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AUSTIN.—Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, urges the parents of all children who will respond to the school bell for the first time in September to be sure the child is physically ready for school duties.

"First and foremost is the need for vaccination against smallpox. Parents and physicians should see that children are vaccinated before they are one year of age; however if not done previously, at school age vaccination becomes absolutely necessary," Dr. Cox said. "If your child has not been vaccinated, have it done immediately so that the scar will be completely healed before school opens."

Immunization against diphtheria is also highly desirable, Dr. Cox believes. This disease, which causes serious illness and deaths among young children can be prevented with toxoid. The child who has never been protected should be given this safeguard against a dreaded disease. Even though he may have been immunized as a baby, doctors and health officers usually recommend an additional dose of toxoid to strengthen immunity before entrance into school.

"In addition, before you send your child to school you are urged to take him to your family physician and dentist for a thorough examination," Dr. Cox adds. "You will want to know that he is in good physical condition and can compete with the other children on equal terms. If the check-up reveals any weakness or defects there will be time to build up his general health and correct dental defects before school opens. Don't let your child start his school life with any avoidable handicap."

Accidents Named Greatest Killer

CHICAGO -- Accidents are the greatest killer of young people in the United States, far outranking any of the more generally feared childhood diseases.

According to the 1948 edition of "Accident Facts," statistical yearbook of the National Safety Council, accidents claimed five times as many lives in the 5-to-14 year age group in 1946 as heart disease, the second cause of death. And accidents killed six times as many children in that age group as pneumonia, the third place child-killer.

In fact, the yearbook points out that deaths from accidents numbered more than deaths from both heart disease and pneumonia combined.

Final Plans for C. R. O. P. Program Completed

COLLEGE STATION.—The final plans for the state organization of Christian Rural Overseas Program—the rural sister program of CARE—were recently completed at College Station with the election of J. D. Prewit, acting state director of Texas A. and M. College Extension Service, as state chairman, and Dan Russell, professor of rural sociology of Texas A. and M. College, as vice-chairman.

"The organization will be set up on a county level," Mr. Prewit said, "and the actual administration of the program will be carried out there."

The organization, known as CROP, is organized to furnish a channel whereby rural people can take part in overseas relief, particularly for children. It is open to all rural people and is sponsored by the Church World Services.

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The Friendship Trains are examples of the type of work sponsored by CROP, and the organization will be able to handle all types of farm commodities and crops, Mr. Prewit said.

The state and executive committees include representatives of Texas churches, commodity groups, and farm organizations, as well as the Texas Home Demonstration Association and the Council of Church Women.

In planning menus, include at least three vegetables in the meals each day—one or more servings of potatoes, green or yellow vegetables and "other" vegetables. The "other" group are neither yellow nor green, such as eggplant, white squash, radishes, onions, celery, white corn, or half mature beans and peas.

REA recently approved \$150,000 for system improvement of 29 miles of lines in Fayette county, and \$470,000 for 178 miles of line serving 631 in Hondo and Bexar counties in Texas.

Careful planning, wise buying and good cooking can do much to hold down food expenses. Family cooperation in overcoming food likes and dislikes can save dollars and cents on the food bill.

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Champions Made At Home, Not In Show Ring

COLLEGE STATION.—Champions are made at home, and not in the show ring. The amount of training and conditioning your animal gets between now and show time will determine what color and how many ribbons the animal will get in the ring, says J. W. Davis, assistant extension dairy husbandman of Texas A. and M. College.

Fitting an animal means a combination of good grooming and proper feeding. And there's a big difference between a "fitted" and a "fatted" animal. To show well, a dairy animal should carry enough flesh to fill out the frame smoothly and show a good condition of health. For the show ring, the skin should be thin and mellow, and the hair should be fine,

smooth and glossy.

Let's get the animal ready for the fair now. Put it under a blanket six to eight weeks before the first show. Two or three brushings a day with a soft fiber and rubber brush will get the long hair out of the way, and will help train the new hair to lay down. Here's an important point: Use your hand as well as the brush. Finger movement will stimulate secretion and soften the hair and skin.

Training the dairy animal to lead, pose and obey commands is part of the daily routine. Study the animal closely and see what position she looks the best in, then train her to pose in that position. Train the animal to stand with all four feet placed squarely under the body and slightly apart.

If the animal droops in the rump, pinch along the back between the hips with your fingers. If low in the

back, touch it under the belly. If the back is humped, touch it lightly on the middle of the animal's back. Most important of all, never lose patience or get rough with an animal you are training. Kindness always gets the best response.

Often it is necessary to train the horns on young animals in order to give them a good shape. Many people use wire and mechanical devices. These are recommended by nearly everybody that uses them.

