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## Permian API Chapter States Odessa Meet Tuesday, March 24

MIDLAND, Tex., March 18.—The Permian Basin Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute will hold its first general membership meeting at Ector County Park, Odessa, on Tuesday, March 24, at 6:30 p. m., according to an announcement by John Ed Cooper, chairman.

In addition to the traditional barbecue, Russell Hayes, program chairman, said that interesting and educational entertainment is being planned and will be announced later.

Blackie Craddock, chairman of the ticket sales committee, urges all members to secure their tickets early to assist those preparing the food. He said tickets are available in Midland at the Chamber of Commerce; The Western Co., Midland Towers; Humble Building reception room; J. B. (Bum) Gibbins, Midland Tower.

In Odessa, tickets may be secured at The Western Co. Station, the Chamber of Commerce, Gulf Oil Corporation, and many of the same places which handled tickets last year.

## Women's Clubs To Hold 17th Annual District Convention In Odessa

The 17th Annual Convention of the 6th District of Texas Federated Women's Clubs meets in Odessa, Texas, March 19-21st. Headquarters are the Lincoln Hotel and the First Christian Church. Mrs. Harwood Keith, President of the District, reminds all delegates that this is election year and credentials must be in order.

Registration begins at two o'clock Thursday at the Lincoln Hotel. At four o'clock there will be an executive Board meeting held in the Jefferson Room of the hotel. Mrs. L. E. Dudley, First Vice President of the State will address the Convention on Department Chairmen and Their Divisions.

Thursday evening there will be a Western Barbecue with Mrs. Keith presiding. The Mayor Fred Gage will speak and Mrs. J. Howard Hodge, National Safety Chairman, will present a Panel of High School Students in a safety discussion. The hostess for the evening will be the Yucca Study Club of Penwell, Texas.

Mr. Van Hook Stubbs, the State President, will be with the Convention on Friday. Registration continues at the First Christian Church where coffee will be served by the hospitality committee during the Art Show. Mr. Harold Downs, President of the Odessa Chamber of Commerce, will welcome the Convention and Mrs. L. M. Montgomery of Ft. Stockton will give the response. The highlight of the morning will be the address of Mrs. Van Hook Stubbs.

Mrs. J. Gordon Bristow, District International Chairman, will preside at the International Luncheon at the Lincoln where the guests will be entertained by an International Dance by the Montillas and Style Show. Friday afternoon Mrs. W. E. Cantrell will speak upon the Club Women's Fourth World Tour. Elections will be held Friday. Mrs. Bob Eubanks, State Chairman of Neutral Resources will speak.

Friday evening the President's Dinner will recognize all the visiting presidents of the convention. Rev. Parker, pastor of the Methodist Church, will deliver the Fine Arts address.

Saturday morning the Convention will be brought to a close at the Awards Breakfast where the prizes and winners of the various contests will be announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Schweikhart, Mr. and Mrs. Troy McNeil and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bascom of Iraan, Mrs. Earl Muggs of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Cockrum and Mary of Monahans were visitors in the Yates home Sunday, honoring Pop Yates' 88th birthday.

Ernest Brown of Marathon is here to be with his brother, R. C. Brown, who suffered a heart attack last week. He is reported to be improved.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Brown had as their guests Sunday, Fayette Dunkin and sons, Gary and Fayette, Jr., of Del Rio, and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Nelson of Wink.

## Lions Club To Sponsor Arnold Furst, Magician

People of Rankin will be fooled and hookwinked by one of the nation's leading magicians, Arnold Furst, the person chosen by The Society of American Magicians to represent the United States at The International Congress of Magicians which was held in Paris, France.

This program has been arranged by the Rankin Lions Club which is sponsoring the show. The show, which is called, "Mysteries Around The World" will be presented in the elementary school auditorium.

It is stressed that the program will have a great appeal to the adults as well as the children. Furst entertained over one million service men during the three and a half years he was with the USO Camp Shows during World War II. His present program will feature all of the effects as well as many new and larger illusions. One of the most unusual aspects of this magic show is that young ladies from the audience will take part in the two most spectacular effects of "Cutting A Girl in Half" and "A Girl Floating In the Air".

Other advertised tricks are titled: Otto, The Mindreading Duck; The Enchanted Princess; Hindu Sands; Bossie, The Magical Cow; and The Houdini Escape. These tricks have been assembled by Furst as the result of his having traveled around the world three times.

Furst and "Oscar" have performed in almost every major capital of the world. They had an audience with His Holiness, Pope Pius, XII in Rome. They had President Truman and Chief Justice Fred Vinson in their audience when they performed for more than 3,800 persons in Constitution Hall in Washington, D. C. In London they were at the Prince of Wales Theatre. In Paris thousands saw their act at Palais De Chailiot, France's most modern theatre built under the Eiffel Tower. In Algiers they were held over at The Opera House. General Douglas MacArthur signed their "short-snorter" bills in Manila.

This evening of entertainment promises to be one of the most unusual programs to be presented here this year. Furst declares that his intention will be to keep the audience so amused and laughing that they will not have a chance to figure out how he performs his mystifying effects.

The local organization who has arranged for Furst's appearance invites all the people of this community to attend as the proceeds from this show will be used for a worthy cause.

## ATTEND CONFERENCE

Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Shannon, Mrs. B. A. Patterson, Mrs. Dave Gentry, Mrs. Omar Warren, Mrs. H. Wheeler, Mrs. Tom Mitchell, Mrs. Carrouth and Mrs. Sam Holmes attended the Workers Conference at the East Side Baptist Church in McCamey Tuesday.

## In and Out of Town

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jacobs of Big Lake were Sunday guests of Mrs. Dave Gentry and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Holmes.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Henley and daughter, Patricia, of Ft. Stockton, visited with Mr. Henley's mother, Mrs. Calla Henley, Sunday.

