

Lions Club Team Wins Softball Tournament

In a close softball game on Thursday night of last week the Lions Club won the play-off game against the Legion by the score of 6 to 6. The Lions scored early in the game scoring 5 runs in the first inning and 2 in the second. The Legion scored a run in the second and third innings and 4 in the fifth. The Lions came back to score another run in the last of the sixth. The Lions got nine hits and 6 runs off Finnegan. He issued 6 walks. The Legion got 8 hits and 6 runs off Bratton. Bratton issued 3 walks. Copeland of the Lions got 4 hits in 5 trips to the plate. The Legion won the first half of the city league and the Lions won the second half. Due to the building of the rodeo pens the managers agreed to the one game. Below is the last half standings of the city league:

| | won | lost | pct. |
|--------|-----|------|------|
| Lions | 4 | 1 | .800 |
| WOW | 2 | 3 | .400 |
| Legion | 1 | 3 | .250 |

Harold Emery of the Legion won the batting championship with a .523 average. Emery got 23 hits in 44 times at bat and scored 19 runs. In runner up spot was Dawson of the WOW with a .460. He got 23 hits out of 50 times at bat.

Tillerson and K. Garms tied for the most runs scored with 21 each. The managers of the three clubs would like for the players to turn in their uniforms within the next week so they can be stored until next season.

Below is a batting average for each individual that played in the city league:

| Player | A.B. | R. | H. | Pct. |
|--------------|------|----|----|------|
| Abernathy | 23 | 8 | 9 | .391 |
| Aiken | 32 | 6 | 10 | .313 |
| Boren | 9 | 3 | 3 | .333 |
| Emery, H. | 44 | 19 | 23 | .523 |
| Faulkner | 16 | 3 | 3 | .188 |
| Finnegan | 30 | 13 | 12 | .400 |
| J. Green | 21 | 7 | 5 | .238 |
| Martin | 46 | 12 | 14 | .304 |
| Murrell | 31 | 7 | 8 | .258 |
| Pate | 20 | 12 | 7 | .350 |
| Phillips | 46 | 14 | 14 | .304 |
| Tillerson | 48 | 21 | 18 | .354 |
| Mitchell, J. | 16 | 5 | 6 | .375 |
| Baker | 34 | 8 | 9 | .265 |
| Cope | 11 | 4 | 5 | .455 |
| Davis, B.F. | 19 | 8 | 5 | .263 |
| Dawson | 50 | 13 | 23 | .460 |
| Garms K. | 44 | 21 | 18 | .409 |
| Garms S. | 25 | 7 | 18 | .400 |
| Gaston | 13 | 2 | 3 | .231 |
| Greathouse | 3 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| Johnson | 29 | 9 | 7 | .241 |
| Murry | 5 | 2 | 1 | .200 |
| Simmons | 48 | 16 | 18 | .375 |
| Tweedle | 16 | 3 | 5 | .313 |
| Williams | 32 | 8 | 10 | .313 |
| Harris | 8 | 0 | 4 | .500 |
| Sm...a | 10 | 2 | 2 | .200 |
| Blackburn | 38 | 14 | 11 | .290 |
| Bratton | 33 | 16 | 14 | .424 |
| Chapple | 21 | 14 | 10 | .428 |
| Copeland | 24 | 9 | 5 | .208 |

In Top of Strawn PLYMOUTH TESTS WILDCAT

Plymouth Oil Co.'s scheduled 9,000-foot wildcat in north central Sterling County, No. 1 Georgia Frost, recovered 260 feet of gas-cut drilling mud on a drillstem test Tuesday night from 8,150 to 8,246 feet. Top of the Strawn which produces in the Jameson field in Coke County and the Page field in Schleicher County, had been picked tentatively at 8,210 feet. Derrick floor elevation is 2,604 feet.

Showing of some stain in drilling samples from 8,200-46 feet caused the drillstem test to be made. There was a blow of air throughout the test, lasting four hours and 20 minutes. Gas appeared at the end of that period and the tool was closed. Recovery when the drillpipe was broken down was 260 feet of gas-cut mud, with no oil and no water.

No. 1 Frost was to drill ahead early Wednesday. It is scheduled to explore the Ellenburger. Location is the center of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section 39-2-H&TC, 1 1/2 miles north and slightly west of Sterling City and about 20 miles west-south west of the Jameson field. Plymouth has a block of approximately 15,000 acres on which geophysical and other surveys were made.

LOCAL SCOUT BOARD TO MEET

On Monday evening at seven o'clock, August 25, the local Scout Board will have an executive meeting at the Scout House for the purpose of making plans for the work next year. The board is composed of the following men: Homer Pearce, chairman; A. A. Berryman, Scoutmaster, and the troop committeemen—Roy Foster, Webb Hudson, Seth Bailey, Roland Lowe, E. H. Lovelace, Dr. W. J. Swann, Ted Brown, and John Walraven, secretary.

Members will please take notice and plan to be present at this meeting.

