

## OUR WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER

By Congressman O. C. Fisher

It may be that one of these days when you go to the polls in the general election you will be permitted to vote directly for your choice for president, and know your vote will actually be counted in the totals.

As it is now, you vote for a group of electors, and your vote doesn't count at all unless the group you vote for happens to get a majority of the popular votes cast. Not only that, if you vote against a particular group of electors, and those you vote for do not win in your state, then your vote is counted FOR the group you voted against. That is, even if the prevailing group receives only 51% of the popular votes in the state, that group nevertheless is credited with ALL the votes cast in that state.

Ever since 1824, when a deadlock threw the election of the President into the House of Representatives, all students of government have recognized this hiatus in our system of electing the President.

Each state now is allowed the same number of electoral votes that such state has Representatives and Senators in the Congress. Texas, therefore, has 23. And electors are chosen in each state to cast that state's electoral votes for President. Regardless of how close the popular vote may be in a state, the electors receiving a lead actually cast ALL the electoral votes to which that state is entitled. This is called the unit system.

Last week a House sub-committee gave approval to a resolution by Congressman Ed Gossett of Wichita Falls, which would, if adopted, amend the Constitution and abolish the electoral college but would retain the number of electoral votes in each state as is now provided.

The Gossett resolution, which I endorse, would do the following:

1. The electoral college would be abolished.
2. Each state would continue to have the same number of electoral votes as at present.
3. The President would be elected by direct vote of the people.
4. The unit state vote would be eliminated.
5. The electoral votes of each state would be divided between the candidates in exact proportion to their popular votes in that state.

In a radio interview I had with Congressman Gossett last week, he defended his resolution as being of the highest importance at this time on our history.

"If my proposal were in effect now," Gossett declared, "the President's Civil Rights message would never have been made because there would be no occasion for candidates to make overtures purely

## LIONS SPONSORING CLEAN-UP WEEK

The Sterling City Lions Club voted to sponsor "Clean-Up" week in Sterling City April 4-10. A \$5.00 prize will be given to the student in school making the best poster on clean-up—and submitted in the contest.

During that week the town will be urged to clean-up the premises and the county trucks will haul the trash and junk to the dump. The week has been proclaimed as "clean up week" by Governor Jester.

Of course the county trucks still pick up the trash each last Tuesday and will do so this March 30. BUT, it is hoped that the whole town will do a thorough job of it during the clean up week.

A card of thanks from Rogers Hefley was read to the club, and sending delegates to the district convention was discussed at the Wednesday luncheon.

for vote-getting purposes."

He pointed out that under our system now, both major parties make all sorts of promises to Negro voters, left-wing groups, etc., who usually vote in blocks.

There are a half dozen populous populous states that are pivotal—where perhaps a 5% switch of votes would change the result and cause ALL the electoral votes to go to a different Presidential candidate. Therefore, the politicians spend vast amounts of money to swing the organized groups and blocks into their respective camps.

More money, for example, will be spent by the Democrats this year to corral the Negro votes in Harlem than will be spent in the Presidential race in all of Texas. Likewise, the Republicans will spend more in Harlem than they will in the State of Iowa.

This all adds up to the fact that under our present system, which is admittedly full of defects, the major parties are going to scramble for minority group votes in pivotal states.

If the Constitution is changed by the Gossett amendment, then there will be no longer any need or incentive for going after the minority blocs of votes in order to get credit for the votes actually obtained in a state. Even though a candidate should fail to get those bloc votes, he would still get credit for every vote cast for him in that state.

We live in an age of pressure groups—a group that frequently exercises a power far out of proportion to their numbers. That evil in our political system will continue until and unless the Constitution is amended as proposed. If it happens, the South will thereafter exert more influence in American politics than ever before in history.

## MRS. MAURINE LUCAS BURIED HERE

Funeral services for Mrs. Maurine Lucas, 35, a San Angelo resident for three years, were held at the First Methodist Church here Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The Rev. Ed. H. Lovelace, pastor, officiated. Burial was in the City Cemetery. Lowe Funeral Directors were in charge of the arrangements here.

Mrs. Lucas, daughter of Mrs. Will Edwards, was a registered nurse in San Angelo. She died in a San Angelo hospital at 2:45 Monday.

Survivors are N. J. Lucas, Jr., the husband of San Angelo; one daughter, Eulajean; one son, N. J. Lucas, III; the mother, Mrs. Will Edwards; three sisters, Mrs. E. C. Beam, San Antonio, Mrs. Charles Hahn, San Angelo, and Mrs. Charles Dinsmore, Fredonia, Fla.; three brothers, Roland Edwards, Sterling City, Wayne Edwards, Dallas, and Bobby Edwards, San Angelo.

Pallbearers were R. L. Lucas, Wilson Lucas, Lawrence Lucas, Weldon Lucas, Ben Mack Lucas, and Erwin Hahn.

## Seniors To Present A "Chocolate Wedding"

The Sterling City High School is to present the "Chocolate Wedding" in the high school auditorium Tuesday, March 23. The play is to be sponsored by the senior class and the money from the box supper which is to be held after the one act play is to go to the senior class fund. Every one is urged to attend both the play and the box supper. The only admission is a box for every lady attending and money to buy a box by every gentleman present. Some of the characters are as follows: The bride Petina Valspar Spearment; the groom, Zebedee Jeremiah Hambone; Parents of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. Acer Spades Hambone; and the parson, Rev. Cock H. Roach; maid of honor, Miss Cement Concrete; matron of honor, Mrs. Daisy Prunella Mayonnaise; flower girl, Miss Marcissy Popover; and the ring bearer, Master Roofus McGoofus.

Dis is gwine er be high sassity Chocolate Weddin', so don't anyone dast ter miss 'it. De curtain time is fer eight o'clock.

## Do You Know Another?

So far only 15 six-year-old beginners for next year have been taken on the school census.

If you know of any children who will be six years old by September 1, 1948 or not over 18, regardless of whether he is in school or not, get in touch with Supt. O. T. Jones, at the school.

It is necessary for parents to cooperate in this so that no one will be overlooked, as all who are taken will mean up to \$55 for the school.

## CONTRACTORS' NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for constructing 12.153 miles of Grading, Drainage, Structures, Flexible Base & Single Asphalt Surface Treatment from 0.75 miles west of Coke County Line to Sterling City on Highway No. FM 387, covered by S 1063 (1) in Sterling County, will be received at the Highway Department Austin, until 9:00 A. M. March 30, 1948, and then publicly opened and read.

This is a "Public Works" Project, as defined in House Bill No. 54 of the 43rd Legislature of the State of Texas and House Bill No. 115 of the 44th Legislature of the State of Texas, and as such is subject to the provisions of said House Bills. No provisions herein are intended to be in conflict with the provisions of said Acts.

In accordance with provisions of said House Bills, the State Highway Commission has ascertained the wage rates prevailing in the locality in which this work is to be done. The Contractor shall pay not less than the prevailing wage rates shown in the proposal for Group 3 for each craft or type of "Laborer", "Workman", or "Mechanic" employed on this project.

