Edinburg, Hidalgo county, pinned a traffic tag on an old gray mare for violating a parking ordinance. The chief found the horse contentedly grazing in a city park and gave her the pink slip which read, "This vehicle was parked in a restricted zone. Further violation will result in a summons to the corporation court."

PRESS MEETING SET

Plans are being completed for the North and East Texas Press Association meeting to be held in Tyler, Smith county, May 23-24. Governor Beauford Jester and Attorney General Price Daniel will be principal speakers at the opening luncheon.

AIR MEET TO BE HELD IN TEXAS

The fourteenth annual National Soaring Meet will be held in Wichita Falls, Wichita county, July 4 to 20. The members are operators of gliders and sail planes who depend only on wind currents for their power. An attempt will be made to shatter the world's distance record of 465.5 miles set in 1939 by a Russian woman. Foreign representatives are expected to attend the meet and exhibitions of stunt and precision flying will be plentiful.

ROLE OF SMALL PAPERS STRESSED

The best insurance against un-American activities is the free expression of the small-town newspaper, Paul Garrett, a General Motors executive told the National Editorial Association convention at Fort Worth recently. Garrett said the small newspapers must stress the importance of "getting more for your money" instead of the dangerous theory of "something for nothing" that has, he claimed, dominated a great section of American thought for a long while.

NEW GOALS FOR SCHOOLS NEEDED

If America's elementary schools are to make a valuable contribution to the democratic process then they must be given new goals and new programs, according to Dr. Gilbert S. Wiley, Colorado educator who spoke recently in Austin. He said the three essentials of democracy which must be taught in elementary schools are a belief in the worth of the individual, a recognition that no man can live for himself alone and a profound faith in reason as the best means of solving problems.





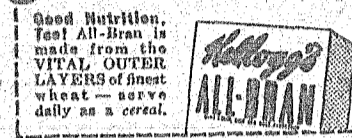
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A LITTLE FUN Jokes to Make You Laugh

The Perfect Triangle

One evening my four-year-old son bumped into a table and knocked off a lamp, breaking it in a dozen pieces. He stood there speechless, tears starting to form. "Never mind, David," said his mother, coming in from the kitchen. "It was an accident."

She picked up the pieces, kissed David and went back to the kitchen. I buried myself in my paper. A few minutes later Davey spoke: "You know something, daddy?"

He was watching his mother set the table, with a look of worship in his eyes. "We're in love with the same woman," he said.

Few Divorces

"Goodness," remarked a young woman as she inspected her grandmother's wedding ring, "what heavy and unwieldy things those were fifty years ago!"

"Yes, dear," answered grandma, "but you must remember that in my day there were few divorces and wedding rings were made to last a lifetime."

Ad Got Results

Two executives were relaxing in a drug store. In the course of their shop talk one asked, "Is your advertising getting any results?"

The other took a long swallow of fruit juice before he answered, "Sure thing! Last week we advertised for a night watchman, and the next night we were robbed."

City and Country

Somone once put it this way: "The difference between the country and the city is that in the country you go to bed feeling all in and wake up feeling wonderful, and in the city you go to bed feeling wonderful and wake up feeling all in."

Snake's Union

A city boy, visiting his country cousin, was walking through a pasture when he heard a buzzing sound.

"Come away from there!" the cousin shouted. "It's a rattlesnake. If you go near it, it will strike!"

"Gosh," said the city boy, "do they have unions, too?"

With Malice Toward All

A Georgia gentleman who is still fighting the Civil War was highly indignant when his daughter, Mary, insisted on going up North to college. There she fell in love with a boy from Boston. Her letters to her mother spoke more and more glowingly of Bill, and finally Mary wrote that he had asked her to marry him. The mother dreaded her husband's reaction to this news, but she screwed up her courage and asked, "What would you think if Mary married a dymyankee?"

"Well," he said with vehemence, "Mary has a nasty temper and that's one way to pay 'em back."

A Lousy Trick

The credit department of a Seattle firm was having difficulty in making a collection from an account in northern Washington. I finally wrote: "Dear Mr. Jones: What would your neighbors think if I came to your town and repossessed your car?"

A week later I received my own letter back, and under my signature was scrawled: "Sir: I took the above matter up with my neighbors and they think it would be a lousy trick. Sincerely, Lester Jones."

Poultry News

Broiler Raising Does Not Have to Be a Specialty

By JUDGE WALTER BURTON, Arlington, Texas.

Address all letters of inquiry to Judge Walter Burton, Box 257, Route 3, Arlington, Texas. Your full name and address must be given, but will be withheld on request. If you want a personal confidential answer to your problem, enclose 3 cents for postage and a prompt reply will be sent you.

Too many farm folks consider the raising of fryers or broilers as a specialty or a seasonal industry in connection with other poultry projects. But it is not true that the raising of fryers or broilers for a special market is something profitable only to raisers who devote all their time to such a business. Everyone agrees that selected markets are desirable for any kind of farm products, and also that a farmer who can produce quality in anything can always find a market for it, including fryers or broilers.

Judge Burton: To raise a broiler to the desired weight in a minimum amount of time, proper housing and feeding and watering are necessary. Premises must be kept clean, and the birds free from disease. It is not to make a failure of broiler raising for various reasons. For example, if you buy chicks at the height of the season

Typographical Error

From a Massachusetts paper: "Frank Cape is at the hospital suffering from head injuries and shock caused by coming in contact with a live wife."

The Courage of Youth

The minister in a small Oklahoma town had just finished reading the marriage vows. As he bade the young couple good-bye and offered his congratulations, the groom handed him the usual envelope, which he supposed, of course, contained the marriage fee. After the couple had left, the minister tore open the envelope. There was his fee, all right—a crumpled dollar bill. But the envelope contained something else. He unfolded a sheet of tablet paper and read these scribbled words:

"Thanks, reverend. This leaves us 35 cents. Pray for us."

A Hair-Raising Story

That Cleveland dermatologist's discovery that grows hair on a man's head but makes him lose interest in women reminded us of Ed Wynn's four-way hair-growing formula. The first capsule grew hair overnight, but left the patient with a weak heart. The second capsule cured the heart condition but loosened his teeth. The third tightened the teeth but left him blind in one eye. The fourth restored his sight, but—he became bald again.

Dangers of Facelifting

I'll never have my face lifted—nope, not after what happened to my Aunt Minnie. She went to a plastic surgeon to have her wrinkles tightened up. He overdid it and now every time she raises her eyebrows it pulls up her stockings.

Perfect Explanation

When Eugene Field was a cub reporter he worked for an editor who was a great stickler for accuracy. Field was not very methodical, and moreover he possessed too much imagination to stick to facts. Finally the editor told the frisky young reporter to be more careful of his facts or get out. Field promised to be good.