Supper will be served on the dot at seven. See next week's paper for more news concerning the meeting.

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|----------------|----|----|----|------|
| Davis | 19 | 9 | 4 | .210 |
| Dees | 41 | 9 | 12 | .292 |
| Durham | 31 | 9 | 10 | .322 |
| Foster | 7 | 1 | 0 | .000 |
| Green B. | 6 | 2 | 2 | .333 |
| Hennigan | 19 | 8 | 6 | .316 |
| Hudson | 21 | 1 | 1 | .047 |
| Lowe | 28 | 10 | 7 | .250 |
| McDonald | 25 | 11 | 6 | .240 |
| Mitchell F. | 18 | 5 | 3 | .267 |
| Mitchell R. B. | 9 | 4 | 1 | .111 |
| Price | 24 | 6 | 7 | .292 |
| Rollins | 37 | 6 | 6 | .162 |
| Jones | 19 | 6 | 6 | .314 |

National Infantile Paralysis Committee Reelects Officers

The Sterling County Chapter of The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis met at the court house August 6, 1947 at 3:45 p.m. for the purpose of holding the annual election of officers, and to attend to pending business matters. The same officers were re-elected by a unanimous vote, and they are as follows:

G. C. Murrell, Chairman
J. T. Davis, Vice-Chairman
Anna Lee Johnson, Secretary
H. M. Knight, Treasurer
Dr. Wm. J. Swann, Physician.
Minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$285.74 in the bank, and a motion was made and seconded to send \$128.95 to National Headquarters Emergency Fund. It was also reported that our chapter still holds a \$100 savings bond.

Chesley McDonald was unanimously elected Campaign Director for the March of Dimes 1948 Campaign.

Members attending the meeting and taking part in the discussions were O. T. Jones, Rev. Ed. Lovelace, H. M. Knight, A. T. Bratton, Dr. Wm. J. Swann, G. C. Murrell, and Anna Lee Johnson.

SWING OF SOUTHWEST FARM MARKETS

By United States Department of Agriculture

(USDA) — Many farm products gained ground on southwest markets last week, and others held their own fairly well, according to the Production and Marketing Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

New crop corn started moving from South Texas farms last week, and white corn prices declined several cents per bushel. Yellow corn advanced, however; as dry weather in the corn belt threatened damage to the crop. Oats, barley, and grain sorghums strengthened some, too. Decreased marketings of winter wheat sold firm and Midwest and Great Plains growers had about completed the record harvest.

Some of the new crop rice sold in Texas and Louisiana last week at \$10 to \$10.50 per barrel. Most feeds held about steady but gray shorts and bran dropped \$3.50 to \$5 per ton. Dry weather improved hay demand, and prices advanced \$1.50 to \$2 per ton. South Texas rains helped growing peanuts, but north Texas and southern Oklahoma became very dry. Wool saw active trading in advance of the re-instituted government purchase program which began August 6 under the new wool act.

Newly ginned cotton from South Texas found good demand, and most offerings graded strict middling or better. However, spot prices netted losses of \$1 to \$2.

Southwest peaches sold lower last week as demand slowed, especially for the smaller sizes. Hot weather held watermelons firm at most markets. Colorado peas and cauliflower weakened, but beans and lettuce sold firm. Potatoes, onions, and tomatoes from southwestern producing areas strengthened slightly at the end.

With hotter weather, top quality eggs became even more scarce, and markets held firm. Prices stayed up fairly well on liberal offerings of medium to lower grade eggs. Demand for poultry slowed some, but prices remained generally firm on moderate receipts. Heavy hens brought mostly 22 to 26 cents, and fryers 32 to 37.

Hog markets generally overcame early-week losses to close mostly 25 to 50 cents higher. Closing bulk of good and choice medium weight butchers sold at \$27 at San Antonio, \$27.50 at Fort Worth, \$27.75 at Oklahoma City; and \$26.50 to \$27.25 at Wichita. Week's top at Denver was \$30, within 25 cents of all time high.

Sheep prices remained largely steady for the week, and most spring lambs went a little higher. Medium to good spring lambs brought mostly \$18 to \$21 at San Antonio, and closed at \$19 to \$22 at Fort Worth. Closing bulk of good and choice grades sold at \$22 to \$22.50 at Oklahoma City, and around \$24 at Denver.

Many cattle classes brought lower prices last week. Most stocker

American Legion Rodeo Begins Tonight

LIONS CLUB

Lion H. A. Chapple told of the Lions Club softball team winning the city league softball tournament at the Wednesday luncheon. He plans to have the team at the luncheon for recognition on August 27. Also, as manager of the team he will present the trophy to the Lions Club.

S. M. Bailey reported on the American Legion Rodeo plans for the week-end. He told of the events, time, and prices for the complete affair.

It was reported that all the stores were to close at 5:30 p. m. both days of the rodeo.