About a week before the show is the time to give the horns a final dressing. Smooth down the rough outside surface with a rasp or horn scraper. Finish off the job with emery cloth. Then apply pumice stone or sweet oil. Polish the horns with a woolen cloth just before showing the animal in the ring.

Trim the overgrown hooves to make them shapely and comfortable. Levelness on the bottom is essential, and most of the weight should be on the outside wall of the foot. You can do a fine job with a file from time to time, and keep the hooves in pretty good shape. Maybe you can pick up some extra points in the ring by cleaning the hooves and rubbing them with oil.

If you have done a good conditioning job on the hair, you won't have to clip the animal all over. Clipping tends to make the hair coarse. A few days before showing the animal, clip the long hair around the head, ears, above the switch, inside the legs and around the udder.

After these many weeks of fitting the animal for the ring, you want to keep her looking her best when you get her there. Never allow her to droop or go to sleep at any time. When stopping the animal, always

try to stop her with her forefeet on slightly higher ground than the hind feet, says Davis. And one of the most important things of all to remember when you're in the show ring is to keep one eye on the judge and the other on the animal being shown at all times.

The kind or ribbon that animals receive in the show ring will largely be determined by the amount and kind of conditioning and training given before showtime. Champions are made at home and not in the show ring.

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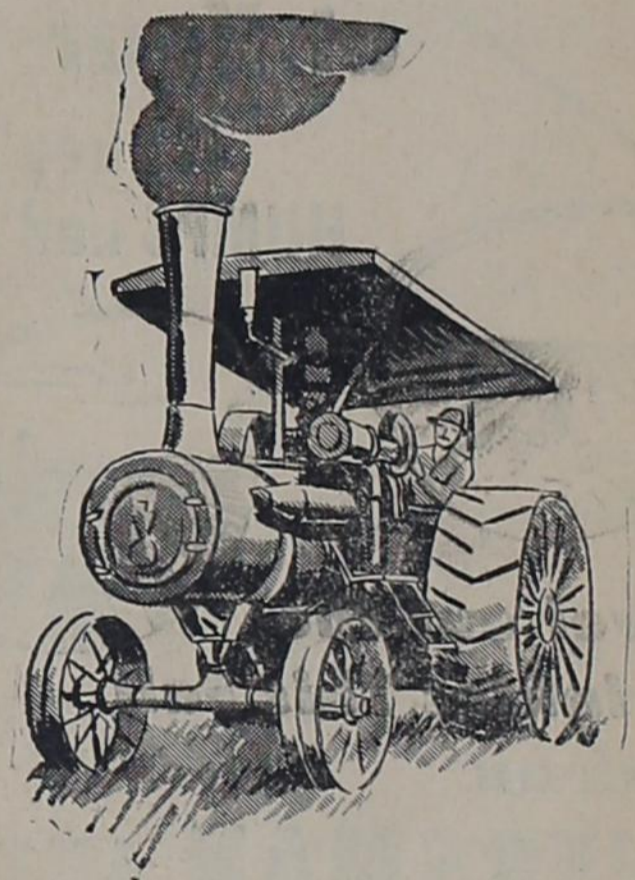
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The REA has approved \$400 thousand for 202 miles of line of Rusk county, \$830 thousand for 546 miles of line in Hamilton county, and another \$400 thousand for 195 miles of power lines in Lamar county. Also in East Texas, Jasper and Newton counties got \$370 thousand for 178 miles of line. Upshur county got \$5 thousand for improvements and additions to a locker plant.

In some of the modern steps, the dancers exercise everything but discretion.

More Electricity On Rural Farms

COLLEGE STATION.—With the steady increase in rural electrification, a new and very large electrical appliance market has opened. As soon as the farm or ranch house is wired for electricity, the average family starts to buy electrical equipment.

The Rural Electrification Administration says that the rural housewife first invests in better lighting equipment, such as floor and table lamps. Then comes an electric iron, a radio or a phonograph. Refrigerators and washing machines come next—these are items that are more expensive and usually take a little budgeting.

The installation of an electric water system in the home is usually planned next. Mrs. Bernice Claytor, extension home management specialist of Texas A. and M. College, says the electric water system is one of the greatest time and labor savers for the rural homemaker, even though its installation usually comes after the purchase of other items.

Mrs. Claytor points out that with new electrical appliances in the home, care must be taken to prevent plugging too many into one outlet. It pays to have enough outlets, as overloading cuts down on the current, means less power, dim lights and may blow a fuse.

Plenty of conveniently placed outlets will cut down on potential accident, too, she says, as there will be no need for long extension cords, which are unsightly, inconvenient and dangerous. The best time to install the outlets is when the house is wired.

