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## Zoning Ordinance Still Live Issue

A proposed city zoning ordinance for Robert Lee died aborning last week. The ordinance provided that hereafter all new buildings in the business section of town must be fire proof.

The matter has been under consideration by the city commission for a month or more and was discussed at the monthly meeting Tuesday night of last week. It seems local citizenry became agitated later in the week when it was learned that more huts from Camp Berkeley were to be moved in.

A special session of the city commission was held Friday forenoon and business men up and down the street were on hand to hear the proposed ordinance discussed. Mayor Clift asked for an opinion of the assemblage and was given a unanimous vote in favor of passing the zoning ordinance.

No action was taken by the commissions at the time, and in another meeting later in the day Commissioner Allie Bilbo moved that the ordinance be adopted. That's where the matter ended as neither Commissioner Bill Tom Roach nor Mayor Bruce Clift offered a second motion.

The Observer was informed by city commissioners yesterday that the issue is not dead. Mr. Roach said he believed more time was required to study the proposal, and he further stated he was not financially interested in the two army buildings set on lots north of the theatre last Friday.

Placing of the weather beaten army huts in the business section has created a lot of discussion. Two weeks ago a 16x16 hut was dumped right up next to the city hall and is being used as a domino club. Four 16x48 buildings have been moved onto vacant lots north of the theatre and one of them is right up against the theatre. Owners of the theatre say they have protested to the state fire marshal because of the fire hazard which endangers the lives of their patrons.

## Elkins Bros. Start Concrete Tile Factory

A concrete tile manufacturing plant is the newest industry to begin operation in Robert Lee. The concern, owned by the Elkins brothers, J. D. and B. F., and the former's son, J. F. Elkins, is located in its own building on the highway two blocks south of Black's store.

The tile making machine which presses the concrete under enormous pressure, was entirely built by the Elkins brothers in John Brown's blacksmith shop. It has a capacity of 100 8-inch tile per hour.

Concrete tile are being widely used in construction work and the Elkins plant expects to be able to take care of the local demand in the future.

## Wins at Horse Show

James Burrus, who raises some fine QuarterHorses at his ranch on the Divide, made a good showing in the recent horse show at Brownwood. He took 1st on his young stallion, Texas Ranger, and 5th on a 1946 mare foal. James will do considerable showing this year according to his present plans.

T. A. Peays, Jr., wife and little daughter, Pamela, of San Jon, N. Mex., were recent visitors in the parental T. A. Peays home near Edith.

## Proctor-Bell Wedding

Miss Geraldine Bell and Mr. Merle Proctor, popular Bronte young couple, were married Tuesday night at Bronte by the Baptist minister, Rev. C. R. Blake. Attendants were Maurine Bell and Marvin Landers. The bride wore a brown suit. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Bell and recently held a position at the S. E. Adams abstract office in Robert Lee. The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Proctor. At present he is ranching and operating a fleet of trucks at Plainview.

## Bronte Bank Retains County Depository

Although the Robert Lee State Bank submitted a better bid, the First National Bank of Bronte has been designated as the depository for Coke county funds during the next two years.

This action took place during the regular monthly meeting of the commissioners court Monday. When sealed bids were opened it was revealed that the Bronte bank offered to pay 1 per cent interest on the county's deposit, while 2 per cent was offered by the Robert Lee banking institution. The vote was 2 to 1, with Varnadore voting for the State Bank of Robert Lee and Ben Brooks and T. R. Harmon favoring the bank at Bronte. The county deposit runs from 25 to 50 thousand dollars or more, and it has been held by the bank at Bronte for many years.

Numerous routine matters were taken up at the session and the usual list of county claims were allowed. Commissioner W. J. Eads was not present, although he is reported to be recovering slowly from a recent illness. He has left the Winters hospital and is now taking treatment at Shannon hospital in San Angelo.

Dr. J. K. Griffith was re-elected as county health officer, with Dr. Leonard of Bronte as assistant.

The commissioners court with Judge Bob L. Davis and Sheriff Paul Good met with official groups from Scurry, Fisher, Mitchell and Nolan counties recently when the matter of establishing a short wave police radio station was discussed. Coke county has not yet agreed to go in on the proposal.

## Coke County Collected 940 Poll Taxes for '46

A total of 940 poll taxes were paid by Coke county citizens for 1946, according to announcement made this week by Paul Good, tax collector. January 31 was the deadline for paying 1946 poll taxes.

Collections were better than expected for an off election year, as in the past only about 700 persons paid poll taxes in the off years. The county had 1,203 poll taxes paid in 1945, making that number eligible to vote during the general election year of 1946.

## W. O. W. Installation

Robert Lee's Woodmen of the World camp will hold public installation of officers on Friday night, Feb. 14. Supper will be served free to the public and installation ceremonies at the district court room will follow. The Robert Lee Woodmen camp recently donated \$50 to the Rabb relief fund.

Mrs. N. A. Pennington is recovering from a recent attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. DeShazo of San Angelo visited her sister, Mrs. C. M. Byrd, a few days this week.

## Fire Fighting Needs Pointed Out to JC's

Robert Lee citizens were given some first hand information in regard to their fire equipment needs when W. R. Sullivan of San Angelo spoke at a meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce Monday night. Mr. Sullivan, who holds a responsible position with the Angelo fire department and has been in the work 20 years, spent the afternoon here and made a close investigation of the local situation.

He says the community needs a fire truck with a 600 gal. water tank, similar to the one in use at San Angelo which puts out 90 per cent of their fires. Such equipment includes a medium priced chassis with a power take-off to operate the water pump from the tank. Such an outfit new would cost about \$2,700 and Mr. Sullivan recommended the purchase of brand new equipment.

A truck of this size is light enough so that it can be run over most any kind of roads and would be available in the city as well as out in the rural sections of the county. The San Angelo man recommended that every business house and home be equipped with fire extinguishers, and he failed to see many on his visit in Robert Lee. He also said the city fire hose should be provided with a nozzle that would shut off.

The Junior Chamber has a committee to study the matter of securing adequate fire fighting equipment of which Gerald Allen is chairman. Some argument was expressed that tax money should be used for the purpose, rather than a comparatively few persons bearing all the expense by circulating a subscription list. The committee is expected to make recommendations to the club as soon as possible.

Monday night's meeting was held following a turkey dinner served at the Club cafe. More than 40 persons were present and President Bob Davis reported the Jaycees now have 48 paid up members. The membership committee was urged to complete its drive at once.

The club's charter will be presented at a big dinner meeting Feb. 24.

## May Build at Silver

H. J. Gartman, postmaster and merchant at Sanco, was in town last week and paid The Observer a friendly call. Mr. Gartman announces he has purchased a tract of 4 acres from J. S. Walker on the corner where the road running into Silver leaves the pavement. The Gartmans are planning to build a filling station and store there to serve the new oil field which is developing rapidly.

## New Chevrolets Here

Casey Chevrolet Co. delivered two new 1947 model Chevrolet units the past week, a 4-door sedan going to Lem Cowley and a 5-passenger coupe to S. S. Powell of Edith. The new models are very attractive and seem to fulfill the advanced announcement of providing big-car quality at lowest cost.

Mrs. J. C. Strickland, Mrs. Eddie Patterson, Mrs. W. T. Roach, Mrs. Marcus Turner and Miss Ava Lou Tubb went to San Angelo Monday night to attend a meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary in that city. The next meeting of the Robert Lee unit will be Tuesday night, Feb. 18, at the home of Mrs. O. B. Jacobs.

# Fred Jameson Test Showing Up Good

## LATE BULLETIN

A second drill-stem test completed Thursday noon at the No. 1 Fred Jameson well showed a recovery of 315 feet of clean oil of 45.3 specific gravity, and 315 feet of oil cut mud. The test lasted only 20 minutes. No water was recovered. Bottom hole pressure was 650 pounds. Operators will core ahead 30 or 40 feet before making another test, and it is planned to go on down to the Ellenburger. Keeping close check on operations at the well yesterday were Sun Oil Company's representatives, G. E. Sweeney, district superintendent of Midland, and N. J. Keith, district foreman of Big Spring.

## Plan Auction Sale At Livestock Show

Everything is shaping up nicely for the annual Coke County Livestock Show to be held in Robert Lee on Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 24-25. A new feature this year will be an auction sale of the market animals to take place the second day of the show. Local business men have agreed to help push the sale and the club boys and girls are assured they will get better than market prices for their animals.

County Agent T. B. Hicks says last year's severe drouth is responsible for a small calf show this year, but more entries than ever are expected in the fat lamb show and there will be a fair showing of hogs. There will be classes for registered cattle, sheep, goats and hogs also, and a special horse show is being planned.

Prize winning fat stock will be taken to San Angelo where the annual show opens Feb. 27, and a number of registered entries from Coke county will also go to San Angelo.