Amendment Election August 24th

There will be a special amendment election over Texas on Saturday, August 24 to vote on the amendment to the state constitution to cut the Confederate Pension fund tax levy from 7c to 2c per \$100 valuation, BUT to levy a 5c levy to go to all institutions of higher learning (colleges) for building and construction funds, except the University of Texas and Texas A. & M. Included in the voting is the right for those two schools to issue \$10 and \$5 million in bonds for new construction of buildings, etc. They would pay off the bonds by use of the money that is piling up from their permanent funds.

Certificate of Title Must Go With Car at Time of Sale or Transfer

R. H. Emery, sheriff, points out the new law that deals with the sale and transfer of motor vehicles. The new law reads in part as follows:

AN ACT to amend Article 1934, Chapter 8, Title 17 of the Penal Code of Texas, 1925, as amended by chapter 77:

There shall be a transfer fee of Fifty Cents (50c) for the transfer of registration; provided that if said transferee does not file said application within ten (10) days a penalty or fee of Five Dollars (\$5) shall be paid upon the filing of such application.

Whoever, acting for himself or another, sells, trades or otherwise transfers any such vehicle shall deliver to the transferee at the time of delivery of the vehicle the license receipt issued by the department for the current year and properly assigned Certificate of Title or other evidence of title as required under the provisions of Article 1436-1 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas. It is expressly provided that upon the transfer of any vehicle from one person to another in the State of Texas, all papers or documents relating to or supporting transfer of registration and or Certificate of Title shall be executed in full and dated as of the date of such transfer, and any person who shall transfer a vehicle and execute such papers or documents as provided for herein wholly or partly in blank leaving out any information that is required to be furnished, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined in any sum not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50), and not exceeding Two Hundred Dollars (\$200). It is further provided that any transferee who accepts erasures papers as herein provided executed wholly or partly in blank or any person who alters, changes or mutilates such transfer papers, or otherwise violates any provision of this section for which no specific penalty is provided shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined in any sum not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50) nor exceeding Two Hundred Dollars (\$200).

and feeder types, as well as slaughter cows, calves, vealers and bulls dropped from 50 cents to \$1.50. Steers and yearlings weakened at some markets. Common and medium cows brought \$11.50 to \$14.50 at Houston and Fort Worth, and \$12 to \$15 at San Antonio and Wichita. Medium and good kinds moved at \$13 to \$15.50 at Oklahoma City, while common to good kinds sold at \$15 to \$19 at Denver.

Tonight and Saturday night under the lights at the softball field record crowds will attend the American Legion sponsored rodeo. The Legion has spared no expense to work up a good program for the first annual Legion rodeo, and it is hoped that a record breaking attendance will justify their effort and expense.

CHUCK WAGON SUPPER
A chuck wagon supper will be served each night beginning at 5 o'clock, said Legion Commander Edwin Aiken, this week.

The rodeo events (free-for-all) include jack-pot roping, matched roping, team tying, girls goat roping and girl's flag race.

On the night of August 16 there will be drawing for the new 1947 Ford Convertible that the Legion purchased from Hefley Motor Co. for that purpose.

A dance will be held each night in the school gym, said Jeff Davis, Jack Daulong and his orchestra will furnish music for the dances.

Admission to the dance is \$2.50 per couple plus tax. Children will be admitted to the rodeo for 50c plus tax, and adults admission is \$1 plus tax.

The proceeds will go to the Legion building fund. The boys are planning to rock veneer their hut.

SPECIAL PRIZES
The Big Spring Hardware will present a fancy bridle to the girl making the best time in the goat roping contests. Barrow's Furniture will give a \$20 100% all wool Cheatham blanket to the girl that makes the best time in the flag race.

MATCHED CONTESTS
There will be a matched roping contest between N. A. Pittcock of Aspermont and Walton Poage of Rankin. This contest promises to be a real contest between two real ropers.

STORES TO CLOSE AT 5:30
It has been announced that the stores will close each day of the rodeo at 5:30 p. m. On account of the second day of the rodeo being Saturday, it will be well to remember to do your regular Saturday shopping earlier than usual.

SCHOOL BOARD ADOPTS BUDGET AND ADDS COURSE

Vocational Agriculture Dropped
The Sterling School Board met Tuesday night and set the budget for the ensuing year. The tax rate has been set at \$1.50 per \$100 valuation.

It was decided to drop vocational agriculture from the curriculum as there are so few boys who take it.

Added to the course of study was "Industrial Education" which corresponds somewhat to manual training, but includes more varied study of the trades.

Little Merrell Baby Is Electrocuted

An usual tragedy took the life of Cecilia Ann Merrell, 13-month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Merrell about 2 o'clock Monday afternoon. The baby was electrocuted.

The mother told attendants at the Clinic Hospital where artificial respiration was applied for two hours in an effort to revive the victim, that the child either bit into an electric cord or got the plug into her mouth.

