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EDITORIAL

It begins to look as if we have a real governor in the saddle up in Santa Fe. He has ordered all state cars to be used for official use only and he has weeded out a lot of dead timber from among the state employees. But what affects us the most here at Hope is the fact that Governor Mabry is doing his utmost to get State Highway 83 constructed in 1947. So many governors have used Highway 83 as a springboard for their second term that it is rather unusual to find a governor that is really, truly trying to do something for this end of the state. It has been customary for state officials to come down to Eddy county about two or three days before election, buy the voters a coke and slap them on the back and then go back home with the Eddy county vote in their pocket, but it seems as if Governor Mabry is going to change all this. The following dispatch from Alamogordo to The El Paso Times says: "Of much interest to Otero County is the plan for the state program to include a 7.6 mile project on Highway 83 from Elk to Hope at a cost of about \$500,000." That certainly sounds good to Hope people and to the Artesia folks as well. When Governor Mabry visited Hope during his campaign he said to the writer that if he didn't get a single vote in Hope, he was going to do his best to get

some work done on Highway 83. And it looks as if he is making good his promise. Good work, Governor, come on down and see us some time.

The Roswell Cotton Oil Mill was destroyed by fire Saturday. \$100,000 loss. \$350,000 worth of cotton seed was saved.

Carlsbad people are considering selling the city hall and then building a better one. Which reminds us that the jail at Hope was sold for taxes at one time and then the town of Hope had to buy it back again. Can't see why they ever bought it back. There has been only one man in it during a period of ten years.

Do election clerks and judges deserve an increase in wages? That is what the State Legislature is trying to determine. At the present time they are paid \$3.00 a day. They should get \$5.00 per day at least.

Charlie Rose, former superintendent of the Carlsbad schools and now State Superintendent of Public Instruction, seems to be handling the affairs of his office satisfactorily. He has not started to interpret the laws as yet. He is leaving that for the Attorney General to do.

Pat Murphy, superintendent of the Carlsbad schools, has been a visitor in Santa Fe a few days the past week. I wonder what bill he is lobbying for? What has happened to "The Duch-

ess" that used to give us the Santa Fe scandal through the columns of The Eddy County News, when Marcus Griffin was the editor? Boy, and how she could sling the dirt in a very nice way, of course.

Within a very few months there will be road crews working east and west of Cloudercroft bent on constructing a modern paved highway across the mountain. When this highway is completed it will treble the number of tourists through Hope. We'll have to have another hotel, another service station or two and more stores. The completion of Highway 83 will be the making of Hope. We have been informed that Mayhill is getting ready for the boom. Two new store buildings are going up and other improvements contemplated.

Some of the school children in Hope seem to act as if they don't care whether they are in time for school or not. The last bell will be ringing and some of them will be sauntering toward the school with not a thought in mind of getting there in time.

Ninety-nine out of 100 will tell you that we have had the best schools the past year and a half that we've had for ten years past. Schools are just like anything else, they can't stand still. They either go forward or go backward. Let's keep going forward.

At the recent school election at Artesia three new board members were elected. We imagine there will be some changes made. The platform on which these candidates ran called for a broader educational program, a sound and economical expansion of the school system, a school cafeteria, improvements of school athletics, board meetings open to the public and cooperation with community groups.

The cold weather which we have been having may mean that we will have another fruit crop. But what would we do with a fruit crop and no sugar?

Eddy County Board of Education		
Fund	Receipts	Disbursements
Adm.	\$ 1575.80	\$ 565.68
Main.	14785.29	16436.34
Emer.	3890.86	
D. C.	6559.88	633.14
TOTAL	\$26811.83	\$17635.16

Mrs. R. N. Thomas
1t—pd. adv.