## Wild Life Program In Prospect for Coke

Judge Bob L. Davis and County Agent T. B. Hicks represented Coke county at the North American Wild Life conference in San Antonio the fore part of last week, and it seems they were well paid for their journey.

While there they secured a conference with Dr. Callendar, extension director of A & M college, who said the state was greatly interested in Coke county as a future wild life refuge.

Dr. Callendar and some of his assistants plan to come here this spring and will spend several days making surveys and acquainting our citizens in plans for a wild life program to promote the propagation of deer, wild turkey, quail, fur bearing animals and fishing.

Prospects of a wild life program in Coke county will be greeted with spontaneous approval of our citizens.

Wyatt Gunnells dropped an anvil on his foot one day this week and received a smashed toe which required attention from Dr. Griffith.

J. C. Snead, well known farmer north of town, has been ill the past week.

## Second Producer Points To Highly Important Oil Field in County

A second producing oil well in northwestern Coke county was recorded the past week, when Sun Oil Company's No. 1 Fred Jameson flowed high gravity oil on a drillstem test from 6,160-90 feet.

The second producer is located a quarter mile south of No. 1 Allen Jameson, which Sun discovered last December. A third test is scheduled to be started soon 1,320 feet west of the Allen Jameson well. It will be located on land owned by a third Jameson brother, Homer, and will be known as Sun's No. 1 H. J. Jameson.

Following the drillstem test on Monday the Fred Jameson out-post cored ahead and continued to a depth of 6,220 feet Wednesday night. A packer was set at 6,200 feet, with top and bottom chokes of a quarter inch. Gas came to the top in 7 minutes and a maximum working pressure of 125 pounds was recorded. The daily outbut of gas was estimated at a half million cubic feet.

The Fred Jameson test first showed signs of oil bearing lime at 6,129 feet, 49 feet higher than the No. 1 Allen Jameson. It showed first signs of gas at 6,141 and only gas to 6,170. A core was taken 6,170-90 feet, three feet of lime showing oil being recovered and the drillstem test followed.

In that test made through a quarter inch opening and lasting 51 minutes, gas came to the top in 6 minutes. Oil flowed in 47 minutes. No estimates either on gas or the amount of oil were reported.

When the drillpipe was broken down 1,440 feet of pipeline oil was recovered. Pressure at the surface was 150 pounds. Bottom hole pressure after a 15-minute shutin was 2,700 pounds, the same as on the discovery well.

All indications point to a highly valuable oil field in the Silver community. No. 1 Allen Jameson was finished on Dec. 13 for a full 24-hour flow of 168 barrels of 45.2 gravity oil. Flow was through a quarter inch tubing choke and open hole between 6,225 feet, where 7-inch casing was cemented, and 6,245 feet, the total depth.

The well was given a daily allowable of 140 barrels, exempt from shutdown days, and designation as the opener of the Jameson field. It is one mile southeast of Silver, and 20 miles northwest of Robert Lee. Sun Oil Co. has a block of 20,000 acres that extends into Mitchell county.

## New Cafe Opens

Robert Lee has a new cafe which opened for business last week first door north of the Snead barber shop. Loflen Mahon is the proprietor, while the fixtures moved here from Coleman are owned by J. C. Strickland.

Homer Ivey went to San Angelo Wednesday and brought his wife home from Shannon hospital where she recently underwent a major operation. Before leaving the hospital Mr. Ivey called on Mrs. Otis Rabb and reported that she is making a fine recovery and may leave the hospital soon.





**HISTORY IN MINIATURES** . . . Crowded into the 4,000 square feet of Roadside America, world's greatest indoor miniature village, is the panorama of American history: (1) Sleepy Hollow is typical of the pioneer days of the West; (2) Shrine church is a replica of a memorial chapel in the Alps; (3) a pioneer village of 300 years ago is reconstructed; (4) the airport, laid out like a real field, lends note of modernity; (5) an idea of the scale on which the miniatures are built is obtained by comparing Laurence Gieringer with the figures he is placing on a railroad station platform, and (6) the village of Fairfield represents the modern era.

## Picturesque Miniature Village Depicts History of America

WNU Features.

Childhood disillusionment at the shattering of a dream did not deter Laurence Gieringer; instead, it embarked him on a hobby which over a span of 44 years has resulted in creation of a picturesque miniature village which has attracted nationwide attention and lured millions of visitors.

With the passionate covetousness of a child, the 5-year-old Laurence used to sit nightly in the window of his home in a Pennsylvania valley and gaze longingly at a house on the mountainside—a tiny house, it seemed to him, as its lights blinked enticingly in the distance. He wanted that tiny house, wanted to pick it up in his hands and bring it home.

When his repeated pleas to set out in quest of his house were ignored, the little boy finally became desperate and, stuffing a banana and a few crackers into his pockets, trudged off up the mountainside in search for the little house. Searching parties were out all night and at 6 o'clock in the morning the frantic parents finally discovered the grimy but undaunted boy two-thirds the way up the mountainside. Bitter at being overhauled, the boy was comforted only when his parents agreed to take him to the end of the road.

### Dream Shattered.

Disillusionment clouded Laurence's eyes when he beheld just another ordinary sized house with no lights at all in the bright morning, no enchantment, no magic lure.

But Laurence Gieringer's dream was not ended; in fact, it had only begun. Today, at 54, he owns countless lighted houses that he can pick up in his hands, along with churches, barns, bridges, highways, railroads, lakes, fields, grist mills, factories and scores of other miniature models depicting the architectural and industrial panorama of the America of the last few hundred years.

Collectively they are known as Roadside America, which is situated four miles west of Hamburg, Pa., between Harrisburg and Allentown.

Roadside America had its beginning four years after Laurence's abortive attempt to bring home the lighted house from the mountaintop. With his younger brother, Paul, he had climbed another mountain near Reading. Far below them Reading looked like a city inhabited by doll men. Fascinated by the sight, Laurence said eagerly: "Paul, wouldn't it be swell to build little houses the same size they look from here?" Thus was born the idea which was to grow into a project enchanting

millions of visitors every year.

Delving into their venture with enthusiasm, the boys scoured the library for books on American architecture from the pioneer days to modern times. A kindly art teacher gave them drawing lessons at three cents for plain sketching, five cents for pastel work, the fees covering only the cost of material.

Early difficulties soon induced Laurence to adopt an arbitrary scale of three-eighths of an inch to a foot, a scale he has employed through all the intervening years.

Pictures and stories of the way the early settlers in America had lived induced Gieringer to build history into his miniatures. His models, he decided, could show the development of American home and business life as exemplified in the structure of homes and business buildings.

As a result, there now are three separate sections, one depicting the life of the early settlers, another that of Pennsylvania at the turn of the century and a third showing a modern setting. Gieringer plans a fourth eventually—his version of the village of tomorrow.

### Built From Scraps.

Scraps of wood, discarded tin cans, wire, pieces of metal, pipe cleaners, paper and numerous other odds and ends have been utilized as construction materials for Gieringer's intricate models.

An idea of the scope of the exhibit may be gained by noting some of the materials which have gone into its making. They include 9,520 feet of board lumber, 4,000 feet of building paper, 1,728 feet of railroad and trolley track, 11,080 feet of electric wire, 513 light bulbs, 12,000 pounds of plaster, 4,000 miniature figures, 10,000 miniature trees and shrubs, 250 pounds of nails, 42 gallons of paint, two barrels of green sawdust, six tons of stone, 8,000 pounds of sand, 145 miniature railroad cars and 1,700 feet of tracks for trains and trolleys.

Highlight among the miniatures is a high-spired church with beautifully handpainted windows, a task that required months of exacting labor as Gieringer sought means of

creating stained glass. As visitors mill about the village, the lights are dimmed and from the open door of the church pours religious music from a tiny organ. Outside the church a ragged tramp leans lazily against a white fence, a dog at his heels.

When the organ strains fade, a different type of music issues from a large barn, in which an old-fashioned barn dance is progressing. Nearby planes seem about to take off from an airport while a few feet away people are packed into a grandstand watching a baseball game.

Animation marks the exhibits. There are youngsters walking on narrow curbstones, a boy whose feet are tangled in an electric wire, dogs sniffing at fire hydrants, women hanging out their washing or gossiping over back fences, trolleys and train in operation, water wheels turning grist mills.

### Receive Wide Acclaim.

The Gieringer exhibits have been widely heralded as the world's greatest miniature village and the most unique and detailed masterpiece ever evolved.

A staunch exponent of hobbies as a means of preventing juvenile delinquency, Gieringer insists that "hobbies keep children off the street," adding that "if youngsters' hands are busy, they don't get into mischief." His dream is to see establishment of a national hobby center where exhibits of all kinds can be shown to inspire other hobbyists.

