

BALLAST

BY BABBLER

Barstow, Texas

"Ballast," "that which gives firmness to the mind and steadiness to the character"—Webster. That is the story and we are going to stick to it.

"Babbler," well that is what the super-intellects of Athens called St. Paul. Then they laughed him out of town when he tried to introduce Christianity to University brilliants. Somehow we do not remember the names of any of those philosophers, but every body knows St. Paul.

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Driving west from Big Spring we find more green grass and wild flowers than we ever before saw here in August.

From Stanton to Odessa the country is wet. In the Pecos Valley farmers are complaining about too much rain. The ranches of this country, however, are rejoicing.

Funny thing about these Pecos farmers. They have excellent land, fine climate and all the water needed for irrigation. They have one rainy season per year, August, and their principal crop is one that is greatly damaged by August rains. Seems to the newspaper man that they could find something that would welcome August showers.

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This part of the valley is irrigated from a tremendous lake created on the Pecos by the Red Bluff dam located about 50 miles up the river from Pecos, 8 miles below the New Mexico-Texas State line. The dam is one and three quarters miles in length and 104 feet high along the river bed. It was constructed at a cost of \$2,884,000. The lake created by this structure has 300,000 acre feet of capacity; is 11,500 acres in area and has a shore line 76 miles long. The watershed is estimated as 22,500 sq. miles.

That is a dam site of water. This dam and lake project supports a huge hydro-electric plant which supplies rural electrification more than 50 miles down the river.

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That is all gratis; we are not being paid to advertise the valley. But this valley does produce the sweetest honey and the sweetest girls of any place we know. (We write from the front porch of Father-in-law).

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And we drift into the cool Davis Mountains tomorrow, there to hear Dr. Geo. Truett review the history of West Texas most famous Camp Meeting.

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It is said the body of the average man contains ten gallons of water and enough fat to make seven cakes of soap. Perhaps that explains some men getting so lathered up when work is mentioned.

All farm and ranch operators are requested to call at this office and sign your 1939 farm and ranch papers so that they may be sent to the State office for approval.

If you have not signed your papers report at once.

L. R. Reed
R. J. Welch
L. F. Hodges

Sterling County Committee

The Oldtimer

PLAYIN' INDIAN EH, THAT REMINDS OF THE TIME WHEN I WAS YOUR AGE, THERE WERE REAL INDIANS ROVING AROUND THESE PARTS THEN—MY BEST FRIEND WAS A REAL INDIAN BOY—WHAT A HUNTER HE WAS HE COULD FELL A DEER IN FULL FLIGHT WITH A BOW AND ARROW AT THREE HUNDRED PACES AND SAY LET ME TELL YOU THEY NEVER HARMED ANY WHITE FOLKS IN OUR COMMUNITY—SHUCKS N'NOW-A-DAYS—



CANCER

"In spite of increased popular education on the cancer problem during the last decade, many false ideas regarding this disease still persist. Too often such conceptions are the basis of delay in diagnosis and treatment. Obviously figures cannot be compiled, but it can be stated safely that a fair proportion of the thirty thousand preventable cancer deaths now occurring annually in the United States could be avoided if these mistaken notions were corrected," the State Health Department believes.

"The following facts are pertinent (1) Cancer is not contagious: the victim cannot give it to any other person. (2) Cancer is not a blood disease. (3) Diet is not a cause or preventive of cancer, vegetarians and meat eaters are equally susceptible. (4) Aluminum cooking utensils do not cause cancer. (5) Constipation does not cause cancer. (6) Mental worry will not influence the development of cancer. (7) No age is free from cancer: babies are born with it, and the oldest persons can be its victims. However, it is largely a disease of adult life, occurring chiefly between the ages of forty and seventy. (8) Selfmedication is a waste of time and frequently fatal because of the delay involved. (9) Serums, vaccines, colored lights, patent medicines, pastes, salves and dietes are valueless. (10) Quacks and their super-claims, through false hopes and delayed diagnosis cause many avoidable cancer deaths but do not effect cures. (11) No warning comes from pain. In the early stages and in the precancerous condition, there is no pain or conscious health impairment. The one exception is bone cancer.

"With a full appreciation of the above facts and the prompt seeking of medical advice when there are signs of cancer, it is conceivable that many thousands of deaths from this cause could be prevented.

"The danger signals are any lump in the breast or other part of the body; any persistent sore, particularly on the face or mouth, unusual discharge or bleeding from the body such as vomiting of blood, passage of blood from the bowels, or unusual bleeding of any bodily passage, especially after middle age, and chronic indigestion. Procrastination in the face of any of these signs is dangerous and may even be fatal.