A Little About This And A Little About That

We are glad to note that Mrs. Ben Babers is improving. Mrs. Chester Schwalbe is recuperating from injuries recently received. Ben Marable is taking plenty of time in stacking up his lumber, but he is doing a good job. Mr. Marable tells us that he is able to fill any size bill for lumber on very short notice. We need a lumber yard here in Hope. We heard that Mr. Moore presented a very complete report of where and how the money is spent belonging to the Activity Fund at the Board meeting Tuesday night. J. W. Mellard has been busy this week in moving his furniture to the mountains. The Town of Hope will be looking for a new Mayor. It was reported around Wednesday that a department store is to be opened up in Hope. Hope had irrigating water Monday. John Hardin has been pruning fruit trees for Cecil Coates this week. Wallace Johnson attended the farm bureau meeting at Cottonwood last week. Bonnie and Ethel Altman are very pleased over their new store which they purchased a few weeks ago. Dave Lewis has been out pruning his orchard the last few days. Leonard Akers was a visitor in Roswell Tuesday. L. E. Hall went to Roswell Tuesday and was thinking of going over on the Hondo to look at a truck farm. Andy Teel was put in as president of the school board Tuesday night; he is a good man for the job. An oil stove exploded at the Jim Banta home last week and came very near setting the house on fire. Rush and Charlie Coates have been remodeling and repainting their truck preparatory to go to Elephant Butte Dam on a fishing trip. Xury White, Probate Judge, and Richard H. Westaway, Eddy County Deputy Assessor, were in Hope Monday and called at The News office. Dick Westaway is

the same old Dick as we first knew him 10 years ago; he is one of the most efficient county officials that we have. Traffic rules are not observed in Hope; motorists turn around in the middle of the street and park on the wrong side of the highway, oh, well, they do the same thing in Artesia. Not enough officers to enforce the law. At this season of the year it is always necessary to call the attention of the people of Hope to the condition of the irrigating ditches. Some of them are completely choked up with weeds and grass. Mrs. John Prude has a crew of men at work constructing her tourist court. And that is what has been happening in Hope the past week.

Uncle Sam Says



One of my nephews, Assistant Secretary of the United States Treasury Edward H. Foley, made a few remarks the other day which are worth the attention and action of all my other nieces and nephews. In talking about buying Savings Bonds through the payroll savings plan, he said: "Workers are doing themselves a favor when they increase their take-home savings. The man who has saved up a reserve has a sense of security which the man who lives from hand to mouth can never know. He gets more out of life. He can take today as it comes, rather than spend it worrying about tomorrow." The same reasoning applies not only to Americans on somebody's payroll but to the millions of men and women who earn their living as doctors, lawyers and independent business men who can arrange for regular purchases of Savings Bonds at their banks.

U. S. Treasury Department

School News

The average daily attendance for the first eight grades in the Hope school for January was 75 plus. For the high school it was 45 plus. For the first five months of school the average daily attendance for the grades was 82.25. For the same period for the high school it was 47.03. The State Department of Education notified Superintendent Moore last week that the Hope High School was accredited and in good standing for the year of 1946-47.

The following boys have completed large cedar chests in shop, Harold Parrish, Marvin Holley, Edgar Davenport, Lynn Menefee, Dale Young, Harvey Taylor, Eugene Bates, Alfred Willburn, Donald Menefee, Thomas Lee Harrison, Andy Teel, and Junior Newsom.

The Hope school received \$63.35 from the Alamogordo basketball tournament. Our expenses at Alamogordo were \$100.29. The Alamogordo superintendent sent \$3.50 to have the trophy engraved, which our boys won.

The Hope school board of education met in regular session Tuesday, Feb. 11, with all members present. Andy Teel was elected president, Alvin Kincaid, secretary; Jess Musgrave, vice president; J. P. Menefee and Leonard Akers.

First, Second and Third Grade News
Our room mother, Mrs. Joe Young, gave each of us an ice cream cone for keeping our health rules so well. While we were at the store eating the cones, Pete Blakney gave each of us a pop. Thanks to him.

Mrs. Green and Mrs. Stegall are planning a Valentine party at Mrs. Stegall's home for us. We are looking forward to an exciting time.

Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Grade News
We have drawn pictures of Lincoln and Washington. We have collected names of children in Mexico, South America, Canada, Alaska, France, England, Spain, Africa, Argentine,

Germany and the Hawaiian islands. We will write to them.

We will have our Valentine party Friday afternoon at 1:30. The room mothers are invited to come.

