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THE FARM OUTLOOK

The outlook for 1953 is for a farm situation substantially similar to that prevailing in 1952. O. V. Wells, chief, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Washington, D. C., said at Texas A. and M. College recently.

Speaking at the Texas Farm and Ranch Credit School for Commercial Bankers, he said "if this appraisal turns out to be correct, it means that farmers generally are going to become increasingly conscious of a cost-price squeeze and that the net realized income of farm operators could be down some in 1953, perhaps as much as five per cent."

Wells pointed out that farmers in some areas faced with tough cost problems, he however was still inclined to say that the outlook for the year as a whole is reasonably good. He said that more cattle and calves are likely to be moved and that some people think cattle prices may average somewhat lower. "Wheat prices are currently being made by the Commodity Credit Corp. loan, level and wheat stocks will show a material increase July 1, 1953 as compared with July 1, 1952. Since the continued support of wheat prices at 90 per cent of parity is mandatory for the coming crop year, moisture conditions would appear to be the chief variable now affecting the wheat outlook."

In the case of cotton, Wells declared that "we believe disappearance for the current season will run around 14 million bales, perhaps four and a half million export, nine and a half million domestic mill consumption. This would mean some increase in stocks last August. "For both wheat and cotton, it looks as if the exports this year will run under last year," he said. "However, the reverse is true of rice where an extremely strong export demand will likely continue strong for 1953."

Looking to the future he said that prices and cost rates paid by farmers are likely to remain relatively firm for several years. "Certainly farm costs will decrease slowly if at all. Turning to export demand the federal man pointed out that "for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952, the shipside value of farm exports from the U. S. reached an all-time record more than four billion dollars. Value of exports this fiscal year apparently will be 15 to 20 per cent down and this lowered level will probably continue for 1953-54. "We in the Bureau of Agricultural Economics," he declared "have as yet been unwilling to join the depression school, although we do think farmers and those who work with them should be aware that the American economy could run into a 'testing period' in the fall of 1953, more likely sometime in 1954. "In appraising this problem as to what may happen if and when defense expenditures turn downward, we should recognize that our population is still growing at a rapid rate; that if our economy levels out as defense expenditures reach a peak, it will be a relatively high level; and that the answer in any event depends chiefly upon the American people themselves — that economic trends are certainly not predestined."

The governor of New York state receives a salary of \$25,000 a year, making him the highest paid governor in the USA.



HOMEWARD BOUND—Anthony, Carl, Donald and Bernard Perricone, left to right, of Beaumont, Tex., bade farewell to Korea and left for home after seven months of service in the same outfit. They're the only quadruplets ever drafted into the U. S. Army, and they have five older brothers back home in Texas where they'll be spending their Christmas.



A WALK IN THE SUN—Shapely Denise Darcel, an import to Hollywood from France, enjoys a walk over sand and rocks with Paul Bryar, near Santa Monica, Calif. They were in this rugged territory on location for a new film.



UNUSUAL LANDING—A helicopter from the cruiser USS Los Angeles looks out of place among the depth charge racks and depth charges on the destroyer USS Orleck, in Far Eastern waters. Suffering power failure during a routine mid-air transfer of personnel from one ship to the other, the 'copter was skillfully slipped onto the fantail, just missing the after five-inch gun mount. (U. S. Navy Photo)

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## Methodist Circle One Has Luncheon Tuesday

Mrs. J. H. Latson was hostess in her home Tuesday for a one o'clock luncheon and the regular meeting of Circle One of the First Methodist Church. Mrs. R. S. Elliott was co-hostess for the meeting.

The meal was served buffet style after which the group gathered in the living room which was decorated in the Christmas theme. Gifts were taken from the lighted Christmas tree and presented to the members as their number was called.

A short business session followed with Mrs. J. T. Fields presiding. Mrs. W. Z. Latch read the scripture, "Birth of Christ," taken from Luke.

Those present for the meeting were Mesdames S. H. McCannies, Stella Wilson, Celia McCrea, Hattie Fairless, B. E. Moreheart, R. W. Merket, C. E. Moore, G. R. Kilpatrick, George Winston, Anna Rendall, W. Z. Latch, C. L. Guinn, J. T. Fields, Crigler Paschall, Ed Callerman, Mable Kuykendall, Ruby Nichols, R. S. Elliott, J. H. Latson, Mrs. McElreath, and Miss Bessie Wilson.

## Mission Program Is Held By Baptist WMU

"Israel and Lebanon Where Jesus Walked" was the theme of the mission program presented at the regular meeting of the W.M.U. of the First Baptist Church.

Mrs. O. L. Mason was in charge of the meeting and Mrs. C. A. Farquhar led the devotional. Those having parts on the program were Mrs. G. B. Langston, Mrs. O. T. Martin, Mrs. R. D. Guthrie, and Mrs. E. C. Duncan. Rev. H. M. Ward sang "O Little Town of Bethlehem" and closed the meeting with prayer.