Throughout the years both Mr. and Mrs. Gieringer have worked with countless children from nearby schools and orphanages.

Although Gieringer allows boys training in his workshop to use mechanical equipment, all of Roadside America has been built completely by hand and with ordinary carpenter tools.

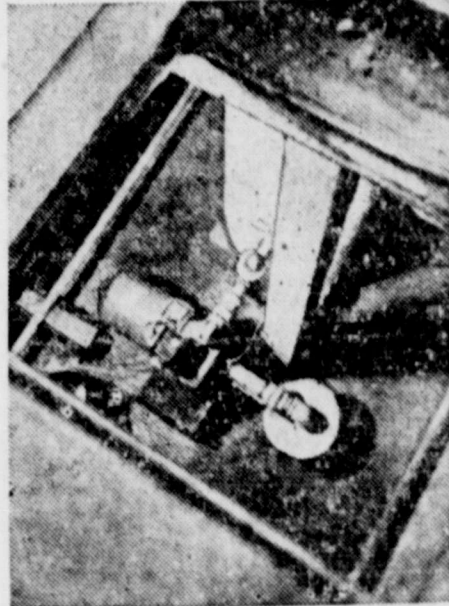
Originally set up as a Christmas display in the Gieringer home for showing to neighbors and visitors, the miniatures later were exhibited in a Reading fire house and in a local park, all earnings going to charity. The present Roadside America was established in 1941, a portion of the proceeds still going to charity. Although wartime gasoline rationing shattered attendance, a record number of visitors viewed the displays last season and still larger crowds are expected this summer.



## Good Farm Wiring Is Held Essential

### Expensive to Pay for Preventive Power Loss

"Anything less than good wiring on the farmstead is not only a serious bottleneck to successful use of electricity, but usually causes dissat-



isfaction and needless expense in the use of electricity for anything beyond lighting and minimum power uses," William A. Ritt, Minneapolis, Minn., declared at the national farm electrification conference.

In planning the wiring for a farm, Ritt declared, the average farm must be considered as an industrial plant, a production and processing plant for products. The greater the degree of processing performed on any farm, the greater is the return in terms of farm income, he explained.

No matter what efficient equipment the farmer may employ to arrive at more complete and profitable electrification, its successful operation depends upon a good wiring installation.

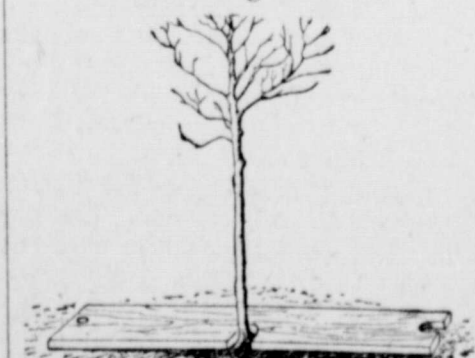
Larger capacity service entrances, heavier conductors to farmstead buildings and also for serving the higher horsepower motors now being used, an increased number of circuits and more attention to balancing loads among the various circuits, are among the outstanding needs of farm wiring systems today, Ritt said.

### MISS SLICK CHICK OF 1947?



WE ARE RESENTFUL . . . Hens, resentful and envious of the "Slick Chick" designation, which with utter abandon has been bestowed upon human femmes, at long last have come to the fore and demanded their equal rights. The Poultry and Egg National board, realizing the justice of their claims, is conducting a nationwide search for the most beautiful hen in all America, who will be crowned "Miss Slick Chick of 1947," and will be guest of honor at world premiere of "The Egg and I."

### Planting Trees



Ease in planting trees at uniform distances in straight rows may be secured by the board marker shown in illustration. The length of the board will depend on the type of tree and distance to be spaced.

### Ain't It So?

The only real obstacle in the road to success is the desire to receive instead of to give.

A lot of this stuff that passes as "food for thought" is merely propaganda artfully disguised.

The perfect host is one who makes his guests feel at home even though he wishes they were.

Egotism is the anesthetic which nature gives to deaden the pain of being a darn fool.

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Beef Short Ribs lb. 31c

Colonial Sliced Bacon lb. 59c

Club Steaks Lb 49c | Wisconsin Cheese lb 69c

Moon Glow, East Texas Solid Pack  
**Blackberries, No. 2 can 2 for 49c**  
 Dewkist Bartlett  
**Pears in heavy syrup, No. 2½ can 43c**  
**Prune Plums, Hunts, No. 2½ can 19c**  
**Fruit Cocktail, Hunts, No. 2½ can 39c**

Nuggett 46 oz can  
**Tomato Juice 29c**

Prune Juice, Sunsweet, quart 29c  
 Baby Food, Gerbers, Heinz, Clapps 7c  
 Oats, National 3 Minute, large pkg. 27c  
 Salad Dressing, Colonial, 16 oz. jar 25c  
 Shortening, Armours Star, 1 lb. 37c  
**Kotex, 12's, Regular, 2 pkgs. 49c**

California Evaporated  
**Peaches, 1 lb. pkg. 18c 2 lb. pkg. 37c**  
 Libbys  
**Mixed Garden Vegetables, No. 303 19c**  
**Peas, Peerless fine quality, No. 2 21c**  
 Tendersweet, Cream Style  
**Corn, No. 2 can 15c**  
 Serra Mission, California  
**Tomatoes, No. 2½ can 21c**  
 Libbys Stringless  
**Green Beans, No. 2 can 24c**

Texas Brand Plain  
**Chili No. 2 can 33c**

Irelands  
**Mexican Style Beans, 16 oz. 2 for 25c**  
 Armours Star  
**Corned Beef Hash, 16 oz. can 29c**  
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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

**Fear Red Penetration in China;  
Iron Out Wage Inequalities;  
Act on Box Car Need in West**

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Russian military leaders grow up into army life under the Soviet training system. Picture shows new group of youngsters admitted to Surorov military school. Bemadalled youth at right was said to have fought in Berlin and Manchuria.

**CHINA:  
U. S. Out**

Diplomatic eyes turned anxiously to the Orient following the U. S. decision to abandon its peace-making in China and withdraw most of the 12,000 marines on duty there.

Concern was expressed lest U. S. withdrawal would invite Russian intervention in China on behalf of the Chinese Communists. While Secretary of State Marshall had diligently sought to bring the Nationalists and Reds together during his special peace mission, the U. S. had proceeded on the assumption that the Nationalists constituted the legal government. In supporting the Nationalists, the U. S. has advanced an estimated 1 1/2 to 3 billion dollars of lend-lease, and also provided technicians for training their military forces.

Since the U. S. pulled out of China without making any strategic arrangements, the Russians maintain a distinct advantage in view of their half-interest in the Manchurian railroad and their joint control of Port Arthur and Dairen. Russia's strategic position thus leaves Moscow in a key position if it wishes to supply Chinese Communists entrenched in the north or actually intervene on the pretext of stabilizing conditions in the Orient.

**LABOR:  
Pay Equality**

Announcement by the department of labor that a special commission had simplified job classifications and ironed out rate inequities in the Big Five packing plants pointed up the growing acceptance of the principle of equal pay for equal work in U. S. industry.

Consisting of representatives of the public, government, industry and labor, the commission cleaned up differences between Swift, Wilson, Cudahy, Armour and Morrell and the AFL, CIO and independent unions over rate inequities. The companies and unions had agreed on conditions for 90,000 jobs in collective bargaining procedure, and the commission acted on the remaining 10,000 jobs.

The number of labor grades carrying varying pay rates was cut from 250 to 25 under the negotiations and wage boosts averaging 1.8 cents an hour were awarded to approximately 75,000 workers to iron out inequities. In general, packing house employees doing the work in the same geographical area now draw equal pay.

Previously, the CIO-United Steel Workers and U. S. Steel corporation had ironed out wage inequities for 175,000 employees. Retroactive to January 4, 1944, the cost of readjustment was estimated at 30 million dollars, with many workers receiving the equivalent of a 1 1/2 cent an hour wage increase.

**FREIGHT:  
Want More Cars**

For the fifth time in three years, Senator Reed (Rep., Kas.) acted to alleviate the shortage of box cars in the West caused by the retention of rolling stock in the East by seaboard railroads.

As elevators and millers clamored for cars to move grain stacked in the West, Reed threatened to draw up permanent legislation to relieve what has developed into a perennial problem in recent years. On previous occasions, the railroads shifted cars west upon Reed's demands.

The shortage of rolling stock resulting from inadequate additions during the war years has figured in

the scramble for cars between East and West. Once cars roll in from the West with agricultural products, eastern railroads have sought to hold onto them as long as possible for shipment of industrial goods to seaboard points. Because the railroads also are loath to send the cars back empty, valuable time is lost by shunting them westward with short loads.

