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ORATADATA CLUB

Mrs. Forrest Foster was hostess of the Oratadata Club at her home on Wednesday evening of last week. The subject for discussion was "The Atomic Age." The program consisted of "Must the Atomic Bomb Be Kept a Secret?" by Mrs. Worth B. Durham, and "An Atomic Scientist Looks to the Future" by Mrs. J. S. Cole Jr. Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Hubert Williams, Mrs. Foster S. Price and Mrs. Fred Allen were hostesses at the gift shower for Mrs. Harvey Annigan at the meeting.

Bridge was played and the high prize went to Mrs. Worth B. Durham and the high guest prize went to Mrs. Robert Foster.

Besides those mentioned, present were Mrs. M. C. Reed, Mrs. Edwin Ken, Mrs. Reynolds Foster, Mrs. Emma Johnson, Mrs. Chesley McDonald, Mrs. Joe A. Mims, Mrs. T. Revell, Mrs. Finis Westbrook, Mrs. Bill Davis, Mrs. Joe Davis, Mrs. Bob Stinson, Mrs. Robert Foster, Mrs. T. S. Foster, Mrs. Ross Foster, Mrs. John Brock, and Miss Leila Hodges.

RECITAL TONIGHT

Mrs. Ed. H. Lovelace will present the following pupils of piano and organ in recital at the Methodist Church this evening at 8:00 o'clock:

Lynn Glass, Thomasine Carter, Mrs. Carl Reed, Wayne Berryman, Robert Garms, Jacqueline Foster, Dan Glass, Jenny Ruth Davis, Kent Jones, Mary Elizabeth Davis, Lynn Glass, Dorothy Sue Lowe, Elizabeth Hildebrand, Carolyn Foster and Jacqueline Everitt.

The public is cordially invited.

SENIORS GOING TO THE CARLSBAD CAVERNS TODAY

The seniors of Sterling City High School are leaving this week on a two day trip to the Carlsbad Caverns. The six seniors and their sponsor, Miss Evelyn Vernon, are Riley King, Mrs. Ted Brown, Mrs. Vern Davis, and two freshmen girls, Fern Garrett and Larne King, are making the trip.

The six seniors are Lora Mae Mable, Joe David Crossno, Joseph Mank, Bonnie Ruth King, Billy M. Davis, and Norvin Brown.

Mrs. Claude Collins's mother, her sister of Abilene, spent the week-end here at the Collinses.

FOR SALE—Dusty rose divan. Good condition. Phone 6704.

P.T.A. Next Thursday

The final meeting of the Sterling P.T.A. will be next Thursday afternoon in the school auditorium. The entertainment will be under the direction of Mrs. Ed. H. Lovelace.

G. W. Tillerson is the sponsor of the program, the subject of which is "Looking Toward Vacation."

Following the business and social hour, the officers for next year will be installed.

Collins Host at Barbecue For Church Group

The Intermediates of the First Baptist Church had a full day last Sunday. An early program with breakfast at 7:30 in the church basement started the day off. They listened to the Baptist Hour over the radio and had a devotional program.

Following Sunday School and church services, the Intermediates piled into a large truck and were carried to Claude Collins's Hackberry ranch, where the Collinses were hosts to the group with a barbecue dinner and all the trimmings. A hay ride over the ranch helped fill in the afternoon. Back to B.T.U. and church, which was topped off by a baptismal service, finished the day.

Lee Hunt cooked the half of beef for the barbecue. Mrs. Lee Hunt was in charge of cooking and serving the breakfast. She was helped by Mrs. V. C. Summers, Mrs. Ollie Carper, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. C. D. McEntire, Mrs. Alfred Thieme, and Mrs. Clyde Everitt. Jeff Copeland furnished the truck for the Intermediates to ride to the ranch. Mrs. McEntire took pictures of the group during the day, and they will be shown on the screen at the church when developed.

BOARD PLANS TO RAISE TEACHERS PAY

Whether or not a teacher has a degree won't be figured in plans to raise Sterling City teachers to \$2,000 a year starting this fall.

Hal Knight, school board president, said this week the board hopes to be able to put a \$2,000 floor for all teachers, and to make adjustments for years of experience if it is possible. The system has 11 teachers, most of them with degrees.

Sterling City at present has a \$1,600 minimum for teachers.

Mrs. J. R. Evans of Brownfield is here visiting Mrs. W. L. Emery.

ANNUAL AUDIT OF COUNTY COMPLETED

STERLING COUNTY HAS ITS BUSINESS IN TOP SHAPE

The cash position of all funds improved by a total of \$2,692.25 during the year ended last Dec. 31 to leave the county with a balance of \$23,951.68 in the eight funds at the start of the new year, according to an audit covering the calendar year just completed by the San Angelo firm of Sedgwick and Cherry.

The county retired another \$9,500 in bonds to lower the bonded indebtedness to \$152,000, of which \$36,000 is on the courthouse and \$116,000 in road bonds.

"All of the officials' annual reports were checked and no amounts were found to be due to or from the county", said the audit, signed by E. R. Sedgwick.