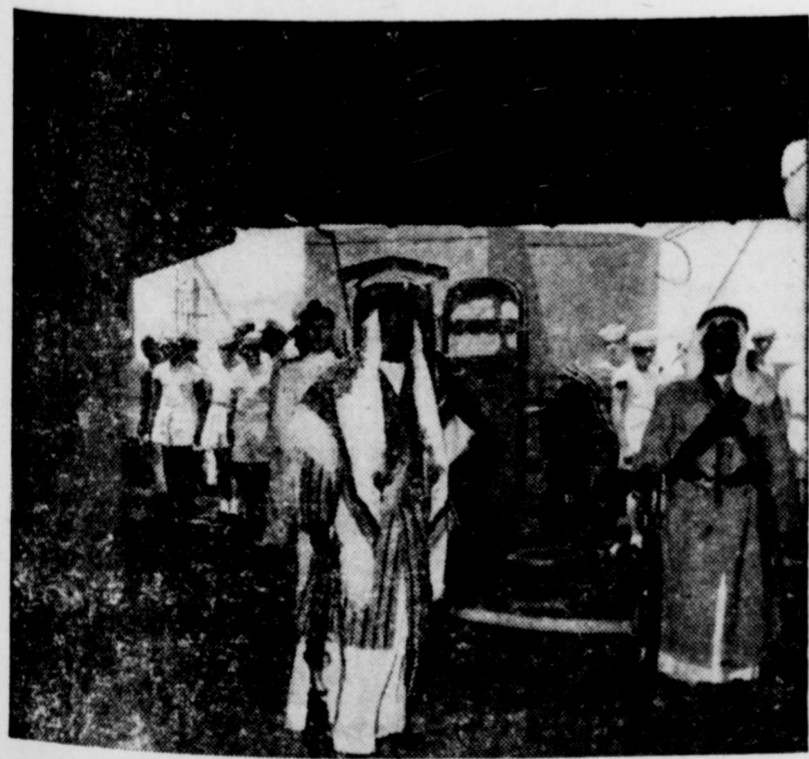
When Mrs. Merrell undertook to remove it, she, too, was shocked. It was with some difficulty that she was able to take the electrical connection from the daughter's body. The baby was dead upon arrival at the hospital.

The accident happened at the Merrell home, 718 W. Ave. K in San Angelo. The father is employed at the M-System Grocery Store in San Angelo.

Besides the parents, survivors include the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Merrell of Water Valley, and the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry O. Smith of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

Harold Emery had his disabilities as a minor removed in a hearing before Judge John F. Sutton Tuesday of this week.

NUMBER ONE BODYGUARD



The ship's photographer of the cruiser USS Toledo snapped this view of the head bodyguard of His Highness Amir Saud bin Abdullah bin Jelewi, and his assistant during the visit of the Amir of Hasa Province to the Toledo at Ras at Tanura, Saudi Arabia. The occasion was the return call of the Amir and members of the Royal Family on Admiral Richard L. Conolly, USN, Commander, Naval Forces in Eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean, during the Admiral's visit to the Persian Gulf. The Toledo, which served as flagship, later departed for Japan to relieve the USS Fall River as flagship for Rear Admiral A. M. Bledsoe, USN, Commander, Cruiser Division One.

(Official U. S. Navy Photograph)

SON TO THE TAB MURRYS

A son, named Frak, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tab Murry of this

city on Thursday of last week in a San Angelo hospital. The baby weighed seven pounds and three ounces, and was born at 1:17 p.m.



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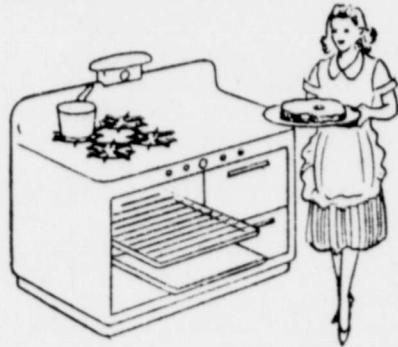


FIXING UP the HOME
By Diane Greeter

How About Steak Tonight?

THERE'S really nothing quite as good as a well broiled steak. This method of dry heat cookery brings out the finest taste. The results should be enough to whet the dull-est appetite.

Broiling, while considered by many to be a fine art, is really very simple. There are many schools of thought: some say salt added before cooking causes loss of juice; others produce fine steaks by making a paste of salt and smearing it over the steak so thick the crust has to be broken off.

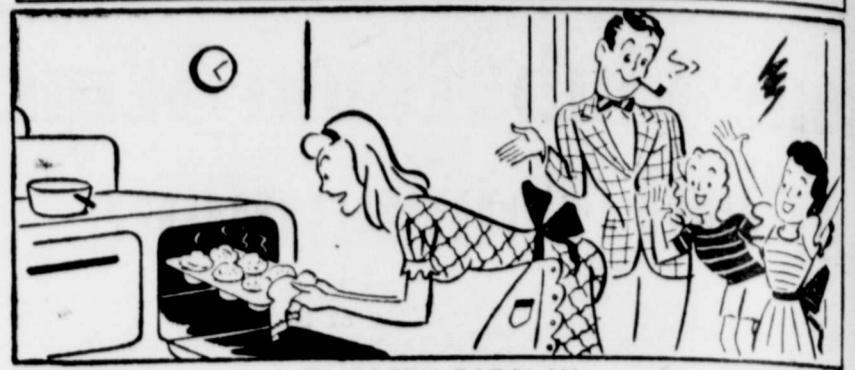


Whatever your method, be sure you have a good hot flame, with the steak nestling about two or three inches under it. If your broiler is connected to a thermostatically controlled oven, leave the oven door open so that the flame will not turn down.