Kenneth and Jimmy McCabe were visiting in our room Monday.

Everyone is doing better in music. Joe Helen Bailey missed school Monday.

HOPE NEWS

Joe (Red) Teague and wife, Erlene, and sister, Mrs. Mildred Beaty, of Watsonville, Calif., visited their aunt, Mrs. A. A. Smith, from Jan. 27 to Feb. 2. They were accompanied through the Caverns Sunday by Mrs. Smith and Bill Ordunez. They also visited their aunt, Mrs. Jennie Schwalbe, and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Schwalbe and the Chester Teague family. Joe and Mildred attended school in Hope in the 20's.

"Hormones For Psoriasis." A Psoriasis Victim Tells How He Was Cured and Dr. Morris Fishbein Gives The Scientific Explanation Of The Skin Disease Picture. A Normal Carefree Life Is Impossible For Anyone Afflicted With Psoriasis. Read This Instructive Article In The American Weekly, The Magazine Distributed With Next Sunday's Los Angeles Examiner.

Mr. Musgrave and J. P. Menefee went to Artesia Wednesday.

Rev. A. C. Douglas, district superintendent, was here Sunday night and held conference in the Methodist church.

Dance in the Hope Gym, Saturday, February 22. Bates-Fisher music. Admission 60 cents per person.—adv.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at the Baptist Church.

For Sale—One 24,000 B.T.U. circulating gas heater. Can be seen at The News office at Hope. Adv.

Mrs. A. A. Smith was taken to the Memorial Hospital at Artesia Monday, suffering from a severe attack of the flu.

Bills of Sale and Warranty Deeds made out at The News office, Hope, N. M. —adv.

"George Washington's Spies." When the British Enslaved A Secret Service System In Its War Against The Colonies, General George Washington Quickly Countered With An American Spy Network. Read This Dramatic Account Or Espionage. Plus The Colorful Story Of The Famous Benedict Arnold Case In The American Weekly, The Magazine Distributed With Next Sunday's Los Angeles Examiner.

Valentine's Day is Feb. 14th Now is the Time to Buy

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Birthstone Rings and Bill Folds

King's Jewelry

307 W. Main

Artesia



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

A Definition of Our Town

Somebody defined our town just the other day as "A place where the people talk about you behind your back, and come to wait on you when you're sick."

I've got to admit there's something to it. A lot of our folks are inclined to be pretty outspoken and quick to criticize... even about little things, like a woman's hat, or a man's preference for a glass of beer, or the color of Cy Hartman's new barn.

But when anyone's in trouble, those differences and points of

criticism are forgotten... and folks become neighborly and helpful, like they really are.

From where I sit, criticism never did much harm to anybody, so long as folks don't let it guide their actions... so long as they respect our individual preferences, whether they apply to hats or beer. That's the way it is in our town, anyway, and I hope that it's the same in yours.

Joe Marsh

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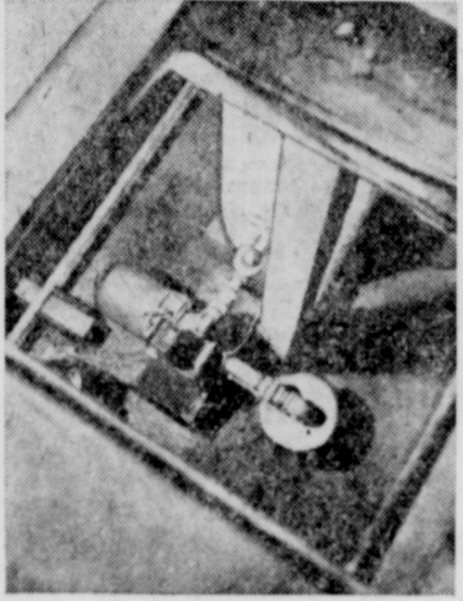
Sport and Roughing It.



Good Farm Wiring Is Held Essential

Expensive to Pay for Preventive Power Loss

"Anything less than good wiring on the farmstead is not only a serious bottleneck to successful use of electricity, but usually causes dissat-



isfaction and needless expense in the use of electricity for anything beyond lighting and minimum power uses," William A. Ritt, Minneapolis, Minn., declared at the national farm electrification conference.