Summary of the eight funds showed the county took in \$39,024.21 and spent \$36,362.28. Two inter-fund transfers were made, \$12.38 from the jury fund to the general fund and \$61.45 from the road and bridge fund to the bridge sinking fund.

This is the second audit in a series of annual accountings of county affairs planned. The county had its first audit last year since its organization.

The audit showed that Vern Davis, who went out of office as sheriff, tax-assessor-collector the first of the year after a quarter of a century in the office, handled a total of \$63,431.69 during the year, and observed that the county "owed this officer" 42 cents at the close of the year, due to a bookkeeping error, on automobile license plates.

METHODIST CHURCH

Church School 10:00
Rally Day will be observed with a special program at the Sunday School hour.

Morning Service 11:00
The theme of the sermon will be Christian homes in keeping with National family week, May 4-11.

Evening Service 8:00
The pastor will preach here Sunday night instead of at Water Valley.

STERLING POSTAL RECEIPTS ARE UP

Postal receipts at the Sterling City post office rose slightly during the quarter ended March 31, Mrs. Anna Lee Johnson, postmaster, announced.

Quarter receipts were \$1,421.43 compared with \$1,336 in the same quarter last year.

Texas City Benefit Softball Game

Monday night the local softball team will be host to the Independent team from Forsan. Admission to the game will be by donations of any amount. The money received will be sent to the needy at Texas City. If any person wishes to donate and cannot attend the game, they may do so by seeing Seth Bailey, O. T. Jones, Chesley McDonald or G. W. Tillerson.

This will be the first game for the Sterling City Independents. The Sterling team will be composed of members from the three teams. Forsan has a strong team. They are members of the Big Spring League.

LIONS CLUB

The Sterling City Lions Club voted to sponsor a softball game her next Monday night between the Sterling City Independents and the Forsan team, with the proceeds to go to the Texas City relief. Admission will be any donation, large or small. Lions Chesley McDonald, Seth Bailey and O. T. Jones will be in charge of the game.

Lion H. A. Chapple announced that the Lions club had lost two games and won one, in the softball tournament. He said that the clubs new uniforms had arrived.

Lion G. W. Tillerson told of the softball schedule.

Lion W. J. Swann told of the progress on the new Boy Scout Cabin. Judge Murrell told of the State Highway Commission meeting that was attended in Austin Tuesday, regarding the paving of the Sterling City—Robert Lee road.

THE HISTORY OF STERLING COUNTY

By IRA L. WATKINS

Continued from Last Week)

Along with church and school the newspaper has occupied a prominent place in the settlement and development of Sterling County. The first newspaper to be established in the county was the North Concho News on May 7, 1891, by W. L. Thurman at Cummins. About a month later on June 3, 1891, S. R. and Frank Ezzell established the Sterling Courier at Sterling City. In August, 1891, Thurman sold his patronage to Ezzell. Sometime between September 15, 1893, and May 18, 1894, Tom Kellis bought the COURIER and ran it for a time. In May 1894, Kellis sold out to R. M. Fannin and T. P. Cooper. Fannin died on September 11, and Cooper bought his interest in the COURIER. T. P. and B. L. Cooper then became partners and the name of the STERLING COURIER was changed to the Concho Valley News in June 1895. The paper was known by that name until November 1, 1895 when it was changed to the Sterling City News. T. P. Cooper sold the NEWS to Homer W. Schofield in June, 1896. For a few months Schofield had been running a paper called The Sterling City Progress but he called his consolidated paper THE STERLING CITY NEWS. In October, 1899, W. F. Kellis and a Mr. Cooper established the Sterling County Record. In 1902, Kellis bought out the NEWS, and the new paper was called The Sterling City News-Record. This has been Sterling County's newspaper ever since.

As the organization period of Sterling County saw development of community, church, and school, it likewise witnessed a turning point in the ranching industry. The coming of the wire fence marks this significant change in ranching. The first wire fence in the county was a drift fence put up by the big ranchers of this section and farther north. This fence was about one hundred miles long. It originated near San Angelo, crossed Sterling County about the latitude of Mulberry Creek, and ran on to the foot of the staked plains. (34). It was built in the middle 80's, and its purpose was to catch cattle as they drifted southward during the winter. It eliminated a great deal of line riding. Soon after the fence was built, smaller ranchers began to fence their pastures. Most stockmen began by fencing a small pasture for their saddle horses. One of the first ranches to be fenced was that of Henry Wade. The fence was of smooth wire and threaded through holes bored in the posts. (35). While there was some fence cutting, there was never any serious trouble in Sterling County. The big ranchers, as soon as they acquired all the land they could, began to fence their ranges. They fenced before the smaller rancher. The result was that the latter found himself being fenced off from valuable range that had formerly been free grazing and often from the only source of water for his cattle. In desperation, then, the little rancher engaged in fence cutting. (36).

