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## OLD-TIME RESIDENT OF IRION COUNTY

## VISITS HERE

Visiting briefly in Mertzon Monday was Mrs. Ed P. Eason of Leguna Beach, Calif., and her daughter and granddaughter, Mrs. T. C. Beal and Sue of San Marina, Calif.

Mrs. Eason, the former Bertha Beaty of Sherwood, came from San Saba County to Irion County in 1889. In Jan., 1896, she married Ed P. Eason who at that time was owner and publisher of the Irion County Record.

Mrs. Eason learned the printing trade working with her husband and when they sold the Record to Ed and Maud Branch in 1889 and purchased the Winters Enterprise she was a full fledged reporter, proofreader and typesetter in addition to rearing her growing family.

"A few weeks after I married I thought I was very smart to be able to set a few lines of type," reminisces Mrs. Eason, but I didn't realize what it would lead to,"

After publishing the Winters Enterprise for 17 years Mr. and Mrs. Eason sold to George Hill in 1925 and moved to California. They have been engaged in the printing business continuously for 56 years and now have a commercial printing shop at Leguna Beach, Calif.

and Beaty who were born in Sher- players enjoyed the game. wood, and Irma (Mrs. T. C. Beal) and Ralph who were born in Winters. She is still as active as her school and Reginald Atkinson high for

chum, Mrs. W. W. Carson, with guests. whom she was visiting. Upon learning

## JOHN CLARK FAMILY HERE FOR REUNION

The John Clark home and the City Park have been the scenes of a Clark family reunion this week. This is the first time in seven years that the six children of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Clark have been together with their parents.

Mrs. Emerson Cox who ranches near Mertzon is the eldest of the children and four of her children who have been here for visits this week include Mrs. Joe Tom Beauchamp and Pat of Christoval, Mrs. Bill Clark and children of Big Lake, Mrs. Buster Ables and Mrs. Kenneth Harper who reside in Mertzon. Other children and commander; Scottie Houston, 1st vice their families here for the reunion in- commander; Jack Benton, 2nd vice clude Mrs. W. E. Burns, second of the Clark children, and Paul and Jennie Lee of Robert Lee; Mrs. Jimmie Fun- Pickett, finance officer: M. A. Goodston and James Pat of Alexandria, all, historian; J. T. Bushong, sergeant

wood Owens, Lou Ann and Sammie Clark of Winslow, Ariz., and Raymond Clark and family who reside in Mertzon. Raymond is the youngest of the family.

## NIGHT BRIDGE CLUB FNTERTAINED BY HAHNS

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hahn entertained their night bridge club Thurs-Mrs. Eason has four children, Ruth day night of last week. Six tables of

Mrs. W. W. Adams won club high prize for ladies, Lum Trainer for men

A sandwich plate and iced tea was friends sons, including Marvin Carr, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Dudley, Mr. and chased a six section ranch near Walsent messages to their parents and Reginald Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. O.

## AMERICAN LEGION HAS VERY SUCCESSFUL BARBECUE-PROGRAM

The American Legion initiation and installation ceremonies together with a complete barbecue supper held City Park was well attended with a crowd of around 200 people.

The new members of the post indude Delbert Edis Edmiston, Clifford G. Van Court, Jr., David Lewis Farrington, Jack Davidson, Jesse Carl Rannefeld, Willis Walter Rannefeld. Fred William Ramsel and Clarence O. Rampey.

New officers installed for the ensuing year are: W. W. Adams, post commander; Sam Langford, 3rd vice commander; Roy B. Shilling, chaplain; R. E. Key, adjutant; Wayne La.; Mrs. George Parks and Georgine at arms; Lindly Wood, child welfare of Deming, New Mexico; Mrs. Dur- officer, and Thurman Jones, service officer.

## MRS. DE LONG HOSTESS TO HER BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. Aubrey DeLong was hostess for her bridge club Thursday last week at her home on the ranch. One score and traveling prize for the club A pineapple ice cream soda and cake was served to Mmes. Reginald Atkinson, Harry Hahn, Preston Dudley, Henry Cravens, Weir Hall, Jack Downs, Chester Cunningham of San Angelo and Mark Lackey of Big Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Evans and sons, C. and Donald Lynn, returned last the identity of several of her old served to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thorp, Mexico and Colorado. They have pur-Joe Funk and Houston McManus, she Mrs. J. L. Werst, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. senburg, Colorado, which is situated between Pueblo and Trinidad, Colowished she had more time to spend J. Estes, Mr. and Mrs. Mans Hoggett, rado. They are very pleased with their purchase and will move as soon as Mertzon

## CONCRETE TILE NOW MADE LOCALLY

One of Mertzon's newest enterprises is the Mertzcrete Tile Co., makers of concrete tile building blocks.

with all others who manufacture this type of concrete block.

Virgil Rogers is the manager of the ompany and their plant is located on Jimmie Nutt's land on the highway east of Mertzon. They invite you to come out and see them make the yesterday. blocks.

## SEVERAL HOUSES CHANGE HANDS HERE

A considerable amount of property has changed hands this last week in Mertzon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Steger purchased the H. M. Curtis home and hope to be moved around the 18th of August.

have been ranching near Stiles purchased Mr. and Mrs. Mark Lackey's former home, and Mr. and Mrs. Wesguest, Mrs. Jack Downs, was included. lev Evans purchased the house owned Mrs. Preston Dudley won the high by Jess Mabry and Daisy Loftin and plan to move this week end.

## OFFICIAL RECORDS

#### DEEDS RECORDED

lack F. Allen to Rodger Holder, 1-2 mile southeast of Mertzon, irrigated farm.

H. M. Curtis and wife to E. V. Steger and wife, Lots 15 and 16 in Block 85, Mertzon.

#### MARRIAGE LICENSES

## SUPERVISED PLAY PROVING SUCCESSFUL

The Supervised Play Period held every Thursday afternoon at the City Park and sponsored by the churches They are now ready to serve the of the city, has proved very successful. Monday night at the newly lighted public with this building block and Between 40 and 50 children enjoy announce that their prices are in line each other's company and the swings and games provided for them each week.

> The Church of Christ had charge Thursday of last week and served refreshments to 40 present.

The Baptist Church had charge

The churches urge that you bring your children so that they can enjoy this recreation in the company of other children.

## CAR DESTROYED BY FIRE SUNDAY

Mrs. Verna Jo Franks' car was completely demolished by fire Sunday night. As far as can be determined it started from papers and a cloth scat-Mr. and Mrs. Cuy Hargrave who tered on the partition back of the driver's seat.

> Mrs. Franks had just returned from taking her husband to work in Ozona and started to turn of fthe highway to her home when she noticed the fire. She kept on the highway and had to abandon the car near the Frances Shelton home. Fire extinguishers were used but were unable to control the fire.

## BUSTER ADAMS ENJOYING LEAVE

Capt. J. W. Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Adams, is now enjoying a 60 day leave from service. He recently arrived in San Antonio from Berlin, Juan Lenario and Maria Ramirez, Germany, where he was stationed the

in Sherwood and Mertzon.

## CITY PARK LIGHTS ARE INSTALLED

The barbecue pit area and the picnic ground and play area of the City Park was lighted last week and two reflectors placed above the grandstand bleachers. This lighting enables night barbecues and picnics to be held in the park. The American Legion barbecue and initiation and installation of officers which was held Monday night was the first event held since the lights have been ready for use. It is hoped later on to provide more lights in the park area, and as soon as a transformer can be obtained tie Meredith of Lubbock were guests to light the athletic field for softball, of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Carr last or any other type of sports event that

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Adams accompanied by Capt. and Mrs. Buster Adams, Sonny Adams and Miss Betty Baxter of San Angelo attended the annual Goodall family reunion in Roosevelt Sunday.

can be held there.

George DeLong is now progressing as. very satisfactorily from a nose operation performed recently. He and a daughter, Miss Nell DeLong, underwent the same operation recently, but Mr. DeLong had to return to the hospital because of an infection which developed. He is now convalescing at Miss DeLong's home in San Angelo.

#### NOTICE

I am taking a vacation and will be absent from my office the week of August 12. Anyone wishing to see me come to my office after Aug. 20. Mrs. W. W. Carson. wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Weatherford, Mr. and Mrs. Lum Trainer, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Van Court, Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Ellis and Mmes. Jack Moon and Stokes Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilton Dabney and three sons of San Francisco, Calif., were brief visitors in Mertzon Saturday. Mr. Dabney was formerly the here wished they had the time to see of Bay City plan to join them later more of their friends.

Mrs. Oscar Meredith and Mrs. Hatweek. Hazel Meredith, a daughter of Mrs. Oscar Meredith, who has been visiting in the Carr home, returned to Lubbock with them.

Mrs. Dave Collison and daughter, Wanda, left Friday night to return to their home in Pontiac, Mich., after spending a few weeks visiting in Tex-

Mrs. Geo. Murphey and daughter, Joan, of Spur, are guests of Pete Mc-Daniel. Mrs. Murphey is a sister of Mr. McDaniel.