"It is true that any one of these symptoms may be caused by a condition other than cancer, however, this fact is no excuse for delay in diagnosis, so that prompt treatment procedures may be instituted for if cancer is diagnosed sufficiently early, the results of treatment are usually good.

est woman. To Mrs. Erie Conger for being the oldest settler.

Old timers from Oklahoma, New Mexico, Louisiana and from distant points in Texas were there and they rejoiced that they were pioneers, or the children of pioneers of this wilderness of three to six decades ago.

It was agreed that they would again meet here in August of next year.

A pair of fine cowboy boots was stolen from the Chesney Bootshop late Saturday evening. The sheriff's department is working on the case.

Bride Elect Honored

To honor Miss Rulene Foster, bride-elect of Fred Allen, Miss Johnnie Bess Reed entertained with a buffet dinner and bridge party the last of the week in her ranch home near here.

The honoree's chosen colors, blue and white, were used in decorations, and a miniature bride and bridegroom centered the dining table, which was laid with an inlaid cluny lace cloth. Roses, verbenas, tube roses and dahlias were arranged in the rooms.

Included for the affair were Misses Rulene Foster, Georgina Demere, Archie Marie Garrett, Cecile Irene Reed, Sue Nelson, Nell Ann Davis, Maxine and Dorothy Tweedle, Marie Philips, Clydean Everitt, Beth Lee, Mildred Atkinson, Mickey McGuire, Anna Lee Pearce, Alice Simpson, L'Jean McEntire, Willie Mae Meyer, and Orella Hodges and Mesdames Joe Emery, Robert Lewis, Sam Morgan, J. S. Cole Jr., J. S. Augustine Jr., Robert Hornbuckle and R. P. Davis.

Miss Foster is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Foster. Her engagement to Mr. Allen was announced recently at a party given by Mrs. Templeton Foster and Mrs. C. L. Coulson.

Federated Club

The Sterling County Federated Club met Tuesday Aug. 22 with Mrs. Will Meyer. Roll call was answered with various articles of interest. The seventh chapter of Matthew was read by Miss Lois Stone followed by the reading of the minutes by Mrs. Bob Rose. A short business session followed. Our study of Texas history was continued led by Miss Lois Stone. A poem was read by Mrs. Wilbur Stone and a joke was given by Miss Jewel Brannon. Two games were played. Delicious refreshments were served to Mesdames Rose, Ted Brown, Joe Wood, Stone, T. H. Murrell, W. H. Stone, A. E. Shores, Garland Cannon, and Misses Stone and Brannon and Mrs. Atwell and Mrs. R. P. Davis guests.

A GRACEFUL CREATION



The gypsy influence steals into negligees in this costume designed by Dolly Tree for Virginia Bruce. Of lavender chiffon, a spaced design of purple and silver paillettes enlivens skirt and bolero. Bolero and bodice are outlined in silver beading. The skirt is very full and trails gracefully in a two-foot train.

Old Settlers Reunion

It was at the old Doak Crossing on the North Concho where the old pioneers of Sterling met, greeted, feasted and looked into each others fading eyes with the tender emotions that fond recollection brings friend to friend closer after long separation.

Down beside the Rio Concho Del Norte a great crowd of old timers gathered last Sunday under the big pecan trees—there may have been a thousand of them—I didn't count them—the happiest folks that ever assembled to renew the friendship of by gone days. Friends who had the courage to leave the more developed and cultured East and come to a wilderness and conquer it for themselves and children.

Two children of pioneer families, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Davis, made it possible for these pioneers to have this place on which to meet and enjoy the occasion. While the people of the county cooperated in preparing the barbecue, this unselfish couple were the real hosts of the occasion, because they furnished the grounds and opened their gates to everybody who would, might come and have a great time.

Doug McKinney of Big Spring butchered the meat and Riley King, Collie Littlefield and Mike Slaton cooked it after the manner of West Texas barbecue chefs. It was perfect along with the red beans, cakes, pies, lemonade, iced tea and a big wash kettle of delicious hot coffee.

After the blessings invoked by Dr. Everitt, the crowd—ladies and children first—with filled plates repaired to the shade in groups to eat and talk and eat as people will do on such occasions.

The crowd was regaled with songs of ye old times supported by a stringed trio. Homer Pearce was there with his microphone to add life to the occasion. Dr. Everitt briefly addressed the assembly with words of wisdom. He admonished the crowd on the value of good citizenship which was so timely in these critical days.

Prizes were given to J. T. Sherrod for being the oldest man 87, on the ground. To Mrs. R. T. Cox 91, old-

Notice of Public Hearing on County Budget

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing on the County Budget as prepared for Sterling County for the year 1940 will take place at the courthouse at Sterling City, Texas at 2 o'clock P. M. on September 11, 1939, at which time any taxpayer of Sterling County, Texas shall have the right to be present and participate in said hearing, and at which time said Budget will be considered by the Commissioners Court.