"What's this, Field?" the editor yelled one day, while running through an account of a meeting that Field had turned in. "You say, 'Three thousand, nine hundred and ninety-nine eyes were fixed on the speaker!'"

"Simple enough," Field gleefully replied. "There was a one-eyed man in the audience."

Perfect Salesman

The lady, who had passed her sixty-fifth birthday but was still sprightly and alert, wished to buy a hat. But she did not want one of those pancakes-over-one-eye creations. Beckoning to a middle-aged saleswoman she said firmly: "I wish to get a hat, something suitable for an elderly lady."

The saleswoman hesitated, looked bewildered and queried: "Did you want something for your mother?"

The lady bought a hat.

Just As She Found It

An exterminating company in New York City received a call from a woman with a strange request. She asked if they would sell her 10,000 cockroaches, 5,000 bedbugs and 1,000 ants.

"But what in the world do you want with them?" asked the clerk.

"Well," replied the woman, "I'm moving tomorrow, and the landlord insisted that I leave the place just as I found it."

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Sheep

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withstand a great deal of heat and cold. They fatten on mesquite beans and eat the leaves after a frost.

Origin of the Karakul is said to date back to Turkey and Biblical times. The stock on the JJ Ranch goes back to the Alex Albright flock. Albright pioneered Karakuls in Texas on his ranch near Dundee, Archer county. He obtained his first black sheep from Dr. C. C. Young of Wichita Falls, who imported the first Karakul flock from Germany back in 1908.

According to the national registry maintained by Karkaul growers, there are about 500 flocks of the breed in the United States. All of them are small except the Atkins herd in Kent county. Before World War I, South Africa and parts of Asia shipped about four million Karakul pelts into this country each year. The demand for domestic pelts is now increasing, and the operators of the JJ Ranch plan to continue to meet a good part of that demand by growing Persian fur coats in the raw for milady's wardrobe.

AVERAGE AMERICAN IS AN IRISHMAN

There is no "American race," but an anthropologist has found at least five outstanding types of Americans representing different sections of the country. Dr. Alice M. Brues, working at Harvard University during the war, analyzed the physical types of GI's to help the Chemical Warfare Service design gas masks.

Here is the way Dr. Brues classified the "American types":

1. A tall, thin-faced narrow-headed type, commonest in those of British extraction, and typical of the South.
 2. Tall, like the first, but with a wider face and head are typical persons of Scandinavian extraction, found mainly in the West North Central States.
 3. Common mainly in the East North Central States is a short type, round-faced and with a broad head, typical of Germanic, Russian and Slavic extractions.
 4. Short, like the third, but with a narrower head is the type of French and Mediterranean extraction, common in New England.
 5. Found mainly in Texas and Oklahoma is the type indicative of Indian admixture, distinguished mainly by a broad face and hooked nose.
- Writing in the American Journal of Physical Anthropology, Dr. Brues indicates that the "average American" may be of Irish extraction.

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The Irish, she reports, could not be classified as they are common in all parts of the country and hit the dead center of the American average in their measurements.

The anthropologist measured the head and face size of 3,000 soldiers gathering data for design of gas masks. She found that the famous American melting pot, despite the reduced immigration of the past two decades, has failed to produce an American race.

—Science News Letter.

PAINT FROM SOYBEANS

Linseed oil now has a new rival in the paint field. It is a chemically treated soybean oil which has similar drying qualities. Linseed oil, for many years, has been the base for paints and linoleum.

The discovery of this process of treating soybean oil to make it suitable for use in paints will free America from reliance on imports of linseed oil, or the flaxseed from which it is obtained, the American Chemical Society was told by Dr. Alexander Schwarcman of Buffalo, The United States, now producing annually over 1,000,000,000 pounds of soybean oil, can produce as much as needed to supply the demands of this new use.

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Texas Farm News

Texas has a total of 16 Dairy Herd Improvement Associations, involving 5,979 cows.

M. C. Nichols, a florist in Stephenville, Erath county, has decided that raising orchids in Texas is a cinch. Nichols said he attached a few orchid bulbs to a piece of post oak tree, securing the bulbs with string and staples. Three weeks later an orchid was in full bloom, still attached to the stump.

Arrangements have been made between the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the British Food Ministry to step up the shipment of frozen turkeys to the British Isles, which otherwise would have to reduce still further the meat ration. Frozen turkeys in storage in this country as of February 1 stood at 140,000,000 pounds, compared with a normal storage on that date of between 70 and 80 million pounds.

In one week in April sale of cattle in the Panhandle area soared to an all-time high, with approximately \$1,500,000 worth of animals changing hands. In Amarillo, Potter county, alone sales went above the \$1,000,000 mark. This was the first time since sales rings were established in Amarillo in 1936 that sales went so high. A total of more than 15,000 head of cattle were bought and sold in the area during the week.

Texas crops, excluding cotton, this year will fall 4 per cent under last year's total of 23,000,000 acres, according to the Department of Agriculture. The current total of 22,000,000 acres, however, will still be appreciably higher than the 10-year average of 21,000,000 acres. Reductions in specific crop acreages include corn 6 per cent, oats 15, barley 21.8, all hay 2.6, all grain sorghums 11, and all sweet sorghums 14 per cent. Texas Irish potatoes and sweet potatoes show decreases of 13 and 10 per cent, respectively. Increases in acreage are recorded for winter wheat and rice, with the same acreage for flax.

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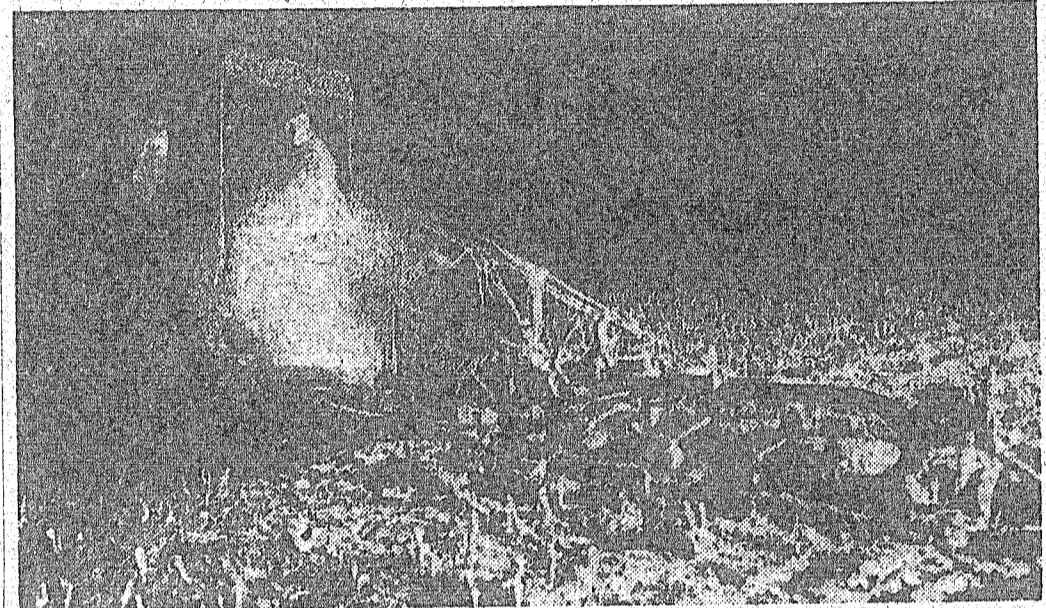
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The Houston Fat Stock Show and Livestock Exposition will be held next year from Feb. 4 to 15, it has been announced.

