

Seems to me if we are in such desperate need of day care centers, it would be better to pay the mothers to watch their own kids. If at all possible, every child should have a mother at home when he gets in from school.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Roberts attended the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Pat McCord at Earth, TX. recently. Brought me greetings from a faithful reader Faye Stafford who used to live here.

Visiting Ed and Eileen Logan this week were Leta Campbell, Erick, Eva Cotts, Sayre, granddaughter Stephanie Shoffner, Edmond, Laine and Leatrice Smith, Azted, N.M., and Sparky Eastham, Sayre, Lois Cupp Caldwell of Stillwater. Lois' dad, Albert Cupp carried our mail for many a year when we lived near Friendship. Was good to see her at Homecoming.

Margie Bass, Berneal Bass, and Yvonne Meador were at the reunion. One of them told me she lived at Santa Rosa, N.M. They visited their aunt Birdie Whipkey.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Joe Davis, Louise and family visited their mother Bethel, brother Eli and the children over the Fourth.

Our Dawgs were out romping around when all of a sudden they went to howling like crazy. Enough to chill your blood. Stepped out and I could hear sirens over on the highway. Found out two fire trucks were racing north to a hay fire over on the Musick farm. Sure stirred those dogs up.

Joe had three cousins come from CA for the Erick Alumni reunion. Callie Brawley, Myrtle Flowers, and Zulu Caywood. Their mother was an Abba so they are also cousins of Velma Gibson. On Monday, she and Thelma Abba called to say they were having a Flowers - Abba picnic at the park. We

got ourselves together and went over. Had such a good time, lots of visiting, good supper, homemade ice cream, etc. Charley Francis brought out a fiddle and mandolin. He and Joe entertained a while, ending with group hymn singing.

Those present were Nina Lee Abba, Troy and Velma Gibson, Myrtle Flowers, Clarence and Lena Bartlett, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Abba, Rob and Dusty, John Earl and Jacque Francis, Charley Francis, Harold and Sylvia Hammon, Jean Flowers, Vesta Phillips, Zulu Caywood, Callie Brawley, John and Hazel Francis, Melvin and Rosa Faye Abba, Linda Abba, Melissa and Mabelle, Clifford and Leann Abba, Carolyn, Christi and

Chanda Abba, Julie Harding, Bob, Thelma, Kama and Shayne Abba, Derek and Carissa Dunlap, Marita Norrell, Charles Abba, and we three Joe, Lois and David Flowers, Ally Abba.

Tuesday the Kitchen Band went to the Erick Home. The CA cousins plus Harold and Sylvia Hammon joined us. They all got an instrument and joined in. After a spread of cookies and punch set out by Carolyn McGuire, we went home with the Hammons for pie and coffee. Didn't need any supper. Those going were Myrtle, Callie, Zulu, Bertha Coffey, Troy and Velma, and we three.

Other visitors at the home were Fern Howell and Editha Hildebrand. Editha is just back from a trip to CA to visit her brother Floyd Kline. Stephen is spending the summer with his mother. She said Nolan Roberts brought his mother Myrtle over to see while she was there.

We are getting quite a few celebrities around. There was a nice piece about Frances Ellis of Erick being sworn in as one of the first Rotary presidents in the Amarillo paper. Also one recently there about Marietta Hudgins and her sister having a birthday party. One was a 100 and the other almost. Cletus Killian and his "gators" have been getting a lot of publicity.

Had a nice chat with Willie Lord, Otto and Ruth Atkinson, Bessie Taylor, Hortense Madden and cousin Clara. Clara is driving the Sayre Senior Citizen bus now. Drove the Cheyenne one for years. Don't know what we'd do if it wasn't for seeing people at the store. No one goes visiting anymore since they can pick

up the telephone, talk and don't have to comb their hair.
Dovie Wilson and Eileen Logan visited Ethel Rogers last week. Ethel had been sick but is better now. No use praying for rain til the wind gets in the east. Maybe the rainy season will set in soon.



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Ain't It The Truth
By Ab Gunter

Have you noticed all the termites climbing out of the woodwork in the Capital, guess I better say there in Washington, D.C. or you will think I mean Austin. Now you and me both know we ain't got any flimflamers in the Capital there or in Oklahoma City or in Arkansas or Louisiana that is that we know of but they shore shook the rug in D.C. A feller can't believe how the folks we have elected to Congress and so forth would tolerate such to happen without seeming to know anything about it. This kind of junk has been goin on ever since we have had a government and always will but seems like it has again come to surface, most of us never heard of The Teapot Dome scandal or the ones that knew of it were involved or never really cared. We always say "Why don't they do something about it". Well pardner WE are the THEY if you really want to know. WE are the ones that put them in office, thats our Congressman, Senators, Representatives and Presidents and many times we don't even vote or if we do we don't even know the ones we have elected.

Not long ago it was sort of a fad to hire your wife as some kind of secretary and use the front porch for her office and put it down as necessary expenses for a few thousand bucks and think nuthin about it.

Not many months ago we were paying over six hundred bucks for toilet seats on some of them airplanes and over a hundred bucks for a pair of players to install the durn things and I bet we never did find out who was gettin the money.

I member one time I was going to be a Flyboy for the US of A and we were stationed at Santa Anna Air Base and every month there was two bits taken out of our pay for Grass Seed, we had a few small lawns there but most of it was black top and very hot. One of my brighter moments I got to figerin that with all the thousands of us there at the base we were buying a hell of a lot of grass seed. Many months after the government sent me back to the Infantry I heard that some bird there in Santa Anna got caught on the grass seed deal. I doubt if the gent even had to do KP for his misdeeds but many of us kids shelled out two bits a month for grass seed.

I hadn't learned my lesson cause back in the thirties I bought a Wild Pony from an Indian in New Mexico. This Indian was goin to bring it to town that nite and he must have forgot the way and all these fifty years I ain't seen that Indian or that Wild Pony. I got to go now, there's a feller going to sell stock in the Brooklyn Bridge and he's only going to be in town this afternoon, sounds like a good deal to me....

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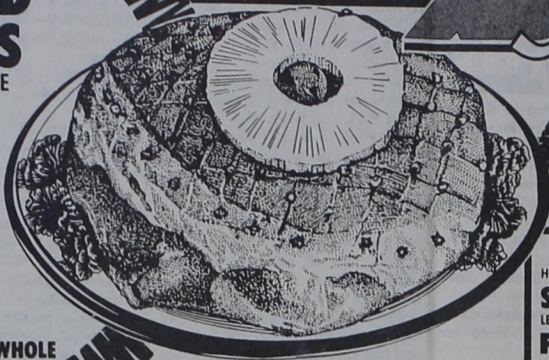
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