A gas flame does the best job of broiling if you don't have the coals of an open campfire. The gas consumes the broiling smoke, keeps the kitchen cleaner and provides the quick, sharp heat needed. You can have a modern gas range wherever you plan to live. Outside the city you can use LP-Gas, the modern gas fuel that is delivered in bottle-like steel cylinders or by tank truck. Consult the dealer in your community.

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Dishes that Delight



By BETTY BARCLAY

Do you ever feel like "something different" for dinner? It's easy to get into a cooking rut during hot weather, even though this is the very time such a rut should be avoided. Lagging appetites need tasteful foods and "something different" is appreciated by family and guests. Here we have a trio of "different" dishes that I am sure will ease your menu problems:

Banana Bran Muffins

- ¾ cup sifted flour
 - 2½ teaspoons double-acting baking powder
 - ¼ teaspoon soda
 - ¼ teaspoon salt
 - 2 tablespoons sugar
 - ½ cup milk
 - ¾ cup mashed ripe bananas (about 2 large bananas)
 - 1 egg, well beaten
 - 3 tablespoons melted shortening
 - 1½ cups 40% bran flakes
- Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder, soda, salt, and sugar, and sift again. Combine milk, bananas, and egg. Add to flour mixture, add shortening, then mix only enough to dampen flour. Fold in flakes. Fill greased muffin pans ¾ full. Bake in hot oven (425° F.) 15 to 20 minutes. Makes 8 large muffins.

Grape-Nuts Spinach Loaf

- 2 pounds fresh spinach, cooked and drained
 - 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
 - ¼ teaspoon salt
 - ¼ teaspoon pepper
 - 1 egg, well beaten
 - ¼ pound (1 cup) grated American cheese
 - 1 cup Grape-Nuts
 - ½ teaspoon grated onion
- Force spinach through sieve or meat chopper. Add remaining ingredients and mix well. Turn into greased custard cups or small loaf pan. Place in pan of hot water and bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 25 minutes, or until done. Serve with mushroom, cheese, or parsley sauce. Makes 5 servings.

Raisin Bran Custard

- 3 eggs, slightly beaten
 - ½ cup sugar
 - ½ teaspoon salt
 - 4 cups milk
 - 1 teaspoon grated orange rind
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - 1½ teaspoons nutmeg
 - ½ cup finely cut shredded coconut
 - 1½ cups raisin bran
- Combine eggs, sugar, and salt; add milk gradually, and mix well. Pour into greased baking dish. Combine remaining ingredients and fold into custard mixture. Place dish in pan of hot water; bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 1½ hours, or until knife inserted comes out clean. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

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"Covering the County"

By Byron W. Frierson

Many ranchers in the county sprayed for hornflies during the past two weeks. Infestation was much lighter where the cattle had been sprayed earlier in the summer. Charlie Drennan treated the Claude Collins cattle for ear-ticks while he had them up for spraying. We found a pretty bad infestation of ear-ticks in some of the calves and many of the cows. Stock 1029 was painted in their ears with an inch paint brush. This will control the ticks from four to six months. To complete the ear tick control plan the soil around the salt troughs will be sprayed with a mixture of 50% kerosene and 50% burnt oil or crude oil.

R. B. Mitchell, one of the members of the Sterling 4-H Club has some dandy pigs for sale. R. B. has one of the Sears registered sows and raised a litter of 9 pigs. The sow pigs of this litter should be kept in the county for breeding stock, and can be registered. R. B. is on the Bill and Lee Reed ranch and his phone number is 5121.

It looks as if the Veterans Vocational Class will be able to organize. At the meeting held Monday night, 13 men signed information cards and indicated they wanted to attend. At least 20 men must qualify to attend before the class can be organized. With the cooperation of the local ranchers, the veterans themselves, and other interested citizens, the difficulties involved in organization can be worked out. Enough good prospects are available to give encouragement to the effect. Mr. Joe Lemly of the San Angelo College has announced another meeting of interested veterans will be held Thursday, September 11, at 8 o'clock in the Legion Hall. Mr. Lemly hopes to complete the organization at that time.

Feed costs are so high that it is very important that non-laying hens be removed from your poultry flocks. It takes one laying hen to support one laying hen. If you have 60 hens and 20 are loafing, then 20 are laying for you and 20 are laying to support the loafers. Poor business, isn't it? Poultry culling is a simple process once you get the hang of it. If you already know how to do it, now is the time. If you don't know how to do it, then see me; I'll show you

how. While you are doing the culling, it is a simple job to treat the chickens for worms, and a profitable practice.