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New Equipment Is Added At Tech

LUBBOCK—Erection of semi-portable steel frame bleachers in the new Clifford B. and Audrey Jones stadium at Texas Technological college has been started and a new electric scoreboard will be added by fall.

Morley Jennings, athletic director, said the bleachers are part of the sections that will increase seating capacity by about 2,500, giving a total capacity of well over 20,000.

They are being placed at the north end of the playing field. The scoreboard, ordered this week and to be erected at the south end of the field, will be 12 feet high, on a base of equal height. Operated from the expansive press box, it will show time, score for both teams, down, quarters and yards to go.

TRAFFIC DEATH TOLL UP

A total of 10,300 pedestrians literally walked themselves to death in America in 1947.

This is shown in the 1948 edition of "Accident Facts," statistical yearbook of the National Safety Council.

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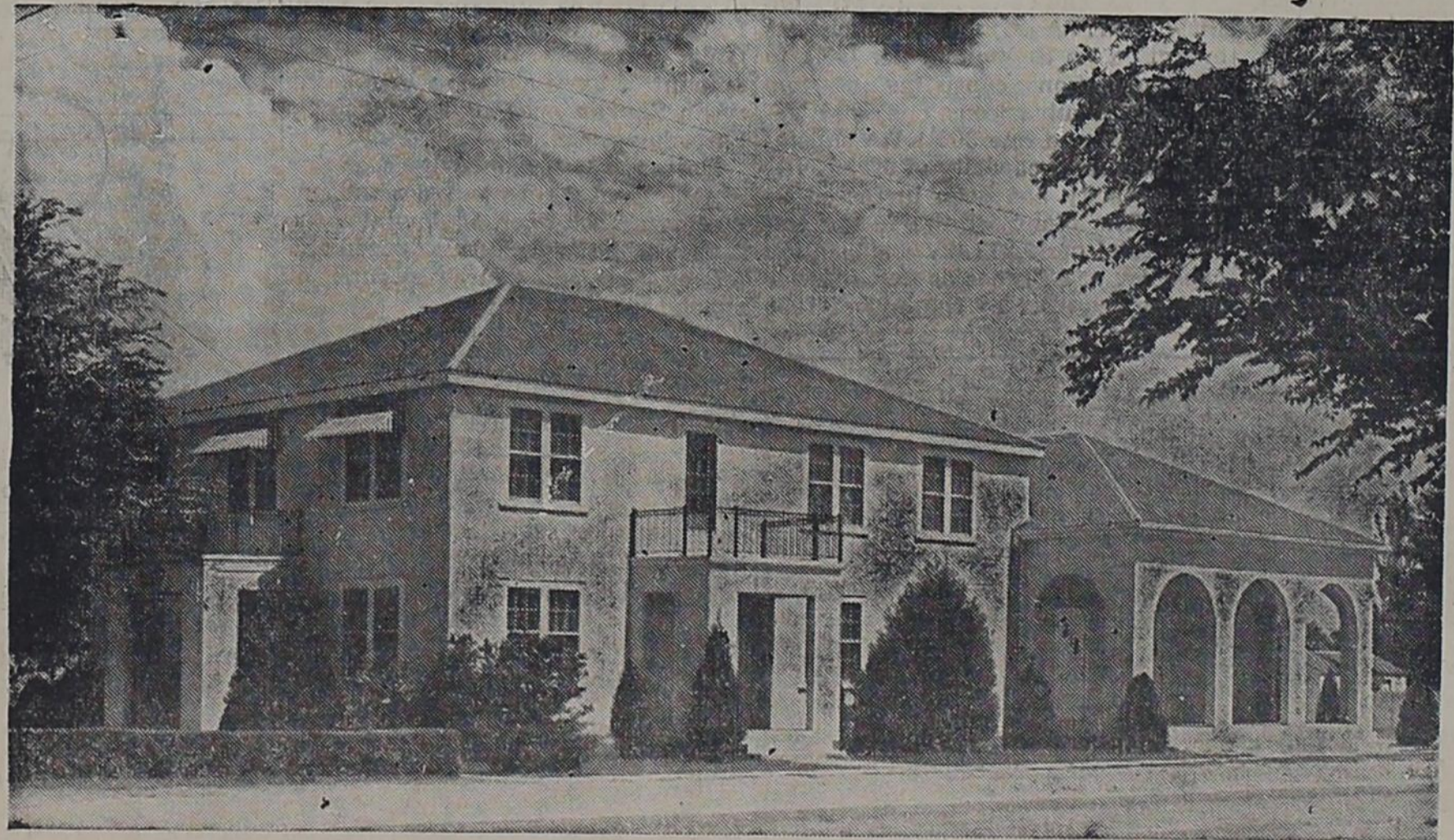
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