FOR SALE-My home in Sherwood. 5 rooms and bath, chicken houses, garage, barn. 2 acres ground. Well, windmill and tank. Located on corner lot and paved highway. Also 60 chickens or more. H. Karger, Sher-

they can get possession which will probably be in about two months. J Evans plans to attend college in Lubbock this fall.

Mrs. W. W. Carson is taking a week's vacation at the Blovs Encampment near Ft. Davis, starting tomorrow. A daughter, Mrs. Irene Crowder, will take her to the encampment, and they will meet two other daughters at Ft. Stockton who will join them, Mrs. M. K. Stevenson of Weslaco and manager of the SanAngelo Telephone Mrs. Herman Saenger. A son. W. B. Co. here in Mertzon. They have been Carson, and Mrs. Carson of San Anenjoying a vacation trip and while gelo and her mother, Mrs. Ora Secrest

**Uncle Sam Says** 

at the encampment.

Jesus Flores and Inez Flores, Menard.

Mr. and Mrs. George James and sons, Harrel, Earnest and Claude, Mr. and Mrs. Les Jones and son, Virgil, and Mrs. Dave Collison and daughter, Wanda, spent several days last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Payne in Pecos. They also enjoyed a trip through the Carlsbad Caverns.

The Frank Lindley family of Stiles recently rented the ranch home of Henry Cravens and moved there last week.

C. W. Trainer arrived home Saturday night from Austin for a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lum Trainer. C. W. is a student in the University of Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hahn, Dean, and Jeanette, left Wednesday morning on a vacation trip. They plan to visit in San Antonio and Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Richburg of Knickerbocker and daughter were visitors of the E. M. Taffs Thursday of last week.

For vacationing no month in the whole year is more popular than August with my countrymen from coast to coast. As I stroll the beaches, I see many fellows like Mr. Thrifty sitting under an um-brella to shade himself. You'll no-tice his umbrella is made of United States Savings Bonds. There are County Agent J. T. Davis' mother, Mrs. W. T. Davis of Marfa, arrived this week for a visit in the Davis home.

States Savings Bonds. There are millions of Mr. Thriftys who are finding a peaceful shelter under an Jimmie Meadows went to San Anumbrella of Savings Bonds. U. S. Treasury Department his mother, Mrs. Gene Roberts.

last six months. His previous overseas duty was 2 1-2 years in England. Capt. and Mrs. Adams will spend the rest of his leave visiting here and with Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Case of Eldorado before leaving for his new station at Long Beach, Calif.

Guests in the home of M. T. Gober and family last week were his sister, Mrs. Eula Pool and her daughters, Mrs. Harry Snyder and Totty Pool of Los Angeles, Calif. They are enjoying a vacation trip and have visited in New Mexico and various places in Texas.

Chester Cunningham of San Angelo announces in an ad in this week's paper that he will be here on Tuesdays and Thursdays for barber work and to assist in the tailor shop.

Marcia Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Davis came home Wednesday from Camp Louis Farr where she spent a week.

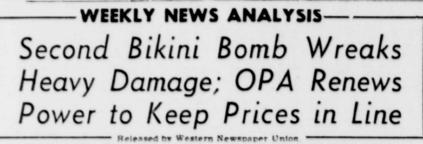
FOR SALE-Two kerosene cook stoves and one electric cook stove at Mrs. Ella Smith's duplex apartment. Priced very cheap. Call 150.

Kathryn and Jean Evans left last Saturday for Marfa to visit Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Atkinson at their ranch.

Boy Scout Executive A. H. Bird assumed the duties last week of Scout gelo Tuesday for a few days' visit with Executive Jack Hodges of San Angelo while Mr. Hodges was on vacation.



THE MERTZON STAR



(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysts and not necessarily of this newspaper.)



Indian coolies unload cargo of precious grain at Bombay. Borne by the first of a fleet of twelve U. S. food ships, the grain will partly ease India's severe food shortage.

## CROSSROADS:

#### Heavy Damage

Although accompanied by none of the fanfare of the first surface test, the underwater explosion of the atomic bomb in Bikini lagoon produced equally startling results, with the one A-charge sinking no less than ten ships and heavily damaging six others.

Hours after the blast, the water of Bikini lagoon remained too hot from radioactivity set off by the bomb to permit close inspection of the damage. Clouds along a 30mile front became contaminated with atomic particles and naval observers disclosed that rain from the mass could be deadly

A massive column of water, hurtling more than a mile into the Pacific sky, and a thick sheet of spray and steam that rose to 9,000 feet, followed the detonation of the bomb, which was touched off by radio from beneath a medium land-

ing ship. Veteran of two world wars, the 21,000-ton battleship Arkansas sank

Passed after the President had vetoed an earlier bill, the compromise measure contained many provisions designed to assure both producers and distributors of adequate working margins. However, it modified the original Taft amendment, which Mr. Truman charged would allow manufacturers unwarranted profits, by setting up ceilings based on 1940 prices plus increased costs.

## FREIGHT:

**Raps Farm** Rates Interstate commerce commission representatives conducting hearings on the railroads' petition for a permanent 25 per cent increase in freight rates heard H. A. Scandrett, president of The Milwaukee road. aver that livestock and agricultural products should no longer be favored by lower tariffs.

Pointing out the importance of these commodities to the carriers, Scandrett said the present low rates have been based on the Hoch-Smith resolution adopted in the late 1920s during the existing depression in agriculture.

Citing increased labor and material costs since 1940 and an anticipated slackening in the record wartime volume, the carriers' request for a permanent 25 per cent rate boost would supplant the temporary raise of 6 per cent on most commodities, and 3 per cent on agricultural products.

## PALESTINE: Hit Terrorism

Hitting at the use of violence designed to alter Britain's position in the ticklish problem of setting up a Jewish homeland in Arab-dominated Holy Land, the Labor government released a white paper in London purporting to show that prominent leaders of the Jewish agency for Palestine had unified underground organizations for a reign of terror

Basing its contentions on intercepted messages between high agency officials in London and Jerusalem, the government said that the first co-ordinated outbreak of violence closely followed a communication revealing that the three main underground groups had been linked together for joint action.

Meanwhile, Jewish leaders in Palestine met to devise means of controlling the extremist elements responsible for the wave of violence, culminated by the bombing of the King David hotel in Jerusalem with a loss of more than 100 lives.

## RIVER PROJECTS:

## Huge Backlog

When President Truman signed into law two bills authorizing flood control, navigation, hydro-electric and other river improvements at a cost of two billion dollars, he estimated that along with other such work previously approved it would take 35 years to complete the projects at the 1947 appropriation rate.

While opponents of the bills described them as political pork enabling congressmen to return to their constituents with claims of improvements and expenditures for their areas, President Truman announced that he would not request any funds for the projects during the fiscal year.

# Washington Digest

# Soviet Assistance Termed America's 'Great Mistake'

## By BAUKHAGE

News Analyst and Commentator.

WNU Service, 1616 Eye Street, N.W., | Of course, Ghengis Khan didn't Washington, D. C.

An army officer, back from a long tour of duty in Germany, called on

> day. He was pretty grim about the situation in-Europe and into every few min-utes of his conversation crept the word "Russia." "I like to talk

about America's great mistake," he said. "Germany is sup-posed to have lost the war by making mistakes;

by attacking Russia, by not invading England after Dunkirk, by this and by that. I contend that America's great mistake was not staying out of Europe until Germany had licked Russia. I mean staying out in every way. Because without American supplies Russia would have been beaten."

I reminded him of the fact that America wanted a short war, that we had opposed Churchill's plan for attacking Europe through the Balkans and thereby obtaining possession of the trouble-making strip of territory which the Russians now dominate from the northern border of Greece up through Berlin. We wanted to shorten the war by leaving the eastern front to Russia while the western allies smashed the German power entrenched in France, the Low Countries and Italy. Thus, millions of American lives would be (and were) saved.

## Churchill Foresaw

#### **Balkan Influence**

Churchill probably foresaw the difficulties which would arise with a Russia able to expand her influence up to the fringes of western Europe. Roosevelt believed that the war must be won quickly and he thought that by giving the Rus-sians everything they asked for in that they would play ball with the Allies in the peace and after. He

take "no" for an answer. Which is about the course the rest of the world can follow-if it can. Let's me the other hope the process won't be as rug. ged.

## **OPA** Battle Has **Political Side**

Whatever one may think of the intricacy of the economic theory behind the OPA, its political implications are a thousandfold more difficult to assess.

As congress battled over the tattered remains of the price control law, many a congressman who thoroughly detested the whole set-up began to worry a little as to what might happen back home if he were held partially responsible for wrecking the agency.

It was all right for the representatives of farm communities. The farmer would reap the reward of higher prices first. By the time he felt the effect of higher prices on the things he had to buy, OPA probably would be forgotten. But congressmen from industrial centers were in quite a different position. These communities are heard from the moment the missus encounters a markup at the corner grocery. That is the reason that a number of Republicans supported the administration stand on OPA. If the Republican party is to capture the house of representatives next November, it will have to pick up votes in the cities.