Mrs. C. V. Carrouth of Lamesa, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. O. Langford and family. Mrs. Carrouth is a former resident of Rankin.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Norris and Misses Kathleen Wheeler and Mary Nell Barnes of Dallas, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Taylor of Bellview, N. M., were week-end guests of their daughter, Mrs. Chris Bieri and family and Mrs. James Kennedy and family. Mrs. Taylor is a sister of Mrs. Kennedy.

Mrs. Jack Smith was a visitor in Midland Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Omar Warren were visitors in San Angelo Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Cox had as their weekend guests, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Long of Timber Lake, S. D.

## GOVERNOR, HOUSE, SENATE BACK LEGION DEAL



"Korean Veterans' Appreciation Week," sponsored by the American Legion the week of March 15 to 22, has full backing of Governor Shivers who issued a proclamation, and the House and Senate of the 53rd Legislature which passed a joint resolution. Above are George S. Berry, Lubbock, sponsor of the House resolution; Mayor R. C. Gusman, Bay City, chairman of the Legion's committee for the event; Governor Allan Shivers; Speaker of the House Reuben Senterfitt; and Senator Rogers Kelly, Edinburg, who sponsored the Senate resolution.

## Brownie Troop No. 4 Met On Wednesday

Brownie Troop No. 4 met Wednesday at 3 p. m. Barbara Bushong was elected as song leader in Joyce Hazlewood's place as she is moving to Midland. Songs, games and a hike were enjoyed by Zella Anderson, Barbara Bushong, Malinda Ellwood, Joyce Hazlewood, Judy James, Carolyn Langford, Marie Pettit, Karen Reed, Sujane West and the leader, Mrs. Alvin Bushong.

## Vets Administration Questions, Answers

Q: If a veteran gets additional disability compensation for a dependent parent, is that additional amount sent directly to the parent, or is it part of the check that the veteran gets?

A: The additional amount becomes part of the single monthly check that the veteran receives. It is not paid separately to the parent.

Q: I have been rated 80 percent disabled by the VA. I have five children. Will I get additional compensation pay for each one of my children?

A: No. You will receive the extra amount that is paid to veterans with three or more children. There are no additional rates authorized for children in excess of three.

Q: I made out a check to VA for my National Service Life Insurance premium, and my bank returned it to VA, stating there were not sufficient funds to cover it. Meantime, it turned out that the bank made a mistake; I did have sufficient funds. Will VA give me the chance to make up the payment without jeopardizing my insurance protection?

A: Yes. VA will give you an additional period of 31 days from the date of its letter notifying you of non-payment, to make up all back premiums through the current month.

Q: I have just been discharged from the Armed Forces. Is there any time limit I have to meet, in starting training under the Korean GI Bill?

A: You must begin your training within two years of the date of your discharge. Veterans discharged before Aug. 20, 1952, however, must begin by Aug. 20, 1952.

Mrs. Dave McKelvy and Mrs. Elizabeth Rains attended the Re-bakah Assembly of Texas at Fort Worth this week.

## Brownie Troop No. 6 Met Monday At 3 P. M.

Brownie Troop No. 6 met Monday at 3 p. m. Plans were made for their part in the program at the Girl Scouts' 41st birthday party which was held Tuesday, March 17th. Refreshments were served by Linda Bushong to Kay Abernathy, Joan Hood, Wanda Bradberry, Brenda Reed, Judy Beeman, Wanda Reams, Bernice Brown, Judy Wood, Pam Simpson, Carolyn Fortenberry and their co-leader, Mrs. J. T. Bushong.

## GIRL SCOUTS EXPRESS THANKS

The Rankin Girl Scouts want to thank you for your cooperation in supporting their efforts to raise money for a Girl Scout Little House.

Mrs. Hudson announced that the building fund had been increased to \$536.38.

Rummage Sale—\$106.25  
Stanley Sale—\$167.10  
Cookie Sale last fall—\$118.03  
Donations:  
Cash—\$10.00  
Youth Council—\$50.00  
PTA—\$25.00  
Troop No. 1—\$60.00

It is hoped this fund will increase so that we can get our building started soon. Do you want to have a part in helping this worth-while movement?

Your help will be appreciated.

## TROOP NO. 1 GIRLS

Troop No. 1 met March 16 when they decided to give an Easter Egg Hunt for all pre-school children. It will be Thursday before Easter from 3 to 4:30 p. m.

Badges were discussed. Tuesday night the girls will give a play celebrating their 41st birthday.

Members present were Rachel Broyles, Geraldine Kretzinger, Roven Langford, Pat Dishman, and Martha Murphy, and the leader, Mrs. D. O. McEwen.

Hostesses for the meeting were Rachel Broyles and Martha Murphy.

MARTHA MURPHY, Reporter.

## KNOTTS MOVE TO RANKIN

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Knott and children, Martha, 10, Billy Ray, 8, Barbara 5, and Betty 4 years old, moved from Midland (Terminal) to Rankin recently.

Mr. Knott is employed by the Halliburton Co.

## Home Demonstration Club Met Thursday

The Rankin HD Club met in regular session Thursday, March 12, at 2:30, in the Park Building. Mrs. Chris Bieri, presiding.

It was reported that the card tables had arrived. Twelve tables are to be left in the Park Building for the public to use and the club will sell 12 tables for \$3.50 each. A committee was appointed to varnish the tops of the tables to be left in the Park Building.

The club wishes to thank all who helped to make these tables available.

Miss Holman gave a demonstration on collars and facings, using the method of sewing under collar and lining on garment and upper collar on with front facing, use stay stitch close to seam stitch to care for the fullness. A method of putting on skirt bands was also demonstrated. Some fullness should be eased in across the back of skirts.

Hems were reviewed. Hems on woolens and heavy materials should have extra blind stitching about midway of the hem. Stitching should not be visible on right side of garment.

The club's next meeting will be March 26 at 2:30 in the Park Building.

## Rankin Girl Scout Association Met Tues.

The Rankin Girl Scout Association met Tuesday, March 17, at 4 p. m. in the Park Building.