In planning the wiring for a farm, Ritt declared, the average farm must be considered as an industrial plant, a production and processing plant for products. The greater the degree of processing performed on any farm, the greater is the return in terms of farm income, he explained.

No matter what efficient equipment the farmer may employ to arrive at more complete and profitable electrification, its successful operation depends upon a good wiring installation.

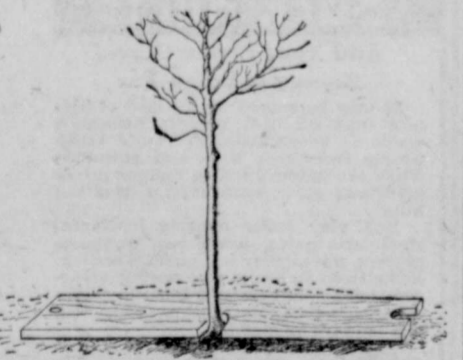
Larger capacity service entrances, heavier conductors to farmstead buildings and also for serving the higher horsepower motors now being used, an increased number of circuits and more attention to balancing loads among the various circuits, are among the outstanding needs of farm wiring systems today, Ritt said.

MISS SLICK CHICK OF 1947?



WE ARE RESENTFUL . . . Hens, resentful and envious of the "Slick Chick" designation, which with utter abandon has been bestowed upon human femmes, at long last have come to the fore and demanded their equal rights. The Poultry and Egg National board, realizing the justice of their claims, is conducting a nationwide search for the most beautiful hen in all America, who will be crowned "Miss Slick Chick of 1947," and will be guest of honor at world premiere of "The Egg and I."

Planting Trees



Ease in planting trees at uniform distances in straight rows may be secured by the board marker shown in illustration. The length of the board will depend on the type of tree and distance to be spaced.

IN THESE UNITED STATES

Unique Library Started With 'Bible and Prayer'

WNU Features.

MOUNT SHERMAN, ARK.—Started 12 years ago with "a Bible and a prayer," the Wilderness Library in the deep Ozarks hill country along the Buffalo river in Arkansas now ranks as one of America's most unique educational and recreational projects.

Hillbillies, some of whom previously were 100 miles away from the nearest library, now trudge daily over the rugged, wooded trails to the log cabin library perched atop Mt. Sherman. For many of the men, women and children, the library, which serves as a community gathering center, is the only educational facility available.

Founder of this novel library is James Ted Richmond. The inspiration for his project came in France, where he remained after service in World War I to study at University of Toulouse. While there he organized a small library designed to acquaint the French with the American way of life.

Lives Atop Mountain.

After returning to America, Richmond reentered newspaper work, and while writing radio plays in Little Rock became interested in hillbillies. Deciding to live as one of the mountain folk, Richmond staked a claim for a homestead atop Mt. Sherman. Friendly mountain folk helped the newcomer build his cabin in a log raising bee.

One of Richmond's first impressions of his neighboring hillbillies was that they were deprived of educational advantages but hungry for reading matter. To fill the void, he at first began circulating his Bible. A plea to Little Rock newspaper friends netted some books, with which he started a free library in a hollow tree outside his cabin.

From this meager beginning, the Wilderness Library has grown until it now contains more than 10,000 volumes. Newspaper friends boosted Richmond's cause and books began coming in from all parts of the country. The hollow tree overflowed, forcing Richmond to move the library into his small cabin. Now the cabin is lined with shelves, with books stacked high to the rafters.

Ambitious Plans.

Improvement and enlargement of the library to convert it into a community recreational center are among Richmond's plans for the future. First, however, he hopes to build another log cabin home for himself. The encroaching book shelves have practically forced him out of his humble abode. During the summer time he even does most of his cooking on an outdoor stove, but, as the hillbillies' librarian explains, his principal foods are goat's milk and "garden sass."