#### Barbers to Boost Vocabulary Too

It is probably fitting that along with the dollar haircut which has made its appearance in metropolitan barber-shops, we may find the barber presenting us four-dollar words. Barbers long have been known for the quality of their verbal output and in some cases for the quality as well. Now they may have a chance really to reach the heights, for the leader of a barber's union has offered to "enlist the aid the way of military support their of 10,000 barbers" in a campaign to suspicions would be removed and get some of the facts of atomic life across to the customer.

Mrs. Lillian C. Watford, secretary believed that Stalin needed peace of the Tri-State Atomic Information so badly that he would come around. committee, received this offer. She General Eisenhower himself told us about it at a gathering which didn't achieve any more of a realis- we had in Washington in mid-July viewpoint in regard to Russia participated in by many nuclear scientists, public men and women of note, and others who are trying to get the public to understand the importance of control of atomic energy. She took the barber's offer quite seriously, and I believe, properly so. I hope that the barbers learn to broadcast the basic facts about the atom, not of course, from the standpoint of nuclear physicists, but from the standpoint of the average man who would like to live his life out in peace, and leave a world in which his children can do the same.

Back in the U.S. after a 49,000mile trip around the world as President Truman's reparations commissioner, Pauley said that the U.S. was pondering the permanent suspension of shipments of surplus

industrial plants from the western zone of Germany to Russia to offset deliveries of Japanese equipment to looted Manchuria.

Declaring that Russian seizures had thrown industries valued at two billion dollars in Manchuria out di gear, Pauley said that the reduced productive plant would set almost a billion oriental people back a generation in their economic development unless the damage were repaired.

#### OPA:

#### Back in Business

No sooner had President Truman signed the compromise OPA bill extending the agency until June 30. 1947, than it swung into action to stabilize the national economy, which strained with the removal of controls



Tons of water shoot skyward as atomic bomb is set off beneath surface in Bikini lagoon.

within five minutes of the blast, and the 33,000-ton aircraft carrier Saratoga also went down. The battleship New York, the Jap dreadnaught Nagato and the destroyer Hughes and transport Fallon were severely crippled by the charge.

#### ATOMIC CONTROL:

#### **Russ** Rejection

Even as Bikini reverberated with the explosion of the second atomic bomb test in the Pacific, Russia turned thumbs down on the U.S. proposal for international control of the atomic energy.

Addressing a closed meeting of the United Nations atomic energy committee on controls in New York, Soviet Representative Gromyko asserted that the U.S. suggestion that the veto be eliminated in atomic regulation could not be accepted by Russia because it would tend to destroy the principle of unanimity among the Big Five in preserving postwar peace.

Gromyko also rapped the proposal for establishing an independent agency for the control of atomic energy, declaring that the U.N. security council consisting of the Big Five as permanent members possessed both the power and means to deal with the problem.

## **REPARATIONS:**

#### Pauley Reports

Further friction between the U.S. and Russia loomed after Edwin W. Pauley's revelation that the U. S. was considering measures for reenforcing the Manchurian economy at the Soviets' expense following their wholesale stripping of industrial equipment in that country.

The three-man super price control board set up under the measure to determine what commodities shall remain under regulation faced the task of deciding whether to permit the automatic restoration of meat, livestock, milk, cotton seed. soy beans and feed to supervision by August 21. At the same time, the board was to determine whether ceilings be reimposed on eggs, poultry, petroleum, leaf tobacco or their products.

To Secretary of Agriculture Anderson went authority under the new OPA bill to price agricultural products, subject to review of the control board

While OPA was stripped of much of its former powers, it retained the authority to rule on manufacturers' price increases and regulate rents. Although the bill directed that wholesalers and retailers must be allowed ceilings adequate to cover current costs, profit mar-gins were held to March 31, 1946, levels.

## POLIO:

## On Rise

Despite the rising incidence of infantile paralysis, the U. S. public health service stated that it expects no major epidemic to occur this year because cases are more widely distributed among a larger number of states.

Figures showed 3,242 cases reported so far this year compared with 2,048 for the same period in 1945 and 2,320 in 1944, the second worst year for polio. For the week ended July 20, 646 new cases were reported compared with 403 the preceding week.

Apprehensive over spread of the disease, public health officials issued these precautions: Avoid fatigue and plunging into cold water on hot days; delay mouth, nose and throat operations; observe personal cleanliness; wash fresh fruits and vegetables carefully, and be on the watch for such polio symptoms as upset stomach, diarrhea, vomiting, headache, fever or signs of a cold.

Estimated to cost \$300,000,000, the Missouri river basin project was the



President Truman hands pen to Sen. Warren Magnuson (Dem., Wash.) at right, after signing river improvement bills. Rep. John Rankin (Dem., Miss.) stands by.

largest authorized in the bills. Others include work in the Ohio valley at a cost of \$125,000,000; Tennessee-Tombigbee waterway, \$116,000,000; lower Mississippi, \$100,000,000; Red-Ouchita basin, \$77,000,000.

## **RUSSIA**:

## Political Shakeup

Reports of Marshal Georgi Zhukov's dismissal as chief of the great Red army and his transfer to a garrison command in Odessa were interpreted as evidence of the Communist party's efforts to strengthen its postwar position in Russia and to strip the powerful military wing of political influence.

Precedent for the demotion of Russia's No. 1 soldier lay in the subordination of Marshal Michail Tukhachevsky from top leadership of the strong Red army he had built to an insignificant provincial command before his execution. It also was said that Zhukov had

lost Stalin's favor because of the breakdown of Red army discipline after victory had been won. As a result of the Soviet troops' manhandling of conquered people and the looting of their possessions, Russia has suffered a huge loss of prestige in eastern Europe.

than Roosevelt did-if we are to believe his somewhat verbose Boswell, Mr. Butcher, in his 900-page diary. Butcher writes:

"Ike said he felt that . . . the more contact we have with the Russians the more they will understand us and the greater will be their cooperation. The Russians are blunt and forthright in their dealings and any evasiveness arouses their suspicions. It should be possible to work with Russia if we follow the same pattern of friendly co-operation that has resulted in the great accord of allied unity. . .

Roosevelt and the generals were proved right when they said Stalin needed peace. But they were wrong when they thought he would come around. The state department understands the situation now and, as the recently concluded meeting of the foreign ministers demonstrates, appeasement has been over for some time. We know Russia can't fight and doesn't want to. Russia knows we can't fight whether we want to or not. She is acting accordingly and according to historical precedent.

#### Tragic History Inspires 'No-Ism'

But anyone who studies Russian history knows that the eternal "no" which seems about the only answer the Russian statesmen are allowed to make, comes from something far deeper than mere stubbornness. This "no-ism" is only one of the many typical characteristics which the Soviets have revealed. It has nothing to do with the fact that they believe in a theory of political economy which is opposed to our own. It is a deeply implanted quality which is Russian rather than merely Soviet or Communist.

And so when you read "Soviet Russia evoked the veto for the sixth time in security council history. (maybe the 16th time by the time you read this) . . . remember it's an old Kalmuck custom. Mother Russia has taught her children from the days of the invasion of Ghengis Khan, that when a stranger beckons, the only answer is "no, no, a thousand times no!" In fact, a Russian seldom says "no" once—it is always "net, net, net!"

**Congress** Scans Types of Closing

It took some time for congress to make up its mind whether it would adjourn "sine die" (without date set for reconvening), as they usually do when a session comes to an end, or whether they would "recess. When congress merely recesses it can reassemble without a special proclamation by the President.

When the President calls congress into session, he has to issue a proclamation. That's all the Constitution demands. He doesn't have to deliver it. Out of courtesy, however, the White House always telegraphs the president of the senate and the speaker of the house.

But the proclamation is not good unless the Great Seal of the United States is affixed thereunto. Nobody can do that but the secretary of state, for he is the keeper of the seal. So along with the proclamation, the President has to issue a warrant, ordering the secretary of state to do the affixing.

I might say that the secretary of state usually delegates this task, which reminds me of a story, which, I believe, never has been printed. When Secretary of State Hull had been in office 12 years, there was a little outburst of congratulations. President Roosevelt, as they were talking privately, remarked: "Cordell, you are the sole guardian of the great seal, as you know." He paused, and Mr. Hull replied: "Yes, Mr. President." Then the President. looking him straight in the eye, asked: "Where is it?"

It was Hull's turn to pause. "I don't know," he admitted, "I've never seen it."

# HARGRAVE'S

"WE THANK YOU" -- EVERY ONE OF YOU

Who Attended Our 2 Days-Appreciation Days-Wednesday the 7th and Thursday the 8th

Store Full of People Both Days-Sorry We Only Had 24 Pair Nylons to Give Away-To Those

Who Were Not Lucky Enough to Get a Pair of Nylons-Don't Give Up, Hargrave's Is Still

Here and we will have more nylons and more Appreciation Days-Again we thank you.