**ARGENTINA:  
Peron Scores**

Long the target of American liberals, President Juan Peron of Argentina shook some of the ground from under them by employing a firm dominated by former New Dealers to help plot the industrial and agricultural development of the country.

As directors of the Worldwide Development corporation of New York engaged by Peron, Economists Robert Nathan and Laughlin Currie are the two prominent New Dealers involved in the enterprise. Along with engineers, agronomists and geologists, they



Nathan



Currie

will help Peron lay out an ambitious program of rural electrification, housing and harbor improvements, road construction and hydro-electric plants.

In undertaking the development, Rear Adm. Howard A. Flanigan, USN retired, who is president and board chairman of Worldwide, was quoted as saying that the firm was interested in the deal because expansion of the Argentine economy would provide lucrative trade possibilities for the U. S. Like other Latin-American nations, Argentine has millions of dollars available for purchases of foreign goods.

The wily Peron also has taken other steps to woo the U. S. Taking cognizance of state department insistence that he rid Argentina of axis firms and agents, he promulgated a decree for expropriation of fascist enterprises.

**CONGRESS:  
Retain Luxury Levies**

Bent on trimming income taxes, the Republican congress moved to preserve other sources of revenue to carry the huge 1947-48 budget and reduce debt by extending wartime rates on luxury items.

As a result, taxes on liquor were scheduled to remain at \$9 a proof gallon; 20 per cent on furs, luggage, jewelry and toilet preparations; 1 cent for each 5 cents charged on theater admissions; \$8 a barrel on beer; 25 per cent on long distance telephone calls and 15 per cent on local service; 15 per cent on transportation, and 20 per cent on light bulbs and tubes.

Meanwhile, Republican ranks were split on the proposal of Chairman Knutson (Rep., Minn.) of the house ways and means committee to reduce income taxes 20 per cent on earnings up to \$300,000. Increasing favor was shown for the suggestion of Representative Engel (Rep., Mich.) that exemptions be increased to cut the taxes of low income groups rather than offering broad relief which might chiefly benefit the upper brackets.

**Washington Digest  
Congress Putting Its  
Reorganization to Test**

By BAUKHAGE

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WASHINGTON. — The 80th congress has been operating long enough under the new reorganization plan to note some of the latter's virtues and shortcomings.



Baukhage

The first hotly debated issue in the senate had a fortunate effect on the plan. I refer to the fight over retention of two of the standing committees — the committees on war investigation and small business. Despite the fact that the 80th congress had expressed the intention to abide by the reorganization plan accepted by the 79th congress, and that one of the purposes of this plan was to eliminate the special committee, the senate Republicans fought hard to extend the life of these two "specials" — and they won.

But so much attention was directed toward the issue that Senator Taft hastened to make it clear later that creation of further special committees would be a very difficult job. Net result of the whole discussion was to strengthen rather than weaken the reorganization.

One of the most important steps toward increasing efficiency of congress was elimination of overlapping committees but, like attempting to abolish the seniority rule, it just couldn't be accomplished. As a matter of fact, when the bill finally was passed, the house rejected the senate-approved provision which did away entirely with special committees. It was admitted at the time the reorganization act was passed that it fell considerably short of the original recommendations by the various bodies which had made unofficial studies of the situation. Indeed, the act did not carry out all the recommendations of the report of the joint congressional committee created to examine various recommendations and then to make its own.

**Experts to Advise  
Solutions on Problems**

Probably the most important change yet to be made is to provide additional help for members. That is, providing additional experts to advice committee chairmen and committeemen. I recently heard it remarked that: "Senator Taft usually knows what he is talking about when he takes the floor. You may not agree with his policies but when it comes to facts he seldom makes erroneous or misleading statements. This is largely because Taft has the best staff of advisers in congress — he hires and pays for them out of his own pocket."

It is impossible to expect that more than a few members of either house can devote enough time to any single subject to become expert on it. It is true that we have had some outstanding examples of men and women who have been able to specialize and still carry on their other duties. For example: Senator George on finance and Mrs. Rogers on veterans' affairs, to name two widely different fields.

It is natural that most congressmen got into politics by way of the legal profession, which is a good basic training, but today, when many of the most important issues are economic rather than political, no professional training is in itself broad enough.

The staffing, however, that has been done is invaluable. Now for the first time there will be experts instead of a new inexperienced set brought in with each chairman. More are needed.

Some phases of the reorganization plan probably will prove impractical. One of its objectives was to reduce the number of measures passed by unanimous consent. This was recommended because frequently important legislation was adopted in this manner with only a small number of senators on the floor. The roll is not called — merely "no objections." Various steps were taken to check this custom but there is a human element involved that has to be taken into consideration.

One thing which helps attendance considerably is the reduction of the

number of committees upon which a senator serves. This gives him time to participate in debate.

It is not improbable that the filibuster will be curtailed, perhaps this session, if not entirely ruled out. But there never will be "a limit to debate" and "debate" easily can become largely a monologue when addressed to few hearers except a patient visitor or two in the gallery.

**Additional Reforms  
Are Recommended**

George B. Galloway, staff director of the Monroney - LaFollette congressional committee which drew up the reorganization legislation, recently proposed seven new fields of congressional reform:

1. Avoid legislation deadlocks and promote better teamwork between congress and the President.
2. Create unified, clearly located, responsible leadership in congress for the legislative program.
3. Reduce the non-legislative work load on congress so as to free congressmen from errand running and permit them to concentrate upon their legislative duties.
4. Choose committee chairmen other than on the basis of seniority.
5. Eliminate the filibuster in the senate.
6. Solve the problem of the powers and procedure of the house committee on rules.
7. Establish adequate safeguards against extension of the patronage system to the new professional committee staffs.

It will be a long time before all these suggestions are adopted. Meanwhile some of those already in the law will be modified slightly in use, just as an automobile or ship "shakes down" after a certain amount of mileage has been achieved.

One thing that simply won't work now and probably never will in the senate, at least, is the printing of the schedule of the next day's work in advance. There is too much freedom of action, too much deeply rooted senatorial courtesy to prevent a senator from obtaining "unanimous consent" to lay aside what was planned and introduce an entirely different matter.

But this is a small point. It is agreed that the advantages outweigh the minor disadvantages. The staffing alone even though not carried out to the full is a tremendous gain. Expert guidance of specialists who know their jobs and are not subject to political interference is invaluable.

**Makes Farming Pay**



Gideon E. Mettler, wearing a fatigue cap and fondling milo maize, cleaned up \$40,000—\$20,000 for himself and \$20,000 for his father—on 240 acres of irrigated land near McFarland, Calif., in his first year out of the army. Mettler made his money raising potatoes, not corn, but corn proved more photogenic (as well as more useful to radio comedians). He attributes part of his farming success to the fact that the area in the Central valley project seems fairly free of snout-seeking insects

**80 Pallbearers, 6 Bands in  
Colossal Chinese Funeral**

The greatest funeral held in 20th century China was that of the war lord, Marshal Wu Pei-fu, in Peking on January 24, 1940, says Collier's. Behind his catafalque, which was carried by 80 pallbearers and accompanied by six bands, the mourners carried life-sized paper reproductions of his earthly possessions to be burned and thus, in effect, sent to heaven with him.

Among them was his automobile, the stage of his private theater with its actors, and his large body-guard of soldiers on horseback, the construction of which, along with scores of other paper articles, required the labor of 200 people for seven weeks.

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## Church Affair at Bronte Honors Two Fine Citizens

Several Robert Lee persons went to Bronte last Friday night to attend a gathering at the Methodist church honoring the birthdays of Dr. J. D. Leonard of Bronte and Mrs. Dolly Wylie of Robert Lee. It was an enjoyable affair featured by a chicken supper and splendid program.

Guests were introduced by H. O. Whitt and Mrs. Dan Campbell of Robert Lee gave an interesting biography of Dr. Leonard, who has practiced medicine 44 years and has the distinction of having served on the official church board for an equal period. Mrs. Campbell also gave some early history of the Bronte church.

Mrs. Wylie was honored as the oldest member of the WSCS and a loving tribute to her was given by Mrs. O. H. Willoughby. Rev. McCrary, pastor of the church, was in charge of the program. His daughter, Dorothy, gave a number of accordion selections to feature the program.

Guests from Robert Lee who attended were Mrs. A. M. Tubb, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Wylie, Sr., Mrs. Dolly Wylie, Mr. and Mrs. McNeil Wylie and daughter, Janie Bell, Mrs. Dan Campbell, and Mrs. T. R. Butler of Duncan, Okla., who is visiting here with her sister, Mrs. T. M. Wylie, Sr.

### SANCO NEWS

MRS. SAM FOWLER, Reporter

Bro. Wilson Carwile preached Sunday morning and night at West Keechi Baptist church near Jacksboro, where he is pastor of a half-time church. He is also half-time pastor at Maverick.