Mrs. W. A. Hudson, president, presided. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurer reported a balance of \$61.58 in the general fund and \$536.38 in the building fund.

A motion was made and seconded that \$2.50 be paid to the Troop whose members sell the most Girl Scout cookies in the current cookie sale. The motion carried.

The Sunflower Crest for Miss Taylor's Troop 7 was adopted.

Mrs. Hudson appointed a nominating committee made up of Mrs. Carl Keys, Mrs. Ross Wheeler and Mrs. D. O. McEwen.

## Brownie Troop No. 2 Met On March 16th

Brownie Troop No. 2 met with the leader, Mrs. Ross Wheeler, on Monday, March 16.

Those who had completed the sale of cookies checked in the money. Sixty-nine boxes were sold. The girls repaid the Girl Scout Promise and are to know the Girl Scout Laws by the next meeting. Songs were rehearsed for the mass meeting.

The leader plans to take the Brownies on a hike in the near future.

Lana Beavers served refreshments to Dorothy Abernathy, Mary Broyles, Ann Chandler, Virginia Harral, Patricia Jones, Arleta Lee, Glenda Parker, Sammie Steele, Elsie Sharon Wheeler and Darlene Workman.

Hostess for the next meeting will be Mary Broyles.

## Scout Troop No. 5 Met On Monday

Scout Troop No. 5 met Monday, March 16.

We had no time to sew because we went to the auditorium and practiced our part on the program celebrating our 41st birthday.

Attending the meeting were Charlene West, Nelda Phillips, Loreta Rollins, Carleta Keys, Nancy Nutt, Gay Howard, Martha Knott, and the leader, Mrs. Keys.

SANDRA COWAN, Reporter.

## Girl Scout Forty-first Anniversary Observed

The Rankin Girl Scout Association observed the 41st year of Girl Scouting in the U. S. with a special program Tuesday evening, March 17, at 8 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ramer, who have been connected with the Girl Scout program in McCamey and in the Permian Basin area for a number of years, were the guest speakers. Mrs. Ramer spoke on "The Importance of the Girl Scout Program to the Community," and Mr. Ramer discussed "Ways and Means Used in Building a Girl Scout Little House."

Advanced Intermediate Troop No. 7 and Troop No. 1 and their leaders, Mrs. McEwen and Miss Pat Taylor, gave the skit, "Birthday Ceremony Explaining the Scout Program."

Troop No. 3, under the direction of their leader, Mrs. E. A. Chandler, presented an Indian stunt and sang "Girl Scouts Together."

Troop No. 5 and leaders, Mrs. Carl Keys and Mrs. J. P. Pettit, presented a folk game.

Brownie Troop No. 2 and leader, Mrs. Ross Wheeler, also gave a folk game.

Mrs. Alvin Bushong and Mrs. E. A. Simpson, leaders of Brownie Troop No. 4, gave the Brownie Promise and Brownie Smile Song.

Mrs. D. O. McEwen, badge chairman, presented Jan Daugherty and Rachel Broyles, the Housekeeping, Outdoor Cook and Good Grooming badges.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Dunn of Midland were out of town guests. Mrs. Dunn, a very enthusiastic leader in Midland, gave a few remarks, saying a Little House would encourage leaders and Scouting program in this community.

Scrapbooks and Work was also on display.

Parents and friends of Girl Scouting present were:

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bushong  
Mr. and Mrs. Pete Beeman  
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bushong  
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dunn, Midland

Mr. Porter Bever  
Mr. Dorsey  
Mrs. J. T. James  
Mrs. S. O. Langford  
Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Chandler  
Mr. and Mrs. Sweeney  
Mrs. J. W. Vanzant  
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pettit, Jr.  
Mrs. H. C. Dishman  
Mrs. P. T. Reed, Jr.  
Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Hilton  
Mrs. T. M. Bradberry  
Mrs. Wheeler  
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ramer, McCamey

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Howell  
Mrs. Walton Harral  
Mrs. Carl Keys  
Mrs. Murray McCain  
Mrs. Ralph Daugherty  
Mrs. D. O. McEwen

## HOSPITAL NOTES

Elia White, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. White, medical, admitted March 6, dismissed on March 14.

Mrs. Cecil Copeland, Rankin, medical, dismissed March 11.

Mrs. E. A. Asher, medical, dismissed March 12.

Mrs. Charles N. Brown, medical, dismissed March 13.

Mrs. Sarah Smith, Crane, medical, admitted March 10, still confined.

Mrs. James E. Williamson and infant son, Jimmy Dan, born last week, dismissed March 14.

Miss Evelyn Brown, medical, admitted March 11, dismissed on March 16.

Charles N. Brown, medical, admitted March 9, dismissed March 13th.

LaRoy Brown and Jackie Brown, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Brown, medical, admitted March 11, dismissed March 13.

Rev. G. A. Rowell, medical, admitted March 12, dismissed on March 16.

Mrs. Lamar Smith, medical, admitted March 13, dismissed March 17th.

Domingo Mendoza, Jr., Rankin, medical, admitted March 16, still confined.

Mrs. Jesus Molina, medical, admitted March 17, still confined.

Mrs. Henry Abalos, medical, admitted March 18, still confined.

## Crane Doctor Killed In Airplane Accident Near Post Last Friday



DR. S. F. ROBINSON

CRANE—People of Crane and vicinity were shocked Friday with the news of the death in an airplane accident of Dr. S. F. Robinson, Crane, Tex.

The doctor and his 18 year old son, Bobby were occupants of a plane which plunged to the ground near Post, Texas, about Friday noon. Death came to Dr. Robinson about 3 p. m. in the Garza County Hospital.

Bobby Robinson, popular senior student of Crane High School, remains in the hospital where he was reported Monday to be holding his own following surgery by an Amarillo specialist. Extent of his injuries was listed as serious head injury, facial lacerations, and multiple cuts and bruises. He is in a semiconscious state.