Legal holiday work shall be paid for at the regular governing rates. Plans and specifications available at the office of B. A. Wynn, Resident Engineer, San Angelo, Texas, and Texas Highway Department, Austin. Usual rights reserved.

## OIL NEWS NOTES

Anderson-Prichard and Vickers No. 1 Miss Marvin Frances Foster, lower Permian lime discovery in Sterling County, 7½ miles south of Sterling City, is drilling at 7,070 feet in black shale. It is due to test the Ellenburger.

## COLLINS WELL PLUGGED

Cities Service No. 1 Claude Collins, north central Sterling County wildcat which found the Ellenburger barren in drilling to 8,184 feet, has been plugged and abandoned. It was in the C SE SE 71-17 SPRR.

## "Covering the County"

By Byron W. Frierson, Sterling County Agent

Sterling County horses fared pretty good in the recent show at Odessa. Bud Turner, a two year old stud, owned by Foster Conger, was the reserve champion stud. He was nosed out of the grand championship spot by Hack Driver, a Nance horse from Coleman. Bul Turner is out of the King ranch horse formerly owned by Percy Turner and Hack Driver is a grandson of the same horse. Fashion, owned by Foster and Hildebrand, took fourth in a large class of fourteen studs.

Pardue University has released information on three recent feeding experiments concerning the importance of salt to livestock. Check the figures below carefully. To save space I will give results of only one test. (results from all three were about the same.)

Two pens of pigs were fed with 7 pigs in each pen. Identical rations were fed to both pens from self-feeders with the exception that one pen had salt free choice.

## RESULTS

	Lot No. 1 No salt	Lot No. 2 Salt free chcc.
Start. wt.	57 lbs.	57 lbs.
Wt. at end of 100 days	125 "	228 "
Av. daily gain	.67 "	1.71 "
Feed per 100 lbs. gain	676.7 "	398.6 "
—Corn	523.7 "	327.3 "
—Protein sup.	149.8 "	69.4 "
—Mineral	3.2 "	.6 "
—Salt	None	1.3 "
Cost of feeding per 100 lbs. gain	\$17.31	\$9.82

This experiment was concluded March 26, 1947. Salt is important to any type of livestock and is the cheapest thing that the animal eats. Feed it free choice.

Bots are apparently more common in horses in this area than most people think. I have a segment from the intestine of a horse which until recently lived in Sterling County. (Don't gag like that—I pickled it in alcohol.) The segment is about twice as large as your hand and has about one thousand bot grubs fastened to it as thick as they can stick. The grubs are almost as large as a pencil and about ¾ inch long. They are reddish brown in color indicating they feed on blood from the intestinal wall. A veterinarian should be consulted if your horses are doing poorly and you suspect bots to be the cause.

Spring is overdue and we ought to have some grazing soon. To avoid trouble it will be advisable to taper your feeding as the grass comes rather than to quit suddenly. This is better for your stock and also gives your grass more opportunity to develop its root system before close grazing weakens the plant.

The 1947 wool clip was 13% less than 1946 and the lowest since 1935. Average weight of fleeces was 7.7 pounds, or 1-10 pound lower than last year.

Club boys received checks totaling \$2,290 this week for stock sold at the San Angelo Show. Harry Blanek is soaking some of his part into some baby chicks.

Be careful when you buy a milk cow. Buy only from a reliable person who will guarantee the cow to be as represented. Bang's and mastitis cows are still coming into the county in some cases.

## CANNON VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Cannon, Jr. and daughter, Margaret Lea, are visiting at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Cannon. They are en route to Palo Alto, California, where Garland is enrolled at Stanford University. He will do graduate work in creative writing under Professor Wallace Stegner toward the Master's Degree, and he has applied for a fellowship in that field.

## Wimodausis Has "Texas Day" Study

The Wimodausis Club, observing Texas Day, met March 10 in the home of Mrs. H. A. Chapple. Fifteen members answered roll call with "Immigration Trends" responses.

The club voted to donate \$5.00 to help rebuild the Manila Clubhouse in the Philippine Islands. Members received addresses and volunteered to write letters to club women in foreign lands. \$5.00 was donated to the Red Cross Drive and \$5.00 was donated to the American Bible Society.

An Easter Bake Sale was planned for Saturday, March 27.

The president announced the 6th District Convention would be held in San Angelo, Cactus Hotel, headquarters, April 1, 2, 3.

Mrs. Lee Reed was nominated delegate to the convention with Mrs. H. A. Chapple alternate.

An invitation from the Forsan Study Club was extended to Wimodausis club members to a silver tea on March 18, at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Mrs. Harvey Glass spoke on "The Sure Way to World Peace" and other topics from the G.F.W.C. Club-woman magazine.

Mrs. Lester Foster gave the history of "Texas Songs" and led the members in singing them.

Mrs. Roy Morgan talked on "Texas Shrines and Monuments."

Mrs. Chapple served refreshments to Mmes. Lee Reed, O. T. Jones, Bill Reed, R. H. Emery, D. Hall, R. P. Brown, R. T. Foster, N. H. Reed, J. C. Reed, Harvey Glass, H. H. Everitt, Roy Morgan, Lester Foster and Ray Lane.

The club adjourned to meet on March 24 at the community center with Mrs. Rogers Hefley as hostess.

## Mrs. Hubert Williams Is Noratadata Hostess

Mrs. Hubert Williams was hostess when the Noratadata Club met in her home March 11, in the evening.

Mrs. Edwin Aiken presided at the business meeting. The bake sale committee reported that \$35.40 was netted from the bake sale held the day of the boys' fat stock show.

Mrs. Ross Foster discussed "The State Flower" on the Texas Day program that was observed.

Following the regular meeting, bridge was played. Hi score went to Mrs. Alvie Cole, hi cut to Mrs. T. F. Foster, Jr., and bingo to Mrs. G. C. Murrell.

A salad plate was served to Mmes. Edwin Aiken, J. S. Augustine, Jr., John Brock, Alvie Cole, Worth B. Durham, Joe Emery, T. F. Foster, Jr., Ross Foster, Harvey L. Hennigan, G. C. Murrell, Foster S. Price, Martin C. Reed, Trinton A. Revell, Byron W. Frierson, and Robert Foster.

## Bill Elliott Completes 5 Day Stay Here

Bill Elliott, Western movie actor of Hollywood, left here Tuesday following a five-day stay at D. D. Garrett's ranch. Elliott was taking delivery of Hogarth, Jr., a black horse which he will use in his movie work and circus performances.

Garrett, well-known horse trainer, showed Bill how to work the horse and put it through the tricks that Garrett had taught it.

On Sunday night, a group went out to the ranch and had a chuck-wagon supper. On Monday night at 7:00 o'clock, Elliott performed on the horse at the school gym for the local townspeople and school students. Elliott had sent all the local students an autographed picture of himself last month.

