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"As It Looks From Here"

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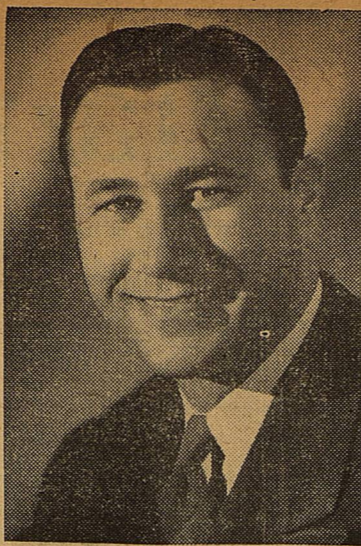
WASHINGTON, D. C.—After four years of effort, the Congress finally passed a bill in 1954 a Bill to trade

surplus agricultural commodities for highly necessary raw materials needed for defense. Not only are these raw materials needed for National Defense, but they are virtually important to our normal standard of living.

Following this legislation, an amendment was adopted by the Congress to require that 5 percent of these agricultural commodities shipped to foreign countries be sent in American-owned merchant vessels. This had the effect of increasing the cost of shipments, but that was not the greatest harm done. It has had the effect of greatly slowing

down shipments and piling agricultural products at the ports. The Merchant Marine of the United States is already being subsidized by the taxpayer. Not only does the Merchant Marine receive subsidies for building ships, but they receive subsidies for their operation.

It is necessary, of course, to have a strong Merchant Marine. On the other hand, it is obvious that cross purposes exist in this situation. The Commodity Credit Corporation has already bought and paid for, or else guaranteed loans on, agricultural products under form program. The Government owns these sur-



Rev. Oral Roberts, pictured above, has released a new film, "What God Has Shown Me", which will be viewed at the Pioneer School building on the night of July 4. The public is cordially invited to attend. There is no admission charge and the meeting starts at 8 o'clock.

Rev. Roberts is an internationally known evangelist whose salvation and healing campaigns have been felt the world over. The present film taken under his big tent during one of his healing campaigns, is about 45 minutes in duration.

pluses as property and as an asset. Other countries need them. We need raw materials from those countries who need feed and cotton the most. It makes too much sense to be wrong, but we hamper the program by requiring that 50 percent of all commodities shipped must be sent in flag ships of the United States.

Reliable information gives a perfect example of the absurdity of such a provision. Denmark is a ship-building country. They have a strong merchant marine. They wanted to buy wheat from the United States and pay cash. Certainly they wanted to come after it in their own ships. Our laws prevented, their transporting their entire purchase in their own ships, since one-half had to be shipped by United States companies. What did the Danish Government do? They bought the grain from Russia. We wonder sometimes how such a thing could happen, but after being in Washington for a while, one can

understand. It all depends on whose subsidy is being gored.

I have just introduced an amendment to a Bill which will probably be debated next week, and it has been adopted by the Committee, to make an exception of the 50 percent requirement on shipments of agricultural commodities. A fight will be made against the amendment by every Member of Congress from the East and West Coasts, or from any shipping point, including the Great Lakes. No doubt it will be vigorously opposed by the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. Of course, it will also be opposed by shipbuilders, ship operators, and organized labor. I hope, however, that my amendment will stand up.

Senator Robert S. Kerr of Oklahoma said the other day that if the Russian boss, Khrushchev, is going to try to climb to the "summit" July 18th at Geneva, Switzerland, and hang on at that dizzy height, then he had better water down his vodka and milk a mountain goat.

A report of the Bureau of the Budget shows that about 24 percent of the total cost of Government is outside the control of Congress. This is to say that the cost of certain programs and activities have been fixed by laws previously passed.

As an example, the interest on the Public Debt is \$2,600,000,000 a year. It takes three and one-half billion dollars to pay veterans' benefits by laws passed several years ago.

So on down the line to other billions of dollars, amounting to 24 percent of approximately \$65 billion annually.

There is a lot of truth in this: "There are too many ways to do nothing and too few to do something."

Lifted from someone else: "There is nearly as much happiness in earnest effort as in solid success, and a lot more time to enjoy it."

Mr. and Mrs. Donnell Clark were here from Dallas over the week end visiting his mother, Mrs. Jell Clark and other relatives, and friends.

Mrs. V. C. Walker and Teddy spent several days in Springtown last week with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Browning and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Edmondson and son, Eddy Don, returned home last Wednesday from Palestine where they visited with relatives for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. McCowan made a business trip to Brownfield over the week end.