Richmond also envisages that some day he will be able to use the Wilderness Library as the nucleus for a new College of the Ozarks to provide higher education for mountain boys and girls. He would like to have a jeep and library trailer to permit taking his books to homes beyond walking distance over the rough trails. He also wants the roads improved and other advan-

tages brought to his mountain people.

Last fall Richmond decided he could achieve these objectives by political action. He announced his candidacy on the G.I. ticket for representative from Newton county in the Arkansas legislature. In his platform, he pledged himself to work for better schools, building of farm to market roads, improvement of the dairy industry, equalization of taxes and abolition of the poll tax. He was defeated, however, by the long-entrenched political machine in Newton county.

Pledges Future Fight.

"This fight for good government is only starting," Richmond insisted, adding that "there's another election coming."

On his wild homestead lands, Richmond earns his livelihood by milking about a hundred goats, raising pigs, chickens and turkeys, and growing potatoes and vegetables. If he receives \$10 for goat milk sold to the creamery several miles away, he gives a dollar "as a tithe to God," \$4.50 to his library and the remaining \$4.50 for his own upkeep. Often he deprives himself of necessities so he can finance his rapidly expanding Wilderness Work.

In addition to the free library, the Wilderness Work includes a number of other activities launched by Richmond to improve the lot of the mountain folk.

One of the major projects is the annual Wilderness White Christmas, launched in 1933 in memory of his mother, Mrs. Etta E. Richmond. Without any compensation for his work and paying all personal expenses, Richmond directs the collection of clothing, toys, medicines and other household articles for distribution to the poor Ozark families at Christmas time.

Seeks Medical Aid.

Another objective for the hillbillies' librarian is to secure proper medical services for the mountain people. Injured and ill persons, isolated from the larger communities, have died for lack of prompt attention, Richmond reports.

"First aid is a necessity here," he says. He lists a hospital cot complete for first aid, antiseptics, surgical powders and sickroom supplies as articles most sorely needed.

"I am sure that churches, schools, clubs and individuals everywhere would help if they only knew the predicament of these people," Richmond maintains.

He is considering the possibility of establishing a non-profit educational foundation to raise money for financing the expanded Wilderness Work. Main difficulty is that he's not versed in the procedure, so he is seeking advice on the subject. His address: Ted Richmond, Wilderness Library, Mount Sherman, Ark., via Twilight Trail.



TOUCH SYSTEM . . . Julie Gibson, movie starlet, gets her hair styled by Helen Lopez, one of six blind girls learning beauty culture and hair styling under auspices of American Beauticians association and Braille Institute of America. Their highly developed sense of touch permits the blind to learn quickly.

Skin Revealed As Indication Of Occupation

BOSTON. — If your amateur detective tendencies lead you to wonder about a casual acquaintance's occupation, all you have to do is to glance at his skin. That is the theory propounded by Dr. Francesco Ronchese, instructor in dermatology at Boston university school of medicine.

After a study of "calluses, cicatrices and other stigmas" peculiar to various trades, Dr. Ronchese insists that they offer an infallible guide to a person's occupation. He even suggests that they be used as an aid to identification in case of amnesia victims and unidentified dead.

Just as sure as a cauliflower ear will lead to a fighter, a foundry worker will have a red discoloration of the forearms from constant exposure to the intense, dry heat of ovens, he says.

The jeweler's trademark is a large callus in the center of the right palm, the result of working with pliers, while bricklayers probably will be missing the fingerprints of their left hands because of constant handling of rough bricks.

In the realm of musicians, Dr. Ronchese referred to the "trumpet player's lip" and "violinist's acne," a lump on the neck near the angle of the lower jaw.

Practically every occupation, even sedentary jobs, has a distinguishing mark, he points out.

Colors and odors also are listed as special features of an occupation. Silversmiths often carry traces of slate gray while photographers, shoemakers and others invariably have stained fingers.

In regard to odors, Dr. Ronchese declares that it would be hard to go wrong on the characteristic smells of ash collectors, stable hands or fish dealers.

Admitting that there is one odor that might be misleading, he says: "The peculiar smell of the barroom does not necessarily denote a bartender."