## W. N. STAMPS DEAD

Friends here were grieved to hear of the sudden death of W. N. Stamps in Belton, Wednesday, Mar. 10. Mr. Stamps and family lived here many years while he was agent for the Santa Fe here.

Mr. Stamps, for 39 years with the Santa Fe railway, was 66 years old, and had retired four years ago.

Survivors include the widow and three daughters, Mrs. Vera Nichols, Mrs. Willa Mae Loeb, and Mrs. Evelyn Murray, and four grandsons.

Mrs. Wade James and daughter, Mona, of Lampasas, were here visiting her aunt, Mrs. G. A. Stockton, last week.

## Machine for Handling the Invisible



HARMARVILLE, PA.—Particles invisible to the naked eye are handled by this wizard-like machine of modern science, called the micro-manipulator. The hand lever operates a hydromatic drive directing probes, rakes and shovels so tiny they work within a drop of water as would ordinary instruments in a beaker or test tube. A humidified cell prevents evaporation of the minute sample beneath the microscope lens. Photo was taken at Gulf Oil's micro-laboratory where research into the infinitely small is speeding progress toward meeting the world's demands for oil.



**Live In Russia?**

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



ONE TEST of a country's economic pattern is whether you would like to live there. The advantages of the social scene, in other words, make up its strongest advertisement. Or, the proof of the pudding is in the eating.

It is common scandal, naturally, that none of our American "fellow travelers" cherish the idea of actually living in Russia. Apparently, from a personal viewpoint they'll take American living any day.

On that point, these Communists and Russophobes show good judgment. Your Russian factory worker, under the new Russian prices, has to spend the income of one hour and 18 minutes of labor for a quart of milk, which the average American factory worker gets in exchange for the price of 10 minutes labor. A pound of butter costs the Russian 10 hours and 42 minutes; the American only 48½ minutes (not counting the time spent griping about the current price).

**HIGHER IT COSTS** the Russian factory worker about four weeks' work to get himself a part-wool suit. If he wants a worsted suit he'll have to spend his entire pay for more than three months. His American counterpart can work out a good quality worsted suit in little more than three days. More than two weeks' pay would have to go into a pair of leather shoes for the Russian, yet the American can work them out in less than a day.

These comparisons are based upon estimates of the Bureau of Labor Statistics and on Russian prices as reported by the Associated Press in December. The

comparisons are as accurate as the iron curtain will permit. They show that prices in a communistic economy are much higher than our own, in terms of work. And those are the terms that count.

**AMERICAN THE REAL PAY-Pudding** OFF of any economic system comes in the standard of living that it provides for its people. Without question, the American workingman enjoys the highest living standards of any nation. He's rightly proud of this, although he may not know the United States has 54 per cent of the world's telephones, 84 per cent of the automobiles, nearly 50 per cent of the radios, and 92 per cent of all the bathtubs on this planet!

A "capitalistic" country, contrary to Russian descriptions, is a nation where men are permitted to have a high standard of living. This is exemplified by America. Here, men are free to work, to invent, to initiate, to experiment, to engage in the enterprise of their dreams. Unhampered by restrictions that in other nations tend to keep down any individual enterprise, an American worker can start his own factory or set up his own business.

We take all these things for granted, along with our vastly superior standard of living. What we must assuredly know is this: these things we have, these privileges of ours, exist because of basic principles that belong to the American way. Our individual freedom of enterprise is distinctly American. No Communistic or socialistic state can offer that to its people.

**North Concho River Soil Conservation News**

Worth Durham reports that two diversion terraces constructed above his headquarters for the purpose of diverting run off water from his barns and lots worked perfectly. The water was spread on gently rolling pasture land where the added moisture will benefit grass production.

Steve Currie's irrigated pasture has made excellent growth this winter. The grass and legume mixture was seeded from September 16 to October 15 last fall. Perennial rye, 5 pounds; orchard grass, 6 pounds; meadow fescue, 3 pounds; crested wheat, 2 pounds; smooth brome, 8 pounds; alfalfa, 1½ pounds and ladino clover, 1¼ pounds, made up the mixture. The alfalfa and clover was inoculated and added to other seed in drill box at frequent intervals to get even distribution. Water was applied before and after drilling with sprinkler irrigation system. The planting was made in the fall to avoid as much weed competition as possible.

A check of the pasture January 15 of this year by Harold Jensen, range conservationist with the Soil Conservation Service showed excellent stand of meadow fescue, good stand of orchard grass, fair stands of perennial rye and smooth brome and a few scattered plants of crested wheat. Alfalfa and ladino clover stands were good.

Currie will use his 65 acre pasture to graze livestock removed from native range thus giving these areas a chance to recover from deterioration caused by the extended drought. For maximum production and convenience in applying irrigation water the pasture will be divided into four equal areas and each one grazed in order for periods of 5 to 7 days. Water will be applied to each plot immediately following the removal of livestock.

Irrigated pasture in the Plainview area has been producing grazing for an average of one cow and her calf per year per acre, according to Mr. Basil, a cooperater with the Hale County Soil Conservation District.

George Demere, cooperater with the North Conch River Soil Conservation District, has carried his ewes through the winter without supplemental feed because of the grass reserve on his range. The benefit to soil condition and the protection from rapid runoff and erosion is evident on a section pasture which Demere deferred last summer. There is still good stubble height on buffalo grass and side oats grama on much of this pasture.

Road blocks and diversions built by Robert Foster last summer as a part of his complete conservation plan turned the runoff water on to adjoining range land reported T. A. Revell, engineer with the Soil Conservation Service.

Conservation plans on the Harry Tweedle, Jr. Ranch and Maxwell Turner Ranch, Water Valley, L. A. Radde Ranch, Sterling City, and Marshall Cook's Wilkins and Carlile Ranches, Garden City, were approved by the District Board of Supervisors in regular meeting on Monday of last week.

On T. H. Humble's trial seeding of grasses on an old cultivated field, western wheat grass is up to an excellent stand averaging 3 vigorous plants per linear foot. Western wheat grass was planted with a mixture of western wheat, rescue, and buffalo on 2½ acres. A total of 12 acres was seeded September 20, 1947 to nine species of native and introduced grasses. Other grasses showing some germination and growth are weeping love grass, giant panic, rescue, blue grama, crested wheat and rhodes.

Harry Tweedle, Jr. noted that the high wind Monday, March 1, caused severe wind erosion and small grain damage on several fields near Water Valley. His cultivated land on the divide which has an abundance of old needle grass as litter mixed in the surface layer of the soil did not suffer any soil loss from wind. To protect his land from this spring hazard in future years, Tweedle included as a part of his conservation plan, the practice of returning crop residue to the soil each year. This residue will serve as litter to increase water penetration and reduce evaporation.