H. J. R. No. 62 firm, or corporation.

tive authorization. "The Veteran's Land Fund shall be used by the Board for the sole purpose of purchasing lands suitable for the purpose hereinafter stated, situated in this state (a) owned by the United States, or any governmental agency thereof; (b) owned by the Texas Prison Sys-tem, or any other governmental agency of the State of Texas; or (c) owned by any person,

H. J. R. No. 62 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an Amendment to Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas by the ad-dition: of a new Section to be known as Sec-tion 49-b, creating a Veteran's Land Board and establishing a Veteran's Land Board and establishing a Veteran's Land Board and establishing a Veteran's Land Fund; pro-viding for an election and the issuance of a proclamation therefor. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: Section 1. That Article III of the Constitu-tion of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new Section to be known as Section 49-b. There is hereby created a "Section 49-b. There is hereby created as the prescribed by law. "All moneys received and which have been

adding thereto a new Section to be known as Section 49-b which shall read as follows: "Section 49-b. There is hereby created a Board to be known as the Veteran's Land Board, which shall be composed of the Gov-error, the Attorney General, and the Commis-sioner of the General Land Office. The Legis-lature shall provide by law for the issuance by said Board of not to exceed Twenty-five Mil-lion Dollars (525,000,000) in bonds or obliga-tions of the State of Texas for the purpose of creating a fund to be known as the Veteran's Land Fund, Such bonds shall be executed by said Board as an obligation of the State of Texas vierans of World War II, in like man-reas shall be provided for the sale of lands and for interest on deferred payments shall be credited to the Veteran's Land Fund for use in purchasing additional lands to be sold to Texas Veterans of World War II, in like man-reas shall be provided for the sale of lands and for interest on the sale of lands and for interest on deferred payments shall be bonds, provided for herein, for a period of the bonds, provided for herein, for a period of such terms as shall be griven to the arate of interest not to exceed three per cent if the sale of any such bonds a prefer-ential right of purchase shall be given to the administrators of the various teacher retire-ment funds, the Permanent Tree School Funds; such bonds to be issued only as needed, in the opin-ion of the Veteran's Land Board under legisla-itive authorization. "The Veteran's Land Board under legisla-itive authorization. "The Veteran's Land Fund shall be used by the Board for the sale purpose of purchasing the Board for the sale purpose of purchasing the bonds to be issued only as needed, in the opin-ion of the Veteran's Land Board under legisla-tive authorization. "The Veteran's Land Fund shall be used by the Board for the sale purpose of purchasing the subarited to a vote of the qual-

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amend-ment shall be submitted to a vote of the qual-ified electors of this State at an election to be held throughout the State of Texas on the first Thursday in November, 1946, at which election all voters favoring the proposed Amendment shall write or have printed on week.

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James Howard Bird, son of Boy were served to about 23 young peo-Scout Executive A. H. Bird, under- ple. went an operation Tuesday of last week. His leg which had been wounded while in service overseas, locked while he was playing baseball. He is

Terrell Sheen, 1 1-2 year old son of NEW PULLMAN SERVICE Mr. and Mrs. Winston Sheen of Me- FROM ANGELO TO HOUSTON nard and grandson of Mrs. Mae Sheen, was hooked by a cow at their

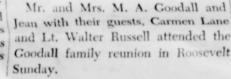
Effective July 28th, according to n their ballots the ranch home Saturday. The child wan- A. C. Ater, passenger traffic manager, dered unseen into the lot where his Santa Fe Lines, Galveston, the schedof to Article III dered unseen into the lot where his ule of Trains 77 and 78 operating to tate of Texas by father was milking and was hooked ule of Trains 77 and 78 operating to twice and thrown against the gate and from San Angelo will be revised latch before his father could reach to afford over-night service between him. He received several cuts on the Houston and San Angelo and points head and was rushed to a San Angelo | west thereof.

hospital where he received treatmnt. Under the revised schedules pas-Several stitches were taken and he sengers leaving Houston at 8:30 p. m. was released from the hospital Mon- will arrive San Angelo at 7:55 a. m., day. The Winston Sheen family is now and eastbound passengers leaving San Angelo at 8:00 p. m. will arrive Houston at 7:40 a. m., affording direct connections to and from New Orleans Ann Gober was honored with a and the Southeast. party at the City Park on her eleventh

Through Pullman cars will be opbirthday by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. erated between Houston and San An-M. T. Gober. Cake and ice cream gelo for the first time in history.

Present over-night service between San Angelo, Fort Worth and Dallas will not be changed except the earlier departure from San Angelo, that is, 8:00 p. m.

Mrs. Oscar Wyatt and children of the Harry Hahn home.



Jean with their guests, Carmen Lane progressing very satisfactorily and was and Lt. Walter Russell attended the removed to his home Tuesday of this Goodall family reunion in Roosevelt San Angelo were guests Tuesday in

visiting Mrs. Mae Sheen.

**PRODUCE SPECIALS** BAKERY SPECIALS 25 TonderKrust Bread 1 1-2 lb. 150

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THE MERTZON STAR

## Gems of Thought

CONTENTMENT furnishes Much covetconstant joy. ousness, constant grief. To the contented even poverty is joy. To the discontented, even wealth is a vexation .- Ming Sum Paou Keen.

A man is a great thing upon the earth and through eternity; but ev-ery jot of the greatness of man is unfolded out of a woman .- W hitman.

For words, like Nature, half reveal, and half conceal the soul within .- Tennyson.

Devotion, when it does not lie under the check of reason, is apt to degenerate into enthusiasm .- Addison.



Never buy more than six month's supply of spices. Keeping the quality depends on the retention of natural oils, so spices should be stored in air-tight containers.

back of the plate, attach a drapery hook, and place on the wall. You'll know which ones of your favorites will be suitable.

When handles break off teacups, let them do duty as flower pots. With hammer and nail drill a hole in the center of cup for plant drainage. Easy on the drilling through, to keep the brittle china from breaking.

Inexpensive towels can be made at home from white terry toweling 22 inches wide. Allow 3/4 yard for a face towel or a small child's bath towel; for an average bath towel, one yard; for an extra large bath towel, 11/4 yards.

Moths and beetles breed in a warm place, but if you must choose between a damp closet or basement or a hot attic, choose the attic.

If you have a weakness for buttons, but despise making buttonholes, here's what you do. Use the buttons to make attractive lapel ornaments or to trim the edge of a pocket.





#### By EDWARD EMERINE **WNU Feature**

A balance has been struck in Wisconsin where the happiest combination of farm and factory has been found!

The state is rural in appearance, its industry so widespread that it is never far from a dairy barn to a factory door. The truck and garden plot, the orchard and the country home are but a step from the gears of industry. In Wisconsin, the neighborliness and friendliness of the small town is never lost. The milk of human kindness is never evaporated in the fiery ovens of a factory. A great industrial state, with more factories and mills than you can count, Wisconsin remains the land of milk cows, cheese, butter, apples -and more milk cows!

Everything grown in the north emperate zone is produced in Wisconsin in grains, vegetables and fruits. So varied is its agriculture that the state produces corn, wheat, rye, barley, hay, flaxseed, potatoes, sugar beets, tobacco (for cigar wrappers), hops, peas, sorghum and maple syrup. More peas are canned there than in any other state, and more hemp is raised. The state ranks high in cranberry production and also produces apples, cherries, plums and other fruits. Wisconsin dairy cows, in cheese production

products. thousands of articles used all over

remains a leader in the number of facilities. Steamboats ply the Mississippi and other rivers. Lake ships and in the output of condensed milk dock at Superior, Green Bay, Milwaukee, Racine and other points, Industries Are Varied. "Made in Wisconsin" stamps erable. Fast, modern railroads speed across the state. Truck trafthe world, from the smallest radio ' fic from city to city, and from Wis-





tunate of states in transportation along the shore (and whose descendants still live in Wisconsin).

Territory Organized.

In April, 1836, over 200 years after Nicolet's visit, the "Territory of Wiskonsan" was organized to include what is now Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota and parts of the Dakotas and Illinois. The townsite of Madison, the capital, was surveyed and platted that year. Gradually, however, the territory shrunk in size after long and bitter boundary quarrels. To give Illinois an outlet on the Great Lakes, the boundary was moved northward and Chicago was lost. The northern peninsula, a region rich in copper and iron, was given to Michigan to replace territory taken from Michigan by Ohio. Other boundary adjustments fol-lowed as the drive for statehood was accelerated. On May 29, 1848, Wisconsin became a state.

The years following Wisconsin's admission as a state brought a great influx of German and Scandinavian immigrants. Population doubled and trebled each decade. Railroads opened the rich interior of the state to farmers and lumbermen. Wheat became a basic commodity, with flour and grist mills springing up everywhere. Introduction of livestock brought about Wisconsin's noted dairy industry. By 1880 many towns were offering inducements to industry, and manufacturing was begun. Paper and pulp mills began operating, and meat packing was introduced. Shoes and leather products followed naturally. The metal industry, now one of Wisconsin's greatest, grew rapidly because of the state's location halfway between Minnesota's iron ore deposits and coal fields in Illinois and Indiana. The land of green woods and cool waters continues to grow and progress. Its industry, agriculture and good homes make life better. Wisconsin is a serene and balanced land.