Those present were Mesdames G. B. Langston, J. E. Burnam, C. A. Farquhar, O. T. Martin, R. D. Guthrie, O. L. Mason, E. C. Duncan, O. G. Lawson, O. T. Morton, W. D. Hazel, O. J. Russell, W. P. Guinn, C. A. Williams, W. L. Moore, W. B. Cates, Billy Barnby, Frank Walker, Algie Skiles, W. W. Sawyer, Roy Morrison, E. J. Poe, Harry Schaefer, E. H. Cheeves, J. R. Burnett, W. V. Gardenhire, E. C. Whitmire, W. J. Parsons, D. L. Kisner, and Rev. and Mrs. H. M. Ward.

## Mrs. Clark Hostess For Council Group 3

Council Group Three of the First Christian Church met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. L. Clark for their weekly meeting.

Mrs. J. H. Latson, assistant chairman, presided during the business session. Mrs. J. S. Stockard led in opening prayer. The devotional, "Jesus, The Great Teacher," was given by Mrs. George Estill and Mrs. J. S. Stockard gave the lesson on "Family Life In The Church."

A short business session followed in which routine business was transacted and cards were sent to the sick. The meeting closed with all repeating the missionary benediction.

A social hour followed and refreshments were served to Mesdames J. H. Latson, H. H. Davis, G. W. Troxell, Willie Rue Logan, H. H. Tompkins, J. S. Stockard, George Estill, and A. L. Clark.

## East Ward 4-H Club Has Regular Meeting

The East Ward 4-H Club met Monday, December 8, at the school with Miss Roselle Winston in charge.

The meeting was called to order by the president and the club pledge was repeated. The program included the singing of Christmas carols and the 4-H topic was Dairy Foods.

Thirty-seven girls were present.

## East Baptist Circle Has Meeting Monday

The JOY Circle of the East Cisco Baptist Church met Monday, December 8, in the home of Mrs. R. L. Bailey for Bible study.

The meeting opened with prayer by Mrs. J. E. Hodnett and Mrs. R. L. Bailey brought the devotional. Mrs. Marie Woolover closed the meeting with prayer.

Those attending were Mesdames M. B. Payne, R. E. McCord, R. L. Bailey, Marie Woolover, Ella Jo Nelms, J. E. Hodnett, M. E. Bailey, and Marie McCormick.

## Stewardship Is Theme Of Christian Program

A program on stewardship was presented at the weekly meeting of Group Four of the First Christian Church held Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Sidney Spain.

The meeting opened with prayer by Mrs. Spain and Mrs. Standley McCracken led the devotional. A study on the book of Jeremiah was started with scripture for the day being taken from the first chapter. The program was led by Mrs. Spain who brought out what Jesus thought of Stewardship.

During the business session, Mrs. Jim Flournoy, group leader, presided and announced the schedule for the church enlargement program and urged each member to co-operate. Mrs. O. B. Graham volunteered to fill the temporary vacancy of the program chairman. Articles were assembled for a Christmas box for an orphan and the meeting closed with all present praying the missionary benediction.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. I. A. Brunkenhoefer, Mrs. Fred Erwin, Mrs. Jim Flournoy, Mrs. W. C. Hogue, Mrs. Standley McCracken, Mrs. O. B. Graham, Mrs. V. C. Overall, and the hostess Mrs. Spain.



Be ye not as the horse or as the mule, which have no understanding; whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee.—(Psalms XXXII-9.)

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Dr. Walter Prescott Webb, who holds distinguished professor rank in the University's history department, was editor-in-chief. Dr. H. Bailey Carroll, history professor and Texas State Historical Association director, was managing editor. Editorial assistants were Dr. Llerena B. Friend, Mary Joe Carroll and Louise Nolen.

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BRONZE STAR FOR KOREAN CIVILIAN—Pvt. Song San Bok, right, first Korean Service Corps member to be awarded a medal for valor by the Eighth Army, is congratulated by his father and civilian to be awarded a Bronze Star Medal for aiding an American officer who had been seriously wounded by mortar fire.

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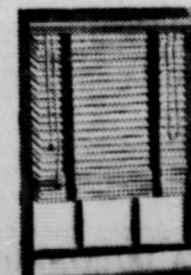
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If someone could find a cure for colds, or more important still a way to head them off, he would be assured of the undying thanks of millions.

There are no sure-fire means of prevention. Taking cold vaccines by shots or by mouth has helped some people, but in one set of experiments, slightly better results were obtained in a group of patients given plain salt solution than in a group given vaccine. Vitamins are of doubtful value, but may be of greater influence during pregnancy and while the mother is nursing her baby, also for growing children and people who are run down and weak. Some of the newer drugs used to fight infection caused by bacteria are not effective in treating the common cold. The symptoms of a cold, sometimes have an allergic or "hay fever" basis, and in such a case the antihistaminic drugs seem to give some relief.

Without definite means, then, prevention of colds hinges on two general methods: (1) avoiding infection and (2) building up resistance to it.

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or cough with a handkerchief and to keep from spreading his cold by such means as keeping his drinking glass separate. These means of cold prevention are widely accepted and are mentioned merely as reminders.

Another means of prevention is to keep cold germs that are air-borne from being set in motion again, once they have settled to the floor. Using an oil mop or vacuum cleaner rather than dry sweeping is advisable. Still another method suggested is to kill the germs while they are afloat in the air by ultraviolet light or germicidal (germ-killing) vapor from a bomb similar to those containing insecticides.