Bro. McClanahan visited with the sick Sunday night instead of holding church services. He visited at Sanco with the J. L. Reids and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Adkins and at Shannon hospital with J. L. Carwile who has been a patient there the past four weeks.

Did you know we have an apartment house at Sanco? There has been another apartment rented at the Sanco school house, the Wilson Carwile family moving in last week.

The WHD Club meets Monday and the ladies will clean an apartment into which they have moved and then work on a bedspread which will be given away to the one holding the lucky ticket. As soon as the spread is finished we will be seeing you. Chances will be decided as to price at next meeting.

Dewey and D. R. Gartman and Glenn and Duane Thomason of San Angelo were visiting in Sanco on Tuesday.

Mrs. Nettie Adkins and Mrs. H. J. Gartman are both sick with colds this week.

Mrs. Truman Gartman and daughter, Bonnie, went to Wilmeth Monday to attend a funeral.

A little want ad will sell it.

## FAMILY BATHROOM — TELEPHONE LINES

Telephone toll lines, like the family bathroom, often are involved in traffic jams. It's simply a matter of too many people wanting the use of limited facilities at the same time. Today we're handling a record number of long distance calls on equipment to which we still have been able to make only limited additions. So if you have to wait before your call can be completed, we hope you will understand and be patient.

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### Hayrick WHD Club

Tub and frame gardens were demonstrated by the home demonstration agent, Miss Mary Pearl Bearden, at the regular meeting of Hayrick WHD club Feb. 6 in the home of Mrs. J. W. Labenske. Use of commercial fertilizer was also demonstrated.

A story on the origin of Valentine's Day was read by Mrs. Glenn Waldrop and songs were enjoyed by the group.

Valentines were used as plate favors and refreshments were served to the following: Mmes. W. G. Cresap, J. W. Labenske, L. C. Robbins, J. W. Mitchel, A. R. Coulson, J. A. Waldrop, Glenn Waldrop, Miss Gladys Waldrop, Miss Bearden and Masters David Barton and James Richard Waldrop.

The next meeting will be Feb. 20 with Mrs. J. W. Mitchel as hostess.

### Sgt. Merle Day Goes To Japan For Army Duty

Sgt. Merle Day, son of Hattie Day of Robert Lee, is being transferred for duty with the army of occupation in Japan, and left Monday for his new assignment. He went from San Angelo to San Francisco in an army plane, and expected to have air transportation across the Pacific.

Merle re-enlisted in the army last year and for several months past has been on special assignment as mess hall inspector, traveling to camps over a number of states. He expects to do similar work in Japan. Merle has a technical sergeant rating, the highest non-commissioned officer rank in the army.

His wife and their two little children will make their home with her mother, Mrs. Frank Rechert, at Miles, and will also spend some time with Mrs. Hattie Day in Robert Lee. Sgt. Day expects to be gone a year or more.

### At Houston Stock Show

County Agent Hicks accompanied a couple of Coke county's outstanding 4-H club boys, Weldon Schooler and Wayne Arrott, to the Houston Fat Stock Show last week. The boys were privileged to take part in the "Calf Scramble", in which 20 boys put on a tussel to see who would get 10 calves. Weldon succeeded in getting one of the animals, but Wayne's calf got away from him. Weldon's calf was sponsored by T. A. Pendarvis, manager of the Galveston-Houston Breweries, Inc., and has been named "Southern Select." Young Schooler will feed the steer and show him at Houston next year. While at Houston Mr. Hicks went down to Freeport for a day's visit with his brother, W. R. Hicks, who has a position with the Dow Chemical Co.

Mrs. A. E. Latham took her granddaughter, Monnette Latham, back to Carlsbad, N. Mex., last week.

### Helped Drill First Oil Test in Coke County

P. E. Mahon announces that he is opening an office here this week to handle oil and gas leases and royalties.

Mr. Mahon knows a lot about the oil business as he was a driller back many years ago. In fact he came here with a drilling crew 29 years ago and helped put down the first oil test ever made in Coke county. It was located on the W. C. Locke ranch a mile south of Robert Lee.

After reaching a depth of 1,250 feet, Mahon says they lost the hole because of some bad pipe, although there was some showing of oil. They then moved over to the Stroud place, 2 miles west of town, which is now owned by Claud Dean. On the second test there was a showing of oil at 1,800 feet and drilling continued down to 3,200 feet and was abandoned. The drilling concern was known as the Robert Lee Oil Co. and capital for the venture was raised in Dallas. The company went broke, Mahon says.

Later Mr. Mahon worked in the big oil booms at Burkburnett and Electra. He was forced to quit the business after being injured in an accident, but he had already adopted Coke county as his home and he married one of Robert Lee's popular young ladies, Eva Buchanan.

### CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank our many friends for the wonderful good things they did for us, and the many nice and useful gifts they gave us, since the fire completely destroyed our home last week. We hope and pray that if you should ever suffer such a misfortune you too will be wonderfully blest with such good friends and neighbors in your time of need.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Varnadore and Family.

### Attorney Employed

Attorney Don Holdredge of San Angelo has been engaged to handle the legal end of the delinquent tax collecting drive. He is expected to start work in the near future and it is hoped a number of the suits can be brought up at the April term of court.

### Vets Vocational School

Nineteen persons signed up Monday for the Veterans Vocational Agricultural Class which will start in Robert Lee on March 1. No more enrollments will be accepted after the class reaches 25, and any other persons interested should contact R. T. Caperton of Bronte. The school will be operated under the GI Bill of Rights and will pay married men \$90 per

month and subsistence, while single men can draw \$65 monthly and subsistence while attending the school.

Mayor Bruce Clift, Rev. Fred Blake, Morris Varnadore and Miss Ella Dee Wilson represented Robert Lee at the Ballinger Junior Chamber of Commerce annual dinner Monday, Feb. 3. It was a grand affair and marked the first anniversary of the Ballinger club.

## ALAMO THEATRE

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## Folks You Know

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Mr. and Mrs. Dave Parker of Water Valley are the parents of a son born Saturday morning at a San Angelo hospital. The baby is grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Parker of Robert Lee.

A good sized crowd of friends and neighbors attended the gift party for Mr. and Mrs. Henry Varnadore one night last week at the Melvin Childress home. They received many useful gifts. There was some good instrumental music and singing and refreshments were served to all.

Mrs. Pearl Rutherford and Tom Walker, Melvin Childress and family, Daryl Childress and wife and Bill McCutchen, wife and daughter, Joyce, were Sunday guests at the J. W. Service home.

C. E. (Doc) Benningfield came home Saturday from a San Angelo hospital where he was a patient the past week. He has had an infection in his left elbow.

Mrs. W. H. Bell was hostess at a family gathering Sunday. Guests included Bob Lowery and wife of Ballinger, Bill Garrett and wife of Big Spring, Paul Brown and wife, Sonny Scherz and wife and little Mary Lewis of San Angelo, and the Freeman Clarks, Allie Bilbos and Marcus Turner and wife of Robert Lee.

Mrs. Ruby L. Athey visited over the weekend with her husband, B. C. Athey, who operates a barber shop at McCamey.

Maurine Davis spent the weekend with friends at Hubbard.

Wilma Roberts and Ione Davis were absent from work the first of the week because of the flu.

James Thomason and wife spent Sunday at Bronte with her parents, the J. E. Mitchells.

Retta Braswell, Irven Escue, and J. W. Denman and wife were Sunday guests in the Floyd Higgins home at San Angelo.

Frank Miexner, wife and son, Dale, of Paint Rock visited here Sunday with Mrs. Miexner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Yarbrough.

George Pennington, who is doing some electrical wiring at Iraan, spent the weekend with his family in Robert Lee.

Mrs. Sam Roach of Clovis, N. Mex., is visiting at Bronte with her parents, the J. E. Mitchells. She is also visiting in Robert Lee with her sisters, Mrs. Roy Braswell and Mrs. James Thomason.

Mrs. S. M. Conner and daughter, Mrs. Ed Gray of San Antonio were in Robert Lee Saturday on their way to Colorado City to visit their son and brother, Herbert Conner, who recently underwent a serious operation at Dallas. Herbert's condition is improving slowly.

Woodrow Gardner, who has been working at Carlsbad, N. Mex., came in last week for a visit with his mother, Mrs. J. S. Gardner. Wilfred Gardner came from McCamey and joined them in a visit over Sunday.

Cumbie Ivey and wife spent the weekend in San Angelo.

T. D. Randall and wife of Lamesa and Otho Bilbo and wife of Hobbs, N. Mex., visited here the latter part of the week in the homes of Mrs. B. W. Bilbo and Allie Bilbo.