## ain't It So?

Keep your secret from your friends and your enemies will never get next to it.

If success doesn't turn the average man's head it's because he has a stiff neck.

A rabbit's foot may be lucky, but it takes four of them to bring a rabbit any luck when a dog gets after it.

Advice is like medicine. You get worse and worse off if you try to take too many different kinds.

Politics is perhaps the only profession for which no preparation is thought necessary.

## Pegged Lawn Bench Is Easily Dismantled

HERE is a comfortable bench that you may store for the winter in four sections by removing the pegs. All of the other pieces of furniture in this group are made in the same manner.



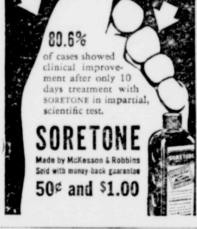
The construction is so simple that all you need is stock widths of lumber, a hand saw, a screw driver and a brace and bit to bore the holes for the pegs.

Pattern 294 for the bench; No. 293 for tables in two sizes; No. 292 for the chair; are 15c each postpaid, or all three to one address for 35c. Patterns give large cutting diagrams of all pieces, illustrated directions and a complete list of ma-terials. Send orders direct to

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## **Business Is Wormy, but** It's Profitable in Maine

Since 1930, the demand for marine worms for bait by surf fishermen has resulted in a sizable industry in Maine, says Collier's. During one recent year, 12,500,000 of these large and brightly colored worms, having a retail value of \$750,000, were dug from the tidewater flats of this state alone.





## IS GETTING UP NIGHTS **GETTING YOU DOWN?**

Thousands say famous doctor's discovery gives blessed relief from irritation of the bladder caused by excess acidity in the urine

Why suffer needlessly from backaches, Why suffer needlessly from backaches, run-down feeling from excess acidity in the urine) Just try DR. KILMER'S SWAMP ROOT, the renowned herbal medicine. SWAMP ROOT acts fast on the kidneys to promote the flow of urine and relieve troublesome excess acidity. Origi-nally created by a practising physician, Dr. Kilmer's is a carefully blended combi-nation of 16 herba, roots, vegetables, bal-sams. Absolutely nothing harsh or habit-forming in this pure, scientific preparasams. Absolutely holing hars of has forming in this pure, scientific prepar tion. Just good ingredients that quick act on the kidneys to increase the flow urine and ease discomforts of bladder in tation. All druggists sell Swamp Root. prepara-at quickly he flow of irri-



TWO CANOES ... Wisconsin's lakes and forests are never ending, and are always a source of pleasure for those who love the outdoors.

part to the greatest earth-moving consin to the rest of the United machinery. The state has miscellaneous mining and quarrying, sawmills and lumbering, paper mills and wood products factories, breweries and flour mills, cheese faclories and creameries. Manufactured goods include sheet metalwork, foundry products, farm machinery, electrical goods, engines and pumps, plumbing supplies, tools and hardware, automobiles and tractors, refrigerators, precision instruments and countless other articles. During World War II its hundreds of factories produced tools of war for the army and navy, backing U. S. fighting men on every front.

Wisconsin is one of the most for-



FISHIN' . . Two Great Lakes. Superior and Michigan, and hundreds of small ones lure fishermen to Wisconsin.

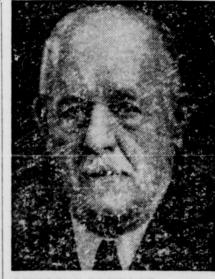
States, is increasing steadily.

Lived 'Like Badgers.' The pioneers found Wisconsin a vast wilderness. They cleared it, broke it, and built upon it. They dug deep into lead mines and often lived in holes in the ground-"like badgers," some said. (That is why it is often called the Badger State.) But the people of Wisconsin, for all their industry, always have loved to play, to enjoy life, and to find refreshment in the state's great playgrounds.

The northern half of Wisconsin is a great forest, smelling of pine pitch and brush fires. Rivers thunder over trap-rock ledges or flow quietly on clean sand beds. There are hidden ponds, many swamps and uncounted lakes. A third of the northern boundary juts out into Lake Superior, and the entire eastern length of the state is washed by the waters of Lake Michigan. In the southwest sprawls the coulee country, often steep and irregular, veined by streams and rivers, tributaries of the Mississippi. Apple orchards smother the ridges with their pink and white blossoms while the slopes are covered with sugar bush and abandoned gingseng beds. Wisconsin has 8,500 counted lakes, 10,000 miles of trout streams, 500 miles of Great Lakes shoreline, in-

numerable rivers and springs. It has lakes for swimming, boating, fishing and all water sports-Lake Winnebago, Lake Geneva, and the lakes around Madison, to name a few. On the Great Lakes, trim sailing craft course out to the horizon, while outboards and racing boats split the water near the shores.

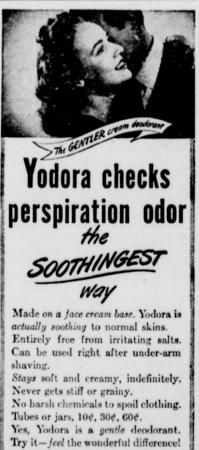
Jean Nicolet was the first white man known to have set foot on Wisconsin soil. He came to the Green Bay area in 1634 and visited the Winnebago Indians who lived



LIFELONG RESIDENT . . . Walter S. Goodland, governor of Wisconsin, is a native son, born in Sharon December 22, 1862. He has been a lifelong resident of his native state, having been engaged successively as a school teacher, lawyer, newspaper pub-lisher, mayor of Racine, farmer and lieutenant governor before becoming the state's chief executive. He took the oath as governor January 4, 1942, and has served continuously since.

To conserve its worm resources, Maine requires diggers to be residents and to take out a license.









## BEAUFORD JESTER of Corsicana for GOVERNOR Beauford Jester long has been an active worker for the better things in life-church, welfare, civic development, education, agriculture and athletics. He has served with distinction on the Texas Railroad Commission. His record as a citizen, public official and soldier justifiies his promotion to the governorship of Texas.

Vote for BEAUFORD JESTER for Governor

Vote for

#### **KEEPING COOL**

Keeping cool in the summer is an art. It's an art well worth cultivating mer more pleasant. when the rays of the sun beat down at their hottest in midsummer. It's an art that are not too confining should be men than among women and chilwhich can be learned if one thing is worn on hot days. kept in mind-moderation.

types of physical exertion will make does not mean living on sandwiches the summer heat spells more bear- and salads throughout the summer. able. Getting all "het up" about the A wel Ibalanced diet is necessary at all weather will only make us more un- times, and hot meals, if well planned, comfortable. Since we cannot change will not ad dto the discomfort of sumthe weather and many of us cannot mer. Rich, heavy foods, however, move on to cooler climes, when hot eause the body to work overtime in days approach, it is just as well to re- the digestive process and should be sign ourselves to the heat and to try to omitted from the diet in hot weather.

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be as comfortable as possible. Here are a few simple rules which,

1. Dress comfortably, Light clothes

2. Eat sensibly. Heavy foods, diffi-Moderation in eating, in play, in all cult to digest, should be avoided. This 3. Drink plenty of water and fruit juices. Because the body perspires

more in the summer than in the win-

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and Thursdays for

Barber Work

and assist in cleaning work at

tailor shop

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BARBER SHOP

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ter, it is necessary to consume an extra amount of liquids. Cool water and lemonade are particularly good on hot days. Extra salt is needed, too, because the body loses much salt in perspiration. This salt may be obtained by adding it to fruit drinks or by eating salt tablets.

4. Be careful to avoid over-exposure to the sun.

Many people look forward to getting extra doses of sunshine during the summer, but too much sun may prove a health hazard. It may cause a painful sunburn or it may lead to sunstroke, which swiftly brings on unconsciousness and may cause death. Sunstroke occurs most frequently if followed, may help make the sum- among people exposed to the direct heat of the sun and who are too heav-

> ilv clad. It is more common among dren. It may come on suddenly, but usually it is the result of long exposure and may come on gradually. The symptoms are a pain in the head, dizziness, a feeling of oppression, the absence of perspiration and, sometimes, nausea and vomiting.

While a doctor is being summoned, the patient should be removed to a cool spot. His clothing should be loosened and an effort made to reduce his temperature rapidly. If he is conscious, he should be given salt and water to drink or fruit juices. Moderation practiced during the summer months will make these months pass more pleasantly and comortably.

E. A. Ivey of Lubbock and C. I Mullins of Lamesa were business visitors in Mertzon last Friday.

Stokes Williams arrived home Thursday with his father, W. H. Williams from San Antonio.

Mrs. C. R. Eldredge of San Angelo was a guest in the Bonnie Wilson home Tuesday.





## Gorthe completed what is judged ing the affairs of an expanding Britby some to be the greatest single work ish Empire, as Prime Minister, when f philosophical literature, Faust, he was eighty-three.

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when he was eighty-two. Mrs. R. B. Mitchell is visiting with

William E. Gladstone was manag- relatives in Abilene.

