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A CIVILIAN PROTECTIVE SYSTEM

Sprawling Texas is famous for having at least a little of everything, a word which includes lots of industry and military installations. Practically the only blight on this picture is that in an atomic war, lots of industry and military installations mean that there would be lots of danger for Texans. That's one of the major reasons that civilian defense officials have been saying that now is the time to get a sound civilian protective system organized. William L. McGill, state coordi-

they indicate that this state would be a priority target in an atomic war. As far as industry and non-farm employment in general are concerned, McGill noted, Texas ranks among the top states in the nation. For instance, federal procurement contracts totaling more than \$1 1/2 billion have been awarded to Texas firms since the outbreak of fighting in Korea. This amounts to 3.1 per cent of the total tabulated by all states. However, in the petroleum products field, 22 per cent of such products were purchased in Texas at a cost of \$161,160,000. The defense work affects every large city in the state and a number of its smaller ones, the TFC report shows. A total of 80 Texas cities have participated in the procurement program, and they extend from Texarkana to El Paso and from Harlingen to the Panhandle. Items covered in the contracts cover a very wide range, running from soap to heavy bombers. Virtually all manufacturing lines and nearly all non-manufacturing industry groups — railroads, trucks, food wholesalers, retailers, utilities and farms — also take part. McGill also pointed to figures on non-farm employment as proof



Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled with the yoke of bondage.—(Galatians V-1.) Our founders came in search of freedom; they found it and left it to us, through the Constitution, to guard and maintain. Our country, then, was founded upon the teachings of Christ, for our forefathers knew that where Christianity dies, freedom dies. We today have only to look beyond the Iron Curtain to where God-less communism has enslaved men and their souls, to appreciate this truth. that Texas is gaining rapidly as a manufacturing center and thus as an atomic danger spot. Between June, 1950, and August, 1952, factory employment gained 22 per cent to reach an all-time high of 479,300. Non-farm employment, however, increased only 11 per cent. The largest percentage of gain was made in electrical equipment manufacture, which jumped 137 per cent. The largest numerical gain in employment, however, took place in the transportation equipment

industry group, since employment advanced 27,100 to a total of 61,800 for a 78 per cent gain. The study showed once again that the heaviest concentrations of Texas defense production is in the southeastern section of the state. However, such sites as Dallas, Fort Worth and San Antonio also have heavy concentrations. As for military installations, they are scattered over the state. Altogether, there are 37 of these, 24 of which belong to the Air Force, seven to the Army and six to the Navy. "The conclusion we must reach from all of this is obvious," McGill said. "We know how much of everything we have except time. So we must get organized, and organized now." About 110 national and state-wide organizations are registering volunteer civil defense workers between November 11 and November 27. The program is designed to form a reserve of manpower which will be available for service in civil defense officials.