Mrs. Johnnie Williams returned last week from Houston where she visited her sister, Mrs. Al DuBas. Mr. and Mrs. DuBas are the parent of a baby daughter born Jan. 23. Mrs. DuBas was the former Prudie Ann Creech of Robert Lee.

O. W. (Jake) Davis has moved his family back from McCamey, doctors having advised Jake that he will have to stop work for a couple of months. Jake spent 4 1-2 years in the war, being with the 112th Cavalry which was one of the first outfits to see action in the Pacific theatre. He is apparently suffering from an injury sustained in the service.

## Visit From Sheriff Baker

Charlie Baker and wife came from Fort Stockton the last of the week for a couple of days visit with relatives and friends in Coke county. They were guests of Sheriff Paul Good and wife, also visited in Bronte and with their son Billie C. Baker, in San Angelo. Charlie is a former well known resident of Robert Lee, having sold cars for Jess Craddock. A few years ago he moved to Fort Stockton where he was chief of police four years and last year was elected sheriff of Pecos county. Charlie made a good run in his first political venture, defeating his opponent 2 to 1. He began his duties as sheriff the first of the year. Charlie and Paul are brothers-in-law, both of them are new sheriffs and will prove to be two of the best officials in West Texas.

## Sponsor Fire Dept.

At the regular American Legion meeting Tuesday, Feb. 4, the post voted to sponsor a volunteer fire department in Robert Lee, to work with the city authorities and other groups. The Legion post is trying to obtain a suitable building from Camp Barkley to be used as a club house, but so far they have been out bid.

Mrs. Bert Blaylock was honored with a birthday party one night last week at the V. L. Copple home. Party games and "42" were enjoyed and refreshments included a beautiful birthday cake and cocoa and coffee.



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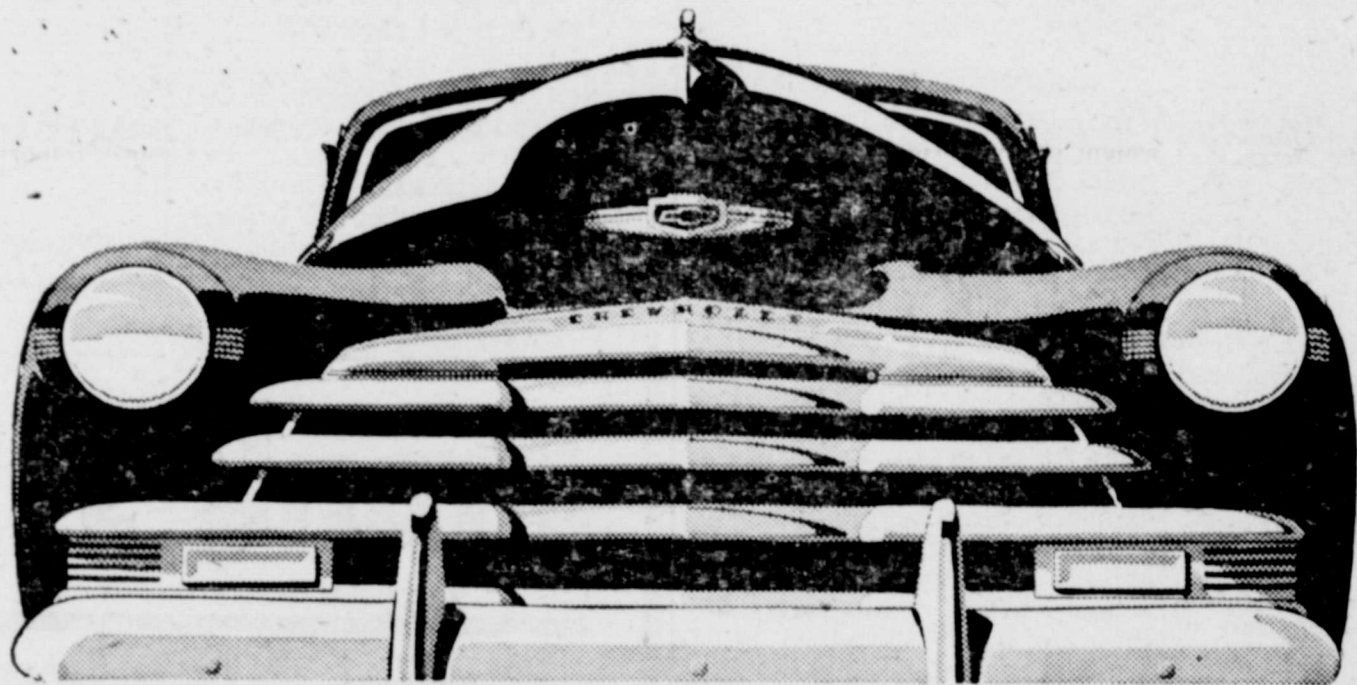
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#### Fruit in the Diet

Perhaps yours is one of those families which don't seem to require much in the way of dessert. This does appear to solve your menu planning, but it really doesn't solve a dietary problem.

One of the rules set down by nutrition authorities is that two fruits must be included in the daily dietary. One of these fruits, preferably the citrus variety, may be worked in at breakfast, but that leaves one other fruit for one of the other meals.

If your family tends to gain weight easily, serve this fruit in its natural state — as a fresh apple, pear, cluster of grapes, etc. In this way you will not be adding any additional calories by serving the fruit with sugar, cream, syrup, or any other highly caloric foods.

Should the family readily reach and attain its normal weight, you can easily serve fruit baked with sweetening, in puddings or in cakes. Or, if you have members in your family who must have richer, satisfying foods because they work hard, serve desserts like this frequently because they will not only gain starches and sugars from it, but also take in their fruit requirement.

Baked apples are a simple dessert to serve at this time of year, especially when they're pepped up with lemon. If you want to add something more substantial to the dessert of this lovely fruit, use gingerbread which has been flavored with 2 teaspoons of grated orange rind added to the batter just after mixing.

#### \*Lemon Baked Apples. (Serves 6).

- 6 medium sized apples
- 1/2 cup granulated, brown or maple sugar or honey
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel
- 3 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons butter or substitute
- Nuts and raisins (optional)

Wash and core apples. Place in a baking dish. Fill each cavity with a portion of the sugar or honey, grated lemon peel and butter. Add the nuts or raisins or a mixture of the two, if desired. Pour some of the lemon juice over each apple. Cover the bottom of the pan with boiling water. Cover dish and bake in a moderate (350 degree) oven 30 to 40 minutes or until apples are tender. If baked uncovered, baste frequently with syrup.

#### Apple Crunch. (Serves 4 to 6)

- 6 cups cored, pared, sliced apples
  - 2 tablespoons brown sugar
  - 1/2 cup orange juice
  - 1/2 cup brown sugar
  - 3 tablespoons butter or substitute
  - 1/2 cup corn or wheat flakes
  - 1/2 cup sifted flour
  - 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
  - 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
  - 1 tablespoon orange rind, grated
- Arrange apples in a greased baking dish. Sprinkle sugar over the

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top and pour orange juice over them. Work together brown sugar (1/2 cup) and butter until creamy, add remaining ingredients and mix until crumbly. Spread on top of apple mixture. Pour an additional 1/2 cup orange juice over top and bake in a moderately hot (375 degree) oven for 45 minutes. Serve warm or cold with cream, vanilla or custard sauce.

#### Peach Cake.

- 1/2 cup shortening
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
- 2 eggs, unbeaten
- 1 cup sifted cake flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups canned, drained peaches
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon chopped walnut meats

Cream together shortening and 1/2 cup sugar until light. Add eggs, one at a time, beating each thoroughly. Sift together, flour, baking powder and salt. Add to batter slowly, beating well after each addition.

Pour 1/2 of batter into a greased baking pan, oblong, and lay sliced peaches on batter. Cover with remaining batter, then top with sugar, cinnamon and nuts which have been mixed together. Bake in a moderate (350 degree) oven for 50 minutes. Serve warm or cold with cream.

#### Peach Souffle. (Serves 6)

Soak for several hours or overnight 1/2 pound of dried peaches. Cook in same water in which they were soaked until all the moisture is absorbed. Rub cooked peaches through a colander. Beat the whites of 5 eggs stiff, then fold in 3/4 cup sugar, peach pulp and 1/4 teaspoon salt. Add 1 teaspoon vanilla and 1/2 cup chopped nuts, if desired. Pour into a buttered baking dish and place this in a pan of hot water. Bake in a moderate (350 degree) oven for 50 minutes. Turn out on platter and serve with sweetened, whipped cream.

#### Pear Fritters. (Serves 6 to 8)

- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- Pinch of salt
- 1 beaten egg
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 2 tablespoons melted butter
- 8 pear halves

Sift dry ingredients. Add beaten egg which has been mixed with milk. Stir until smooth and add melted butter. Dip drained pears (fresh or canned) into batter long enough to coat. Drop into deep hot fat and brown on all sides. Drain on absorbent paper and sprinkle with powdered sugar.