Sheep numbers in the United States are extremely low. Prospects are favorable for the fine wool producer. With these facts before the public a lot of ewe lambs will, and probably should be held back as replacements.

The Plymouth Oil Company, who is testing the Ellenburger with a 9,000 foot wildcat here in Sterling County were getting close to the 9,000 foot limit this week. On Tuesday they were drilling in lime at 8,246 feet. They were setting the packer around 8,200 for a test.

Word got around Tuesday that a well had come in at the Plymouth site, and everyone in town was talking it up. Just where such rumors get started may never be known, but after a while it was costing local citizens a drink to so much as mention it.

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Jenelle Toland of Gregory is visiting Betty Donaldson this week.

WANTED — Used rifle, 30-40 Krag or U. S. Gov't 1903 Springfield or Enfield, 30-06. Private individual. If you have one of these old rifles and will sell it, call 5202.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Pearce went to Abilene Wednesday on a business trip. While there they visited Mr. and Mrs. Homer Pearce, Jr.

Presbyterian Church

Rev. B. B. Hestir, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, reminds that the coming Sunday is his day to be at the local church for both morning and evening services.

He will preach at the 11:00 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. hours.

METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor will preach at 10:00 a. m. Sunday instead of 11:00. The Sunday School class session will be held at 10:30.

The revival at Water Valley Methodist Church begins Sunday and the pastor will be there Sunday evening. Rev. M. C. Dean of First Methodist Church, San Angelo is the evangelist for the revival, and Mrs. Tommie Johnson will be the pianist.

Church of Christ

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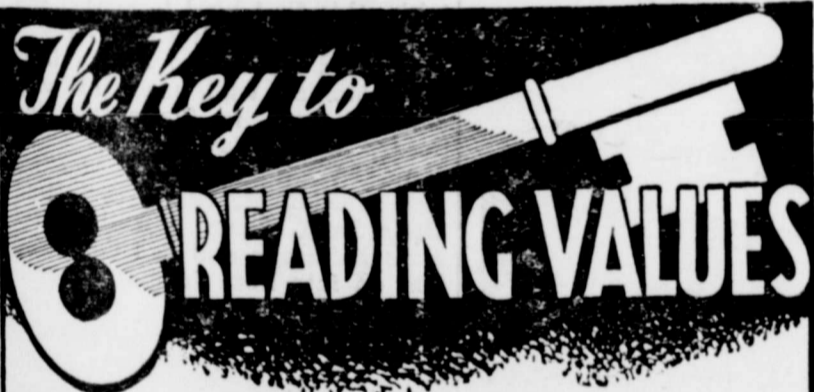


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MRS. SPARKMAN IS HONORED ON 89th BIRTHDAY

Celebrating her 89th birthday Sunday in the home of her oldest son, W. H. Sparkman of Sterling City, was Mrs. F. C. Sparkman of San Angelo.

Born August 10, 1858, in Lancaster, South Carolina, Mrs. Sparkman was married to Frank C. Sparkman, May 24, 1873, at the age of 14. Nine children were born to the couple, six of whom are still living. They include W. H. Sparkman of Sterling City, Ellis Sparkman of Waco, Mrs. J. S. Murray of San Angelo, Earnest Sparkman of Fort Stockton, Clarence Sparkman of Garden City, and Alvin Sparkman of San Angelo.

The Sparkmans came to Texas in 1874 and settled on Hog Creek in McLennan County, where they farmed. Later they moved to Hamilton County and then to Sterling County (then a part of Tom Green) owning a nine section ranch 20 miles southwest of Sterling City. Mr. Sparkman died October 7, 1923.

After his death Mrs. Sparkman moved to San Angelo where she has lived for 23 years. The octogenarian kept house for 75 years before making her home with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Murray, in San Angelo.

Among the incidents of her life recalled by Mrs. Sparkman, was the occasion when the Yankees destroyed all her father's property and freed his slaves at the close of the Civil War.

Laughing, Mrs. Sparkman reminisced about the first meal she tried to cook. Because her parents had slaves, she had never learned to keep house. "I didn't know how to make biscuits, so I mixed up some flour and water and put it in the stove, forgetting to build a fire" she recalls. "I kept watching the bread for an hour and finally sat down and cried because it wasn't cooking. It was then discovered that the stove was not lighted. After the mixture got done, needless to say, we couldn't cut it."

The pink and white birthday cake was in four tiers. Others present for the celebration included

the hostess, Mrs. W. H. Sparkman, W. H. Sparkman, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Dearen and daughter, Gwen Dell, Mrs. Gerry Galloway and daughter, Cherry Dee, and Mr. Fred Warren and Mrs. J. S. Murray.