## To The Voters Of Irion County:

I wish to express my appreciation to the voters of Irion County for the support I received in the Democratic Primary Election.

I will continue to serve you to the best of my ability.

MRS. LOTTIE DAVENPORT

Highland Rodeo, Races and Colt Show MARFA, TEXAS RODEO SHOW THE SAME AS SEEN IN FORT WORTH Races Shall Have Purses Totaling \$1,600.00

THE MERTZON STAR



Duke McCale, private detective, has established an enviable reputation in Boston in a short time by solving some difficult cases. He is consequently sur-prised and chagrined when Miss Adelaide Bigelow, extremely wealthy and aristocratic old lady, engages him to guard the presents during the festivities surrounding her niece's wedding. McCale accepts the commission only because he senses that Miss Bigelow is afraid of something, and that she wants a competent detective around the house in case of some outbreak. "If something were stolen, if something did happen, you'd have to investigate, wouldn't you?" quires Miss Bigelow, meaningfully. Mc-Cale grasps the obvious hint.

#### CHAPTER II

A nursemaid's job to a lot of iced-tea spoons. "Phooey!" The big young man hitched his long legs over an arm of the chair and snorted in irritation. "Holy Mike! What are we-broke? I thought we were definitely out for the big stuff-no more small time. Go ahead, master-mind. Go into your trance and tell us all."

McCale helped himself to a sandwich. "There isn't anything defnite, Rocky. The old lady Bigelow, aunt of the bride, comes in here to hire special service-that of guarding the wedding gifts. That's her story. But look here. She doesn't want half a dozen men planted here. She's after only one inconspicuous man; not for the day of the wedding, but starting now-for the duration. That in itself is screwy. Besides that, she doesn't want the police and she's turned down operators from all the big agencies."

Rocky's eyes narrowed. In other words, she doesn't give a hang if the wedding feast is lousy with kleptomaniacs. She's got other troubles.

"Exactly."

"Go to the head of the class," said Ann.

"Well, where do we come in?" McCale accepted coffee from Ann and lit a cigarette. He spoke into the first puff of smoke.

"You've got me there. I'm not sure the lady knows herself, but it's certain she wants someone around. We're elected, anyway. So my first move is a file on the family and the dashing bridgeroom, just in case. What did you get on Curt Vallaincourt?"

"Not much, I'm afraid." Rocky flipped open a notebook. "Showed up around these parts about a year ago. He's from New York City, or so he says. Definitely not Harvard nor Blue Book. Seems to have plen-ty of dough. Lives in a swank apartment on the Riverway. Doesn't work. Goes everywhere with the society crowd. The gals all do cartwheels whenever he shows up anywhere. Anyway, he's marrying twenty million dollars next week. Make anything mysterious out of that?'

en.' "There's not much more. Stephen was married two years ago. He didn't go to Harvard or Groton, like the rest of the Bigelows. M.I.T., I believe. He's an airplane designer at present. He married a girl from Louis-Swedish descent, but so-St. cial and all that. A Karen Cristofen. Not much fuss around here about

"What's that?" He picked up a folded square of paper that had fluttered from her lap to the floor. "Oh, I nearly fogrot that. It's a rotogravure cut of Veronica Bigelow from the Sunday Herald of a few weeks ago."

McCale unfolded it and spread it flat on the top of the desk. The likeness of a very pretty girl looked up at him. It was a carefully light-ed study of the photographer's conception of how a well-groomed, quiet, aristocratic young woman should pose.

"That really doesn't do her justice, I should say," mused Ann. "I understand she has gorgeous red hair and a beautiful figure."

"Well, we shall see," said Duke, handing it back to her. "Tuck it away with the rest of the data and transcribe Rocky's notes for a file on Vallaincourt. I'm due at the ancestral mansion for tea with Miss Andelaide at five-or thereabouts." The Bigelow house was on that

mound of Beacon street that slopes



She held up a long legal envelope that had been lying beside the model.

gently to Charles street and the Gardens. It was almost in the shadow of the State House dome and you could have thrown a pebble easily from the front stoop onto the paths of the old Common. Four stories high, its narrow dusty brick facade gave the lie to the roominess and depth within.

"No, indeed. It's very clear. Go tightly cleached in her lap. "Oh, no."

"Damnation," thought McCale. "What is the matter with this woman? Or is it me? Am I getting out of practice? I can usually catch something significant in my own subtle way, but this baffles me. I'll stake my life that there is something seriously wrong in this room, in this house. Something is going to happen. The Irish in me tells me so. It's crawling up the very small of my back. I've got to have some-thing to go on."

She rose and walked past him to the door, her dress rustling like dry leaves. "I want you to see the wedding gifts," was all she said, closing the door of her mind sharply in his face.

A quick black anger flared up in him. His impulse was to stalk from the house, but reason held him, reason and the disturbing unrest that had remained in his brain and nerves ever since her visit to his office that morning. He followed her downstairs.

Heavy double doors intricately carved in designs of fruit opened off the lower hall into an immense dining room. There was faded scenic paper on the walls and huge sideboards against opposite sides of the room. Two exquisite crystal chandeliers, wired now for electricity, hung over a long narrow table. Along the dado which outlined the room, a dozen or more Adam chairs arched their dignified backs. Table and sideboards were loaded with silver, lamps, expensive glassware; beautiful, odd, pretentious rare,

sudden change in his client.

A quiver rippled over her frail shoulders. Her hands fluttered helplessly as she came to a sudden frozen stop. They had reached the far end of the table. He heard her gasp and looked down to see the strangest gift of all.

It was a model, to scale, of a small modernistic house, set in miniature landscaped grounds. Complete with casement windows, sun deck, glass-walled patio, it was an architect's dream of the plus ultra in a civilized dwelling place. even a tiny roadster on There was the curved highway, a swimming pool in the rear, a statue in the small, geometrically plotted garden. The model had evidently been on display somewhere, for an engraved card attached to one corner of the base read: Model of 1942 House-The Nest Crystal Cove, Nahant Architect-Christopher Storm Beside McCale, Miss Bigelow swayed. Her face blanched. With eyes half-closed, she reached for and held up in her trembling fingers a long legal envelope that had been lying beside the model. From it, she took a folded document, opened it slowly. Over her shoulder, Duke saw it was a deed, ceding the property and buildings of Christopher Storm at Crystal Cove, Nahant, Massachusetts, to Curtain Vallain court.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL CUNDAY CHOOL esson.

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

#### Lesson for August 11

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#### JESUS AND HOME RELATIONSHIPS

LESSON TEXT-Exodus 20:12; Mark 7:9-13; Luke 2:51, 52; Ephesians 6:14. MEMORY SELECTION-Honor thy fa-ther and thy mother; that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.-Exodus 20:12.

Home-that place so dear to the heart of each one of us-is even more precious in the sight of God. He is concerned about our homes and those who live in them.

Right relationship between children and parents have much to do with the peace and prosperity of a community and a nation. Experience has demonstrated that to be true, but even more basic is the fact that it is in accord with the promise of God.

One of the sad breakdowns in modern life is that of proper honor and obedience to parents by children. In all too many homes God's order has been reversed and instead of honoring and obeying their parents, children (both young and old) have taken the place of "boss," and mother and father must obey.

I. The Responsibility Stated (Exod. 20:12). "Honor thy father and thy moth-

er"-how good, and substantial, and right those words sound.

We are told by Paul that this is the "first commandment with promise" (Eph. 6:1-3). The Lord was not making a bargain with man, or seeking to draw out obedience by a prize, but there is obviously a great reward in the observing of this commandment.

Then too as the children of God (if we are such) through Jesus Christ, the first and most important consideration to come before us is, What is the mind and will of the Maker of us all regarding this matter of the relationship between parents and children? His words are plain: we are to "honor" our fathers and our mothers.

The word "honor" carries with it a great many things, but perhaps the three outstanding elements are respect, obedience and affection. But men do not wish to follow God's direction, so we see next

II. The Responsibility Evaded (Mark 7:9-13).

Such an important commandment naturally held a high place in the thinking of the community. To violate it involved a measure of shame which men sought to avoid. So the Jews of Christ's day devised a scheme which made it possible for a man to appear to be very religious even as he deprived his parents of the honor and help to which they were entitled by the law of God. The man who did not wish to sup-port his aged and needy parents could entirely evade that God given responsibility by declaring that his property was "Corban"; that is, dedicated by a vow to God. Thereafter no matter how great was the need of his parents they could receive nothing, and yet he could keep it and use it for himself. Thus do men make "the word of God of none effect" (v. 13) through their traditions. The method differs but the spirit persists even in our day. Jesus made short work of such trickery and evasion. He declared their man-made creeds and traditions to be simply a means of making the command of God of none effect. Once more he condemns that formal religious observance which serves as a cloak for sin and selfishness. III. The Resnonsibility Fulfilled (Luke 2:51-52; Eph. 6:1-4). The manner in which children should be obedient to their parents and honor them in the home is beautifully exemplified in the life of our Lord, living as a boy in Nazareth. In the home the growing youth finds the best place for normal, wellrounded development (v. 52). There is no substitute for the home. The words of the Holy Spirit through Paul in Ephesians 6:1-4 stress the same truth and enlarge upon it. This matter of honoring and obeying parents "is right," says Paul. It is the Lord's way, but it is also that which commends itself to every right-thinking person. There is tremendously important truth on the other side of the picture. Parents are not to provoke their children to anger, to disrespect or disobedience. May God help us who are parents that we may take to heart this part of our lesson. Our children are ou. most valuable possession.