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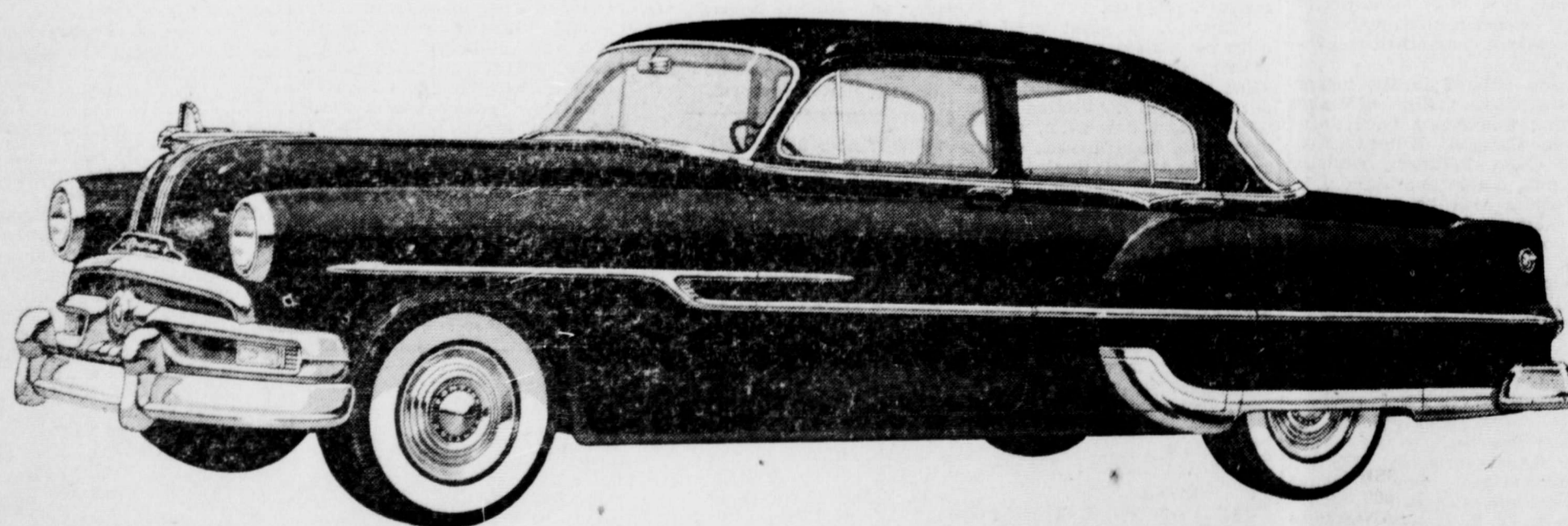
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A new industry came to the Southwest last week when construction was begun on the Southwestern Plastic Pipe Company's new factory in Mineral Wells. Plastic pipe is relatively new, but already has wide acceptance in a variety of industries.

The Southwestern Plastic Pipe Company, first such in the Southwest, is an outgrowth of the Texas Vitritified Pipe Company of Mineral Wells. Edward F. Clemens, Eugene C. Clemens and Alfred H. Clemens, all of Cannelton, Indiana, are President, vice-president and treasurer, respectively, of the new company. J. F. Bailey of Mineral Wells is secretary, and Alvin L. Barrier, formerly of the Barrier-Pringle Company of New Haven, Indiana, will assume general management.

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Barrier, a native Texan, was a University of Texas chemical engineering graduate in 1939, founding his own company in 1946 after seven years with General Electric's plastics division.

The full range of applications of plastic pipe is not yet known, according to Mr. Bailey, but millions of feet are already in use in the oil fields, irrigation areas, and industrial plants. Extensive tests are under way to establish its usefulness in the transportation of domestic gas and water lines.

The new Mineral Wells company, while specializing in piping, will manufacture other plastic products, and will conduct a research program to develop plastic specialists to meet specific industrial needs, Bailey stated.

Stewardship Services Are Planned Sunday

Stewardship services will begin Sunday morning at the Wesley Methodist Church with the Rev. Bill Dugger, pastor of the Bethel Methodist Church in Elysian Fields, Texas, as the speaker, and will continue each evening of the week with services at 7 p. m. These services are part of the All-Texas Stewardship Revival in which all Methodist Churches in the state are participating.

Laymen of the church will direct these services with R. W. Meglasson presiding and Raymond Stevens directing the music in the Sunday morning service. Mrs. Charlotte Griffith will sing special music.



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Historians often amuse themselves by trying to list the ten most important inventions of all times. They invite us to pay tribute to the unknown geniuses who invented ways of using fire, the lever, the wheel, and many other such useful things.

But great and useful as the material inventions have been, there is yet another class of useful ideas and devices which have served mankind and without which we would have lost much of the benefits of our material discoveries.

One of the most simple and remarkable ideas in this class is the idea of a contract. Possibly extending back into prehistoric times, the idea in its simple outlines is found in one form or another in the earliest recorded writings of man. The application of the concept has grown and changed to meet the conditions of every age, but the essential idea of a contract has always remained simple.