## TRYING TO LAND

Dr. Robinson was trying to land his private four-passenger plane in a dense fog on the Post Airstrip. The plane was described as being in a half spin as it fell into a plowed-up cottonfield, about 200 yards from the airstrip.

The physician and his son were flying home after a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Robinson of Paducah.

## "DR. FRANK"

The physician known as "Dr. Frank" by Crane residents, came here in 1933 shortly after finishing his intern work in New York. He was associated with Dr. Clovis Robinson, his brother, who died in 1935. His first office here was located in the Keltner Pharmacy. He built the clinic in 1938. When the Crane County Memorial Hospital opened in 1949, he became chief of staff.

Over the 20 years he spent in Crane, Dr. Robinson many times was the only physician there. Dr. John Terry has been associated with Dr. Robinson in the Robinson Clinic.

At the time of his death, the doctor was making plans for the return of Dr. B. J. Maynard to Crane. Dr. Maynard, now in the armed forces, was formerly associated with Dr. Robinson prior to being called into the service.

## FUNERAL SERVICES

Funeral services were held at the First Methodist Church in Crane Saturday afternoon with Rev. R. O. Tomlinson officiating. Interment was in a Paducah cemetery Sunday.

Survivors are his wife, one son, Bobby and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Robinson of Paducah.

## Midland Livestock Auction Sale Report

The market was steady to strong on steekers and steady to lower on most cattle going to the packer.

Fat Calves and yearlings, good to choice went for \$20 to \$23.00; medium to good \$17.50 to \$20.00; Cull to common \$14.00 to \$17.50. Good cows sold for \$13.00 to \$14.50 medium cows went for \$12 to \$13. canners and cutters were \$9.50 to \$12.00.

Bulls brought \$15.00 to \$17.50. Stocker steer calves were bid at \$20.00 to \$23.00.

Stocker heifer calves drew \$18.00 to \$21.00.

Mixed breed and Braham stocker calves and yearlings cleared at \$13.00 to \$16.50.

Cows and calves cleared at \$130.00 to \$182.50.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Rush have moved back to Rankin. They formerly lived here for a short time. Mr. Rush is employed by a drilling company.



This is the famous Ford Rotunda with its redesigned exterior. Inside, the entire building, long Detroit's principal tourist attraction, will have a completely new series of displays and exhibits to show the progress of the automobile industry and its effect on American life. This artist's conception shows how the building will look when it is reopened to the public about June 1 as part of the company's 50th anniversary observance.



### University To Begin \$20,000.00 Project To Improve Oil Output

AUSTIN, March 18.—A \$20,000 project to gather background information for improving petroleum production will begin this summer at the University of Texas.

Dr. Norman Hackerman will direct the study, financed by the American Petroleum Institute. Dr. H. L. Wang, who received his doctorate at the University in 1951, will return to assist Dr. Hackerman.

The scientists will try to determine atomic and molecular reactions when petroleum comes in contact with reservoir rock.

Petroleum engineers may find such information very useful in attempting to make petroleum move more easily through underground reservoirs.

### THE STATE OF TEXAS To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Upton County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS To:

Joseph Edward Hines, Defendant. GREETING.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 112th District Court of Upton County at the Courthouse thereof, in Rankin, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 13 day of April, A. D. 1953, to Plaintiff's First Amended Petition filed in said court, on the 25 day of February, A. D. 1953, in this cause, numbered 765, on the docket of said court and styled Helen Marie Hines, Plaintiff, vs. Joseph Edward Hines, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff prays for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony, stating that Defendant has been guilty of excesses, cruel treatment and outrages towards plaintiff of such a nature as to render their living together insupportable, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law. Clerk, 112th District Court.

(LS) Upton County, Texas. By Sara Lee Vardy, Deputy. and the seal of said court at Rankin, Texas, this 25 day of February, A. D. 1953. Attest: Nancy K. Daugherty.

### Rain Lifts Hopes For Game And Fish

AUSTIN. — Rainfall bringing moisture to bone dry parts of Texas has stimulated hopes for the Animal Kingdom in the entire state, according to the Executive Secretary of the Game and Fish Commission.

He said the precipitation came at a crucial time for wildlife since species such as quail and wild turkey are readying for the spring reproduction, while big game, particularly fawn-carrying does, now are seeking vital green nourishment after changing over from the mast crop winter feed.

Equally important, he said, fish life is at an important seasonal stage. The rain reinvigorates the lakes and streams and restores ponds and tanks which have been dry for months.

The moisture is expected to be particularly beneficial in West Texas, said the secretary. Some areas there had not had sizeable rains for more than a year. In deep Southwest Texas, the drought had become so acute that some species of animals were dying from thirst and starvation.

One immediate effect of the soaking rain in West Texas was the announcement of plans by Marion Toole, Chief Aquatic Biologist, for possible resumption of production by the San Angelo State Fish Hatchery. He said if enough water is caught from the runoff, brood bass now confined to holding quarters, may be moved to normal spawning tanks. There still is time, he explained, for a "fair 1953 bass production" at that hatchery with consequent stocking of revived lakes and streams or restored farm tanks.

Game bird authorities likewise weighed the importance of the new moisture. E. G. Marsh, Assistant Director of Wildlife Restoration for the Game and Fish Commission, said quail are about to pair off and begin mating. Particularly severe dry spells, he said discourage quail from even planning a family because of the lack of nesting cover and absence of food water.

Eugene Walker, Wildlife Biologist, said wild turkeys also react to moisture at this period since they are breaking up from flocks and beginning their mating activities.

The timely rainfall followed reports from some areas in South-west Texas that some wildlife had dry weather. Game Warden Jim Pond at Carrizo Springs, said he had seen carcasses of many javelina and armadillo. He said the previous rainfall there, according to one measurement, was one inch for 12 months.

Pond also reported that the drought was curbing predator control work since trails of mountain lions could not be detected. He said he noted that lion tracks made during a light rain in February a year ago still could be seen in one place.

This was confirmed by J. E. Hearn, Predator Control Chief for the Commission. He said dust storms developing from drought had curtailed coyote control activities because baits on the cyanide guns became fouled.