Estimated annual fertilizer needs in Texas for cotton are 5,000 tons of nitrogen, 10,000 tons of phosphorous and 5,000 tons of potash.

A windbreak of native Texas trees around farm buildings gives protection to livestock and poultry in the winter and provides needed shade in the summer.

A temporary organization of Eastland county fruit and vegetable growers has been formed to work out a marketing program. It is planned to effect permanent organization in time to assist in disposing of the 1947 crop of peaches. Peach crop prospects for the season are said to be excellent.



NIGHT SHIFT FOR FARMERS—With spring plowing delayed by late snowstorms and spring floods, British farmers burn midnight oil in tractors to catch up for lost time.

Biggest apple and insect pest in Texas is the codling moth, which can be controlled by spraying with four pounds of 50 per cent DDT in 100 gallons of water throughout the growing season.

Wanda Jean Heine, 17, of Roscoe, Nolan county, has been selected as the 1947 winner of the Texas home demonstration association's Maggie W. Barry scholarship, considered the highest honor for a Texas 4-H Club member. Miss Heine has been a 4-H Club girl for eight years and was a delegate to the 1946 National 4-H Club Congress at Chicago. Runners-up for the honor were Mildred Fesser, of Panhandle, Carson county; Ella Katherine Keith, of Whiteface, Cochran county; Nita Lou Bullard, of Covington, Hill county; Darrel St. John, of Direct, Lamar county; Bessie Lucille Burkholder, of Barstow, Ward county; Helen Grace Kolaia, of Damon, Brazoria county; and Gail Burks, of Mt. Enterprise, Rusk county.

Young county farmers terraced 5,555 acres of land against soil erosion in 1946, and County Agent R. O. Dunkle estimates that the process resulted in an increase of \$9.57 worth of cotton on each acre for the year. The farmers of the county are now planning to carry forward erosion control so that soil waste will be almost completely eliminated.

For the first time in more than four years the wool and sheep industry has been put back into the hands of the growers and warehouse operators after the termination of the Government's CCC purchase program recently. Since the termination the spring clip has been coming into the warehouses at a fair rate, but cold weather hampered early operations considerably.

October 4 will be Young Farmers' Day at the State Fair in Dallas.

L. D. Shaw, of Rockdale, Milam county, has built a transplanter which will set out eight acres of tomatoes in an ordinary working day. The transplanter, which cost \$40 to construct, was built from blueprints supplied by the Texas A. & M. Extension Service and can be hitched to any power tractor. It will transplant practically anything.

Estimated annual fertilizer needs in Texas for corn are 8,750 tons of nitrogen, 7,500 tons of phosphorus and 3,750 tons of potash.

Registered Guernsey View Frederica's Bonnie, owned by J. T. Lively & Son, of Dallas county, has been milked 682 times for a yield of 9,881 pounds of milk and 473 pounds of butterfat for the record in the five-year class, it has been announced by officials of the American Guernsey Cattle Club. The record was supervised by judges at Texas A. & M. College.

Bobby Wayne Balch, 15-year-old club boy of Alla, Collin county, is enthusiastic about registered Jerseys. He recently sold a five-week-old calf from his herd for \$100. He still owns two registered milk cows and a good bull calf.

The use of commercial fertilizer, where adapted, can play a big part in profitable cotton production, according to E. A. Miller, Extension agronomist of Texas A. & M. College. Fertilization is one of the most dependable methods of increasing per-acre cotton yields, Miller said. It pays good dividends on the sandy and sandy loam soils of the eastern half of Texas, on the Wilson and Crockett soils of Central and North Texas, and on the heavy black soils of the Gulf Coast Prairie. At present prices of farm products, including cotton, fertilizers will really pay off, Miller declared.

Sandown Smith, of Wellington, Collingsworth county, believes he has bought the biggest hog ever grown in the Texas Panhandle. The hog weighed 945 pounds, and Smith bought it from Meacham and Sheldon, of Hedley, Donley county, for \$174. Smith said he intends to butcher the hog and render the fat for lard.

Modern farming with field peas and vetch as cover crops can conquer wind and water erosion in the sandy West Texas hill country, the farmers of Comanche county recently demonstrated during their annual "Legume Field Day." Farmers and businessmen demonstrated this fact to visitors in a 250-car cavalcade which visited 16 farms in the area. Comanche county produces more peanuts than any other county in the nation, and half the 3,100 farms in the district have adopted cover-crop erosion control. T. L. Ayers, a government expert from Washington, described the control as "miraculous."

Agronomist E. A. Miller, of the Texas A. and M. Extension Service, says there is great need for increased production of peanuts in Texas. Emphasizing that a good stand was necessary for successful production, Miller said that 25 to 30 pounds of shelled seed, or 45 to 50 pounds of unshelled seed will get the best results per acre. Chemical treatment of the shelled seed has produced remarkable results and has cut down molds and fungi to a minimum. At the substation at Stephenville, Erath county, tests showed that peanuts came to 72 per cent of a perfect stand when 100 pounds of seed were treated with three ounces of two per cent common ceresan.

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Agriculture today is focused on increasing production per person rather than per acre, D. W. Williams, vice president for agriculture of Texas A. & M. College, told delegates to the recent convention of the Texas Vocational Association. Said Williams: "The concept in this country today is an intensive agriculture that will yield a high standard of living for those engaged in it. We are constantly increasing the total production of our farms with fewer and fewer people."