The M S Range had been fenced by 1891. In that year a proclamation by Governor Jim Hogg was run in a Sterling County newspaper regarding the matter of fence cutting. The proclamation stated that on June 3, 1891 and at other times in 1891 unknown persons did cut the wire fence enclosing the pasture lands of M. Z. Smissen, and that a \$150 reward was offered for the arrest and delivery of each of the said unknown persons. (37). In the December 10, 1891 issue of the Sterling Courier, Sheriff W. N. Hiler ran a notice offering a \$100 reward for information leading to the capture and arrest of the person who cut Thomas Brennan's fence about November 22, 1891. As late as 1896 some ranchers were still running their stock at large for in the Sterling City News, April 3, 1896, W. H. Collins of the D O K Ranch inserted this notice: "All persons having stock running at large in what is known as the Kennedy pasture and not owning or controlling land therein will please remove same forthwith or make arrangements for pasturage for same or else I will be obliged to fence the water therein to protect myself."

A great deal of fencing was done in 1897, for in that year a correspondent from a rural community

SWING OF SOUTHWEST FARM MARKETS

By United States Department of Agriculture

Weak spots showed up all through the farm markets the past few days; but many items strengthened, and only hogs, feeds and corn registered sharp declines, according to reduction and Marketing Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Butcher hogs dropped \$1.25 to \$2.50 per hundred for the week, and sows \$1.50 to \$3.00. Closing bulk of good and choice butchers sold at \$22.50 at Texas markets; and \$23 to \$23.50 at other southwest terminals. Sows turned mostly at \$18 to \$22.50.

Cattle moved higher at Houston and San Antonio; and vealers and calves gained at Oklahoma City. Other southwest cattle prices receded to slightly lower levels last week. Common to medium steers cleared at \$13.50 to \$17.50 at Houston; and \$14 to \$19.50 at Fort Worth. Medium to low good kinds moved at \$19 to \$21 at San Antonio; \$18 to \$23 at Oklahoma City; and mostly \$19 to \$22 at Wichita. Numerous loads of good and choice steers cashed at \$23.75 to \$24 at Denver.

Spring lambs climbed mostly 50 cents to \$1.50 during the week; while old crop lambs and aged sheep held generally steady to strong. Good and choice spring lambs brought \$18.50 to \$21 at San Antonio; and mostly \$20.50 to \$22.50 at other southwest points.

Hens held firm last week and fryers advanced to 35 cents per pound at Dallas. Eggs weakened at some points. Egg prices averaged 38 cents per dozen at San Antonio; 39 at Oklahoma City; 40 at Fort Smith, Amarillo and Fort Worth; 41 at Denver, El Paso and New Orleans; 42 at Houston; and 43 at Shreveport.

Indifferent trading last week left most grains little changed. Liberal offerings of corn stepped prices down several cents, however; and oats also appeared in plentiful supply. Corn closed Friday at \$1.90 to \$1.91 per bushel in Fort Worth and Galveston; and oats \$1.03 to \$1.05. Sorghums ranged from \$3.17 to \$3.20 a hundred.

Slightly larger quantities of rice moved into domestic trade channels last week. Rice seeding proceeded haltingly between rains. Feeds registered moderate to drastic declines, as new crop harvest approached. Rapidly diminishing supplies of hay failed to meet the daily needs at firm prices. Peanut planting made good progress. Treated shelled peanuts sold around 21 cents per pound, and farmers stock about 15. Some well grown Texas Delaine wools sold at 46 to 46½ cents per pound to the grower.

Vegetables in the lower Rio Grande Valley found fairly good demand at mostly steady prices last week. Farmers about cleared their fields of the season's onion and cabbage crops, as cabbage and carrots went up sharply the first part of the week. Tomato movement gained volume, and growers got around 10 to 15 cents per pound. Onions came in strong from the Laredo and Coastal Bend districts in good demand. Louisiana strawberries hovered about \$5.00 per 24 pint display crate in auction sales. Colorado asparagus green onions, and spinach weakened on Denver's farmer market.

Sharp early-week rise in cotton markets encouraged spot selling, as demand picked up for some grades. After a mid-week slump prices closed Friday \$2.75 to \$4.25 per bale higher than a week ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert English and baby daughter of Fort Worth, visited the Harvey Glasses here last week. Mr. English is a brother of Mrs. Glass.

reported:

"Wire fencing has become an epidemic over here; all the stockmen are stricken."

Wire fencing must have been fairly well completed by 1902, for in that year a great many notices were run in the Sterling City News Record by land-owners warning trespassers to stay out.

34. San Angelo Standard, May 3, 1934.

35. C. L. Coulson, Interview, Sterling City, July 25, 1938.

36. W. L. Foster, Loc. Cit.

37. North Concho News, June 25, 1891.



Free Elections

By GEORGE S. BENSON
President of Harding College
Searcy, Arkansas

Looking Ahead

EVER PAY any attention to your newspaper reports of trouble encountered in the smaller European nations concerning free elections? The former satellites of Nazi Germany, and the present satellites of Soviet Russia, are finding the ideal of elections incompatible with those political doctrines that have been foisted upon them. Such insane foolishness as having the masses go to the polls for honest and secret voting, they say, is reserved for the decadent democracies.