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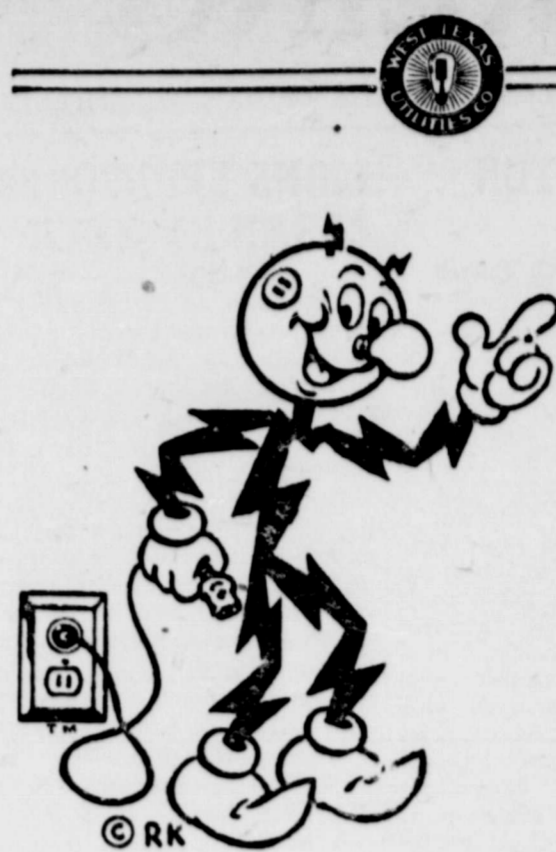
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**WEDNESDAY SUGGESTION**

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Sharing honors on today's menu are Diced Parsley Potatoes, scalloped corn and apple jelly, with lemon meringue pie as a dessert treat.

**BRAISED SHOULDER PORK CHOPS**  
Flour  
4 shoulder pork chops, 1-inch thick  
2 tablespoons fat  
2 teaspoons salt  
1/2 teaspoon pepper  
3/4 cup sliced onions  
2 cups water  
Dredge chops with 2 tablespoons flour. Brown on both sides in fat heated in skillet. Add remaining ingredients. Cover; simmer 40 to 60 minutes, or until tender. Arrange chops on a hot platter, and keep warm. Then thicken liquid remaining in skillet to gravy consistency, using 1 tablespoon flour for every 1 1/2 tablespoons cold water. Mix the flour and water to a smooth paste before stirring into liquid. Cook until thickened, while stirring. Pour over chops. Serves 4.

**DICED PARSLEY POTATOES**  
3 tablespoons fat  
1 tablespoon flour  
4 cups pared, diced raw potatoes  
1 1/2 teaspoons salt  
1/2 teaspoon pepper  
1 cup boiling water  
1/2 cup minced parsley  
Melt fat in saucepan; stir in flour. Add potatoes, salt, pepper and water; cover; simmer over low heat 15 minutes. Add parsley; cover, and cook 15 minutes longer, or until potatoes are tender. Serves 4.

**A Preference For Provincial**



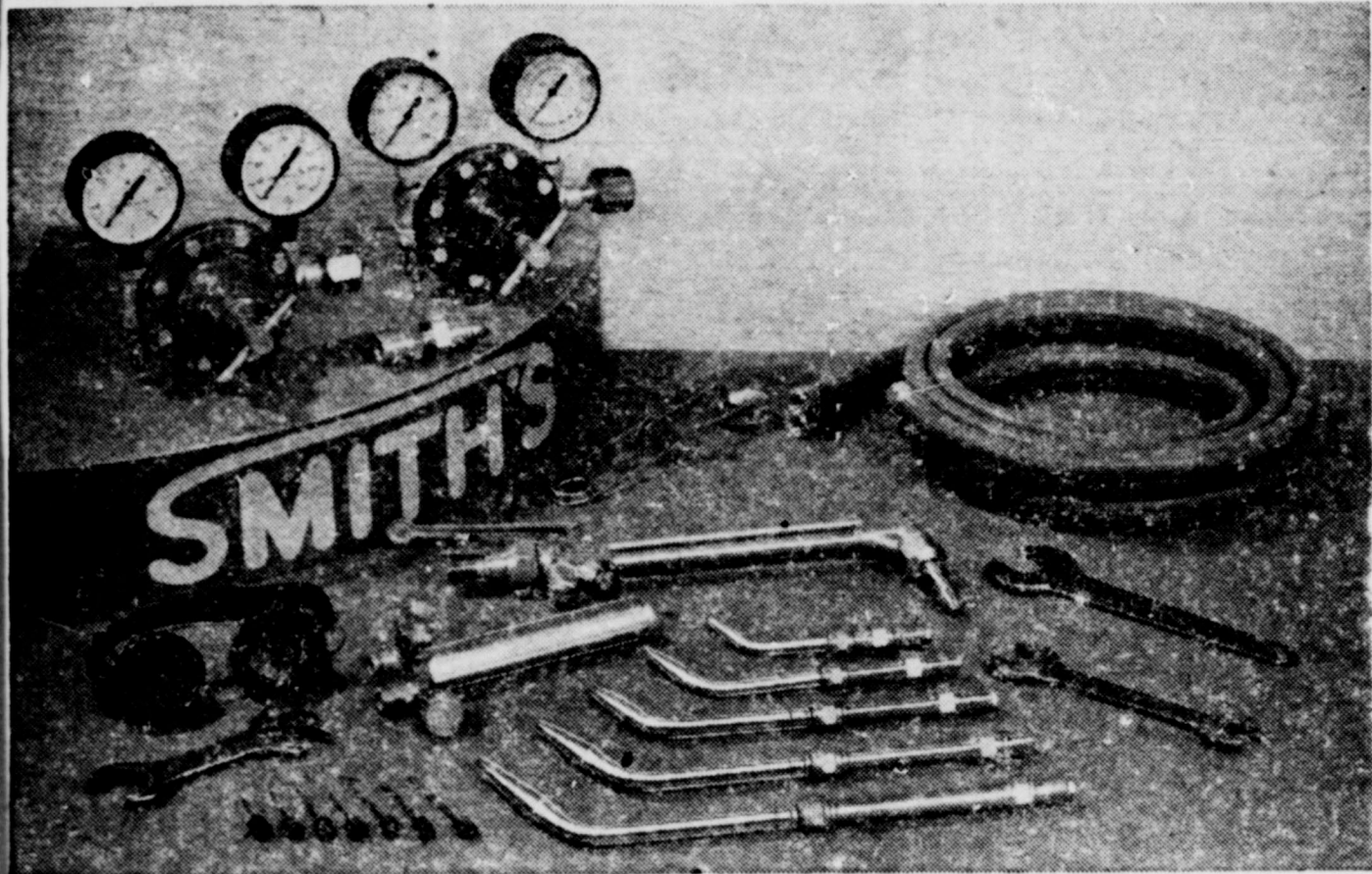
Marshall Field & Co., Photo

One of the reasons for the continued popularity of informal provincial furnishings is that they are suitable for either city or country living. However, in today's use of Early American and other provincial styles, the style must be adapted to a house and atmosphere comparable to its mood and manner. Accessories should fit in completely with the informal feeling, and should add to the authenticity of such interiors.