Dr. Wm. J. Swann left Wednesday morning for a two-weeks trip in Mississippi and Alabama. He will join Mrs. Swann and Billy Joe in Gulfport, Mississippi for a short visit and then they will all go on to Wedowee, Alabama to visit Dr. Swann's parents, Dr. and Mrs. J.C. Swann. They will be gone about two weeks.

Scoutmaster Berryman and the Scouts Paint Scout House

The local troop with the Scout Master have been busy this week painting the wood work at the Scout house at the park. The paint was donated by Joe Emery and the linseed oil by the South Texas Lumber Company.

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"Here, Bill," he panted, throwing him his guns and ammunition, "I am killed; you do the best you can for yourself."

For the next thirty minutes Bill was so busy doing just that until he could hardly do more than notice his friend. But with Oliver's loaded guns handy, he was able to repulse the charge, and the Indians withdrew to a more respectful distance.

Bill took advantage of this and maneuvered the wounded Oliver down to the river, concealing him in a sandy depression where the smart weeds grew about two feet high, and lay down beside him. The Indians knew they were down there somewhere and used all sorts of ruses to find their exact location. They would shoot their arrows up, and some came down near striking them.

Finally the Indians decided to flush them out. One big brave with a long lance came crawling their way, parting the weeds with the lance as he came. Bill was in a dilemma. He knew that if he pressed that trigger all doubts of their whereabouts would be gone. But there seemed no alternative. His trigger finger began to slowly move, but paused suddenly.

A big rattlesnake, scared up by the Indian, came out rattling, looking back at the redskin. He coiled up near the two men but facing his back trail. The Indian, still not having seen his quarry, decided not to force the issue with this new enemy and turned back.

That night at Oliver's insistence, Bill drifted down the river and away from his foes: Oliver was able to later do likewise.

Bill (W. J.) Wilson, who was taking his first herd to market and had fallen in with Charles Goodnight and Oliver Loving on their New Mexico trail, made his way barefoot back to the approaching herds, three days away. The wounded Oliver Loving, who had been one of the first men to trail cattle from Texas, finally hailed some Mexicans and had them take him on into Fort Sumner.

NOTE: Loving died from his infected arm while at Fort Sumner.

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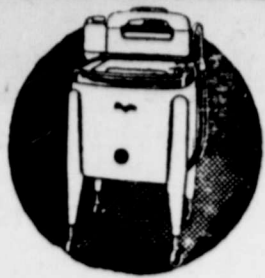
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Warm Weather Meals



By MOLLIE MARTIN

The warm fair days of summer bring a boom in swimming, boating, tennis, golf, gardening, and just plain loafing. The wise homemaker can keep one step ahead of all these activities and still be cool, calm, and collected if she makes it a habit to use timesaving recipes like the Ever-Ready Blend, given here. Biscuits, pancakes, waffles, and muffins can be turned out in just a few minutes mixing time once the blend has been made up and stored in the refrigerator.

Biscuits, for instance, make possible so many appealing dishes. Creamed ham, chicken, eggs, or vegetables may be served on biscuits to produce hearty fare from small supplies—and quickly, too. An extra special main dish that can be made from this blend—Chicken Ham Pinwheels—is a superb food that will delight the eye and satisfy the appetite. It's quick, it's easy, it's gala, and it can be the making of a perfect meal at the end of a perfect day.

Ever-Ready Blend

(For biscuits, waffles, muffins, etc.)
6 cups sifted flour
2 tablespoons calumet baking powder
1 tablespoon salt
1 cup (1/2 pound) shortening

Sift flour once. Measure 3 cups at a time into sifter, adding 1 tablespoon (3 teaspoons) baking powder and 1 1/2 teaspoons salt for each 3-cup amount; sift into large bowl. Repeat until full amount of dry ingredients has been sifted. Cut in shortening with pastry blender or two knives until finely divided and mixture resembles coarse meal. Makes about 7 cups Ever-Ready Blend.

Place in glass jars or crockery bowl and cover lightly with cloth

or plate to allow circulation of air. Store in refrigerator or other very cool, dry place. Keeps well for 3 or 4 weeks.

To Make Biscuits

For 10 to 12 biscuits, measure 2 cups Ever-Ready Blend into bowl. Add about 1/2 cup milk and stir until a soft dough is formed. (Use more or less milk, depending upon particular flour used.)

Turn out dough on lightly floured board and knead 30 seconds. Pat or roll 1/2 inch thick and cut with floured 2-inch biscuit cutter. Bake on ungreased baking sheet in hot oven (450° F.) 12 to 15 minutes.

Chicken Ham Pinwheels

3/4 cup ground cooked ham
1 1/2 cups ground cooked chicken
2/3 cup cold chicken gravy
3 tablespoons finely chopped onion
1 tablespoon fat
2 cups calumet's Ever-Ready Blend
1/2 cup milk (about)
2 tablespoons melted butter or margarine
2 cups hot chicken gravy
Combine ham, chicken, and cold gravy. Sauté onion in fat until tender. Add to meat mixture and mix well.