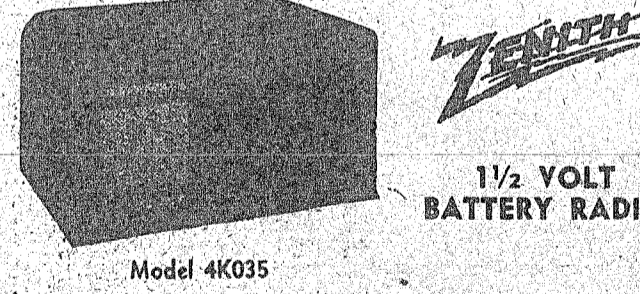
In the three years since the American Forest Products Industries, Inc., originated the tree farm system in Texas, private owners have planted 2,281,148 acres of trees. The State boasts both the largest and the smallest tree farms in the country. The largest, covering 700,000 acres, stretches over six counties from Houston to Nacogdoches, and is owned by the Southwest Settlement and Development Company. The smallest—a five-acre tract—belongs to Robert Langhlyn, of Marshall, Harrison county. All the Texas forest farms are located in East Texas and are mostly pine, although some hardwoods are cultivated.

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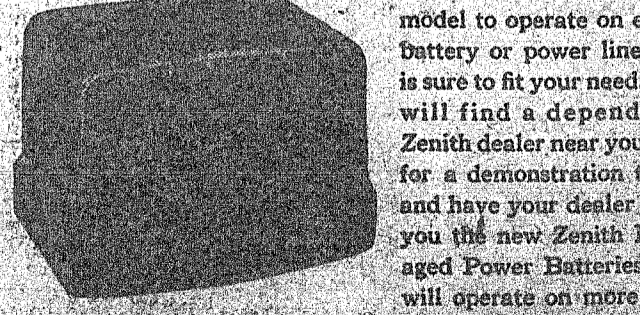
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Foreign markets will purchase every bale of American cotton which can be made available for export next year, Read Dunn, Jr., foreign trade director of the National Cotton Council, declared before the recent annual convention of the Texas Cotton Ginners Association. Dunn said cotton production in the United States will probably reach 11,750,000 bales next year. He estimated that only 2,500,000 to 3,500,000 bales would be available for export because of two successive short cotton crops and heavy domestic consumption.

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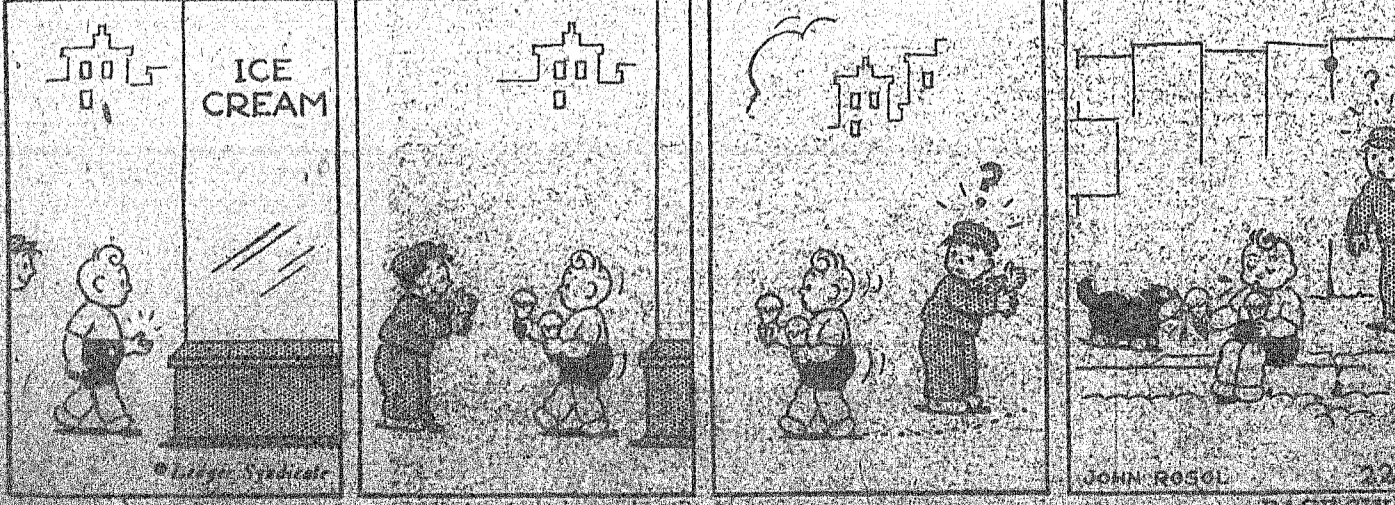
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Harrison Davis, of Dorchester, Grayson county, has been elected president of the Purebred Sheep Breeders' Association of Texas. W. C. Warren, of Garland, Dallas county, was elected first vice-president and Owen Bragg, of Talpa, Coleman county, is the new second vice-president. Secretary-Treasurer is T. R. Hinton, of Keller, Tarrant county.

The Cat and the Kid



Our Boys and Girls



WAY TO KINDNESS—Pointing the way to "Kindness to Animals Week" April 7 to 13, New York ring-tail monkey keeps protecting hand and watchful eye on chihuahua pup.

HOW ANIMALS THINK

By ARCHIBALD RUTLEDGE
(Condensed from Sports Afield)

Although for more than fifty years I have roamed the wildwoods, the marsh wastelands, the deep river-swamps, the lonely sea-beaches, trying to read something in the infinite book of nature, yet I feel that I am still in kindergarten, and likely to stay there.

By now I should be rather familiar with nature and her ways, and the ways of her wild children, but I am constantly being surprised; and there are certain matters that remain fascinating mysteries.

During my boyhood days we had a summer home in the mountains of western North Carolina. One July day I went for blackberries in a meadow, across which an old stake-and-rider fence sagged in a leisurely way. With me were a little mountain boy, his young sister, and the baby of the family, then about nine months old. The girl had been delegated to mind the baby; she brought him along on our trip, thinking she could set him down in a safe place while we picked.

She put him in a fence corner where the grass was short and clean; and as we planned to stay within sight, we thought that all would be well. After a little while I

well known, serpents, especially those that climb well, often make their dens in hollows in trees, and not infrequently a snake sheds his skin on the ground, and usually near his den.

The mystery about the flycatcher is this: does he designedly hang the snakeskin from his casement to keep intruders away? All nature appears to dread a serpent, and to keep its distance from even the suggestions of one. I have discussed this question with many professional ornithologists; most of them scout the idea that the bird is smart enough to protect his nest in this way.

But how do they know he is not smart enough? What does any one of us know for a certainty about nature, her moods, her secret and children? The character of the greatest is such that when he drapes a snakeskin out of his hollow, I feel that he may have a subtle defense purpose.

One day in Indian summer, in the mountains of North Carolina, I was out gathering chestnuts. I was near an old fence that divided a pasture field from the wooded mountain. Suddenly on the fence appeared a gray squirrel; then another; then a dozen, a score. Behind these came an unending line, all with silent intentness, all moving in one direction, their fluffy tails bobbing. There were hundreds. All appeared to come from a northward direction, and to be heading southward.