Dog Stands Guard After Rescue Fails

CHATTANOOGA, TENN. — Although he failed in a valiant effort to save his mistress, Mrs. Elizabeth Ray, 77, from drowning, Corky, a Boston bull dog, still stood guard over her lifeless body until help arrived.

Police, who paid tribute to the heroic dog, told this story:

Mrs. Ray fell into the raging waters of Chickamauga creek. Corky plunged in after her, swimming for almost a quarter of a mile before he could reach his mistress' side. Then he tugged her to shore.

When police found them, the little dog had its left forepaw around a small sapling on the bank and was fighting to keep the current from dragging him and his mistress downstream. Police estimated the 25-pound dog had been fighting the waters for four hours.

Sounds Complicated

OAK PARK, ILL. — Ellis Denny of Oak Park chamber of commerce proposed to the village board that parking meters be bought to make enough money to buy parking lots to eliminate parking meters.

"Off We Go" AVIATION NOTES

COLORADO SURVEYS NEEDS

Approximately six million dollars will be required to build an adequate system of airports in Colorado outside the metropolitan areas of Denver, Pueblo, Colorado Springs and Grand Junction, a Colorado Aeronautics commission survey shows. This system will be required by 1955 to handle the more than 4,000 planes expected to be owned by Coloradans by that time, Henry B. Moore, director of the Colorado university bureau of research, declares.

Engineers and economists from the university have visited nearly every airport in the state and every town with a population of more than 750 in their survey of Colorado's airport conditions.

The survey disclosed that there are 157 towns in Colorado under 1,000 population with 44 landing areas, 44 towns from 1,000 to 2,500 with 31 landing areas, 13 towns from 2,500 to 5,000 with 12 landing areas, 9 towns from 5,000 to 10,000 with 12 landing areas, 8 towns over 10,000 with 21 landing areas.

Special religious services were held in the First Baptist church of Minneapolis, Minn., to dedicate a two-passenger airplane to be used by Minneapolis Hospitality house for expanding its youth work. The plane was dismantled and brought to the church sanctuary for official dedication ceremonies in front of the congregation.

OVERLOOK PRIVATE FLIERS

In the rush for aviation supremacy among cities in the post-war flying boom, the needs of the private flier too often are overlooked. This condition is leading private fliers, particularly in rural areas, to take a more active interest in aviation development in their home cities.

The attitude of cities varies widely in regard to the private flier. In Burbank, Calif., for example, a \$2.50 landing fee has been instigated for single-engine, private planes. A \$5 fee is assessed for twin-motor jobs landed at Lockheed air terminal there. On the other hand, Milwaukee, Wis., has spent \$350,000 on Maitland field, a downtown landing field, and is contemplating spending another \$200,000. This field is intended primarily for private fliers and there is no landing fee.



NEW JET FIGHTER . . . Latest of jet fighters is the Ryan XF2R-1, which is serving as the navy's flying laboratory to test prop-jet engines. This Fireball-type fighter is the first navy combat plane to be powered by a gas turbine turning a propeller.



LATEST STYLE NEWS . . . For the first time in 20 years, marine corps uniforms have been modified. Left to right are new winter "greens"; old style; new dress "blues"; old style.



HISTORY IN MINIATURES . . . Crowded into the 4,000 square feet of Roadside America, world's greatest indoor miniature village, is the panorama of American history: (1) Sleepy Hollow is typical of the pioneer days of the West; (2) Shrine church is a replica of a memorial chapel in the Alps; (3) a pioneer village of 300 years ago is reconstructed; (4) the airport, laid out like a real field, lends note of modernity; (5) an idea of the scale on which the miniatures are built is obtained by comparing Laurence Gieringer with the figures he is placing on a railroad station platform, and (6) the village of Fairfield represents the modern era.

Picturesque Miniature Village Depicts History of America

WNU Features.

Childhood disillusionment at the shattering of a dream did not deter Laurence Gieringer; instead, it embarked him on a hobby which over a span of 44 years has resulted in creation of a picturesque miniature village which has attracted nationwide attention and lured millions of visitors.