### Benson Said To Be Good Man To Head Agriculture Dept.

WASHINGTON.—A short time after Ezra Taft Benson had taken the oath of office as Secretary of Agriculture, he called together the key people whom he'd personally appointed—15 policy-making executives and a few of their top aids. As they sat down in a semi-circle fronting the great walnut desk in the Secretary's spacious private office, a mid-morning January sun illuminated the towering white shaft of the Washington Monument seen through the windows to his left.

"It is my wish," said Secretary Benson, "that as we meet here—in this first staff conference, and in those to come—we open our meeting with a word of prayer. If there is any objection . . ." He did not finish; for his staff, as if moved by a single impulse, rose quietly, heads bowed. The Secretary rose and said a short prayer, giving thanks and beseeching God for guidance. This staff meeting prayer has become a custom. It is characteristic of the new Agriculture Department.

### WHOLESOME ATMOSPHERE

Several of Secretary Benson's immediate associates smoke, and at the first few meetings a few cigars, a few cigarettes, and a pipe or two were in evidence. The Secretary didn't mind. But as the character of the staff conferences began to be felt by all, the smoking stopped.

"Smoking just seemed out of harmony with the atmosphere of our meetings," a high official in the department told me. "Everybody sensed it, and we smokers especially."

As this column is written, I've just come from spending a day in the sprawling gray stone building, just off the Mall, where decisions are being made directly affecting the long-range welfare of America's 6,000,000 farm families and indirectly affecting the whole nation's future. I talked to a number of Mr. Benson's closest assistants and spent some time with the Secretary himself. I got a glimpse of the heart and mind of the new Agriculture Department and an understanding of the basic philosophy that will shape its future

farm programs. What I saw and heard was good.

### KNOW-HOW RECOGNIZED

At 53, Secretary Benson is a strapping 6-footer, handsome, vigorous. He speaks easily, forthrightly. He is a family man, with four daughters and two sons. His background and his capabilities seem to equip him perfectly for the Agriculture post. He grew up on an Idaho farm and chose agriculture as a career. He spent seven college years preparing—at Utah State Agriculture College, Brigham Young University, Iowa State College, and the University of California.

He has operated his own farm, but his farming knowledge and his grasp of the great universal problems of American agriculture have constantly taken him away from his own acres. He has served as county agent, extension economist and marketing specialist; and as professor-chairman of the Department of Agricultural Economics and Marketing at the University of Idaho. He helped build the former co-operative movement in America, and served for years in Washington as executive secretary of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives. During the war President Roosevelt appointed him to the National Agricultural Advisory Committee. He has spent time abroad to acquaint himself with the international problems of agriculture.

### A DEDICATED SERVANT

After digging into his background and visiting with him here in Washington, I am convinced that Ezra Benson is dedicated to (1) increasing reliance upon God in America; (2) strengthening our Constitutional government; (3) bettering life in America for everybody, and (4) improving the living standards and economic security on the farms of America. He feels, I am sure, that his best contribution to the nation's economic stability would be to help strengthen self-reliance, thus halting the disease of government handouts; to work toward vastly improved farm marketing information and facilities throughout the nation; and to place the emphasis, in Washington and throughout the Agriculture Department setup, on expanding and improving agricultural research and education for the benefit of the people on the millions of all-sized farms in America.

### Ford Rotunda To Be Reopened To Tourists

The Ford Rotunda, Detroit's biggest tourist attraction and gateway to the famous Rouge plant, will be reopened about June 1 as part of Ford Motor Company's anniversary observance.

Thereafter, it will be open to the public seven days a week, including holidays, from 9 a. m. until 10 p. m.

With an accent on the future, artists, designers and architects have completely remodeled the 110-foot-tall gear-shaped structure which was built for the Chicago World's Fair in 1934, and later moved to its present location in Dearborn, Mich.

Animated displays, sculptures, murals and dioramas in the air-conditioned building will tell the story of progress in the automotive industry—how science and manufacturing skills have been combined to produce a better way of life, and what they hold for the future.

The exhibits will portray the conversion of raw materials into finished products, the effect of industrial advancement on standards of living; the role of research and engineering in automotive production, and the potentialities of a modern industrial organization.

A renovated theatre, with a seating capacity of 385 persons, will present film programs daily.

### Field Rules Set For Rodman-Noel Pool

Austin—The Railroad Commission this week adopted rules for oil well operations in the following field:

Rodman-Noel (Grayburg) Field, Upton County—Spacing pattern 660 feet, no well to be drilled nearer than 330 feet to any property line. Proration unit of 10 acres.

He has called in the farm leaders from every section of the country to help him formulate programs based on this thinking.

"Dr. Benson," he said as I was leaving, "I have great faith in the good horse-sense of the American people. They want sensible agricultural programs. That's what we will try to develop and offer to the nation."

The American people, it seems to me, can have faith in a man who thinks and talks like that.

### Adequate Housing Is Assured For Visitors To Tulsa Oil Show

Tulsa, through the IPE Housing Bureau, is going to house an estimated 22,000 to 25,000 oil men and exhibitors May 14 to 23 during the International Petroleum Exposition, and there is every assurance that sufficient preparations have been made to accommodate every oil man regardless of whether he desires to stay one day or the entire 10 day period.

The estimated attendance is made by General Manager Wm. B. Way who says his estimate is based on an independent survey made at the last show for certain exhibitors by Leslie Brooks and Associates, oil field research consultants, which shows that 15,508 different oil men of buyer and specifier capacity from 43 nations and 29 states attended at the last exposition in 1948. No survey was made of exhibitors but Way estimates them conservatively at over 5,000.

Due to increased size of the 1953 show, and the increased attendance of oil men at oil gatherings the past few years, Way estimates that the 1953 attendance will be from 15 to 25 per cent above that of the 1948 show.