Taking a course parallel to them, I followed them for more than half a mile. The head of their line was then out of sight in the distant woods; and when I turned, I could still see squirrels coming as far as I could look. The time it took them to pass me was about an hour. There was about them a strange, concerted discipline, as if they visioned a far and happy goal.

But squirrels do not migrate. Had their food supply in their range to the northward run out, and were they seeking a more abundant life far from their native haunts? Or could they possibly, like the lemmings of Norway, have been mysteriously urged to march on, regardless of the end of their journey?

Animals may have a sense that we either never had or have lost. I have known a setter dog, lost from a train, to travel 70 miles without help back to his home. Birds also have this sense to a remarkable degree. As if guided by some mystic wand, year after year they return hundreds, even thousands of miles to their winter and summer homes; and not merely to the general locality.

By banding them we have learned that birds such as wrens and purple martins will come back to the very bird-houses they occupied the previous year.

Familiarity with nature never breeds contempt to a thoughtful mind and heart. The more one learns, the more he expects surprises.

The wide realm of nature is deep and unfathomed. It is well for us, too, that it is so; for the spirit calls only to spirit, and it is good for us always to retain our sense of wonder. And always it should be remembered that the children of nature are probably much wiser than we think they are. At least, given their chance to survive, most of us would perish.

CALIFORNIA CLAIMS TINIEST OWLS

California's admitted tendency to claim the biggest things on earth has gone into reverse; a pair of the smallest owls on earth, hitherto not known in the State, has been turned up in the Joshua Tree National Monument by two zoologists of the University of California at Los Angeles, Dr. Loye Holmes Miller and A. J. Van Rossum.

Known as elf owls, the little gray-brown, yellow-eyed birds are only about two and one-half inches long—rather smaller than most canaries. They have been known previously only from the desert country east of the Colorado river valley where they nest in abandoned holes drilled by woodpeckers in the giant tree-cactus, or saguaro.

Many animals cannot perceive colors—they are color blind and what they see are pictures in black and white, like ordinary photographs.

Pets and wild animals alike often seem able to think for themselves.

felt reassured about this, for I heard the tiny child babbling blissfully. All I could hear was "Da, da, da." We had agreed that each of us would take a look now and then to check on the child's safety. It was my turn to do so, but he was talking away so contentedly that I almost neglected my duty.

I went back, however, and peered over the blackberry canes at him. Promptly I froze in my tracks. The baby was petting something with his tiny hands, and was talking to it. A huge rattlesnake's massive body lay across the baby's bare legs! Making a wide detour, I called my badly frightened companions to me. Even at our ages we knew enough about nature to realize that to disturb or alarm the ratter might easily be fatal. From where we stood we could see it move reluctantly on, the baby cowering it all the while. Finally, the snake moved away and out of sight. I have always wondered at the mystery of why it did not harm the child.

One of the most individual, striking and intelligent of our summer birds is the wild and jaunty great crested flycatcher. His presence alone has the power to wake into life and joy the dreariest stretch of woods. He is swift and erratic in flight.

This bird has the invariable habit of weaving into the structure of his nest parts of dried snakeskin, and usually a part of a shed snakeskin hangs from the hollow in which he builds his nest. Now, as is

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POWERFUL GERMAN FORT DESTROYED

Helgoland is a tiny German island—one-quarter of a square mile in area—twenty-eight miles off the northwest corner of the German mainland. It has been popular

with birds, (it is a natural sanctuary), vacationers (the swimming there is fine) and German strategists (the island guards the estuaries of the Weser and Elbe Rivers).

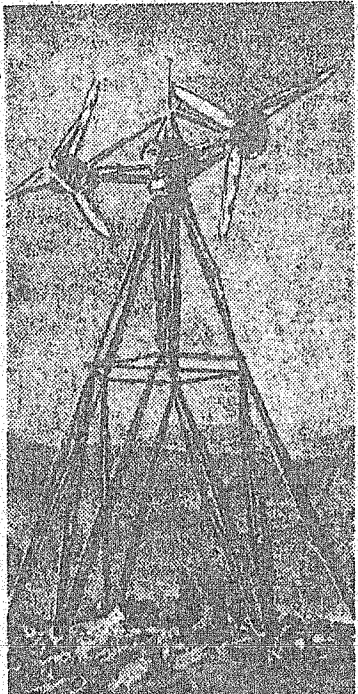
In two World Wars Helgoland served as an important German fortress and a shelter for U-boats. After Germany's surrender in May of 1945, 4,000 German troops and several thousand civilians were evacuated from the tiny island.

In April, British naval personnel — by remote control from a ship nine miles off the island—blew up the fortifications of Helgoland. First they set off a small explosion to scare off the birds. Then they detonated thousands of tons of TNT and German ammunition. The explosion—about one-eighth as powerful as that of a single atomic bomb—demolished tunnels, AA guns, radar stations, submarine pens; sent large sections of cliffs tumbling into the sea. For the present, at least, Helgoland is harmless.

Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood. Rev. 1:5.

HARNESSING the Winds to Generate Power

Soon it may be a very ill wind that blows no good. Even the blustery winds of Spring that whip so annoyingly around ankles and eaves may be channeled to a useful purpose. The same age that has seen the pros-



U. S. Power Commission windmill is 475 feet high.

pect of atomic power also may see the return of the windmill.

Until now, wind has been a useful but rather unde-

pendable help to man for thousands of years. The fact that it sometimes blows and sometimes doesn't has kept the wayward breezes out of the modern power field. The wind, as a source of power, is as free as the air. But the scientific utilization of this vast, cheap source of power has lagged far behind in development. Now the engineers of the Federal Power Commission are promising the biggest windmill in history—a structural steel giant that will reach nearly 500 feet into the air to catch the wind with two wind wheels, each 200 feet in diameter.

The whole idea is to make use of the wind while it blows and to switch to some other source of power when it fails. The wind, experts agree, never will furnish a steady source of power. In periods of calamity the utility companies will switch to water power or to steam for generating electricity. Percy H. Thomas, a Federal Power Commission engineer who has made an exhaustive study of the possibilities of wind power, says the real reason for our failure to use the wind has been a lack of knowledge on how to harness it. This lack largely has been overcome by a closer study of special propellers and of air movements. The war period saw many gains in this field. Now these findings are to be put to peacetime use.