Mrs. Ralph Vann and son, Joe David and a friend, of Houston visited in the Fonia Worthy home during the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Balkum were visiting in Abilene Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Kirkland of Rising Star visited in the W. W. Aishman home Sunday.

Sgt. Dwight Hendrick left Friday for Seattle, Washington for overseas to Japan. Mrs. Hendrick is making her home with her father, M. L. Morgan at Scranton at the present and will join her husband in Japan in the next few months.

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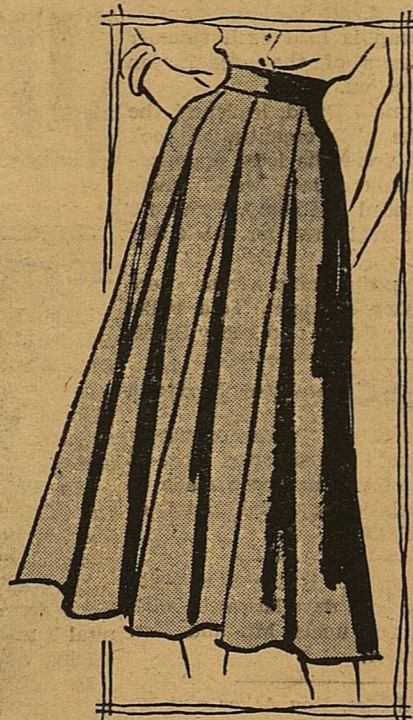
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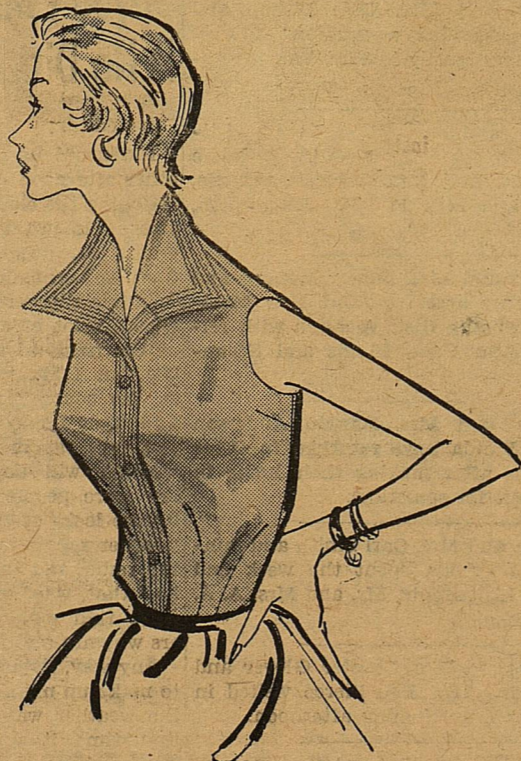


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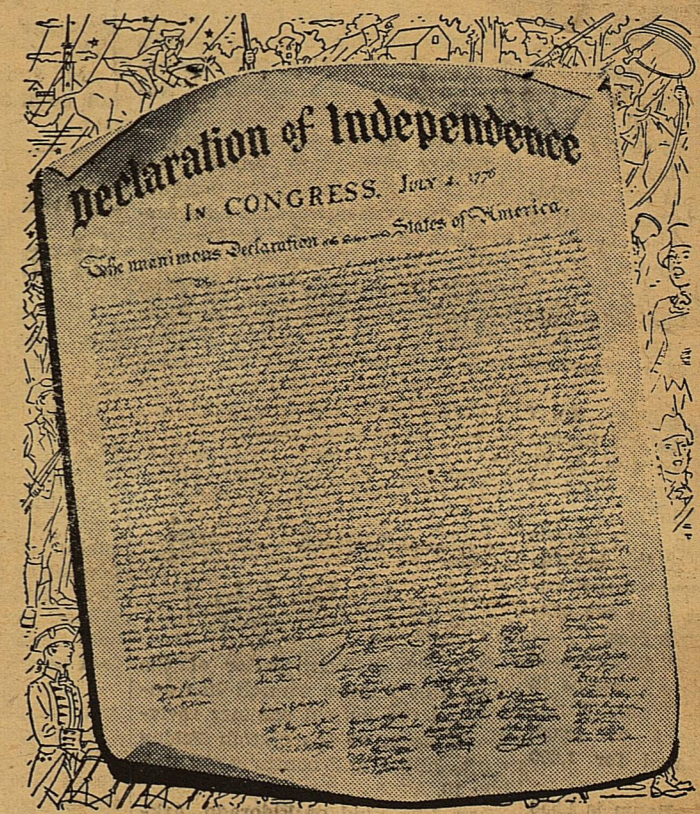
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