The inherent simplicity of provincial furnishings is perfectly illustrated in the room shown in this picture. Charm and comfort are the keynotes—the furniture is warm tawny maple and the lampbases and candlesticks of brass lend a glow to the room.

The liberal use of white for the woodwork and shag rug brings out the gay colors in the wall paper and the plaid upholstery. The same red, green, and white of the apples and leaves in the wall paper are carried out in the gingham which covers the loveseat and chair. The one wall of dark green contrasts brightly with these vivid colors.

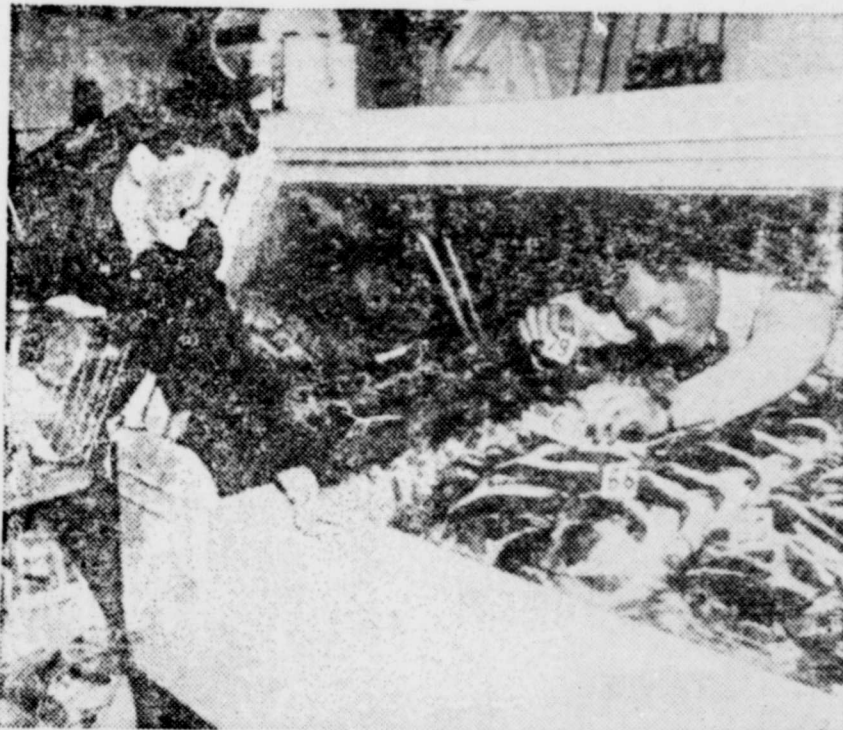
For a homemaker planning on decorating part of her home in Early American there are many modern interpretations of Early American wall paper patterns—simple floral designs, small geometrics, rough plaids and scenes. March has been designated National Wallpaper Month, so now is a good time to shop for the patterns you have in mind for spring decorating.



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NEW YORK—(Soundphoto)—Meat, lard, flour and butter prices dropped sharply in retail food chain stores in N.Y. Metropolitan area. Porterhouse, sirloin steaks down as much as 13c a pound, as housewives jubilantly hailed expansion of their budgets. Economists warned drop might be temporary. Here, Mrs. Ellen Boles, customer, looks on happily as Gottfried Zose meat department manager, changes price tags on steaks from 79c to 66c.

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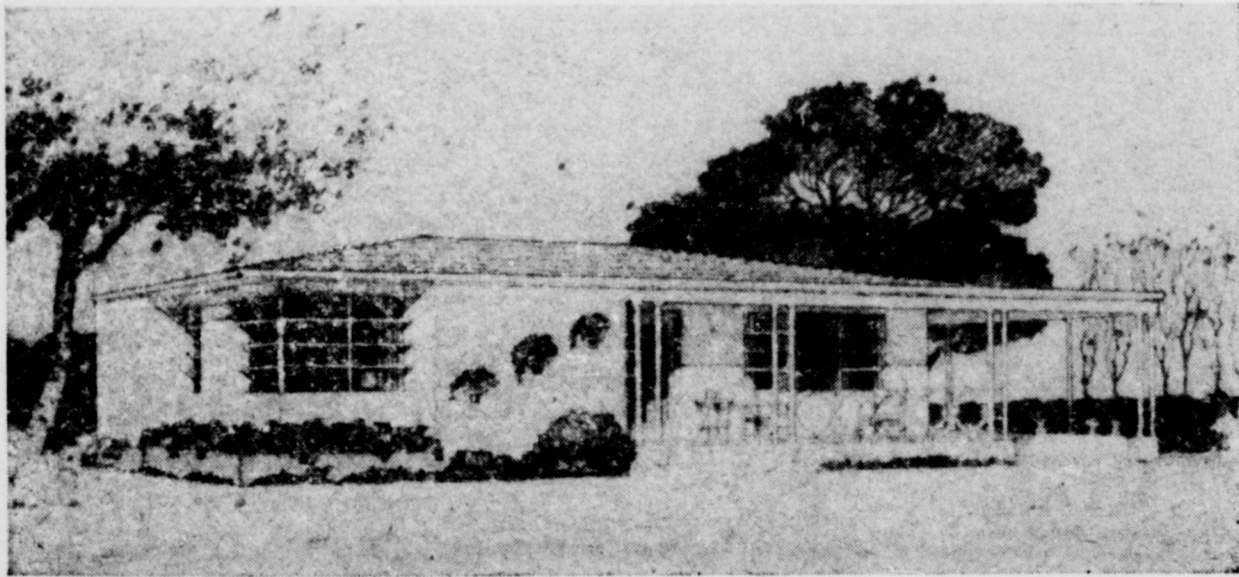
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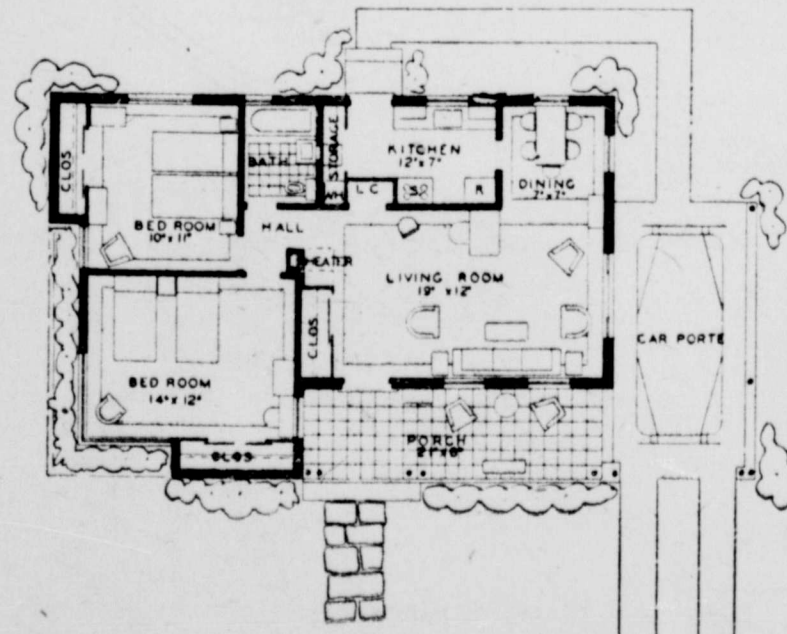
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**A Weakness of Fat Stock Shows**

(Taken from the Sheep & Goat Raiser issue of March, 1948, and written by H. M. Phillips, editor.)