With the passionate covetousness of a child, the 5-year-old Laurence used to sit nightly in the window of his home in a Pennsylvania valley and gaze longingly at a house on the mountainside—a toy house, it seemed to him, as its lights blinked enticingly in the distance. He wanted that tiny house, wanted to pick it up in his hands and bring it home.

When his repeated pleas to set out in quest of his house were ignored, the little boy finally became desperate and, stuffing a banana and a few crackers into his pockets, trudged off up the mountainside in search for the little house. Searching parties were out all night and at 6 o'clock in the morning the frantic parents finally discovered the grimy but undaunted boy two-thirds the way up the mountainside. Bitter at being overhauled, the boy was comforted only when his parents agreed to take him to the end of the road.

Dream Shattered.

Disillusionment clouded Laurence's eyes when he beheld just another ordinary sized house with no lights at all in the bright morning, no enchantment, no magic lure.

But Laurence Gieringer's dream was not ended; in fact, it had only begun. Today, at 54, he owns countless lighted houses that he can pick up in his hands, along with churches, barns, bridges, highways, railroads, lakes, fields, grist mills, factories and scores of other miniature models depicting the architectural and industrial panorama of the America of the last few hundred years.

Collectively they are known as Roadside America, which is situated four miles west of Hamburg, Pa., between Harrisburg and Allentown.

Roadside America had its beginning four years after Laurence's abortive attempt to bring home the lighted house from the mountaintop. With his younger brother, Paul, he had climbed another mountain near Reading. Far below them Reading looked like a city inhabited by doll men. Fascinated by the sight, Laurence said eagerly: "Paul, wouldn't it be swell to build little houses the same size they look from here?" Thus was born the idea which was to grow into a project enchanting

millions of visitors every year.

Delving into their venture with enthusiasm, the boys scoured the library for books on American architecture from the pioneer days to modern times. A kindly art teacher gave them drawing lessons at three cents for plain sketching, five cents for pastel work, the fees covering only the cost of material.

Early difficulties soon induced Laurence to adopt an arbitrary scale of three-eighths of an inch to a foot, a scale he has employed through all the intervening years.

Pictures and stories of the way the early settlers in America had lived induced Gieringer to build history into his miniatures. His models, he decided, could show the development of American home and business life as exemplified in the structure of homes and business buildings.

As a result, there now are three separate sections, one depicting the life of the early settlers, another that of Pennsylvania at the turn of the century and a third showing a modern setting. Gieringer plans a fourth eventually—his version of the village of tomorrow.

Built From Scraps.

Scraps of wood, discarded tin cans, wire, pieces of metal, pipe cleaners, paper and numerous other odds and ends have been utilized as construction materials for Gieringer's intricate models.

An idea of the scope of the exhibit may be gained by noting some of the materials which have gone into its making. They include 9,520 feet of board lumber, 4,000 feet of building paper, 1,728 feet of railroad and trolley track, 11,080 feet of electric wire, 513 light bulbs, 12,000 pounds of plaster, 4,000 miniature figures, 10,000 miniature trees and shrubs, 250 pounds of nails, 42 gallons of paint, two barrels of green sawdust, six tons of stone, 8,000 pounds of sand, 145 miniature railroad cars and 1,700 feet of tracks for trains and trolleys.

Highlight among the miniatures is a high-spired church with beautifully handpainted windows, a task that required months of exacting labor as Gieringer sought means of

creating stained glass. As visitors mill about the village, the lights are dimmed and from the open door of the church pours religious music from a tiny organ. Outside the church a ragged tramp leans lazily against a white fence, a dog at his heels.

When the organ strains fade, a different type of music issues from a large barn, in which an old-fashioned barn dance is progressing. Nearby planes seem about to take off from an airport while a few feet away people are packed into a grandstand watching a baseball game.

Animation marks the exhibits. There are youngsters walking on narrow curbstones, a boy whose feet are tangled in an electric wire, dogs sniffing at fire hydrants, women hanging out their washing or gossiping over back fences, trolleys and train in operation, water wheels turning grist mills.

Receive Wide Acclaim.

The Gieringer exhibits have been widely heralded as the world's greatest miniature village and the most unique and detailed masterpiece ever evolved.