Done by order by the Commissioners Court on this the 12 day of August, A. D. 1939.

Prebble Durham
Clerk County Court
Sterling County, Texas

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PREPAREDNESS

I heartily agreed with Governor O'Daniel last Sunday when he said that preparedness was necessary for the safety of the nation.

At last our people have begun to learn what the birds and the beasts already know. The birds and beasts are always prepared for eventualities with sharp fangs, talons and beaks to defend themselves in case of attack. Even a polecat is armed with an effective gas gun.

Not only the beasts and birds are in a state of preparedness, but even the cactus and mesquites are armed with sharp thorns to protect themselves against attack.

Only the woody and thinkless pacifist will argue against Uncle Sam's preparations for the defense of this country. The man who can think will say that being prepared makes the peace of this country doubly assured.

Germany would not have dared to have risked a war with Uncle Sam in 1917 if we had been prepared as we are being prepared to day. Had we been prepared on land, sea, and in the air as we are prepared today, German pigheaded egotism would not have dared to have flouted our apparent helplessness in our faces and asked us what were we going to do about the murder of our women and babies on the high seas.

As it was, there was factors which did not enter the German mind. Even if we did not have a detent army and navy with no airplanes, we had money credit and friends. These factors were forgotten and the result was that they got the licking of their lives.

A good war machine is our greatest insurance against war. No bad man likes to match a scrap with the man whom he knows to be able to lick him in a fight. This is human nature.

The cost of all this preparedness is not such an economic waste as certain people seem to think. When you take a man out of the ranks of workers and place him in army service, you will have taken one man out of competition with labor. If you take a hundred thousand out of competition with labor and business that leaves that many jobs to the next man.

This soldier must be clothed and fed as well as treated when sick. All the clothes this soldier wears must come from the cotten patch and the sheep range. The farmer and ranchmen have this cotten and wool to sell and the more they sell the better it will please them. The soldier must be fed too. Here again the farmer and ranchmen come in again. The bread milk, fruits, vegetables, meats and other things must all come from the farm and ranch.

When they build a ship they must have metals and lots of them. The miners don't care how much of it is used. They must have lots of cotten to make powder for the

**Vice-President Garner—
Will He Respond to Call
As Presidential Candidate?**



John Nance Garner presiding over destinies of United States Senate.

**Garner Organization Claims
461 Delegates on 1st Ballot**

DALLAS, Texas. — John Nance Garner, vice-president of the United States, will go into the next Democratic national convention with over 461 votes pledged to him, according to E. B. Germany, chairman of the State Democratic Executive committee and co-chairman of the Texas Garner-for-President committee.

"We are convinced, from the deluge of pledges we have received at the Dallas headquarters, that there is a genuine popular demand for the nomination of Mr. Garner on the Democratic ticket. This comes, not from one section or group of states, but from the entire nation. From Oregon and Vermont, and from Georgia to the Southwest, we are getting the most enthusiastic protestations of friendship and admiration for our stalwart Texas statesman.

"Mr. Garner's way of thinking has captured the public imagination of the middle ground of America's straight-thinking citizenry. If the politicians do not listen to the voice of the people in 1940, I predict that the Democratic party as an organization won't be worth shooting. I have heard many comments that the politicians are going to pick the next candidates for both the Democratic and Republican parties. My advice to them in both parties is to listen to what the people are thinking. If they don't heed the deep longings of the mass of America's citizenry, they will be politically dead after the next election. I repeat: If the Democratic politicians attempt to thwart the will of the people in the next convention, the party of Jefferson and Jackson won't be worth the effort to put it out of its misery."

In outlining the strength that he claims for the Texan, Mr. Germany pointed out that out of 1,100 votes in the Democratic convention, the south

and border states will furnish Mr. Garner with 286, the chief block of which is represented by the 46 votes from Texas. The southwest and western states, without counting California, and taking but two of the farm states, Nebraska and Wisconsin, will yield Mr. Garner a total of 461 votes.

"Now I am not including in this forecast of 461 the 210 additional votes indicated from the states of New York, Pennsylvania and California," declared Mr. Germany. The Gallup poll in the last three weeks has printed definite forecasts of public opinion from these three states, which together have 19 percent of the total convention strength. These polls show, assuming that the President will not be a candidate which is the only way that Democrats believing in the continuance of its traditional party policies can think, that Mr. Garner is the choice of over 50% of the Democrats in New York and California and of over 60% of the Democrats of Pennsylvania.