Late winter and early spring is the season for fat stock shows here in the southwest. In these events thousands of boys display cattle, sheep and other livestock upon which they have centered hundreds

of hours of painstaking labor, study and valuable feed. The fitness of the livestock in the shows is the result of the boy's ingenuity, labor, knowledge, the use of the feed available and the quality of the animals.

Much of the work of vocational agricultural instructors and county agents in training the boys in livestock work is missing the real objective if honest and practical education of the young ranchman is that objective. If, however, livestock shows are degenerated into carnivals of competition between individual breeders, instructors, communities, towns and cities, then the young man is merely a tool, an excuse for ballyhoo and advertising. Why should the time, the labor and the education of hundreds of young men be directed toward a goal the achievement of which brings little but a handful of blue or purple ribbons, some cash and much impractical knowledge?

In short, we believe too much stress, money and publicity is given the "top" or the "Champion". In a stock show's scramble to outdo another too little consideration is given the boys, too much consideration to the "publicity angle."

We believe that it rather ridiculous for an instructor to utilize unlimited amounts of imported and expensive feeds to fatten a show

animal. It is more reasonable to give the boy experience with which he will work after schooling.

Too much time is being devoted to breeds of livestock impractical for the area in which the work is being done. While this is freely admitted, the time, the labor and money expended upon such livestock, especially sheep is excused with the simple explanation that "they win in the shows."

It has not become apparent until the last few years that attention should be directed to range management practices as well as feeding routines and formulas. It is from the land that all feedstuffs must come and the education of the young farmer and rancher in more

practical land usage is far more important than showing him how he can win first prize in a livestock show through the use of expensive, uneconomic feedstuffs.

The subject has been scratched very lightly. It should be explored thoroughly especially by the parents of the boys. In varying degrees these boys are being cheated in their education and will continue to be cheated of more practical training in farming and ranching until "we have to do that to win" is discarded for "if it isn't practical, we won't do it."

The way the Soviets keep on yapping make the American people see red.



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

**How to Keep 'Em Down On the Farm**

The other day Pete Swanson's nephew, Bud, allowed as how he was fed up with farm and country life... and was going to the city where there was a lot more opportunity and excitement.

Some folks might have tried to stop him. But not Pete. He even advanced Bud carfare for the trip... figured that when he'd had a good look around, he'd come back where he belonged.

And what happened? After seven days of big-town bustle and excitement, Bud was back behind the

wheel of a tractor, with color in his cheeks again. And he'd traded the night life of the city for a quiet glass of beer with Dad.

From where I sit, that's how it goes. Try to prevent some one from getting what he thinks he wants—and he'll go on wanting it. But give him his head, and he'll settle for the sensible thing—whether it's country life, or a temperate glass of beer!

Joe Marsh

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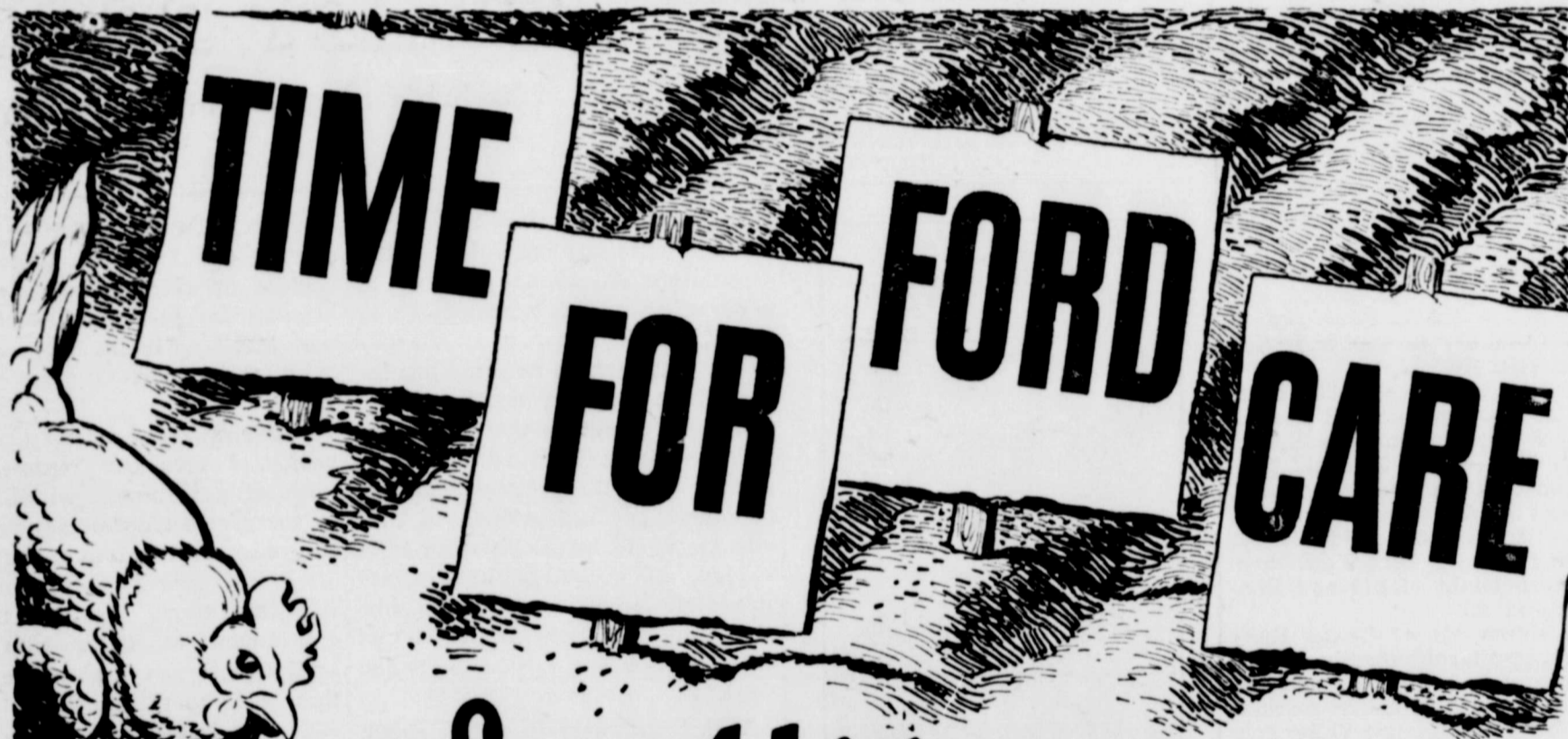
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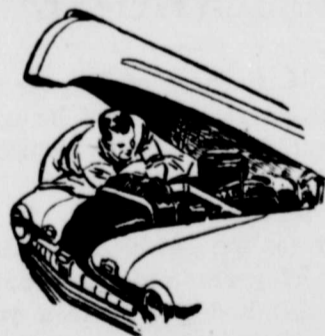
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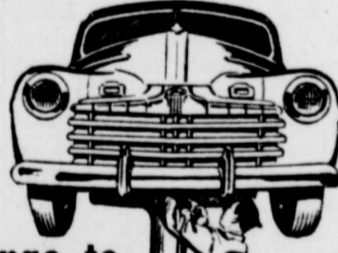
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WANT ironing to do in my home. Mrs. Thornton at Alton Till residence. (one of Earl Bailey's houses)