And he reports that attendance from foreign countries should double, according to advanced indications received at the exposition office, the office of W. G. Skelley, exposition president and the office of Oklahoma's Governor Johnston Murray who toured Latin America in behalf of the exposition last summer.

### State Approves 4-H Club Food Programs

4-H Club members in this state who have the highest rating record of achievement in either of three national programs relating to food production, utilization and conservation, will receive a gold-filled jewel watch signifying that they are 1953 state winners, the National 4-H Committee has announced. The programs and awards donors are Dairy Foods Demonstrations, Carnation; Frozen Foods, International Harvester and Meat Animals, Thos. E. Wilson.

In the 4-H Frozen Foods and Meat Animals programs, eight sectional winners will be given an expense trip to the 1953 National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago next November. In the Dairy Foods Demonstration program, which has no sectional awards, eight national winners will receive a trip to the Chicago Club Congress. Gold-filled medals will be awarded to county winners in each of the programs.

Some of the 4-H Club members' achievements in the three programs may be gained from 1952 figures of participants. In the 4-H Meat Animal program, members raised more than 800,000 beef cattle, sheep and swine; 6,500 individual and team members demonstrated how to prepare dairy products for nutritious dishes before 85,000 people, and 115,000 4-H boys and girls from 1 1/2 million quarts and 2 million pounds of food.

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**CRIMINAL TRIAL PROCEDURE HAS CONFLICTING AIMS**

How many of the technicalities and so called "loopholes" in our laws governing conduct of criminal trials could be eliminated without danger to innocent citizens? Some critics of our criminal trial system feel that certain safeguards in our system could be abolished without such danger. But many believe the danger to the innocent to be quite substantial.

While most everyone is in favor of more efficient law enforcement and relative few accomplish this aim at the expense of individual rights. A democratic society pursues conflicting aims in its criminal procedure—to convict the guilty without endangering the innocent.

The protection provided by our laws for the rights of those accused of crime form a primary distinction between our way of life and that existing behind the iron curtain. We start out with the promise that every individual presumed to be innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Then we rely upon various safeguards to insure that those actually innocent will not be wrongfully convicted.

If these safeguards are to be effective in protecting the innocent our courts must insist upon their strict observance. This means that cases must be reversed and new trials must be granted in instances where the accused has not been afforded every protection as guaranteed by our laws.

Many of these cases must obviously involve persons who are actually guilty. And sometimes the delays occasioned by mistrials and new trials will allow the guilty to escape punishment. Witnesses disappear and memories grow dim as the case moves from one appeal to another.

Admittedly, the guilty should be punished. But how far dare we go in reforming and speeding up the processes of criminal justice? Our judges and lawyers believe that any criminal procedure instituted solely with profession-

al offenders in mind, or on the supposition that "the rogues have too many chances to escape" would result in a ritual whose efficiency would be equaled only by its terror.

So, while Bar committees are constantly working on plans for increasing the efficiency of our criminal trial machinery, progress must necessarily be gradual and orderly. Human rights and the individual are too important in our society to take a chance on any overnight upheaval of procedure and safeguards which have evolved over a period of several hundred years.

Our safeguards include the right not to be detained without being advised of the nature of the accusation against us, the right not to be coerced into a confession, the right to be represented by counsel, the right to a fair and prompt jury trial, and many others.

How many of these can we afford to give up in the interests of improving our criminal trial system? How many would you waive if you should become an innocent suspect in a criminal case?

Weekend guest of Pete Pauley, Texas Tech student, was Bud Hopper of Lampasas. The boys were guests of Pete's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pauley.

A pig is the nearest relative to a hippopotamus.

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Former "Quiz-Kid" Vanessa Brown, now starring in the Broadway play, "The Seven Year Itch," here proves that the brains of a genius are no handicap—if they don't show. Vanessa has hit the big time on stage, screen, and television—and she's also much in demand on the lecture platform. A cover story in the March Cosmopolitan magazine says she hopes to establish herself as a writer when her acting career wanes. At 25, she has already written a play and sold three stories.

Jockeys stand in their stirrups The W. R. Knott family visited to distribute their weight in an in Odessa last week. even manner.

The Kentucky Derby has been run every May since 1875.

"Mush," the Alaskan term, is a contraction of the French "march-one" meaning to go on.

Only at certain seasons is the hair of the ermine white.

At the Gulf of Guinea where the prime meridian crosses the equator at sea level, the earth's surface has neither longitude, latitude nor altitude.

Stadium was originally a Greek measure of length approximately 600 feet.

Washington's cabinet was composed of secretaries of State, Treasury and War.

George Washington owned a set of the third edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

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FOOD IS CHEAP

A short time ago, Dr. Earl L. Butz, head of the Department of Agricultural Economics of Purdue University, addressed a meeting of the Farm Equipment Institute. He emphasized certain facts that should be far better known than is actually the case.

First of all, he said, "Food is not expensive. There is no country on the face of the earth today where the working man spends so small a portion of his working day earning the food he eats than in America. . . Food is cheap and it is getting cheaper."

Dr. Butz then went into the causes that lie behind this. "We are now feeding our population on science and technology. We have increased our total agricultural output in the last three decades 55 to 60 per cent, on the same acres we had. I dare say fully two-thirds of that increase was due to application of science and the advanced technology associated with mechanism and electrification. Even so, the scientific frontiers of American agriculture are barely scratched."

At this point he cited a number of common foods, including bread, bacon and milk, which cost the average worker less now, in terms of the working time needed to buy them, than they did in past years. He added, "Science and technology and mechanization have been applied to the process of producing food to put it on the American table cheaper than consumers any other place in the world can get their food."

It is certainly clear from this that the machine has not only transformed the business of farming, making it a far more profitable and attractive undertaking than it ever was before, but has been a boon to the consumer as well. In agriculture, as in industry, more and more mechanization has been the key to progress.

A BAD HABIT IS HARD TO BREAK

Price, wage and other government controls are being removed as rapidly as possible. We are headed back for a free market, competitive economy. This move appears to have the support of the people, which is a wholesome indication. The policy of the free market is inseparable from the philosophy of free government.