What is the basic idea of a contract? Simply that two or more persons are willing to bind each other to play some specific part in the accomplishment of a purpose which is mutually agreed to be desirable, each party expecting to gain some benefit from the transaction. The very simplicity of this idea, and its almost universal applicability to the affairs of men, is its great merit.

Contracts make possible most of the things we undertake in modern life. Practically without exception we carry out our daily work under the terms of some contract. We are able to plan ahead because of the assurance that our contracts will be enforceable at law if need be.

Every person who rents, leases or buys a home — everyone who buys a car, washing machine, groceries or almost any other thing or service — is doing so under some contract, written, spoken or understood.

Even marriage is a contract. And most of the personal and real property owned in Texas is owned under the law of community property which arises out of the marriage contract and its implied and expressed obligations and rights.

Workers and employers produce the goods of our economic life under some form of contract. The trains, trucks and planes which carry the goods are governed by contract. The Federal Government makes contracts with the several states, with businesses within the states, with individuals and groups. Your insurance policy is a contract. Your train, bus or plane ticket is a contract.

Obviously, a device which we use so frequently cannot always be handled with a great amount of ceremony and red tape. There simply isn't time for extended formalities upon every occasion in which a contract comes into being.

Yet, to many people, the mere mention of the word "contract" brings visions of lengthy documents, written in legal terms of many syllables, and executed with elaborate ceremony.

While this picture does not apply to the great majority of situations, contracts should not be taken lightly in spite of their frequent and informal use. For, by law, we must live up to our end of each such bargain.

The main thing each of us needs to know is when our words and actions will serve to create a contract. Knowing this, we are in a position to weigh and determine the advisability of going ahead. We can consider our ability to go through with all of the obligations imposed upon us by the prospective contract and ponder the consequences of possible inability to meet those obligations.

In next week's column, the essentials of making a contract will be discussed.

Old-Age Insurance Basic Retirement For Old-Timers

Old-age and survivors insurance is the basic retirement and family income protection for 8 out of every 10 paid civilian workers, it was announced today by Gordon James, manager of the Fort Worth Field office.

A recent survey conducted nationwide revealed that among those families now receiving Federal old-age insurance benefits, 30% had no other money income, or less than \$75 per year per person. The survey showed that 72% per year of the retired workers on the rolls had other money income of less than \$600 a year. This points out the great extent to which retired workers of today are dependent upon the Federal family insurance protection provided by the social security system, James said.

Younger workers are more immediately interested in the death benefit protection provided by this law, James said. Over 62.3 million workers are now fully insured under this system. This means that in the event of the untimely death of these workers or self-employed persons, their surviving children, widows, dependent parents would receive cash income. Here in Palo Pinto County approximately 499 persons have this survivors insurance protection due to their fully insured status under this law.

James added that social security benefits are assuming a greater importance in the future planning of all covered workers and self-employed people, as borne out by the national survey of persons receiving the benefit payments. Therefore, it is of the utmost importance that these individuals protect their insured status by always using but one social security number. Also, make sure that each and every employer has an accurate record of the name and number shown on your social security card so that all earnings reported for you will be credited to your individual old-age and survivors insurance account.

Rebekah Lodge Names Officers At Meeting

Officers for the coming year were elected at the weekly meeting of the Rebekah Lodge held Thursday evening at the Rebekah Hall.

Officers elected were as follows: Noble Grand, Mrs. Meta Strawn; vice grand, Mrs. Pauline Taylor; secretary, Mrs. Lydia Krauskopf; treasurer, Mrs. Laura Jensen; delegate to the Assembly, Mrs. Mae Kleiner and alternate to assembly, Mrs. Krauskopf.

Mrs. Ethel Moore was recommended as deputy. Two new members, Mrs. Joyce Curry and Mrs. Sanders, were accepted into the lodge. The group made plans for a Christmas party and a birthday party and the meeting closed in regular form.

Those present were Mesdames Laura Jensen, Lydia Krauskopf, Iva Harper, Effie Mayhew, Dee Clements, May Kleiner, Edith Rainboldt, Katie Cooper, Lea Bates, Pauline Taylor and Meta Strawn.

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