These classless and enlightened denizens under benevolent socialist governments (that's the picture drawn up for consumption of peoples still ruled by despotic capitalists) do not of course value the power of the vote. They do not know what a workable factor of democracy the vote is. Not having permitted the will of the people to develop through free speech, a free press, and free elections, the fetters of ruling classes are likely to remain.

Example, NO NATION can Britain have free elections, while at the same time it tries to artificially discipline its labor force and foster government management of industry. Recent events in Britain give point to this statement. It was evident to me while in England last August that the nation was in for trouble. Absenteeism of workers in coal mines had risen to about 25%, and this was reduced to 18% only in January, when the coal famine was already a reality. Productivity remained inexplicably low.

Because there was a lack of national discipline, that is, the normal self-discipline common in

America's industrial workers, coal was not coming from the mines. Parliament was afraid to discipline the miners to get coal. Parliament feared results at the next election. This explains why the labor government calmly watched the coal crisis develop, step by step, fully aware that it was coming.

Keep On NO COUNTRY can Electing promote government management of industry, as England is trying to do, and maintain discipline of labor along with free elections. Stalin has the first two, in good measure, but he is not troubled with elections. Free elections under present conditions in Russia would have little meaning. They are a risk that the Soviet ruling class could never assume.

We in America have found that the best type of discipline comes from incentives found in the ambition to get ahead. When a man knows he can better his lot and is not afraid to try, the best kind of self-discipline is the result. The lowliest immigrant can become a great inventor. An assembly line worker can plan to own the factory, and can do it honestly. Things like these have happened too often to go unnoticed.

If we want to keep high efficiency, with the highest possible wages and an increasing standard of living, we must keep private ownership and private management of the tools of production. Holding to these things in a free market and cherishing the freedoms of speech, assembly, and press, we shall have little fear of dictatorship. Free elections would not permit it.

SOIL CONSERVATION NEWS COLUMN

N. H. Reed plans to plant 56 acres of irrigated land to improved pasture next fall. Mixtures of 8 pounds crested wheat grass, 8 pounds southern brome, and 2 pounds of alfalfa per acre seeded on irrigated land near Plainview are furnishing grazing for one cow and one calf per acre. Mixtures of perennial rye, orchard grass and

alfalfa are being used in the Concho and Eldorado Divide Soil Conservation Districts. The additional grazing received from this 56 acres will afford opportunity to defer native range land during the growing season and reduce the amount of protein supplement during the winter period.

As a part of his complete plan for conservation and improvement of his soil and range grass resources, Cecil Wilkerson of Garden City plans to defer two section pastures during the growing season this year. Deferment on his South East Pasture will be started May 1 and on Section Thirty-seven deferment will be started June 1. J. W. Cox, Supervisor of the North Concho River Soil Conservation District, ran lines for three diversions totaling 2100 feet above his headquarters. Runoff water will be diverted from his yard and lots to nearby grassland.

Black grama and side/oats grama have made remarkable recovery on a section pasture which Marshall Cook of Garden City has deferred since last summer. Under the protective cover of grass, many tallow weeds have a six-inch spread.

In preparing his conservation plan, Marshall Cook, with the assistance of Soil Conservation Service Engineers, is working out an irrigation system on a block of land adjoining a well which is producing 500 gallons per minute. This land will be planted either to alfalfa or to improved pasture grasses.

A course of study in soil conservation has been outlined by the Vocational Agriculture department of Garden City Public Schools and plans have been completed for the North Concho River Soil Conservation District to furnish assistance in the study of soil sites, range conditions, range vegetative problems, and range management practices. Plant identification and soil erosion have been discussed in the regular course of study earlier in year. The course will begin May 1 with a study of soil sites and range condition classes. Field trips are planned to supplement classroom study of each subject.

Marshall Cook completed the plan on his irrigation system this week.

W. B. Welch is seeding yellow bluestem and other grasses on an area from which cedar was pushed with a bulldozer in December and January.

Five hundred acres of cedar has been pushed on W. N. and L. R. Reed's ranch.

An area cleared of cedar on Claude Collins' Hackberry ranch showed 20 per cent increase in productivity of the better grasses in three years.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00
Worship Service 11:00
Subject: "Lukewarmness"
Evening Services
Training Union 7:00
Worship Service 8:00
Wednesday night Prayer Meeting 7:30

We closed out the month of April with a baptismal service, baptizing five, with two awaiting baptism now for the month of May.

We have 109 on our Sunday School roll, and our peak attendance for April was 106. According to Rev. C. T. Aly, Sunday School Superintendent for the Association, this excels all other records of any church in the Concho Valley Association, and probably the State of Texas. Let's keep up the good work.

We had more Intermediates in attendance at our "Listening In" breakfast than the Park Heights Baptist in San Angelo. There were 30 Intermediates out for breakfast, and with us all through the day, with only two dropping out of the evening service.

We are proud of the good Christian stand of the Intermediates of Sterling City.