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For COUNTY TREASURER:

O. M. COLE (Reelection)

MRS. SALLIE WALLACE

For COUNTY JUDGE:

G. C. MURRELL (Reelection)

For COUNTY-DISTRICT CLERK:

W. W. DURHAM (Reelection)

For CONGRESSMAN, 21st CONGRESSSIONAL DISTRICT:

O. C. FISHER (Reelection)

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**CHARLES L. SOUTH**  
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**For Congress**

Charles L. South, Coleman, arrived in Sterling City Saturday afternoon, formally announced his candidacy for Congress from the 21st congressional district of Texas. South visited in Sterling City and met voters.

South, who was elected to Congress in 1934, served in that capacity for eight consecutive years. During the last several years of his service, he was a member of the powerful Interstate and Foreign Committee of the House, formerly presided over by Hon. Sam Rayburn of Texas, which gave him an opportunity to effectively sponsor legislation of particular value to the 21st district, including the Wool Labeling Act, passed in 1940; making more money available for wool research; the equalization of freight rates; the cedar eradication program; and the farm purchase program, which has enabled thousands of deserving farmers to purchase farms at a low rate of interest.

South supported and now advocates a well-balanced farm and ranch program, providing for soil conservation, storing of flood waters, and suitable crop rotation; the guaranteeing of a fair price for farm and ranch products, in keeping with prices which the producer has to pay for articles which he buys; the continuation and expansion of our Rural Electrification Program, which makes lights and power available to the farm and ranch; making labor as well as capital fully responsible for its contracts, and the outlawing of jurisdictional and sitdown strikes. He insists that in order for labor to be entitled to a fair and adequate wage, which it should and must have, labor must give in return an honest and efficient day's work.

"Our federal government has gone on a spending binge which will soon end in national bankruptcy, if not stopped", he states. "Despite the fact that our national debt now amounts to \$2,000.00 for every man, woman and child in the nation, Congress is appropriating money at an annual rate equal to \$1,000.00 for every American family of four persons. Equal, also to the total value of all crops, livestock, poultry and eggs, raised and produced in the entire United States for the four years, 1936 to 1939, inclusive. It should be remembered that it is not the amount of our resources which makes and keeps us strong, but the manner in which such resources are used and conserved. It is idle to talk about any substantial reduction of our tax burden, until expenditures are brought under some semblance of control.

"I strongly favor that provision of the tax reduction bill advocated by the Democratic leaders in Congress, which would levy an excess profits tax on corporations, after they have earned a fair return on their investments, thereby preventing the further skyrocketing of prices on many articles which we all have to buy.

"We must ever be on guard against the growth of Communism, Facism, and all other foreign doctrines which seek the overthrow of our government. I am vigorously opposed to any policy tending to appease Russia or any other nation or government seeking to spread revolutionary doctrines.

"We must continue to keep a strong Army, Navy and Airforce, with special emphasis on scientific research and airpower, so long as doubt, fear and distrust exist. I do not favor the giving away of any military secrets, the atomic bomb for instance. At the same time we must not lose sight of the fact that the only thing which can ever bring true happiness and lasting progress to the human race is world peace, toward which we must constantly strive.

"The manner in which our Federal government has mishandled the veteran's housing problem is both

**SWING OF SOUTHWEST**  
**FARM MARKETS**

By United States Department of Agriculture

(USDA)—Hogs and eggs furnished weak spots at mostly steady to strong southwest farm markets last week, according to the Production and Marketing Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Southwest grain markets experienced moderate up and down movements in light trading during the past week, and net gains ranged generally from one to six cents a bushel. No. 1 wheat closed Monday around \$2.54 in bulk carlots at Texas common points with No. 2 white corn \$2.93 to \$2.96, and oats \$1.43 to \$1.47.

Rice held barely steady last week, as distributors placed few orders and mills appeared unwilling to lower quotations. Sharply reduced hay offerings sold about unchanged. Feed prices varied little from a week earlier. Demand for shelled peanuts dragged. A severe break in foreign wool prices slowed southwest buying.

Steadily climbing cotton prices recovered most of the loss sustained in the sharp break last week-end. Dallas quoted spot middling 15-16 inch Monday at 33.95.

Seasonally increasing egg supplies forced prices down mostly two to four cents a dozen during the past week. Current receipts ranged from 37 to 40 cents a dozen at most southwest markets. Poultry sold firm to stronger. Heavy hens brought 25 to 27 cents a pound at Fort Worth and Dallas, and 35 to 39 at New Orleans.

South Texas cattle markets scored gains up to \$1 a hundred for the week, while other terminals showed uneven trends with no major changes. Houston paid \$18 to \$24 for common to medium steers and yearlings Monday. Medium and good grades of shortfed yearlings brought \$25 to \$26.50 at San Antonio as steers, yearlings and heifers sold at \$22.50 to \$26 at Fort Worth, shortfed steers \$25 to \$25.50 at Oklahoma City, and light heifers \$19 to \$24 at Wichita.

Southwest hog prices opened the week mostly 50 to 75 cents a hundred lower than a week earlier. Texas markets paid \$22.25 to \$22.50 for good and choice medium weight butchers Monday, while Oklahoma and Kansas gave \$23 to \$24, and Denver \$24 to \$24.50. Sows ranged largely from \$17 to \$18 with San Antonio \$1 more.