Ways to keep the body's resistance up are eating a nutritious, well balanced diet; drinking plenty of fluids daily; avoiding constipation; avoiding getting chilled; and getting enough rest and sleep, fresh air, and suitable exercise. Sunbaths or using an ultraviolet lamp twice a week to get a bodily tan has been of some help.

### Civil Service To Hold Job Exams

The United States Civil Service Commission today announced new examinations, for filling the positions of Accountant (Comprehensive Audits) in the General Accounting Office, Counseling Psychologist ( Vocational) in the Veterans Administration, and Correctional Officer (For both men and women) in the Department of Justice.

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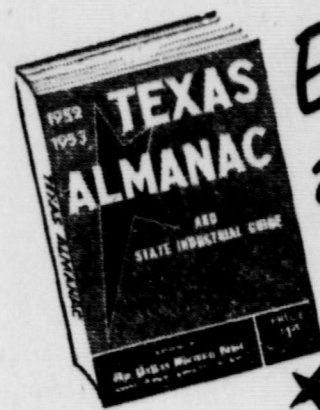
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Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Rosson of Sweetwater visited last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Rosson.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvy Taylor and children visited Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rice.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hull of Eastland and Mr. Joe Brown visited Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Y. Ervin.

Mrs. Mage Notgrass is visiting Mr. Notgrass of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. William Burrows of Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Riggs and Mrs. Mattie Lee Cory and Judy of Bethany, Oklahoma were week end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Teed Horn.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ervin Sunday were Mrs. Sherman Douglas of Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. George of Chatow, Oklahoma, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Ervin of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Moultrie Ervin and baby of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. M. Y. Ervin and children.

Mrs. James Hammer and baby of Granbury is visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Green.

The public has been extended an invitation to attend the weekly prayer meeting of the Mitchell Baptist Church held each Thursday evening at seven o'clock. David Stuteville is in charge of the prayer meetings.

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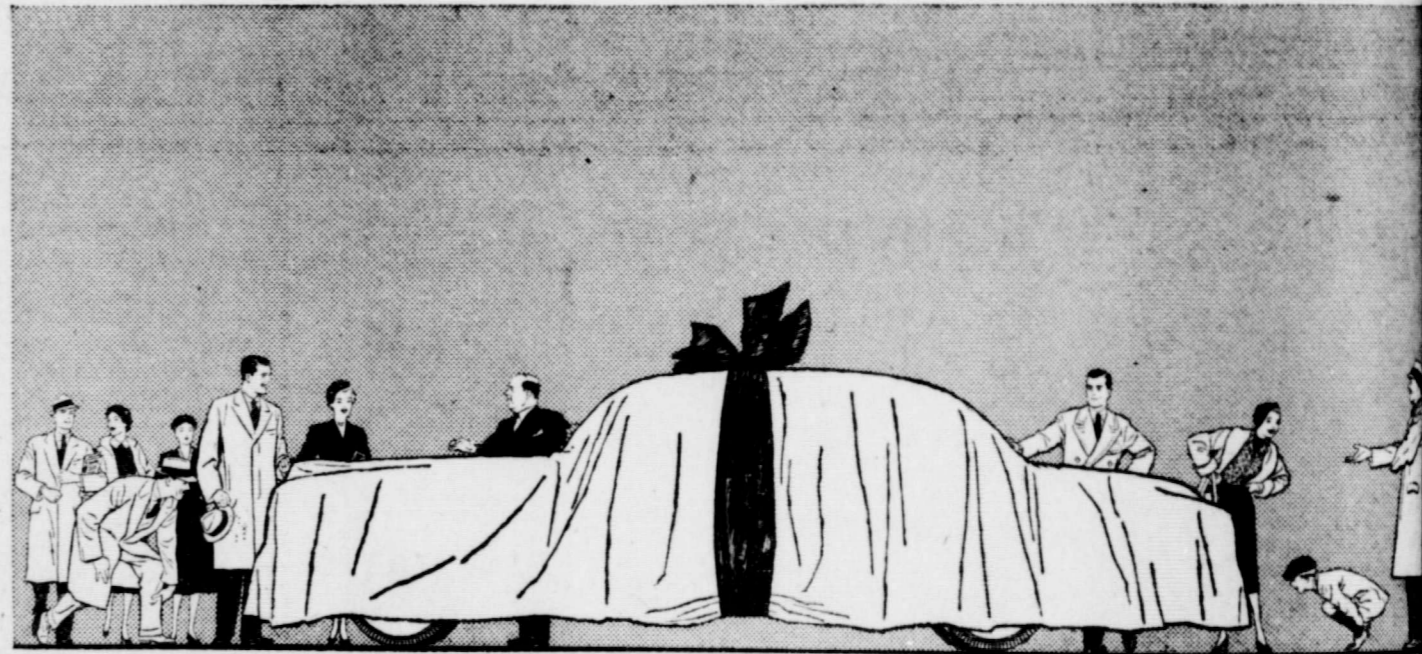
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