The idea for the modern giant windmill already has had an experimental tryout. Some years ago the folks who lived within sight of Vermont's Grandpa's Knob were surprised to see that bald mountain top wearing a windmill for a wig. They were even more surprised when they learned that this \$500,000 structure was designed to deliver 1,000 kilowatts of electricity when breezes blew favorably. This Green Mountain peak near Rutland, Vermont, wore its windmill wig because an in-

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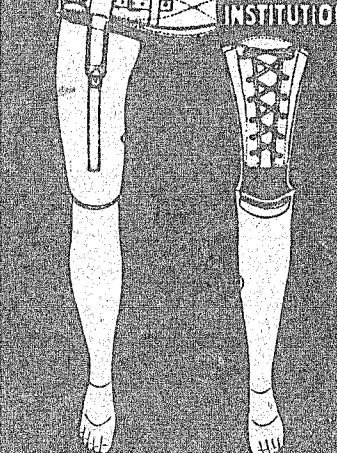
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ventor named Palmer Cosslet Putnam came out of Massachusetts's Institute of Technology and Yale with a questioning mind. One question that bothered him was how to utilize the almost limitless power of the wind. To find the answer Mr. Putnam studied ancient and modern windmills.

The greatest trouble with all windmills, he found, was that they didn't turn at a constant speed. They spun dizzily in high winds, barely revolved when breezes were light. Therefore, the machinery they powered could not be adjusted to efficient operation. Putnam's windmill, which was sponsored by General Electric and other manufacturing and power companies, was designed to overcome this fault. Mounted on a 110-foot tower this wheel turned at about 28 revolutions a minute in winds that varied from 18 miles an hour to 60 miles an hour. When the wind was weak, the blades automatically adjusted themselves to offer a wide surface. When winds were strong, the blades automatically feathered themselves.

The windmill itself was a two-bladed affair measuring 175 feet from tip to tip. Mounted right on the shaft to which the blades were fastened, and balancing them, was the generator. Together the blades and generator weighed 250 tons and were so adjusted that they would swing into the wind. The whole structure was built to withstand a wind force up to 120 miles an hour.

In power output the Vermont windmill came up to expectations. It operated successfully for many hundreds of hours and at times exceeded its rated 1,000 kilowatts. Since it was a pioneer venture, its operators had some trouble with the steel skin of the blades and with the bearings, but, generally, the experiment was considered a success. The largest-to-date windmill did what it was supposed to do—furnished a steady output of current whether the wind was strong or weak.

The proposed new windmill (engineers call the modern giants aerogenerators) of the Federal Power Commission will dwarf its predecessor on Grandpa's Knob. It will have two propellers and will turn out almost seven times as much power as the Vermont windmill. Weighing 1,300 tons, the structure will be able to withstand hurricanes and even mild earthquakes. Really destructive winds are rare, according to Mr. Thomas. They are so rare that they need not be considered in connection with operating schedules. However, the big new windmills must be strong enough to weather them. They also must be able to bear an occasional heavy load of ice.

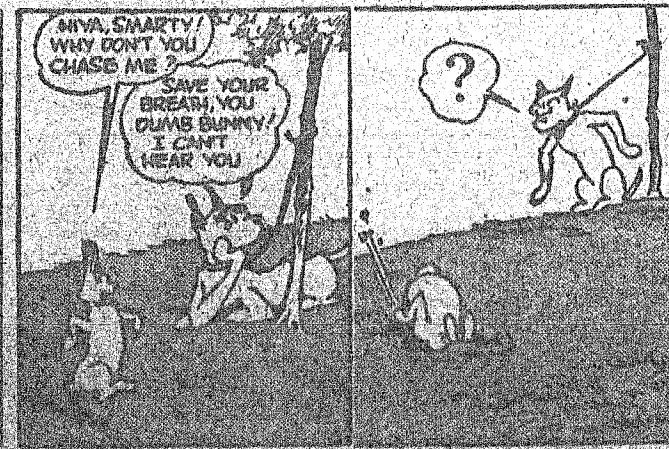
Air studies show that the fewest breezes blow between June and September. Generally, too, you'll get more wind the farther you get from the equator. The Weather Bureau has gathered ample data on the strength of winds at hundreds of its weather stations. Wind readings are taken every hour. And a study of these readings taken from 50 different stations over a 30-year period shows that, although wind speeds vary, the monthly averages are fairly stable. By carefully studying wind strength in various areas it may be possible to have one windmill balance another. That is, when winds are too light for a windmill in one location its load might be carried by a mill in an area where winds are stronger.

The experimental windmills of today are costly. But if they can be made efficient they may combine the low installation cost of steam with the low operating cost of water power. Once set up the windmill practically operates itself. It requires no boiler or fuel. It needs no railroad connection for coal. It requires no large, expensive dam for water storage. In fact, studies show that windmills could produce electricity at least as cheap as the lowest cost steam power.

MYRTLE

Right Around Home

By Dudley Fisher



NEW ROUND-THE-WORLD RECORD SET

On Sept. 28, 1924, three United States Army Douglas biplanes made the first flight around the world—in 175 hours; 15 days, 11 hours and 7 minutes flying time. Last month a new round-the-world record was set. Milton Reynolds, 54, Chicago balloon manufacturer, with Captain William Odom, pilot, and T. Carroll Sallee, flight engineer, took off at 5:11 p. m. one Saturday from La Guardia Field in a twin-engine Douglas A-26 converted Army bomber. At 12:06 a. m. Wednesday they were back at La Guardia Field. They had circled the globe in 78 hours, 55 minutes and 12 seconds—63 hours, 46 minutes, 12 seconds flying time. They averaged 324 miles an hour. Pilot Odom was at the controls for the entire flight.

EDISON EXPERIMENTED WITH URANIUM

Thomas A. Edison, whose genius gave the world the electric light, apparently was experimenting with uranium, source of ore of the atom bomb, before his death 16 years ago. Among the effects found in a desk in Edison's home, locked since his death in 1931, was a test-tube containing uranium nitrate. Just what Edison was doing with uranium still was not known.

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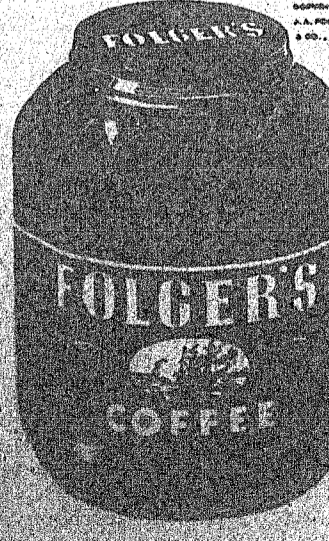
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HOUSEHOLD HELPS

By MARGARET MOORE

USE OF BAGGING MATERIAL A WISE ECONOMY

Scarcity and high prices of textiles have made the use of bagging material in many instances a wise economy for housewives.

Rural homemakers have long used the sturdy cotton fabric of many flour and feed bags for making everything from tea towels to bedspreads, draperies, luncheon cloths and napkins. Often the big problem in using bagging is removing the black printed letters that label the bags. Here are five methods which have been used successfully in taking print from sackcloth.