Out of these three states, two will give Mr. Garner a clear majority of the convention, the Texas leader pointed out.

"There is no question in my mind," declared Mr. Germany, "that the people of the United States have very definite convictions on the coming presidential campaign. The principles involved weigh deeply on citizens everywhere. They embrace Mr. Garner because he stands for a principle that finds welcome reaction in every human being who worries and sometimes wonders on the future of his country."

"Mr. Garner's nomination by the Democrats of this country is inevitable. It is ordained in the hearts of the American people, and I view his nomination and subsequent election as certain, with the present trend of events."

big guns. Some big guns will use up a whole bale of cotten for each shot. The farmer wouldn't care if they used up a million bales every month for a year.

The thirty dollars allowed each soldier a month goes back into circulation as soon as he gets it, so keeping up the army and navy is not bad after all. Think this over before you go around beefing about spending money for preparedness. — Uncle Bill

A BRAVE WOMAN

One night not long since, and while alone at the ranch on the Divide, Mrs. John L. Copeland heard a commotion out in the yard among the dog and cats.

With a lantern, she went out to investigate. There she spied a huge rattlesnake. She first planned to shoot the snake, but she couldn't hold the gun in one hand and the lantern in the other, so she took a

hoe and chopped the snake's head off. It was a big fellow. It had fourteen rattles.

Mrs. Copeland didn't scream or faint at the sight of the deadly monster as some of her city bred sisters might have done. It didn't occur to her to do that, but like most all the women of the range, she pounced upon her hideous enemy and destroyed it. It took nerve to do this, but this lady had the nerve.

These dwellers of the range must be brave if they succeed and make their homes safe.

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Local Items

For sale: 15 good Rambouillet bucks priced to sell, Robert King phone 4202 1t

Mrs. Springer and daughter, June of Big Spring were last week and guests of Mrs. Springer's mother, Mrs. Helen Lyles.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lane of near Stiles visited friends and attended the Old Settlers Reunion here last Sunday.

Guy M. Douglas of Harlingen visited his old home town and was a guest of the Old Settlers Reunion last Sunday.

Rambouillet Bucks For Sale—Pure bred, young individuals. Raymond Welch

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Douglas, their daughters Miss Mavis Douglas and Mrs. R. L. Williams came up from Brownwood last Sunday to shake hands with old time friends and join in the Old Settler's barbecue feast last Sunday.

Mat Allen, one of the old pioneers of Sterling County and a cousin of Mrs. W. L. Foster came down from Scurry County home last Sunday, met scores of friends and joined in the barbecue feast of the Old Settlers.

SADDLES: Relined, washed oiled and restrung. General saddle repair done.—Chesney Bootshop 4t pd

Dock Reed of Lindsey, Oklahoma, visited relatives and old friends here last week as well as attended the Old Settlers Reunion Sunday. He is a mail carrier with Frank Ritter in 1891. Dock says he delivered the first bag of mail ever to come to the Sterling City postoffice. Dock is the son of the late Dudley Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sullivan and daughter attended the Old Settlers reunion here last Sunday as well as visiting Mr. Sullivan's mother, Mrs. C. A. Bell of San Angelo and Mrs. R. L. Boston of near Garden City.

Mrs. Doed Green is visiting relatives at Robert Lee.

Dr. S. Kellogg the old reliable and body Dr. is now located at the Model Hotel 79 Gillis street San Angelo Texas. The old Doctor is making some wonderful cures. See office or phone 6660.

Jack Hubb, a son of the late John Hubb, first constable of China Valley precinct, attended the old settlers barbecue here last Sunday. Jack lives at Fort Stockton and is a booster of Pecos County. He owns the oil, farm and ranch industries as big as all out of doors. Pecos is a big county—larger than the state of Rhode Island. It is a good county, too.

Born: at a hospital in San Angelo Mr. and Mrs. Forest Foster a pair of twin boys. Grandma and Grandpa Templeton Foster are stepping out these days. Two husky granddads are enough to make a pair of folks' step high, wide and hand-

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Beeman and daughter of Louisiana visited relatives and attended the reunion of old timers on the river last Sunday. The Beemans were pioneers of Sterling County back in the 90's.



We are running a sale on boots for the next 15 days.

Hungarian Calf tan \$21.

French Calf \$20

Elk boot all colors \$15.50

The sale starts the 19th of August.

We are putting on more help and can get your boots out in ten days.