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## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

### Lesson for February 16

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#### JESUS AT THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES

LESSON TEXT—John 8:12-16, 31-36; 9:1-5. MEMORY SELECTION—I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.—John 8:12.

"The Light of the World is Jesus!" Who does not remember with what delight we as children sang, "Come to the light, 'tis shining for thee . . . The Light of the World is Jesus." How precious was the truth that thus flooded our souls!

Our study centers around three simple words fraught with beauty and rich in meaning.

#### I. Light (John 8:12-16).

The text says, "Then spake Jesus." When? Just after he had silenced the hypocritical accusers of a woman taken in sin, and had spoken the word of peace to her troubled soul. She was to "go and sin no more" because she had met him who is the light of the world. They that follow him "shall not walk in darkness"; they are the children of light, they have the very light of life.

How sad it is that with the light of the world shining in all its brightness, men loved their own darkness. The Pharisees, instead of receiving the Light, had to argue, and to do it on a low, fleshly plane. They even accused Jesus of being a liar. Think of that!

So it is that men may reject the Light of God and go on into a darkness made deeper because they have seen the light.

Now we look at our second beautiful word. How sweet it sounds as we repeat it—

#### II. Freedom (vv. 31-36).

Free! Four letters, but what a depth of meaning! Chains have fallen off, prison doors are open. The one who was bound is free. But here we are concerned with an even more important liberty, the freedom of the soul. Many there are who boast of their independence, but who are merely slaves. Jesus said: "Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin" (v. 34) not its master.

How shall they be freed? Note three things in these verses. (1) A condition—"If ye continue in my word." This means not only a profession of faith, but a daily appropriation and realization of his truth in life. (2) A promise—"Ye shall know the truth." The philosophies of men profess to be a seeking after truth, but how few there are who look to the one place where it can be found—in Jesus Christ. (3) A result—"The truth shall make you free." Truth always sets free.

Men are enslaved because, as in some foreign lands, they have not had the opportunity to learn the truth (we have failed to send it), or because they have rejected it.

Freedom and light can lead only to

#### III. Vision (John 9:1-5).

This is one of the most instructive passages in Scripture. A man born blind is seen by Jesus. His disciples note his interest and begin to theorize on a theological question. They had learned so little of the compassionate spirit of Jesus that they saw in this blighted life only an illustration of a theological problem. May God help us that we may never be so blind.

Jesus goes at once to his blessed work. He was in the world to do the works of God. He and the Father always work. Let us follow his blessed example. The King's business requires haste. Let us work "while it is day, the night cometh when no man can work."

By a loving and gracious act, Jesus stirs in the heart of the man that faith which causes him to go, to wash, and, glory to God, he sees!

Such a personal experience of the divine power of the Son of God leaves no doubt in the man's mind that the One who caused him to see "is a prophet." All of a man's doubts concerning the deity of Jesus Christ disappear when he becomes his Saviour.

Do not fail to read the remainder of the chapter and note how this man's faith was victorious in the face of trials, persecution, and even of excommunication; for outside the temple he met Jesus and took him as his Lord. As Dr. Scroggie puts it, "His excommunication was a promotion. He went from the synagogue to the Saviour."

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## BRONTE NEWS

By D. M. WEST

Caperton Motor Company is busy this week moving into its new place of business. The company is composed of Emmett Caperton, R. T. Caperton and Bob Coleman—a father, son and brother-in-law lineup. The senior Caperton is manager of the company. He was born at Maverick, but has spent most of his life here, and has been engaged in the automobile and garage business 14 years.

The junior Caperton is a graduate of A. & M. College, and was in the army for five years, in the C-B-I theater. He served as a major in remount division of the Quartermaster Corps.

Bob Coleman was born and reared in Bronte. Prior to the war he was with the West Texas Utilities company at Bronte. During the war he was civilian electrical foreman for three years at San Angelo air field.

Hence the three are well and favorably known and have many friends throughout the community.

The company's new building is the most modern structure in town and is practically fireproof. It is made of concrete tile with steel frame. It is located on highway 70, just south of Main street and is 50 x 100 feet in size.

Brooks Browning has given up the local agency for the Kaiser-Frazier car. Mr. Browning says he finds the present prices are too high.

Wink Kiker has a G. I. training class in progress at the Bronte school building. The class now has 26 members. The class is taught at night and there is much interest in the work.

Miss Betty Jo Glenn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Glenn, returned to Bronte last week from Big Spring where she held a position as society editor of a daily paper. Miss Glenn has gone back to Baylor University at Waco to take her master's degree.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Rutherford of Uvalde are here visiting Mr. Rutherford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Rutherford.

James Weaver Scott was the victim of an accident Saturday afternoon at his home three miles north of Bronte. He was on a tractor and it turned over with him, pinning him under the implement. His father had to come to town to get men to aid in lifting the tractor before the young man could be extricated. He was rushed to a San Angelo hospital, where upon examination, it was found no bones were broken and no injuries more than abrasions and bruises.

Mrs. D. M. West celebrated her birthday Sunday by taking her husband and little daughter to Ballinger where the three enjoyed a delicious turkey lunch at Central hotel. But, understand, if anyone wishes to know the number of her birthdays, you will have to ask her.

A little want ad will sell it.

## Taxing Districts Go After Delinquents

Coke county officials in cooperation with the towns of Robert Lee and Bronte and the Robert Lee and Bronte independent school districts are laying plans to clean up delinquent taxes.

School Supt. Jeff Dean, Mayor Noah Pruitt and D. K. Glenn were over from Bronte one day last week going over the matter with county authorities, while the Robert Lee school and city officials conferred with county officers at a special meeting at the school house on Monday night.

It is planned to engage the services of a special lawyer to handle the work and bring court action which is required under the law.

There is considerable property in the county upon which taxes are delinquent back a number of years and in some cases the owners names are not known to the assessors. Expense of the proceeding will be stood equally by the county, the towns and school districts.

Present plans are that every piece of property upon which taxes are delinquent shall be sued, even though the property may have little value.

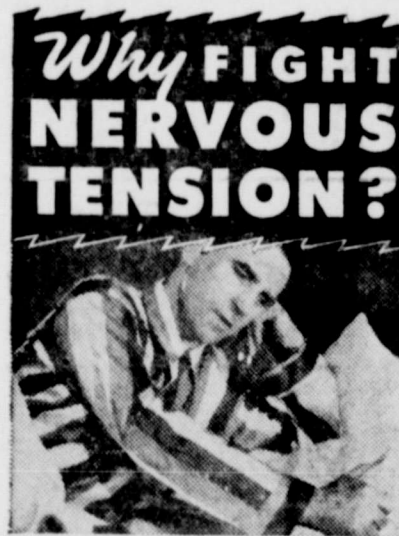
### Legion Auxiliary Meeting

Twenty-six members of the American Legion Auxiliary and one visitor were entertained February 4th at the home of Mrs. Hattie Day. Five of the members were new ones. A civic committee was named to help foster various community enterprises. Plans were discussed for the big initiation night here Feb. 25 when all members should be on hand to sign the charter and visitors will attend from San Angelo and a number of surrounding towns. The Auxiliary's membership drive will come to a close the next regular meeting Feb. 18. Mrs. Otis Rabb was voted a free membership. Later in the evening Legion members joined the Auxiliary in a social hour and delicious refreshments were served by the hostess. A gift was presented Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Strickland in honor of their wedding anniversary.

### News From Home

Mrs. R. E. Jay, writing from San Angelo to renew their subscription to The Observer says: "I don't want to miss a copy. We are just some more Robert Lee folks looking forward each week for news from home through the paper."

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# LAST LOVER

BY Helen Topping Miller

Twenty-five years have elapsed since the disappearance of Richard McFarlane in World War I and his wife, Julia, is beset with fresh worries as the children she has raised with the aid of her father-in-law, John I. McFarlane, become involved in World War II. Ric has "washed out" of the air corps while Jill falls hopelessly in love with Lieut. Spang Gordon. Jill and Spang go to a dance and when Spang doesn't profess his love for her, Jill is hurt. He does tell her, however, that Ric is paying attention to a divorcee of questionable character. Jill determines to go to camp to see her brother and also to talk to Spang again. She tells Julia her plans.

## CHAPTER VI

Julia went to her room and closed the door. Though the working outfit she wore was soiled and dusty, she sat down on the edge of her prim white bed. Jill's abrupt remark, lung in her face as ruthlessly as a lash of cold water, had set stirring within her that current of rebellion that she had fought so long and conquered up to now.

Why couldn't she grow old? Old and cold and patient, with no dampened fire flaring to trouble her at unexpected moments, no dreams to drift like sun-kissed clouds across her dull horizon?