Measure Ever-Ready Blend into bowl. Add milk and stir until a soft dough is formed. Turn onto lightly floured board and knead 30 seconds. Roll into a 12 x 10-inch rectangle. Spread with meat mixture and roll lengthwise as for jelly roll, wetting edge to seal. Cut in 1-inch slices and place cut-side up on greased baking sheet. Brush with melted butter. Bake in hot oven (450° F.) 15 minutes, or until done. Serve hot with hot chicken gravy or cheese sauce. Makes 5 or 6 servings.

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"Different" Cookies

By Frances Lee Barton

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Salted Peanut Cookies
1 1/2 cups sifted cake flour or all purpose flour; 1/2 teaspoon double acting baking powder; 3/4 teaspoon soda; 1/2 teaspoon salt; 1/2 cup shortening; 1 1/4 cups brown sugar, firmly packed; 1 egg, unbeaten; 1/4 cup milk; 1 1/2 cups wheat flakes; 3/4 cup chopped salted peanuts.

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder, soda, and salt, and sift again. Cream shortening; add sugar gradually and cream together until light and fluffy. Add egg and beat well. Add flour, alternately with milk, mixing well after each addition. Add wheat flakes and peanuts and blend. Drop from teaspoon onto greased baking sheet; flatten slightly with fork. Bake in moderate oven (375° F.) 8 minutes, or until done. Makes about 4 dozen cookies.

Uncle Sam Says



Did junior ever ask you whether you ever hit a home run? This is the time of the year when questions like that one will come poppin' at pop. Well, daddy, you can look junior right in the eye and say truthfully: "Yes, son, I did many times," (that is if you are investing in Savings Bonds every payday.) Figure it out yourself. Every Savings Bond represents a four-base hit for junior's future. Even Babe Ruth couldn't hit one over the fence every time he came to bat. Step to the plate, dad, and clout one more Savings Bond into your strong box. Some day junior will stand up and cheer a real home run hitter.

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Zack Jones, district supervisor of Zone 4, has drilled an irrigation well on his farm northwest of San Angelo. The well will be tested as soon as a pump can be set.

H. G. Garlington, district co-operator in the Divide Community, planned to terrace his seed bed for fall sowing of small grain.

Garlington's land was plowed with a one-way which left most of the old stubble and straw on the surface. The practice of plowing land so that the stubble is left on the surface has increased the rate and amount of rainfall intake and storage in the soil and reduced materially evaporation in studies made by Dr. F. L. Duley of the Soil Conservation Service and Professor J. C. Runel at the University of Nebraska. Likewise, crop yields have been materially increased.

Side oats grama is seeding out on many areas on Foster Sims Price's Bob's Creek ranch. Buffalo grass shows good growth considering the dry year.

Worth Durham is well pleased with the range improvement his country has made this year. Side oats grama, hairy grama, silver

bluestem, black grama and other high feed producing grasses are going to seed in scattered stands over all of his ranch. This seed production is one of the essentials to the spread of the better vegetation. Buffalo grass this year has put out many runners and made good headway to cover ground that had been bare of vegetation and exposed to wind and water erosion.

The value of dense cover of needle grass which forms litter and affords protective cover for spread of side oats grama and other desirable grasses is recognized. No erosion was noted in the more heavily vegetated areas and already buffalo in these areas has reduced the needle grass to a few scattered weak plants. Durham recognized when preparing his conservation plan early this year that the most valuable conservation practice was management of his native range to protect the soil from further erosion, to hold and use for grass production the maximum rainfall, and eventually to grow the kind of kind of grasses which would accomplish these results as well as produce a large amount of high quality forage for livestock use. With this goal in mind he determined with the assistance of Soil Conservation Service range conservationist the present condition and productivity of his range. Comparing these determinations with the potential condition and productive capacity of his range by conservation management of his range grasses he concluded that he could well afford to give these better grasses a chance.



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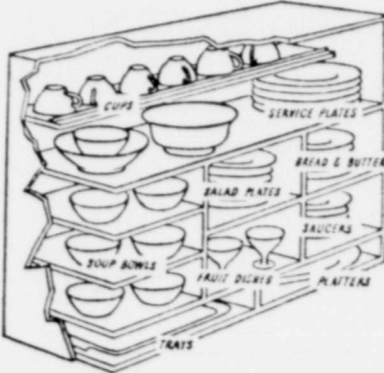
By Diane Greeter

Make Most of Shelves

SMALL kitchens should be designed as carefully as the galley on a small yacht, where space is at a premium. Every little part of your cupboards should be fully utilized, every nook and cranny developed into a place for a particular object or tool of your kitchen work.

A set of dishes, for instance, is usually spread out over the largest shelf or the different sizes are stacked one on top another, making it necessary to lift one stack to get at another. That is inefficient.

Dishes and glassware, spices and other small objects can be properly stored by putting in special shelves which can be built by anyone who can use a saw and hammer. Nest them like this:



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