1. Scrub bags with hot water and laundry soap. This often removes nearly all the ink, and the rest usually disappears if the bags are boiled in soapy water for half an hour and rinsed. Then a chlorine bleach may be used to take out the last traces of black.

2. Wet a bar of laundry soap and rub on the dry bag until it is entirely covered with a thick layer of soap. Roll up the bag and let it stand several hours. Then wash and boil if necessary.

3. Soak the bag in kerosene overnight. Then wash—first in lukewarm water, then in soapy water—and rinse thoroughly.

4. Cover the black print with lard or soft petroleum jelly, rubbing the grease into the fabric thoroughly. Leave overnight to loosen the black, then wash in soapy lukewarm water and rinse.

5. Boil bags in water with sodium hydrosulphite or some other type dye remover, which may be purchased at drug stores. Always follow directions given on package, and rinse well afterward.

KEEP YOUR OVEN CLEAN

Dark, greasy stains that accumulate on the interior surfaces of ovens in kitchen ranges are difficult to clean. Ordinary washing or wiping will not remove them because the grease has "baked on." Scouring often is used but, unless done with care, may damage the enamel finish.

Fumes of ammonia, however, are helpful in softening this substance to make cleaning easier. A shallow bowl of household ammonia—or wedded cloth moistened with ammonia—should be placed in the oven for several hours or overnight. The fumes given off then will have time to loosen the greasy stains. A badly soiled oven may need this treatment for several successive nights.

To keep the oven clean, the door should be left open after use until the oven is cool. This will "air out" many of the odors and oils from baking instead of holding them in to settle on oven surfaces. This also

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Any food that boils over or spills in the oven should be wiped up at once and not allowed to burn on.

SAVE SUGAR FOR CANNING

Easy on the sugar! No sugar stamps will be issued for home canning this year.

Sugar bought with the new stamp (No. 11) will have to take care of both home and canning needs. No stamps labeled specifically for home canning will be issued this summer.

This situation does not mean that each consumer will get less sugar this year. Actually, each person will get 30 or 35 pounds this year in comparison with only

25 pounds last year. In the past, the OPA issued stamps at regular intervals for regular table use, and, at canning time, issued canning sugar stamps. Under the board's new system, each stamp is worth ten pounds instead of four or five, but no canning stamps are available. Therefore, home-makers will have to save from this last 10 pounds stamp if they plan to do any home canning.

The stamp issued April 1 will be good until October 1.

TESTED RECIPES

Springtime Is Salad Time

Why does spring make us think of salads? Perhaps it is the fresh crispness of the weather... or the colorful gaiety of nature. Whatever the reason, the thoughts of a salad are wise thoughts. Salads, the former infants of the dining room, have grown up. At the turn of the century these favorites of today were so to speak, just putting a toe into the door of acceptance. Salads were just greens plus a dressing, accompaniments for the meat and potatoes.

Salads are now a part of all well-rounded dinner menus and often the "whole show" of many luncheons. They also range from the dainty tea party style to the hearty masculine kind. Being versatile, they sometimes serve as an appetizer, a main dish, a vegetable or fruit substitute, or even a dessert. Because of their simplicity most salads are easy—and fun—to do.

It is said that our grandmothers won reputations as good cooks with their cakes and pastries. Perhaps the modern homemaker can win a reputation with her salads. Salads are modern. They are highlights of today's food pattern which features well-balanced meals. They utilize a wealth of materials, not merely mineral and vitamin rich greens, but equally essential fruits, vegetables, and body-building foods such as meat, poultry, fish, eggs and cheese. Salads certainly give a step-up to a meal's nutritional value.

A green salad or a simple fruit salad usually accompanies a hearty dinner. When the main course of a meal is very light, a more elaborate and heavy salad may be served. For Sunday night suppers or buffet meals, mixed fruit salads, salads of fish, meat or eggs, or molded salads are used. Accompanied with an appetizing touch, such as one or two anchovies to each serving salads may be served as a first course of a dinner. A mixed fruit salad or a frozen fruit salad served with a sweet dressing, may act as a dessert. A heavy protein salad may easily be served as the main dish for a luncheon or supper.

Cottage Cheese Salad

1 small head lettuce ¼ cup jelly (cur-
1 cup cottage cheese rant, apple, crab-
4 maraschino cherries)

Shred lettuce. Drain cottage cheese well. Cut jelly into small cubes and cherries into fourths. Mix carefully into shredded lettuce. Then fold cottage cheese into lettuce mixture with a fork, being careful not to mash cheese. Chill for ten minutes in refrigerator.

Sunshine Salad

1 envelope plain un-¾ teaspoon salt
flavored gelatin 1 cup grated raw
¾ cup cold water carrots
1 cup hot pineapple 1 cup orange seg-
syrup, drained ments, cut small
from can 1½ cups canned
¾ cup orange juice pineapple, cut in-
¼ cup mild vinegar to small pieces.
Soften gelatin in cold water and dissolve

in hot pineapple syrup. Add orange juice, vinegar, salt. Cool, and when mixture begins to thicken, fold in carrots, orange, and pineapple. Turn into a mold that has been rinsed in cold water and chill. When salad is firm unmold on to salad greens and serve.

Serve salad on greens and fill center with carrot curls. Cut carrots in paper-thin lengthwise slices. Wrap tightly around ringer. Secure with toothpicks, chill in ice water, and remove picks. Serves six.

Savory Salad Plate

This is an easy salad to prepare, and it's an added attraction to serve with everyday dishes. Try it when you want to treat the family to a different salad dish.

Ingredients needed are: Two cups diced chicken meat, one cup shredded blanched almonds, one and one-half cups diced celery, salt and pepper, salad dressing, lettuce.

Blend ingredients together and add sufficient dressing to moisten well. Arrange lettuce on large plates and pile salad on this. Garnish plate with slices of tomato.

Idea for Varying Salad

Vary canned peach and cottage cheese salad by making the filling of half cottage cheese and half Roquefort-type cheese. For each salad, put two peach halves together to form a ball and spread with French dressing. Endive or water-cress makes an excellent garnish.

Baked Fish Omelet

2 cups flaked, cooked fish 1 tsp. chopped
parsley
2 tablespoons lemon juice ¼ teaspoon pepper
4 eggs, separated 1 cup corn flakes
½ cup milk 2 teaspoons butter
2 tablespoons minced onion or margarine

Sprinkle lemon juice over fish. Beat egg yolks until very thick; carefully fold in milk, onion, parsley, pepper and salt. Fold in stiffly beaten egg whites and flaked fish, adding gradually. Pour into hot greased frying pan. Top with finely crushed corn flakes mixed with melted butter. Bake in moderate oven (375 degrees F.) about 20 minutes. Yield: 4 to 6 servings.