Richard was dead, and yet he would not die. Something of him stayed alive, to tease and haunt her, as he had tortured her when her love for him had made her abject and naive and too pitifully vulnerable.

For years John I. had been nagging at her to have Richard declared legally dead. So many things were involved, he argued. The title to the property, her children's inheritance, everything she had worked so long and so hard to attain.

What money John I. had, Julia knew, was willed to Jill. He had always been a little impatient with Ric, dubious about him. Money ruined the McFarlane men, he declared, softened and spoiled them. Only work could save them.

The war, the air corps, had been right for Ric, she was certain. The farm had always irked him, but his recklessness would be appeased by combat. She had put her maternal apprehensions down and forced herself not to worry. Ric had to do this thing, it meant salvation for him. And then for some reason unexplained—because a desperately efficient army machine never bothers with explanations—Ric had failed his examinations for the cadet corps.

## Haunting Memories Of Richard

"The punk!" Jill had been scornful. "He slid through college on his ear, and he expected to get by a military board the same way. He'll be a Joe gunner or a grease monkey now."

But Ric's luck had held, the same luck that had been with him when he talked himself out of jams at school, when he wangled extra money from his fuming grandfather. He had got an assignment to officer's school.

"He'll flunk it, you'll see," Jill said.

But Julia had held to hope because she was Ric's mother. Ric was her deep heart, Ric was the man in her life. But never from her handsome, insolent son had she had consideration or tenderness. To old John I. she was a partner, adequate, standing on her own feet, wise. But to Dave Patterson she was a woman.

Leaning her burning cheeks in firm palms, Julia wondered if she had depended on Dave too much.

She had known for a long time that Dave's feeling for her was more than friendliness. She had pushed the knowledge away, she had refused to acknowledge it, even to herself. She had tried to hold him off, yet keep him, too. She knew now how unfair she had been. Having little to give, she had taken too much, cherishing the small warm feeling of being separate, of being chosen.

Somehow, she had to make it up to Dave. That she could love him in return was something this rigid thing in her heart would not permit her to consider. She had frozen herself into a mold so long ago. She could not alter the form of what she must be to herself, but with that sureness came an overwhelming loneliness. She had dedicated herself to a memory, to a ghost, and it was like being chained to an unanswering tomb.

"I'm a fool!" she said aloud, sharply, snatching her hands down and jerking her body erect.

She doused her face with cold water, gave her hair a few disciplining

strokes with a brush. She had to take the truck and go out and check the corn yield with John I.

Love—she twisted her mouth as she thought of it! There was no time for love. And no dignity about it for a woman past forty, a woman who had spent herself for love once and got only a promissory note for recompense.

That it had been only the fevered passion of a girl, that this other ache in her heart was real and living, she would not admit, even to herself. But Dave must not be hurt. He had loved another woman once, been married to her for a brief time, but she knew that that old love was now only something frail and sweet to Dave, a fragrance like that of a pressed flower, a wreath laid on a slender grave. But that grave had closed, while if she, Julia, had a grave to keep it would not green,



"So nice to see you again, Spang."

it would not soften with time, it gave her no peace.

A sidling thought came into her mind. Perhaps if she was clever about it, she could maneuver Dave into falling into love with Jill. He was too old for her—as old as her father, as a matter of fact—but Dave's heart was youthful while Jill had grown a little too mature, had let her age trouble and tense her.

It would solve two of her problems, it would ease her conscience, she thought. But also it would leave her terribly alone. With no one but John I., who fought off age fiercely but who must succumb inevitably to what he called "that damn almanac."

## Brother and Sister Talk

She would not think about herself, she would not think at all. She would concentrate on meat-curing formulas, she would give up bothering about lip-stick and the right foundation garment. She would grow old, like a country woman, with no graces—utilitarian. She made herself believe this as the little truck rattled up the rocky lane and through the gate into the vast cornfield. She walked between the ripening rows and jerked at thorny vines that snatched at her ankles, she tore away husks and examined the drying ears critically.

Old John I. marched beside her, saying nothing. But she could almost feel his keen eyes burning into her, she knew what he was thinking because he had told her bluntly not so long ago. That she was a sentimental, weak-minded fool!

The hotel near Ridley Field was always excitingly full of officers and other uniformed men, and Jill had a new dress of aquamarine faille that brought out all the fruity tints of her hair, and a saucy little hat that did exactly the right things for her eyes.

She called the field and left a message for Ric as soon as she arrived, and presently he telephoned her, his voice sounding just a trifle impatient.

"Hello, Jill. I wasn't expecting you down. Mother with you?"

"No, Dooley didn't come. How are you? Can you get off to have dinner with me tonight, Ric?"

Ric hesitated for a breath. "Not sure," he said then. "They've been mighty tight with passes lately. I'll see what I can do and call you later."

"I thought you always had a B pass into town."

"They've canceled a lot of passes in our squadron. I might be able to wangle one. Stick around the telephone, and I'll let you know."

"Tell them your only sister came miles to have a look at you. You aren't being shipped out, are you, Ric?"

"No orders yet. Nothing but rumors. Mother all right?"

"Oh, yes, everything is fine. Try to get in, will you? I came a long way to see you."

"I'll do my best, Jill, but this is the army, you know."

Jill hung up with some irritation. Now she must wait till she heard from Ric before she called Spang. She tried to summon a gay assurance as she made herself pretty before the mirror, but her heart was shivering and she decided that if Spang brushed her off casually this time she would go back to the farm and devote herself to pigs forever.

An hour passed before Ric telephoned again.

"Sorry, Jill, no soap. Tough luck for both of us."

"Could you see me at the gate after five, if I came out in a taxi, Ric?"

"Can't even do that. I'm stuck on a detail tonight. Sorry I didn't know you were coming down, or I would have tried to make a swap of some kind. Let me know a week in advance next time, will you? And give Mother my love. I'll try to write next week. Been busy as the devil."

"All right, Ric. Sorry. Good-by."

Probably he had had his pass canceled for some reason that he didn't want to tell her. But now Ric was definitely out of it, and she was free to spend the week-end as she pleased. So she put in another call for the field and asked to speak to Lieutenant Spencer Gordon, only to be told that the lieutenant had signed off the post and gone to town.

Well, if he was in town there was a chance that she might meet him, so she touched up her make-up and gave her hat the right tilt and went downstairs. For all her reckless remarks to her mother, she had always despised girls who ran after men and were easy to get and therefore vulnerable, but this was different. Spang wasn't going to hurl himself at Spang's head. She was going to be lightly indifferent, though heaven knew it wouldn't be easy, keeping a cool head while her heart was burning like a mad bonfire!

## Second Meeting With Spang

Spang was nowhere about when she went down, but she knew that this small and continually crowded hotel was the town rendezvous for all the officers and men at the field.

So she went into the dining-room and took a long time ordering her dinner, not looking around, ignoring the groups of jaunty lads in khaki who turned on her bright, direct glances.

If Spang came into the room she would know it. Something acute within her, tuned to response, would know when he was near. She was so sure of this that she ate very slowly, buying an evening paper from a soiled little boy, studying the pages with exaggerated interest between sips of the slightly warm tomato juice they brought her.

So she was startled an hour later when the dinner having dragged itself out through three cigarettes, she rose at last to go, and there was Spang sitting near the door with two other officers. They were finishing plates of apple pie.

Spang jumped to his feet as she approached, and the other men got up, too.

"Why hello, Jill!" he cried. "I didn't see you in here. May I present Lieutenant Crawford and Lieutenant Stark? Miss McFarlane."

The two young men bowed, and Spang pulled out a chair.

"Sit down and have something more with us, Jill. When did you come down? Mrs. McFarlane with you?"

"No, I came alone." Jill dropped into a chair, leaned her chin on her palms, smiled at the three of them impartially. "I came down to see Ric—my brother," she explained to the two strangers, "but it seems he's forfeited his pass or something, and I was just making up my mind whether the bus or train would be the most hectic way to get home. So nice to see you again, Spang."

"You mean you were going home without even letting me know?" Spang demanded, scowling at her.

"I did telephone," Jill kept her touch light. "But you'd left the post, and it didn't occur to me I'd meet you here."

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A new Lincoln power greasing apparatus was installed this week at the Casey Chevrolet Co. garage.

Mrs. L. R. Powell returned Wednesday to her home in Colorado City. She was called here a week ago to help care for her mother, Mrs. E. C. Jones, who sustained a serious burn when she spilled hot water on her limb.

Mrs. D. I. Durham of San Angelo visited here Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Fred O. Green.

Roy Taylor and Everett Hale had a collision with their cars Wednesday forenoon at the highway Y at the northeast edge of Robert Lee. Neither of the men were injured but both cars were badly damaged.

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