Mrs. Ruth Allen has been in the Shannon Hospital in San Angelo for the past two weeks, suffering from a kidney ailment. Her daughter, Mrs. Fowler McEntire, said that Mrs. Allen was improving.

Rubber Stamps at News-Record

Palace Theatre

Fri., Sat., May 2-3

'Shouldn't Happen to a Dog'

Carole Landis-Allyn Joslin

'West of the Alamo'

Jimmy Wakely

Sun., Mon., Tues., May 4-5-6

'LADY LUCK'

Robert Young-Barbara Hale

Wed., Thurs., May 7-8

'3 Little Girls in Blue'

Fri., Sat., May 9-10

'Jungle Princess'

Dorothy Lamour-Ray Milland

'King of the Stallions'

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What Is Management?

Management is as old as the hills. There is nothing complicated about it at all. It is a natural function of human society.

A man and a woman marry, set up housekeeping, and raise a family. Both are managers.

They manage as they buy a home, educate the children, plant a garden, pick out a car, a refrigerator, a piano. A hundred decisions a day around the house are management decisions.

Management occurs at all levels in government, charity, education, lodge. It is the plumber with his helper, the elevator starter, the superintendent of schools, the master of the grange.

But in America, management probably has had its most scientific application in business.

Business management, even before World War I, helped build up a volume of production surpassing that of any other nation. In World War II, the results were even more spectacular. America outproduced all other countries combined.

By 1941, the value of an hour of work in terms of the staple necessities of life, bread and butter, had so been raised that an American could buy from two to eight times as much as a man in Europe. This didn't just happen. Neither the men and women in industry nor the money in industry can be effective without good management. Nothing else is so important to the workers' welfare, the investors' welfare or the public welfare.

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From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

We Got to the Fish Fry After All

That community fish fry was sure a great success. There were plenty of appetizing extras, and Will Dudley did a right wonderful job of frying the fish—soft and flaky inside—brown and crisp around the edges.

But we didn't get to go. The missus was tired after working in the yard, and we just didn't want to leave her.

Then how did we know the fish was so good? Because the folks didn't forget us. They sent Skippy Henderson over with two steam-

ing covered plates of fish, and a pitcher of cool, sparkling beer. And we finished them off in front of our own fire.

From where I sit, that's one of the things that makes our town so nice a place to live in: a spirit of share and share alike. That plate of fish and glass of beer weren't just great eating, they were symbols of the thoughtfulness that makes for better living!

Joe Marsh

Presbyterian Church
 Rev. B. B. Hestir, pastor of the
 Presbyterian Church, announces
 he will be here next Sunday
 morning and evening for services

at the local church.
 All services of the day will be
 held on schedule.
FRYERS for sale. Call Harry
 Harry Blanek at 168.

**DISTRICT COURT
 OPENS MONDAY**

The 51st District Grand Jury
 for Sterling County convenes Mon-
 day morning at 10:00 o'clock in
 the courthouse.
 Currently there are no cases for
 the grand jury to consider, accord-
 ing to Ralph Logan, district attor-
 ney. There may be some matters
 which develop between now and
 Monday, however, Logan noted.
 Monday will see the beginning of
 51st District Court week for Ster-
 ling County also, provided there
 are any cases which need to be
 tried. No cases are scheduled at
 this time. Judge John F. Sutton
 will preside.

**Latin-American P. T. A.
 Organized**

The Latin-American P. T. A.
 was organized Tuesday, April 29,
 at the Sterling Latin-American
 school. Mrs. Harvey Glass of the
 local P. T. A. and Mrs. Walter Lee,
 teacher of the school, sponsored
 the organization.
 The officers were elected as fol-
 lows:
 President—Simon Natividad,
 1st Vice-President, chairman of
 Program Committee—Frances Gomez,
 2nd Vice-President, Chairman of
 Finance Committee—Grabella Medina,
 3rd Vice-President, Chairman of
 the Membership Committee—Ysa-
 bel Rodriguez,
 Secretary-Treasurer—Mary Gon-
 zales.



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One of my friends has just
 moved into a brand new home—
 and, because we are building one
 ourselves in the Spring—I was
 very interested in all the technical
 details. I stopped in to see her one
 afternoon last week and she took
 me through the house. It certainly
 is beautiful! From the shining
 bronze knocker on the front door
 to the brass doorknob on the back
 door, it's a "dream" house.
 Knowing that my friend had con-
 sulted the same architect that we
 had I was curious about the ma-
 terials used . . . and sure enough,
 they, too, had followed the archi-
 tect's advice and used brass and
 bronze for all hardware . . . and
 copper tubing for their heating sys-
 tems. We both agreed that our
 homes were to last the rest of our
 lives—and so, of course, we in-
 sisted on the best and most durable
 of every material.
 I was particularly interested in
 her heating system. It was a new
 idea to me—one that I immedi-
 ately decided to use in our new
 home. The system—called "Radi-
 ant Heating"—. . . uses copper tube
 with soldered fittings built right
 into the ceilings and floors.
 Through the tubes hot water circu-
 lates to heat the home. And . . .
 though it was very cold and snow-
 ing outside, my friend's home was
 as comfortable as a mid-summer
 day.
 My friend also saw to it that her
 home was provided with sufficient
 electric outlets for adequate light-
 ing and labor-saving devices
 which lessen household work.
 You know, after seeing her beau-
 tiful new home, I just can't wait
 until our own is finished. It's cer-
 tainly going to be a treat to step
 into a house that I planned myself
 —right down to the last doorknob!