Sweet Peach Patsy

2½ cups sliced 1½ cups sifted flour
canned cling peaches ¼ cup sugar
¾ cup peach juice 4 teaspoons baking
powder
½ cup bran ½ teaspoon salt
1 egg, well beaten ½ cup shortening
½ cup milk

Arrange peaches and peach juice in greased baking pan. Soak bran in egg and milk about 5 minutes. Sift flour, sugar, baking powder and salt together. Cut in shortening. Add soaked bran, stirring just until liquid and dry ingredients are combined. Drop by spoonfuls over peaches. Bake in moderately hot oven (400 degrees F.) about 35 minutes. Serve warm with light cream, if desired. Yield: 8 servings (8½-inch pan). (Continued top next column)

Curried Breast of Lamb and Noodles
2 pounds breast of lamb
¼ cup flour
2½ cups water
2 teaspoons salt
1 to 2 tablespoons curry powder
¼ cup chopped onion
1 clove garlic, minced
¼ cup raisins
1 tablespoon ketchup
1 5-ounce package noodles
Have lamb cut as for stewing. Roll pieces in flour and brown slowly without added fat. Pour off any fat which collects. Add 1½ cups water, curry powder, onion and garlic. Cover and cook 1½ hours. Add raisins, ketchup, noodles and remaining 1 cup water. Cover and cook about 20 minutes or until noodles are well done. Stir occasionally and add more water if necessary.

Bologna Casserole

1½ pound bologna or wieners
3 medium potatoes
2 tablespoons minced green pepper

3 tablespoons flour
1 teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
3 tablespoons margarine
¾ cup milk (enough to cover)
Peel and cut the potatoes in small cubes or slices. Cut bologna or wieners into ½-inch pieces. Arrange alternate layers of cubed potatoes and bologna, bits of green pepper, flour sifted with salt and pepper, and dots of butter in small casserole. When all ingredients are used, pour milk over to just cover. Bake about 1½ hours in a moderate oven, 350 degrees F.

Scrambled Eggs With Pancake

8 very thin small pancakes
5 eggs, scrambled
1 can mushroom soup
1 cup light cream
1 bouillon cube dissolved in ¼ cup hot water

Fill pancakes with soft scrambled eggs, fold over and arrange on lightly greased platter. Serve with sauce made by heating together soup, cream and dissolved bouillon cube.

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Approximately 1,900,000 more men and women, boys and girls are living in the United States today than 7 years ago.

The natural increase of our population, the excess of birth over deaths, reached an all-time high in 1946. The rate of population increase for last year was close to 1.4 percent, or practically double the annual average of 0.7 percent for the prewar decade. This brings the population of the country to about 142,250,000.

More than 3,350,000 babies were born in the United States in 1946. This exceeds by more than 200,000 the previous peak record for 1943, statisticians of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company point out.

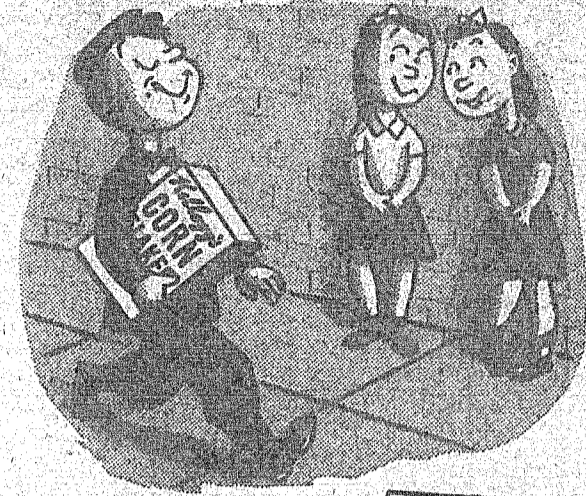
Estimates show that about 24 babies were born last year for each 1,000 men and women in this country.

The entire increase in the birth rate in 1946 occurred in the last half of the year, reflecting the sharp increase in the marriage rate following V-J Day in 1945. During these last six months the number of births is estimated to be about a third greater than during the corresponding period of 1945. In a few States this increase exceeded 40 per cent. Infant mortality, on the other hand, continued to decline in 1946 to a new all-time low of about 37 per 1,000 live births. The death rate for the country as a whole is estimated to be 10.2 per 1,000 people.

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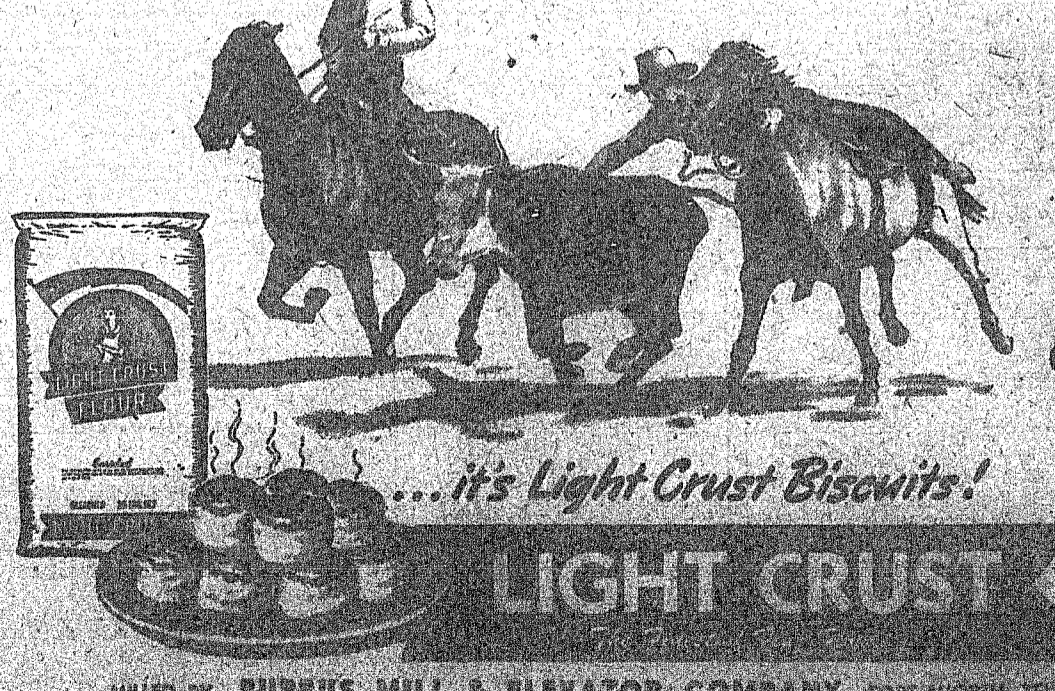
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