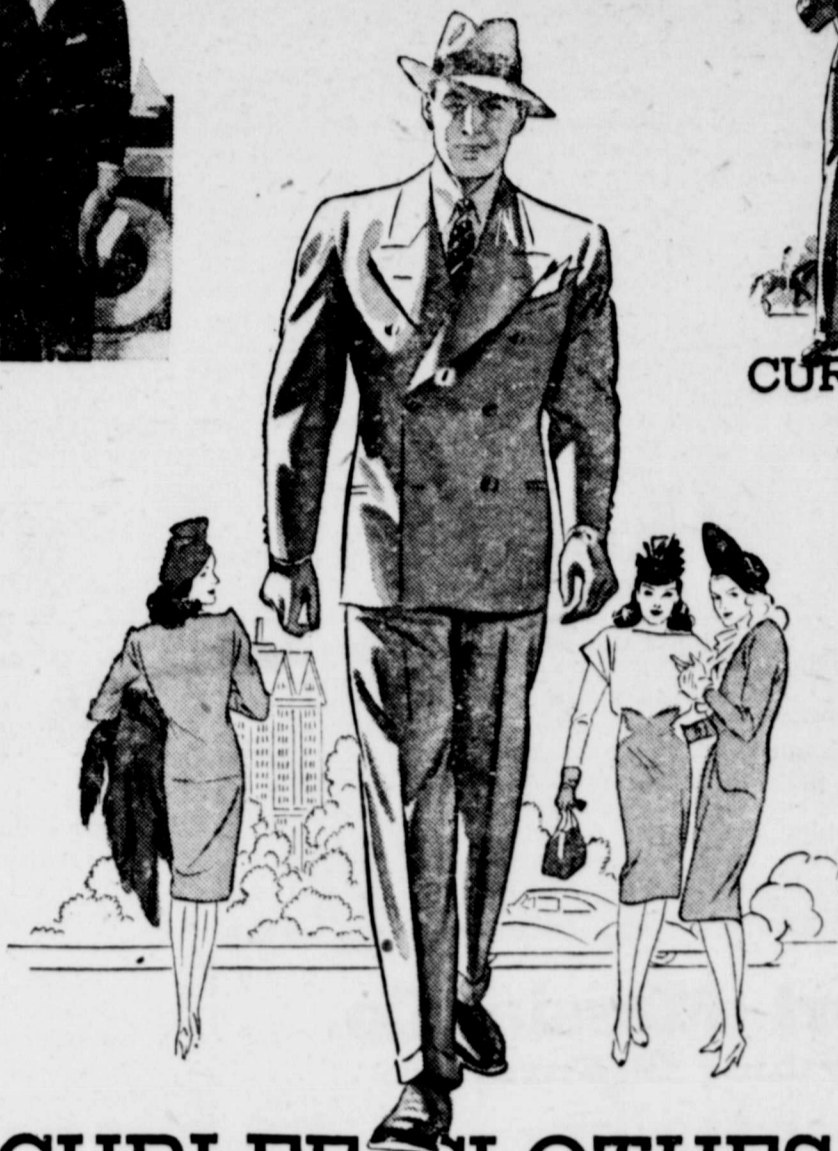
Lambs sold around 50 cents higher at San Antonio and Denver for the week, but other southwest markets lost mainly 50 cents to \$1. Ewes ranged from steady to strong, with best grades bringing \$11 to \$12.50. San Antonio paid \$17 for common lambs, as Fort Worth took good shorn lambs at \$19 and Denver gave \$21.25.

First shipments of Texas Ruby Red grapefruit sold readily in San Francisco at \$6.50 for '80's and larger and \$6 for '96's. Citrus markets in the lower Rio Grande Valley continued about unchanged. South Texas carrots sold stronger, spinach firmer, and cabbage higher in unsettled trade. Denver paid higher prices for broccoli, carrots and onions, but less for grapefruit and Texas oranges. Colorado potatoes and Louisiana sweet potatoes moved in light demand at about steady prices.

disgraceful and inexcusable. Long after the war ended, and while hundreds of thousands of returned veterans were being forced to live apart from their wives and children, and others forced to crowd in with relatives who were not prepared to properly take care of them, thousands of prefabricated (ready-built) houses, and vast quantities of other building materials were being shipped abroad without cost to the countries receiving them. I am opposed to sending material out of this country until every returned veteran has been given an opportunity to acquire a comfortable home for himself and for his family."

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Cecil H. Barnes of San Angelo, this week announced that he would be a candidate for State Representative from the 91st District. Mr. Barnes served one term in the Legislature, the 49th Legislature. Barnes, 47 years old, is a native Texan, has had over fifteen years experience in business activities and the practice of law. He has actively engaged in civic and welfare programs.

Mr. Barnes has the following to say concerning his candidacy:

In submitting my candidacy for the important office of State Representative I recognize that the work in the Legislature calls for experience as well as hard work if efficiency is to be attained. My experience, first as a school teacher for some years, followed by law practice and business pursuits give me the basis for engaging in the business of acting as one of the legislators of our State.

I do not feel unkindly about my young opponent, who deprived me of serving a second term in this office in a very close vote over the entire District. My feeling is friendly. I do feel that he has underrated the importance of the Legisla-

ture. He is very young and is not through with his education. The Legislature should not be used as a place in which to work one's way through college, for it is not fair to the taxpayers to not only pay the incumbent his allowance for college training, but add to that the salary of a legislator. Is it not unfair to assume that this young man, my opponent, can not attend the University, while the Legislature is in session, play football and engage in athletic practice, and at the same time represent our large District with all its heavy responsibility and work?

This is not said in a bad spirit, but in the spirit of loyalty to the District in which I live. If our District is to hold its place in the Legislature in competition with other representatives from all parts of the State it must have a man of mature years and a background of experience which will equip him to engage in the specialized work of a law maker, especially in view of the perilous times which we now face. I humbly submit that I have long since finished my schooling and have over fifteen years of valuable experience of a kind to enable me to do the work of a legislator. I have had experience in legislative work.

My record shows that I am independent of any pressure groups that could deprive me of complete legislative independence. I do not seek this office because of any necessity but from a sense of duty, for there are not many qualified individuals who can leave their work and go to Austin during sessions of the Legislature. There are many of you who are qualified to serve the people as representative; but perhaps you do not want to "stick your neck out" in politics: You cannot afford to engage in a campaign, or perhaps you care not to have your good name banded around and your reputation made a target. You may not wish to risk defeat, or risk losing some of your friends of customers. None of these disadvantages appeal to me. My family and kin do not like the publicity that goes with political campaigning. I however, happen to be in the fortunate position of being able to

leave my business for legislative service, and I believe that so important an office should not go begging for just any political opportunist who might happen to see in it the opportunity for private gain.

I submit my candidacy to the people. I love our representative form of government which makes us the greatest democracy on earth. As your representative I shall do all in my power to preserve our free institutions against the encroachments of those who would seddle out to some miserable "ism" that leads to dictatorship. I will strive to lessen under privilege and over privilege and bring about more middle privilege.

I shall not be so insincere as to make promises that I wish to bring about a government that engages in the wholesale business of creating ing handouts to every one, for nothing. I do say that I stand firmly dedicated to the task of bringing about an economy that will make it possible for every individual to maintain a decent, fair and American standard of living, if he or she is willing to give a full measure of ability and talent to their chosen field.

I am sincerely grateful for the good vote which Sterling countylight gave me in my bid for a second term, which was almost half of the total vote cast. If elected I shall strive to deserve your confidence.

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