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 ladies! We know only too well
 that no matter how we boast about
 that ice cream frozen in our auto-
 matic refrigerators, we far too
 often have to apologize for those
 crystals that do not occur in ice
 cream made in the old-fashioned,
 laborious way—where lengthy
 stirring produced a smooth dessert.
 But what do you know! We had
 a sugar shortage. Experimenters
 started trying out other sweeteners
 so that home-made ice cream could
 still be served. And when they
 tried using half corn sirup and half
 sugar when making rennet-custard
 ice cream, they not only cut the
 needed sugar down to a quarter
 cup, but they produced what they
 regarded as a BETTER, and
 smoother ice cream. In fact, they
 plan to use this new recipe even if
 sugar becomes as plentiful as
 water.

- Vanilla Ice Cream**
 (Automatic Refrigerator)
 1 rennet tablet
 1 tablespoon cold water
 2 cups light cream
 1/4 cup sugar
 1/4 cup corn sirup*
 1 1/4 teaspoons vanilla
1. Dissolve rennet tablet by crush-
 ing in cold water.
 2. Mix light cream, sugar, corn
 sirup and vanilla. Warm slow-
 ly, stirring constantly. Test a
 drop on inside of wrist frequen-
 tly. When COMFORTABLY
 WARM (110° F.) not hot, re-
 move at once from heat.
 3. Add dissolved rennet tablet and
 stir quickly for a few seconds
 only.
 4. Pour at once, while still liquid,
 into refrigerator tray. Do not
 move until set—about 10
 minutes.
 5. Place in freezing compartment
 and freeze until firm.
 6. Remove from tray to a bowl,
 break up with a fork and beat
 with an electric or rotary beater
 until free from hard lumps but
 still a thick mush. Finish
 freezing.
- *Corn sirup may be replaced by 1/4
 cup sugar; or by 1/4 cup sweetened
 condensed milk. Or omit sugar
 and corn sirup and use 1/2 cup
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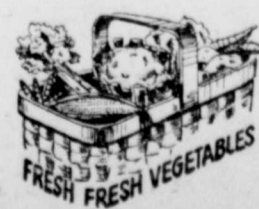
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Scrape or peel vegetables thinly; valuable minerals are just beneath the outer skin. Young carrots, beets, and summer squash should merely be scrubbed and not peeled. Neither should vegetables be soaked in water before cooking. This, too, causes loss of minerals.

Cook vegetables quickly and only until barely tender. Usually they taste better if slightly undercooked than they do if soft and mushy from overcooking. In boiling, use only a small amount of water, saving whatever li-

quid remains when the cooking is finished. If there is too much to serve with the vegetable, keep it to add to soup. In boiling vegetables make sure the water is really boiling before adding them. If put over the fire in cold water, vegetables lose color, flavor, texture, and much of their food value.

Vegetables fresh from the garden need very little dressing up to make them deliciously appetizing. Simple methods of cookery are best with the simplest of seasonings added. Until you have eaten vegetables fresh picked from your garden and properly cooked, you do not know the taste of vegetables at their best.

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County Judge G. C. Murrell, County Attorney Worth B. Durham, and the four commissioners, Roy Foster, Herman Garlington, Joe Mims and Fowler McEntire, attended a State Highway Commission hearing in Austin Tuesday.

Judge Murrell said the commission seemed favorable to paving of the Robert Lee—Sterling City highway, and that the project seemed likely to go through.

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OUR WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER



By Congressman O. C. Fisher

Last week foreign relief was the subject of debate on both sides of the capitol. Over in the Senate Greco-Turkish aid bill was

passed while the House took up the \$350 million relief program.

The Greek aid proposal is generally favored and, in my judgment should be passed, but the bill to continue the relief program raises many questions. Under UNRRA, there has been much waste and extravagance. A goodly portion of our own \$2.6 billion contribution to that international relief fund found its way into countries behind the iron curtain where we were given little, if any, credit.

Then, too, there is the question of the actual extent of need. On that we hear conflicting stories. The war in Europe has been over for two years, and it would seem that the Balkan countries, where much of the relief goes, would have their agriculture restored and be getting back on their feet by this time.

If the Russian satellites need relief why not let Stalin minister to their needs? Russia recently offered to negotiate a loan to Great Britain, which indicates her financial ability. Yet, during the past year Uncle Sam spent millions on relief in White Russia alone, to say nothing of Yugoslavia, Rumania, Poland and other countries dominated by the Soviets.