Chesney Bootshop

Choice watermelons at the farm five miles west of Sterling City on the Garden City road a few hundred yards west of the new bridge. These melons are a new variety and are the sweetest and best to be had. Every melon guaranteed to be ripe and good. They are just now coming in. You will soon find them on the local market, but if you wish to treat yourself to some fine melons, drive out and get our choice at the patch. George Grosshans 3t

If Harry Tweedle is anything except a raiser of big pecan nuts and a harvester of foxes, he is full of old time West Texas ideas. To illustrate: last week Jeff Davis hit Harry for a donation of meat for the old settlers barbecue.

Jeff said: "Harry, I want to get a goat off you for the barbecue."

"Nothing doing," said Harry. "What's the matter with you?"

grieved Jeff. "Well," said Tweedle, "if you can use two goats, I am interested, but I am not interested in just one measly goat for such a feed as we are going to give those old timers." The goats were used.

J. C. Rabb came over last week end to visit friends as well as to attend the Old Settlers reunion, one of which he is. J. C. now lives in Coke County, near the town of Robert Lee. He has raised a good crop of corn and other stuff this season. Living near the Colorado on the North side of Robert Lee, Rabb knows he lives near a good town and in a good county, and he never fails to mention that fact. It is a good sign when a man brags on his home town and county.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hooker of Colorado City came down last Sunday to greet old time friends and join them at the barbecue feast of the old timer. June used to live at Sterling in the long ago where everybody loved the old scout.

The new variety store was opened for business last Tuesday morning in the Longshore building on Fourth Avenue. H. H. Liae, the proprietors, expects to carry a variety of articles needed by the people of Sterling City at popular prices.

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Latham of Odessa were among the old timers of Sterling who attended the Old Settlers Reunion.

Hitler still has his hatchet down on Danzig, but so far he has not chopped anybody with it but if he keeps on flourishing his hatchet in the face of Poland, he may get a large sized scrap on his hands. If Hitler can bluff those folks into handing Danzig over to him, he will gladly do so, but Hitler is a great coward and champion liar and the chances are that he would run like a scalde dog if a fight were to start

Instruments Furnished Beginners

Join the school band

J. M. Edwards will be on the job the first week of school getting everything in readiness for the fall term of school and foot ball games. Be ready students.

He Got Back 15 Cents

Just before the opening of the special session of Congress in November, 1937, Vice-President Garner arriving in St. Louis from San Antonio, en route to Washington, made a bee-line for a barber shop. For 25 minutes, the Vice-President relaxed for a shave at the hands of Dexter Davis, Union Station barber who has had Garner in his chair four of the eight times in recent years he has stopped in St. Louis.

As he left the barber shop, he handed the Negro shine boy a quarter.

"Thank you, suh," smiled the boy.

"That's a quarter," reminded Garner.

"Yes, suh, I know it's a quarter," replied the boy.

"Well, I want some change," Garner demanded.

He got back 15 cents.

OOPS! A MISCUE



"What's going on here," Pete Smith exclaims, when he tries his hand at billiards during the filming of his latest Specialty for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. "Take a Cue," Mary Beth Hughes, the "girl in the picture," doesn't seem to know so they'll have to ask Charles C. Peterson, billiard wizard who is featured in the film. Felix E. Felst directed.

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The Rattler Must Go

Our local Lion's Club is after the rattlesnake.

A committee reported at last week's luncheon that it had conferred with members of our commissioners court and they expressed their hearty will to cooperate with the club in a move to destroy the deadly rattlesnakes that inflict such heavy loss on livestock and endanger the lives of human beings.

The members of this court are all ranchmen and are aware that the rattlesnake is a menace to the lives of both man and beast and that the time is here to do something about it. As every man woman and child alike are interested in the elimination of this danger, it is only right and just that all should help bear the small expense involved. So there may be an appropriation made in the county budget for this purpose.

At ten cents a rattle one hundred dollars will destroy a thousand snakes. That will make an army of snake hunters of our men and boys and soon a rattlesnake in Sterling will be a museum specimen.

The pastor of the Baptist Church will be away for the next two Sundays in a revival meeting.

Dr. Everitt will fill the pulpit next Sunday, August 27 and Mr. E. M. Collier, Supt. of Hendrick Memorial Hospital of Abilene, will speak Sept. 3. You will enjoy hearing these good men, and we feel fortunate in securing them.

"Come let us worship the Lord" Claude B. Stovall Pastor

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11:00 Devotional in song
11:30 Sermon
P.M.
7:30 B. T. U. Training service
8:30 Evening worship
Monday
4:00 P.M. W. M. U.
Wednesday

P.M.
8:00 Evening devotion
8:30 Choir practice
We welcome you,
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Methodist Church

Bruce M. Cox, Pastor

Church school 10 a. m.
Worship services 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.
Young People's Service 6:45 p. m.

Presbyterian Church

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Church Worship 11:00 a. m.
Evening Worship 8:00 p. m.