## Rather Dumb Show

A father and his young son were walking out together, and the boy asked how electricity passed through wires.

"I don't know," said his father. "I never learned much about electricity when I was at school.

They walked a little further, then the boy asked what caused thunder and lightning.

"To tell you the truth," replied his father, "I never have understood about that myself.

"I say, Dad--" began the boy a little later, and then paused. "Oh, well, never mind-it really doesn't matter.

"Oh, go ahead," said the father. "Ask questions-ask a lot of questions. How else will you learn?"



## His Idea

The class was asked to write an essay on what they would do if they had a million dollars. Billy handed in a blank sheet. "Explain yourself, Billy," demanded the

teacher. "Well," replied Billy, "that's what I'd do.'

#### She Knew

Neighbor-So, Mr. Jones is not in. Well, will you tell him I called? Maid-Yes, sir. And what shall I say

you wanted to borrow?

The man who doesn't know his own mind has not missed so much at that.

#### Just Not

Bill-Well, how'd you find the new girl, amusing? Jack-Amusing? That girl

couldn't entertain a thought!

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gifts for the bride and groom. McCale walked around the display slowly, nodding at Miss Bigelow's remarks: "Very valuable; an heirloom; priceless," and so on. He marveled at the value placed on some simple piece, shuddering at the ostentatiousness of others. He was ready to grant the necessity of protection for this collection, was beginning to push away the odd hunch he had been playing all day, when he felt, rather than saw, a

McCale shrugged. "Plenty if I wanted to let it run away with me." He turned to Ann. "Did you line up the Bigelows for me?"

"Well," she began, "the Perkinses and the Bigelows go right backlong before the Tea Party-if that's the sort of thing you want."

#### Mystery Surrounds Vallaincourt

"Skip that. Bring us up to date." "Okay. The money all comes from cotton mills in Lowell, and clipper ships and the Oriental trade before that. The Perkinses and the Bigelows intermarried, and so on. Adelaide Bigelow, our client, and her brother, Joel, are and were, respectively, the last of the line. Adelaide never married. Joel married twice. His first wife is dead. Is that clear?"

"Perfectly."

"Joel's second wife, Sybil, is apparently not of the royal purple Her family only seems to go back a generation or two. Probably she was considered fast or nouveau riche or something, as she was a widow when he married her. She's a lot younger than he, too."

"Where did you get the nouveau riche stuff?"

"Oh, I didn't. Just surmise. In fact, I don't know whether she has any money of her own, or not. He was seventy when he died, five years ago, and she was forty-three then. She had two children by her first marriage, a son, Stephen, and a daughter, Victoria. Their name was Bennett, but he adopted them. and they changed to the Bigelow surname,"

"Then Veronica, the bride, is a daughter of this second marriage?"

"No. The first Mrs. Bigelow died in childbirth-that is, in giving birth to Veronica. The old gentleman married Sybil Bennett three years after. Am I bawling this up?"

#### McCale. Senses That Something's Amiss

Adelaide Bigelow was waiting for McCale in the drawing room on the second floor. A butler, old and quiet and unobtrusive, had answered his knock and led him through a dim hallway, preceding him up dark, thickly carpeted stairs.

The room was at the front of the house. Heavy red draperies at the wide high windows were already drawn. Frail Miss Bigelow stood in its exact center, small and patrician, against the background of a huge black marble mantel.

He bowed slightly, and as she sank onto a Victorian sofa, he made a half-hearted gesture of fumbling for a cigarette. A clock on the mantel ticked a long minute as he hesitated to light it.

"Please do smoke," Miss Adelaide said in her soft, troubled voice. "This room is rather overpowering, isn't it? It has never been changed since the days of my grandparents. It takes the children to cheer it up. They should be along soon. There was a rehearsal at the church this afternoon." She low light from the open drawing sighed.

McCale struck a match, thinking that there was something wicked about hereditary possession and what it could do to people's lives.

"If you'd like to mix yourself a drink, Mr. McCale. there's a vari-ety of liquor on that table." He He shook his head.

"I'll wait, I think."

He was obsessed with the thought that although her voice was calm, unhurried, there was something empty and trembling in her. She seemed to be watching, too, watching the way the firelight flickered across his lean, hard jaw, and reaching out to him in some uncertain way for strength.

Letting the smoke out of his lungs, he said slowly, his voice low, "Perhaps you have something to tell me before the others arrive.

She looked up quickly, one fist

## Beautiful Blonde **Enters the Scene**

Wordlessly, as McCale bit his lip to keep silent, Adelaide Bigelow replaced the deed in its envelope. She turned slowly, motioning him to leave the room with her.

The bright brilliance of "The Firebird" rippled through the gloom of the upper hall on a shaft of yelroom door. Someone was playing the Stravinsky and playing it well. McCale, following Miss Bigelow inside, saw that the room was now occupied by three women and a man.

As his client drew him forward. his glance was irresistibly drawn to the woman at the piano. She was exceedingly beautiful in a almost cinematic way. Her body was long and thin and exquisitely draped in a white jersey tea-gown, the wide sleeves of which swung rhythmically as she played. The high cheekbones of her face shadowed the faintest of hollows. You could have swept the floor with her lashes, behind which glowed humorous blue eyes. Her mouth was sensuous, and thick with vermilion lipstick. As if all this were not enough, hair the color of flax hung in a long bob to her shoulders. (TO BE CONTINUED)

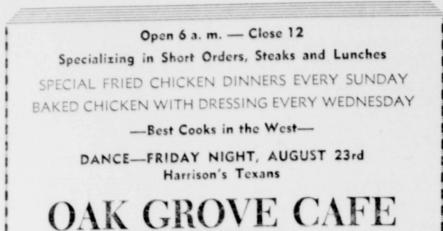
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Barnhart News By MRS. ALMA TARVIN

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Quite a lot of enthusiasm is being shown since the ball team, joined up with the Big Lake Softball League and play two games a week. This league is composed of Big Lake, Mil-ler, Santa Rita, Atlantic No. 10 and Atlantic No. 16. Wednesday night Barnhart played Miller and was defeated by a score of 18-11. Friday night they played Big Lake and were defeated 8-4 in a very good game. and were defeated. All the games are has been declared the best of the series played.

George Smith is in a San Angelo vin, W. E. Hukill, Clyde Parry, Rayhospital for treatment since having mond Greenhill, A. C. Hinde; Misses several successive heart attacks.

pick-up load of young people to Big membering Mrs. Elkins with gifts

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tre to see "Doll Face". Those attending were Virama Strother and Clinton Tarvin; Joe Roy Collins and Donna Marie Turner; R. S. Neal, Margie Coffee. Lorene and Janet Parry, Sammie mond Atkins, Hazel Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Maxwell

Mrs. Fred Elkins was named hon- pital.

oree when Mrs. Bode Owens enterranch home 12 miles out of town Thursday afternoon from 3 to 6. Miss Margie Coffee played a piano solo and Atkins, Lit Caruthers, Roy Collins, W W. Kessler, Tom Owens, T. E. Strother, R. S. Neal, L. Coffee, E. C. Tar-

June Owens, June Caruthers, Lucy Lake Sunday night to the Ford Thea- were Mmes. Jim Shaw, Neville Davis, Bart Westfall, Claude Becton, Peek,

Burks, Charles Springston, Billie Kessler, George Newman, Jack Baggett,

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Mr. and Mrs. Roy Collins and Mrs. Clyde Parry were chaperones to a group of young people attending Oak Grove Friday night to dance to music by Harrison's Texans. On Saturday night the same crowd met at the Collins home for a watermelon feast and lawn party.

Little George Blackstone visited Stevie Elkins the past week while his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nip Blackstone III, were in San Angelo with Carol, who was confined to a hospital with tonsilitis. Carol had the mistortune of having to spend her 8th birthday in the hospital.

ents of a new baby girl born in a San Angelo hospital July 26th and named Vicki Katherin. Mr. Cox is employed on the Ad Harvick ranch.

Jeffers, Lola B. and Inez Roe, Ray- Lubbock where he had been called the result of a horse falling with him age and health. for a check-up at the Veterans Hos- the last of the week.

tained with a layette shower at her Harley Cox, has returned to her home low Field in San Angelo last Thursin Brownwood after visiting among day. Scottie left Saturday for New her children since April.