Here is a brief picture of the extent of our bounty abroad since July 1, 1945: for direct aid to civilians from military-civilian supplies, nearly \$1 billion; government relief in occupied countries, \$1.4 billion; British loan, \$3.7 billion; Export-Import Bank Loans, \$2 billion; surplus property transfers, \$1 billion; lend-lease aid (post war and in transit when war ended) \$1.8 billion; Maritime ship transfers, \$107 million; Philippine aid, \$695 million; post UNRRA relief, \$350 million; Greek-Turkish aid (pending), \$400 million; UNRRA (U. S. share, \$2.6 billion; International Bank (U.S. share), \$635 million; International Refugee Organization (pending) \$75 million.

The total of all these items amounts to \$15.8 billion.

Referring to this vast expenditure, Senator Byrd remarked: While this figure represents the value of gifts, loans, grants, credits, goods, etc., it is my opinion that a very small percentage of the total will ever be repaid."

Our government simply cannot go on at this rate, if we are to maintain a balanced budget, reduce the national debt and give the taxpayers any relief. It is time to taper off and make gifts only where real need exists and be sure those we help are our friends.

On San Jacinto Day, Texans in Washington met to do honor to that memorable day in Texas history. The Texas Society has nearly a thousand members and they like to get together now and then and "whoop it up" with "The Eyes of Texas", etc.

So, on April 21st the large Interior Department cafeteria room was leased and a Mexican feed, with all the trimmings was put on. The well-known Texan, Howard Hughes, left nothing undone in bringing Texas to Washington for the party. Most of the ingredients of the meal were flown here in a Hughes plane. The Troubadors furnished music and song under the direction of Steve Wilhelm, Chief of Howard Hughes' public relations office. The entertainers, too, were flown up from the border country in a Hughes plane.

Sam Rayburn made a talk about Texas, and the evening ended with the showing of the Interior Department's moving picture "Resources of Texas."

Ralph Pittman, a prominent Washington lawyer, is president of the Texas Society. He is a former Baylor football star and calls Cisco his home. The secretary is Miss Helen Snelling of Abilene. She is employed in Washington by Braniff Airlines.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen returned home Monday after a visit with Fred's relatives in Dallas last week-end.

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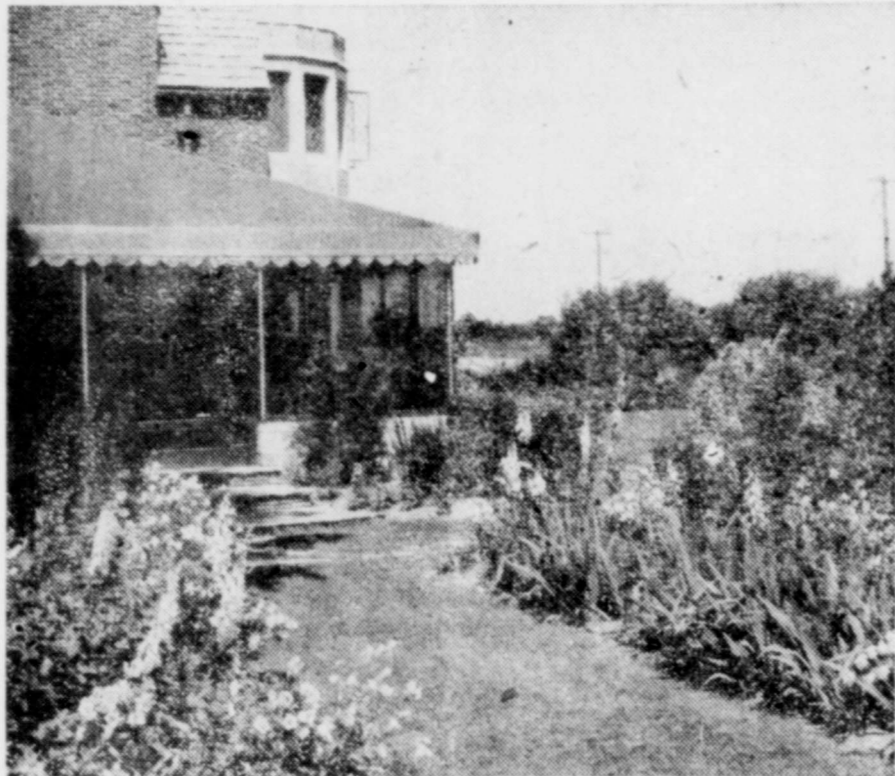
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Grow Perennial Flowers From Seed



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You can save considerable garden money and add new zest to your gardening by growing your own perennial flowers from seed. The best quality seeds cost only a few cents a packet and with simple care will produce scores of plants to bring color and beauty to the garden for years to come. Most perennials grown from seed bloom the second year after sowing.

Seed should be started at about the same time as that of the annuals, such as zinnias and marigolds. The secret of success is to get the seedlings to transplanting size early enough so that when set in their permanent places in garden or border, they will get a good root-hold before cold weather comes on.