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Real Friends

"A friend in need is a friend indeed", is a true saying. Lots of people may be your friend when you are well and all o. k., but they are only a lot of junk if you are down and out and get a flat that you can't fix and are ten miles from home and in a hurry to get there.

That happened to me last Sunday at the barbecue. When I got ready to start home I found a flat "Yep, I can patch it in a jiffy", but when I took the tire off, the tube was split beyond repair and I had forgotten to bring along a spare. W. B. Welch helped me get the tire off. Then came along Pleas Glass. Pleas took the casing and drove ten miles to Sterling City where Clel Ainsworth's outfit fitted it out with a new tube and soon Pleas was back and put the wheel on and I was ready to go. Only mean thing about it Pleas wouldn't have a thing for his trouble.

That is what I call true friendship. Perhaps Pleas was among a score of others who would have helped me out of a tight place, but Pleas was the first one to volunteer a valued service.

Welch and Glass as well as others are full of this old West Texas generosity. If you get a flat, or other wise need true friends, these boys are always ready to help you. I love these boys.—Uncle Bill

Brady's Newlyweds Feted At Gift Party

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Munn were complimented at a tea and gift party last Saturday evening in the Neil Munn home. Hostesses were Mesdames Earl and W. B. Welch. Mrs. Wayne Munn presided at the brides book. An ice course and cookies were served to the following guests: Messrs and Mesdames Neil Munn, Riley King, R. L. Knight, H. G. Garlington, John Copeland, J. C. Littlefield, Ralph Bynum, Thad Munn, Riley Welch, Roy C. Davis, John C. Reed, Bruce Cox, W. G. Welch, Ray Knight, Earl Welch, W. B. Welch, Leo Rodde, W. R. Davis, Jim McCabe of Water Valley, Wayne Munn of Water Valley, and Misses J. L. Frances, and Elizabeth Stewardson of San Anna, Matilda Rodde Elise and Sue Knight, Elosie McCabe of Water Valley, Mary Earl Welch, Louise Littlefield and Virginia Knight, and Messrs Raymond Welch, Robert King, Colbert Littlefield, John Jr. and J. C. Copeland and Bruce Knight.

Others that sent gifts were the following: Messrs and Mesdames Lee Hunt, W. L. Foster, Gid Ainsworth, L. W. Longshore, R. P. Brown, Robert Lee, Frank Cole, Gen Carr, Homer Pearce, Henry Malloy, Harold McCabe, Ted Brown, R. T. Foster, W. Y. Benge, E. B. Butler, Hornbuckle, Roland Lowe, Walter King, J. I. Cope, Lee Augustine, J. S. Augustine, Jack Revell and Trennan, R. W. Foster, Cell Ainsworth, Seth Bailey, Ed Bynum, D. C. Durham and Prebble, Hubert Cope, Dan Ritter, Earl Bailey, Link Wood and Lameta, Marvin Key, Sam Mahaffey, Darrell Garrett, Donald Knight, W. R. Hudson, G. W. Conger, Chapple Murrell and Henry Bade

Commissioner Thompson's proposition to place a 5 cent tax on each barrel of crude oil produced, seems a better plan to pay old age pensions, than the sales tax. Of course the users of gasoline and other products of crude would have to pay it, that means that everybody would pay it, it would not wholly involve the man with nine kids to feed as the sales tax would.

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Dixie's Land

Away down South in de fields of cotton,

Cinnamon seed and sandy bottom;
Look away, look away
Look away, look away

Den 'way down South'in de fields of cotton,

Vinegar shoes and paper stockings;
Look away, look away
Look away, look away

Den I wish I was in Dixie's land
Oh—oh! Oh—oh

In Dixie's land I'll take my stand,
And live and die in Dixie's Land.
Away, away, away,
Away down South in Dixie.

Pork and cabbage in de pot,
It goes in cold and comes out hot
Look away, look away
Look away, look away.

Vinegar put right on red beet,
It makes them always fit to eat.
Look away, look away,
Look away, look away

Den I wish I was in Dixie's land;
Oh—oh! Oh—oh!

In Dixie's land I'll take my stand,
And live and die in Dixie's land,
Away, away, away.

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Lowell Thomas Is Ford Contest Judge



LOWELL THOMAS—adventurer, photographer and radio commentator—shown here looking over the entries in the Ford DeLuxe Photograph Contest at the New York World's Fair. Thomas was one of the judges. The contest, open to all amateurs, covers four periods—May, June, July and August. Prizes for each period include a Ford DeLuxe Fordor sedan and \$625 in cash. Full particulars may be obtained from any Ford dealer or from a photographic dealer, Nathaniel Field, 625 Caton Avenue, Brooklyn, won a car as first prize for the June period. Raymond Sebastian, the Bronx, N. Y., won \$200 in cash; and Carl E. Lindstrom, Worcester, Mass., was presented with a check for \$100 for his entry.