For years the people have been told by bureaucratic planners that controls can protect consumers against inflation—which they cannot do. Every effort has been made by many top politicians and government officials to create distrust of the free market which has given the United States the finest production and distribution system the world has ever known. It is a great tribute to this system and particularly to retail distribution that it has been able to function for such a long time under a mountain of anti-competitive, anti-free market controls.

Today controls are being removed, but we should not forget that they are being removed while activity is high and people are reasonably content. We should not forget that there is still a \$260,000,000,000 public debt to reckon with and that for most of the time during the past two decades we have been supported by government deficit financing. In plain words, controls and the philosophy of political dictatorship that they represent are being thrown off with the approval of the people, but there has been no test as yet of renewed faith in the philosophy of a free economy. Bracketing prices and wages with "floors and ceilings" by government decree is like the dope habit. It is hard to break.

Christmas is not a legal holiday in Kansas. George Washington was born in Virginia, at that time a British Colony.

Allspice is the dried unripe fruit from the pimento tree. Giraffe's eyes are so constructed they can see to the rear without turning their heads.

Basketball was originated in Springfield, Mass., in 1891. Elephants, alligators, turtles and A train's whistle sounds higher poll parents have an average life as it approaches because more vibration of one hundred years or vibrations per second reach the ear more.

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Highlights and Sidelights FROM Your State CAPITOL

AUSTIN—Crime is the big news in the Legislature.

Lawmakers are considering a report of the House Crime Investigating Committee. Among other things, the committee recommended that the state set up an agency, something like the FBI, to act when local law enforcement officers fail to do their jobs.

Rep. Fred Meridith of Terrell is chairman of the committee, which spent two years looking into the status of crime in Texas. The report said that there are fewer organized law violations than there have been in some time.

But members warned that the situation can change suddenly. Liquor violations are serious, the committee said, suggesting that the law be changed so that:

Liquor permits would be canceled if there is gambling or sale of narcotics on the premises.

Licensed establishments would be forced to close when the curfew hour on liquor sales is reached.

Bringing of liquor from Mexico would be prohibited except during those hours when liquor can be legally purchased in Texas.

The Texas Liquor Control Board would have radio cars to help the agents apprehend bootleggers (violators who transport liquor into dry territory).

Also recommended was establishment of a narcotics division in the Texas Department of Public Safety.

In the Senate is a modified automobile inspection bill, passed by the House after a great deal of wrangling.

Rep. D. H. Buchanan of Longview is author of the bill, which provides that brakes, lights, warning devices, horns, mirrors, and windshield wipers must be inspected.

The bill does not make an inspection tag necessary to get a car license.

The Senate also heard sharp words on the subject of car inspection, and Senator Carlos Ashley of Llano went to the length of suggesting the impeachment of Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., director of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Ashley's charge was that Garrison had not enforced the law requiring motorists to have the inspection tag before buying their automobile licenses.

Ashley, long a foe of the car inspection law, believes that if it were rigidly enforced, the people would demand its repeal.

His move in the Senate was a resolution ordering the upper house investigating committee to find out why Garrison had "refused to perform his official duty and to determine whether or not this arbitrary refusal is grounds for impeachment proceedings."

Senators A. M. Aikin, Jr., of Paris, and George Moffett of Chillicothe defended Garrison, saying that his administration has been exemplary. Ashley's resolution was defeated 27 to 3.

Crime and law enforcement also came up in connection with a meeting between a Jim Wells County grand jury and Gov. Allan Shivers, who assured his visitors that he and Attorney General John Ben Shepperd will study ways to improve the situation.

The governor asserted he would favor "a setup where the vote of the people would elect a district judge instead of George Parr's doing it."

The jury had protested that District Judge C. W. Laughlin had thrown stumbling blocks in the way of its investigations. Laughlin was elected with Parr's backing.

On the day following the grand jury's interview with the governor, Laughlin quashed 68 indictments returned by a Starr County grand jury. The indictments were against county and election officials at the time of the 1952 Democratic primary.

Senator J. T. Rutherford promised a "fight to the finish" for the removal of Dr. Geo. W. Cox as the state health officer.

The state board of health again postponed action on Cox's appointment at a meeting where Rutherford demanded a complete investigation of the department.

Rutherford charged that Cox had used a state employee and state materials to paint his house. He accused Ed Ridel, business manager of the department, as being its lobbyist, and he contended that the health office has so many employees that they are falling all over each other.

Cox and Ridel denied these charges and Cox said they were nothing but politics. The board meets again in June, and Cox's appointment may come up again at that time.

The House appropriations committee followed the lead of economy-minded members and approved the bill providing \$161,358,168 for general expenditures during the next two years.

That is all the money in sight from present sources. According to the Constitution, the state cannot spend more than it has.

The appropriation does not take care of increased spending, demanded from many sources for higher teachers' and state employees' salaries, road building, and other expenses.

If those expenses are to be met, there will have to be new taxes to raise the money.

Rep. G. T. Hinson of Mineola advocates getting more funds by means of his bill to put a tax of two cents per thousand cubic feet on natural gas produced under contracts covering more than a one-year period.

The tax, Hinson estimates, will bring the state \$30 million a year.

Another recommendation was that of a West Texas group in the House. They presented a bill that would put taxes on natural resources, refineries, and the chemical industry so as to bring the state an additional \$80 million per year.

The money would go to teachers and state employees, city streets, highways, colleges and prisons.

Some legislators were up in arms about the Esquire Magazine article, "Truth About Texas." Rep. M. O. Bell urged the Attorney General to find out whether the magazine's mailing privileges could be suspended. Rep. S. J. Isaacks said "no other writer has told so many lies in so few words."