A specially prepared seed bed or seed box is best for starting perennial seeds. A seed bed can be easily prepared by knocking the bottom out of a good-sized shallow wooden box and sinking the sides into the ground. The top should be about two or three inches above the surface. Use finely prepared, crumbly garden loam containing plenty of humus. It is important to locate the seed bed where it will be sheltered from strong winds and from sunlight during the hottest part of the day. A seed box or flat may also be used, with holes bored in the bottom for drainage. This has the advantage of being movable to sheltered locations when necessary.

Some perennial seeds are very small.

Mix them with sand so that they will not be sown too thickly in the row and merely press them into the soil instead of covering them. Larger seeds need a shallow covering of soil. Firm the soil down on them so that they will make immediate contact with the moisture and plant food. Keep the soil moist but not wet until the seeds sprout. Some gardeners spread damp burlap over the surface to furnish needed moisture, removing it at the first sign of sprouting.

Here are a number of perennials that beginners can start from seed with almost sure success: Columbine, gailardia, coreopsis, hollyhock, painted daisy, sweet william, hardy pinks, hardy alyssum, and the violas.

Perennial seeds usually take somewhat longer to germinate than those of annual flowers. Don't be discouraged if the tiny sprouts do not show themselves for two or three weeks after the seed is sown.

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WIMODAUSIS CLUB

Mrs. Lester Foster was hostess to the Wimodausis Club Wednesday afternoon of last week at her home. Spring flowers decorated the living room and dining room.

Mrs. Lee Reed, president, presided during the business session. Mrs. Harvey Glass, federation counselor, reported an article in the Club Woman. Miss Ethel Foster explained some of the changes to be made in the by-laws that would be voted on at the state convention. Miss Foster gave to the club a year book of the proceedings of her administration as state president of the Texas Federation.

Mrs. Roy Foster presented the club with two bound copies of the year books of the Wimodausis Club dating back to its organization in 1910. These copies are to be placed in the county library.

Mrs. T. F. Foster discussed "Spring Festivals". Mrs. V.E. Davis explained "Flower Arrangements". Mrs. Rogers Hefley gave two poems by Ted Malone.

Mrs. T. F. Foster served punch to Mrs. Harvey Glass, Mrs. H. C. Cope, Mrs. O. T. Jones, Mrs. C. N. Crawford, Mrs. V. E. Davis, Mrs. Rogers Hefley, Mrs. H. H. Everitt, Mrs. N. H. Reed, Mrs. Lee Reed, Miss Ethel Foster, Mrs. W.N. Reed, Mrs. R. T. Foster, Mrs. D. Hall and the hostess.

VISITORS AT THE DONALSONS

Mrs. H. F. Donalson and Carolyn Foster went to Belton last week-end and got Mrs. Donalson's daughter, Betty, who is a student in Mary Hardin Baylor College, and three of her school friends and brought them to Sterling for a week-end visit. The three girls were Jenelle Toland of Gregory, Jane Clark of Port Isabel and Katherine Stewart of Harlingen.

Betty and Jenelle won the doubles tennis finals at the college this

SESAME CLUB HAS MEXICAN PROGRAM

The Sesame Club studied Mexico at the April 22 meeting in the home of Mrs. Ruth Allen.

Mrs. Herman Garlington was the program sponsor. The roll call was a current event on Mexico. The Spanish Club of the local high school helped by presenting a part of the program.

year. Betty is still the singles tennis champion for the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Johnson attended the State Postmasters' Convention in Waco the first part of the week. Mrs. Johnson is the Sterling City postmaster.

Jean Durham and Jackie Durham, sons of the W.W. Durham, spent last week-end here with their parents. Jackie is a student in John Tarleton's Stephenville and Jean is engineer of a crew with Robert H. Ray, Inc., now stationed near Stephenville.

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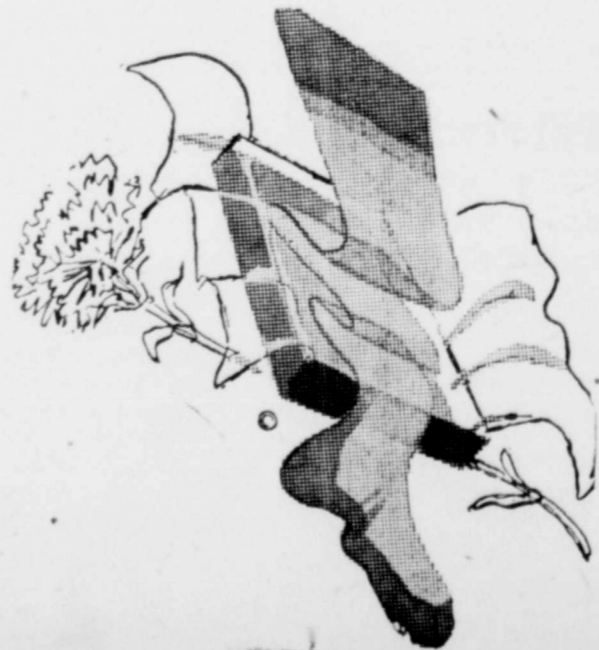
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