For radio repairs and replacements at reasonable cash prices. See J. L. Strubing, Jr., at the Pearce Electrical Shop.

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The Saga of a Home-Made Trailer; Texas to the New York World's Fair

A Texas journalist built himself a trailer, loaded in his wife and 11-year-old son and started on a 2,000 mile trek for the New York World's Fair with \$50.00 in his pockets. His adventures are recounted in the following story:

By TOM CAUFIELD

Who covers police, fire alarms, boll weevils and all news in and about the Texas Bottoms of Central Texas for the Waco Times-Herald.

WORLD'S FAIR, New York—Frances and the eleven-year-old and I have seen the Fair and all the folks talk in Waco told us it couldn't be done on the Caufield bankroll. The superintendent on Ancient History II made 2,000 miles from Fifth and Austin the wallet is out \$50, and we've got \$10 left. I've just wired the boss for the \$25 he promised me to get some on, and if the chewing gum and rolling wire on the trailer and jalopy don't relax their holds during the homeward 2,000 miles, we shall have the whole junket on \$85.

I spent a little over \$1.50 each per day on the Fair itself, counting admission at the gates. Thomas, the eleven-year-old and Frances, the woman who tells me now to drive, and I walked and walked and looked and stared, finally becoming convinced that the best parts of the Fair are free. We could while away two weeks here looking at the free shows, and never repeat and never suffer from what the slick paper writers call ennui. We are leaving only because a wolf is howling at a door bearing the coat of arms of a certain small town newspaperman in Texas.

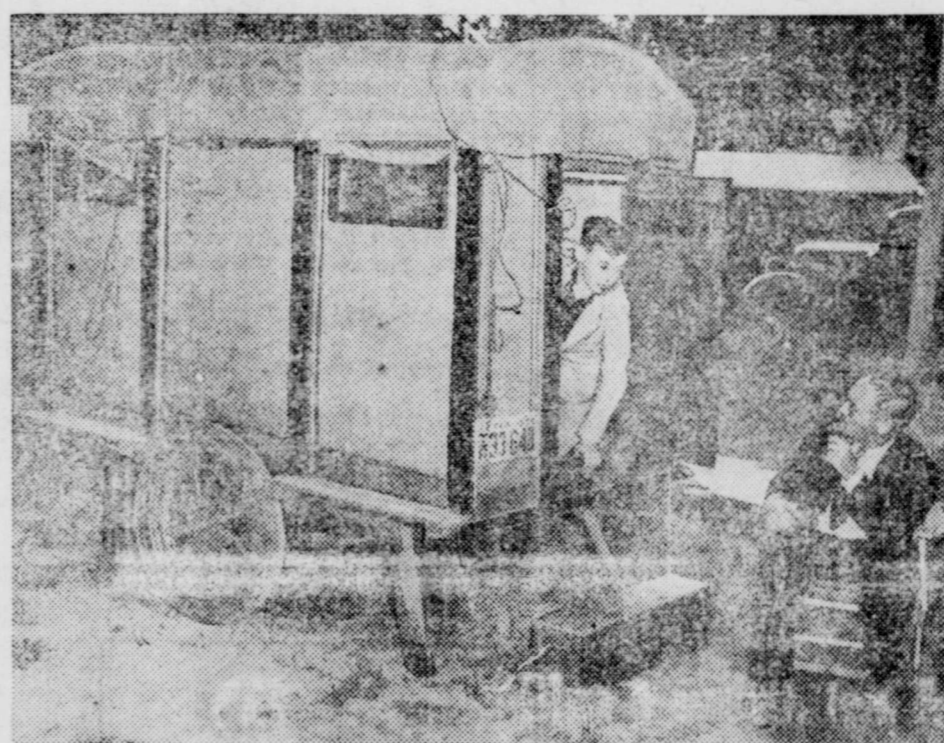
Nothing Like the Brazos

We stood and gulped when we saw the illumination at the lagoon of nations last night. Nothing like that along the Brazos, nor anywhere else.

A lightning bolt hit a telephone post as our car-trailer combination passed it on the road to Knoxville, coming up. It smashed the post, splattered our car with splinters, made an outrageous noise, scared us stiff. We saw it all over again, free, at the General Electric show here. They made 10 million volts for us—BANG! and we thought we were back on the Tennessee highway in the storm.

We fought good roads and bad coming up. General Motors showed us all good in a panorama that 27,000 people a day look at. GM parked us in upholstered chairs, started a public address explanation from the chair arms, and showed us the highway system of 1960.