Bill's Coffee Shop is now open and Mrs. Ted Atkins read a poem. Mrs. doing a good business states Mr. Run-Monday night they played Santa Rita Nip Blackstone and Mrs. L. Coffee von, who also operates the ice house. presided at the tea table, and refresh- Mr. Runyon expects to move in a they are completely overhauling the to be played at Big Lake. So far the ments were served to Mmes. Ed Gras- larger ice house, as the one he now section house belonging to the rail-

Wanda Lee and son. Joslin were vis- family occupied it. itors in Barnhart Saturday, Son went on to Ozona on business, while Mr. Woodruff and Wanda Lee spent the Ann Hinde, Margie Coffee, Patricia day with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Wood-Mr. and Mrs. Roy Collins took a Mitchell of San Angelo. Others re- ruff. Mrs. Tom Woodruff and other two children are visiting in Austin this week.

> Mr. and Mrs. Cliff St. Clair of Van Floyd Ridley, Everette Roe, D. W. Horn spent last week here with their daughter, Mrs. Fred Kessler. James Kessler accompanied them back home to visit for a while

> > Junior Franks spent the week end here visiting his mother, Mrs. Cal Johnson.

> > Cody Cardwell and Bun Harriss were visitors in this community last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Newman and children, Mildred, Betty and Patsy visited Mr. and Mrs. George Newman last Wednesday.

The V. L. Porter family were in

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Mr. and Mrs. Harley Cox are par-

Scottie Houston attended the Army Mrs. Cox, mother of Henry and Air Forces Day program at Goodfel-York and Rhode Island on his vaca- ranch. tion.

The Santa Fe bridge gang are camped here for the present while game between Barnhart and Big Lake ton, Jene Linthicum, Bill Bisset, Ted has fails to take care of his business. road. The house had not been repaired since fire partly destroyed it about

> Mrs. Pat Patterson and children of this week.

pointments here at the Baptist church this column.

ing part of the summer near San An- Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock tonio, but who is at home with his hour, and at 3 in the afternoon he parents at Marathon now, is reported preached his farewell sermon, as he Henry Cox returned Saturday from in the hospital with a broken leg, as is retiring on account of his advanced

> Bode Owens shipped stock last Thursday.

> Cal Johnson is driving a new Chevrolet pick-up for the Lea Aldwell

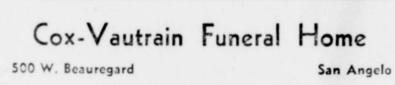
Billie Kilpatrick and his father from Iraan were visitors in Barnhart Sunday. Billie had the misfortune to turn his Chevrolet coupe over one day last week. He escaped serious injury, but his car was completely demolished.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stewart are new Tom Woodruff and daughter, a year ago while the Marion Holt subscribers to the Mertzon Weekly Star.

> We apologize for the error made in Ozona are visiting her parents, Mr. last week's report of Lucy Ann Hinde and Mrs, Homer Dunkin of Marathon going into the Church of Christ during the meeting. This was entirely a Bro. Knight filled his regular ap- mistake on the part of the writer of



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June Caruthers spent the night with June Owens Tuesday night.

Lit Caruthers has been working stock at the ranch near Rankin the past week.

Blackie Grace made a business trip to Girvin Thursday.

Mrs. Sam Hageman, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ross and daughter, Sammie Jo, visited Mr. and Mrs. Neville Davis Thursday night.

H. C. Dunkin, who has been spend-

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election and shall have the same published as required by the Constitution for Amendments Coording to an opinion by the Attorney General of Texas.

H. J. R. No. 49 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION an amendment to Article VIII of constitution of the State thereto a new section appropriation, al aection *i* a providing that subject to equal liftive appropriation, allocation and direction all net revenues derived from the taxes, ex-cept gross production and ad valorem taxes levied on motor fuels and lubricants and moto vehicles registration fees shall be used for the sole purposes of acquiring rights-of-way for and constructing and maintaining public road ways; for the administration of laws pertaining to traffic and safety; and for the payment o principal and interest on county and road dis-trict bonds or warrants voted or issued prio to January 2, 1939, and declared eligible for debt service prior to January 2, 1945; provid-ing that one-fourth (1/4) of such net revenue from the motor fuel tax shall be allocated to the Available School Fund; providing and in-suring that each county shall never derive less revenue from motor registration fees than the maximum amounts and percentages of such rees allowed to be retained by each county under the laws in effect on January 1, 1945; negativing any interpretation of this amend-ment is uthorizing the decision of this amend-

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF

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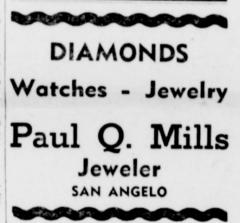
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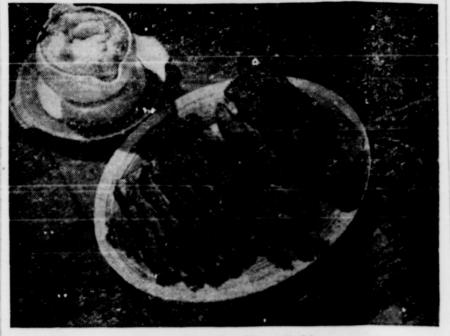
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- 2 onions, sliced 1/2 cup water
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 2 tablespoons grated cheese
- 1/4 teaspoon paprika

#### •Swiss Steak in Sour Cream Green Beans with Slivered Carrots **Browned Potatoes** Head Lettuce Salad Fresh Cantaloupe with Berries Beverage

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parsley over the meat. Cover and cook slowly until well browned on one side. Turn and brown on other sides. Add vegetables and cook until well browned. Add boiling water, cover closely and simmer for 3 hours or longer, adding more wa-ter if necessary. Serve meat with vegetables and gravy.

- 1/2 cup bread or cracker crumbs
- 2 teaspoons finely chopped parsley
- 3 tart apples, diced
- 14 cup chopped celery cup chopped onion
  - cup sugar
  - Salt and pepper
  - Have pork chops cut one to two



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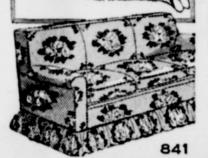
1. Sixty million. 2. As a general in the U.S. President. Where did he receive army during the Mexican war. 3. It is 1-200,000th of an inch

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Dredge steak with flour and season with salt and pepper. Brown on both sides in hot fat. Add remaining ingredients, cover pan closely and simmer slowly until meat is tender, about 21/2 hours.

Beef a la Mode. (Serves 10) 5 pounds beef rump roast 1/4 pound fat salt pork

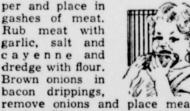
Pepper 1 clove garlic, chopped Salt, cayenne, flour

2 onions, sliced 4 tablespoons bacon drippings 1 bay leaf sprig parsley

3 carrots sliced

1 turnip, sliced 1/4 cup boiling water.

Cut deep gashes in beef. Slice salt pork very thin, rub with pep-



bacon drippings, remove onions and place meat in kettle. Place onions, bay leaf and

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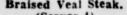
Pan-Broiling Meat: If you don't have a broiler and want to broil meats, use a heavy, pre-heated frying pan. Do not use any fat in the pan, except when broiling ground meat. Brown meat in the hot pan on both sides. Season only after it is browned, otherwise the salt will draw out the rich juices.

Never add water or cover the pan for pan broiling. The idea is to make it as close to oven broiling as possible.

When meat is browned, turn down the heat to finish cooking. Turn occasionally to cook evenly. and keep pouring off the fat as it accumulates so that the meat will broil rather than fry.

Lamb chops, small steaks, chops and meat patties are excellent when prepared by this method.

inches thick, with a pocket cut from the inside. Fry salt pork until crisp, then add celery, and onion and cook until tender. Add diced apples, sprinkle with sugar and cover. Cook slowly until they have a glazed ap-pearance. Add bread crumbs and season. Stuff into pocket of pork chops. Season chops with salt and pepper and brown on both sides in hot skillet. Reduce heat, add a few tablespoons water, cover and cook slowly until done, for about 11/4 hours. Braised Veal Steak.



- (Serves 4) 2 pounds veal steak egg, slightly beaten 2 tablespoons milk
- 2 cups crushed cereal flakes 4 tablespoons fat 1 small can mushrooms

Have steak cut one inch thick. cut into pieces for serving. Dip

into mixture of egg and milk, then in cereal flakes. Brown in hot fat and cover with mushrooms

and their liquid. Cover tightly and cook slowly until tender, about 45 minutes. Thicken the liquid for

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gravy and serve over the veal steaks.

If you've been lucky enough to get your share of lamb, then you want ideas for preparing the different cuts.

Lamb Hash in Cabbage Leaves. (Serves 6)

1 head of cabbage 1 round lamb, minced 2 onions, chopped 1 cup uncooked rice Salt and pepper 3 or 4 tomatoes, sliced 1/3 cup water Meat stock

Cook cabbage until tender; drain and separate leaves carefully. Combine lamb, onions, rice, salt and pepper and mix well. On each cabbage leaf place a tablespoon of the mixture and roll, turning ends of the cabbage in to secure the roll. Place the rolls in a greased pan. add tomatoes, water and sufficient stock to half cover the rolls. Cook in a moderate (350 degree) oven or until rice is tender.

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