SHORT SNORTS

Unless Texas sets up an agency to deal with the federal government about surplus foodstuffs, the state may not get any more. The foods have been used largely in public school lunch programs. . . Wm. E. Pool, law graduate of the University of Texas, is the new secretary of the state bar, succeeding Wm. J. Park, who died last month. . . Rep. Don Kennard of Ft. Worth introduced a bill providing that legislators must show where their money comes from. . . Three new members are serving on the state hospital board. They are Dr. Raleigh Ross of Austin; J. G. Dudley of Houston, and Dr. J. E. Wooten of Columbus. . . If you come to Austin, you will have to put a dime in Congress Avenue meters for an hour's parking. A nickel will get only half an hour from meters just installed.

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WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS" By C. WILSON HARDER

Many feel future of every American is not being mapped in Washington, London, nor Moscow. . . Not only Washington independent business leaders, but farm, labor leaders, scrutinize Detroit. . . For in Detroit Big Motors spearheads drive to scrap all U. S. tariff laws, to permit a ruinous flood of cheap foreign-made goods and products. . . Big Motors C. W. Harder wants immediate elimination of 10% duty on foreign cars. . . Thereby hangs a tale. . . Independent U. S. automakers have upset Big Three of motor-om. Old torpedoes which used to blast independent competition have been missing fire. . . Before the war, independent car makers, regardless of quality of products or price, never overcame handicap of arbitrarily established low trade-in values of their products on other brands. . . But, at war's end Big Three, feeling a hungry public would accept anything, offered models similar to prewar models. . . But independent makers such as Studebaker, Hudson, Packard and Nash stealing a march, brought out entirely new models in design and conception. . . Public acceptance of independent cars, both on new sales floors and on used car lots has been a major postwar surprise. . . Steel controls brought by Korea established allocations to auto industry on historic usage: Big Three getting 85%. . . © National Federation of Independent Business

With public demand for their new models on the upswing, this hurt independents, but they kept on developing new designs. . . Now with controls off, Big Three knows wraps are also off independent competition. . . But elements of Big Three have foreign plants with cheap labor. Some models have been offered U. S. buyers for some time. Many are sold because of lower prices; others attracted by cheapness, are 'sold up' to more expensive U. S. made models. . . Elimination of 10% tariff would permit Big Three with foreign plants to import even cheaper cars. . . This will hurt sales of all U. S. made cars including independents. But Big Three will make profit on foreign cars, leaving independent U. S. makers the only real losers. . . This probable development would also be headed off. . . As independent makes increase in sales, greater volume production will permit lower costs, consequently still lower prices. This the Big Three does not want. . . There is also a paradox. . . Most auto dealers for all brands are independent businessmen with high sense of community and national responsibility. Yet, such is nature of their franchise, dealers handling Big Three products face alternative of selling cheap foreign products or losing franchise. . . The vast majority of Americans have all their eggs in one basket. . . The United States of America. . . That defines coming battle on tariff eliminations. On one side the majority of Americans; on the other, a small minority with eggs in baskets all over the world.

Four Named To Oil Industry Committee . . . Four new appointments of West Texas Oil Industry Information Committee Chairman were announced today by Joe T. Dickerson, Area Chairman. They are C. E. (Ed) Prichard, Midland, Midland County Chairman; James Carl, San Angelo, Tom Green and Coke Counties Chairman; E. L. Kent, Wickett, Ward County Chairman; and Thomas H. Smith, Odessa, Ector County Chairman. . . In announcing appointments, Dickerson, who is Vice President of Shell Oil Company in Midland, said that each of these chairmen is now organizing local OIIC committees to tell the public how it benefits from competition among thousands of privately managed oil companies. These committees will offer movies, programs and literature on the oil industry to schools and interested civic organizations and will handle arrangements for Oil Progress Week, October 11-17. . . One of these chairmen, E. C. Kent, is serving his third year as spokesman for the industry in Ward County. Kent is superintendent of the Wickett Refining Company refinery near Monahans, where he is an active participant in civic affairs. . . The new Midland County Chairman, C. E. (Ed) Prichard, associated with the Midland Map Company, is serving his first year in OIIC activities. Prichard is a past president of the Midland Lions Club. He succeeds John Ed Cooper of Midland in his new capacity. . . Jim Carl of San Angelo has served as Publicity Chairman of the Tom Green County OIIC Committee for the last two years. He recently announced the appointment of Robert L. Augenthaler, of Standard Oil Company of Texas San Angelo office, as vice-chairman. Mr. J. B. Higgenbotham, with Sun Oil Company near Silver, is Coke County Vice-Chairman. Carl is well known throughout newspaper and oil circles in the Permian Basin. He is on the staff of the San Angelo Standard-

Times where he is now oil editor. . . The new Ector County Chairman, Thomas H. Smith of Odessa served as Vice-Chairman of the committee in 1952. He was also in charge of publicity for the Permian Basin Oil Show and OIIC activities during the year. Smith is oil editor for the Odessa American and Editor of "Drill Bit" magazine. Ector County Chairman in 1951-52 was E. W. Showen. . . Two U. S. presidents received the Nobel peace prize—Theodore Roosevelt in 1906 and Woodrow Wilson in 1919. . . Times where he is now oil editor.

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Bass Fishing In Old Mexico Movie Viewed By Rod And Gun Club

A motion picture on bass fishing in Mexico was presented to members of the Pecos Valley Rod and Gun Club at their regular meeting Monday night at the McCamey Park Building.

The movie was presented through the courtesy of the Gulf Oil Corporation. Following the picture, a discussion of further developing the club's rifle range for skeet shooting. It is to be set up according to specifications of the National Rifle Association. Construction of a storage building at the range is also contemplated.

Keys were given to the 29 members present which will permit them to enter the range when they please. Members not present may pick up their keys at the office of the McCamey Chamber of Commerce.

Santa Fe Carloadings

Santa Fe carloadings for week ending March 14, 1953, were 22,320 compared with 22,398 for same week in 1952.

Cars received from connections totaled 13,759 compared with 12,527 for same week in 1952.

Total cars moved were 36,049 compared with 34,925 for same week in 1952.

Santa Fe handled a total of 33,458 cars in preceding week of this year.

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