If it hadn't been for that roads system display, we might have thought, in the aviation building, that man was fixing to leave the ground



Here is Tom Caufield's homemade trailer in which he, his wife and son traveled all the way from Waco, Texas, to see the New York World's Fair.

for good; but GM gave us hope for the highways. We could hardly get the boy away from the aviation display. Instead of wanting to ride on the carnival gadgets, he wanted to go back and look at the model wind tunnels, the cross section of the Yankee clipper, and things like that.

Need for Adjectives

We heard the Voder. That's a contraction we had read about, a sort of talking typewriter. Pretty girl punches keys and make a combination of hisses and grunts that sounds like Charlie McCarthy at his worst, but is understandable.

I never was much on adjectives. The one adjective needed around here is "marvelous." Give me enough synonyms for that, insert them as needed, and that's the Fair.

There's a moving mural in the Ford building. Pistons, cogs, things like that fixed in the wall, all moving. Time for one of the synonyms. In the same building, walls hung all round with a one-piece yellow curtain made of spun and woven glass.

More free stuff; the City of Light, with 100,000 individual bulbs; the Forward March of America, showing how lighting has changed. They've got a fountain running over the exit of that building, and when I lost Frances and Thomas, by getting mixed up on a rendezvous, they waited an hour for me there, perfectly satisfied, while the fountain splashed outside.

They've got a real ship parked in a pond by the New England building.

They've got life-sized toy monkeys climbing trees in a toy exhibit and real monkeys climbing on a rock inside the Frank Buck enclosure. The rock is higher than the bamboo walls, so you can see the monkeys without going in.

Escalators and Ramps

About transportation; this fair is great on saving shoe leather. It has to be, it is so big that unless there were a lot of escalators and moving belts the cobblers would have a field day at every exit. You go up into the Perisphere on an escalator, and ride around it on a moving belt; and there's the moving belt at the GM building. Everywhere you find ramps instead of steps, and the ramps are exactly calculated to ease your legs as you go up or down. Streets and walks are asphalt, and the buildings generally have rubber composition flooring. And if you want to ride, it costs a dime for a bus from any point on the grounds to any other point.

If your feet do get tired (and they oughtn't to often if you've got the right kind of shoes, which is important, especially to the women) you can stop in at any of the first aid stations and get a free foot treatment to ease them.

Now for the Tariff

Let's count the cost, after you get to New York. Figure you're in a trailer—that's \$1 to get over the George Washington Bridge, which is the best way for a trailer; 75 cents a night at

the trailer camp; a few cents for milk and whatever other groceries you need for eating at the camp; 25 cents toll over Whitestone Bridge for your car (leave the trailer at camp) and 25 cents toll back again (or ride a bus, fare ten cents each); 50 cents to park in the parking grounds at the Fair; 75 cents admission for adults, 25 cents for children; 25 cents each for the Perisphere, which is a must because it is the Fair's symbol; 10 cents for the Town of Tomorrow, which also ought to be a must for any householder, and gas and oil.

We ate dinner at one of many restaurants in the Fair grounds. My wife had chicken and mushrooms with coffee for 60 cents. I ate a Salisbury steak with coffee for 60 cents, and lamb chops for the boy cost 75 cents. For lunch we had hamburgers and pie, which ran us 20 cents each. It costs a nickel for pop or root beer at any of a dozen stands. We got to the Fair for lunch one day and had dinner there that night. We had breakfast in camp next day, lunch at the Fair and pulled out late that afternoon for home.

Seeing New York

You can see something of New York while you're at the Fair, for the mere cost of gasoline. The night we arrived, we took a 50-mile drive across town, along the Hendrik Hudson Parkway and back from the Battery up Broadway to Times Square, then back to camp. We had a volunteer guide—one of the officials at the camp.

The policemen go out of their way to help a visitor. One of them talked to us for a half hour about things in general while we waited for an open-top bus next morning for a sightseeing trip in Manhattan. In fact, any New Yorker goes out of his way to help a Fair visitor.

We felt so much at home that when we parked our car to catch a bus to the Fair on our first day's visit, we forgot to make a note of where we left it; just walked away from it like we would have done in our own home town. And believe it or not, we found it when we came back in the rain—with the help of some of the passengers on the bus.

Bear in mind that the cost of coming to New York depends on how you are willing to come. We had a camp trailer, slept in it, using a trailer camp, a cabin one night during a pouring rain, using school grounds twice with the permission of rural neighbors, and parking three times at filling stations. It took us six days to get here.

That \$85 is an education worth thousands, for a boy of 11, and worth plenty more for his father and mother. — Reprinted from the New York Herald-Tribune.