A staunch exponent of hobbies as a means of preventing juvenile delinquency, Gieringer insists that "hobbies keep children off the street," adding that "if youngsters' hands are busy, they don't get into mischief." His dream is to see establishment of a national hobby center where exhibits of all kinds can be shown to inspire other hobbyists.

Throughout the years both Mr. and Mrs. Gieringer have worked with countless children from nearby schools and orphanages.

Although Gieringer allows boys training in his workshop to use mechanical equipment, all of Roadside America has been built completely by hand and with ordinary carpenter tools.

Originally set up as a Christmas display in the Gieringer home for showing to neighbors and visitors, the miniatures later were exhibited in a Reading fire house and in a local park, all earnings going to charity. The present Roadside America was established in 1941, a portion of the proceeds still going to charity. Although wartime gasoline rationing shattered attendance, a record number of visitors viewed the displays last season and still larger crowds are expected this summer.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

Lesson for February 16

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JESUS AT THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES

LESSON TEXT—John 8:12-16, 31-36; 9:1-5. MEMORY SELECTION—I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.—John 8:12.

"The Light of the World is Jesus!" Who does not remember with what delight we as children sang, "Come to the light, 'tis shining for thee . . . The Light of the World is Jesus." How precious was the truth that thus flooded our souls! Our study centers around three simple words fraught with beauty and rich in meaning.

I. Light (John 8:12-16). The text says, "Then spake Jesus." When? Just after he had silenced the hypocritical accusers of a woman taken in sin, and had spoken the word of peace to her troubled soul. She was to "go and sin no more" because she had met him who is the light of the world. They that follow him "shall not walk in darkness"; they are the children of light, they have the very light of life.

How sad it is that with the light of the world shining in all its brightness, men loved their own darkness. The Pharisees, instead of receiving the Light, had to argue, and to do it on a low, fleshly plane. They even accused Jesus of being a liar. Think of that!

So it is that men may reject the Light of God and go on into a darkness made deeper because they have seen the light.

Now we look at our second beautiful word. How sweet it sounds as we repeat it—

II. Freedom (vv. 31-36). Free! Four letters, but what a depth of meaning! Chains have fallen off, prison doors are open. The one who was bound is free. But here we are concerned with an even more important liberty, the freedom of the soul. Many there are who boast of their independence, but who are merely slaves. Jesus said: "Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin" (v. 34) not its master.

How shall they be freed? Note three things in these verses. (1) A condition—"If ye continue in my word." This means not only a profession of faith, but a daily appropriation and realization of his truth in life. (2) A promise—"Ye shall know the truth." The philosophies of men profess to be a seeking after truth, but how few there are who look to the one place where it can be found—in Jesus Christ. (3) A result—"The truth shall make you free." Truth always sets free.

Men are enslaved because, as in some foreign lands, they have not had the opportunity to learn the truth (we have failed to send it), or because they have rejected it.

Freedom and light can lead only to

III. Vision (John 9:1-5).

This is one of the most instructive passages in Scripture. A man born blind is seen by Jesus. His disciples note his interest and begin to theorize on a theological question. They had learned so little of the compassionate spirit of Jesus that they saw in this blighted life only an illustration of a theological problem. May God help us that we may never be so blind.

Jesus goes at once to his blessed work. He was in the world to do the works of God. He and the Father always work. Let us follow his blessed example. The King's business requires haste. Let us work "while it is day, the night cometh when no man can work."

By a loving and gracious act, Jesus stirs in the heart of the man that faith which causes him to go, to wash, and, glory to God, he sees!

Such a personal experience of the divine power of the Son of God leaves no doubt in the man's mind that the One who caused him to see "is a prophet." All of a man's doubts concerning the deity of Jesus Christ disappear when he becomes his Saviour.

Do not fail to read the remainder of the chapter and note how this man's faith was victorious in the face of trials, persecution, and even of excommunication; for outside the temple he met Jesus and took him as his Lord. As Dr. Scroggie puts it, "His excommunication was a promotion. He went from the synagogue to the Saviour."

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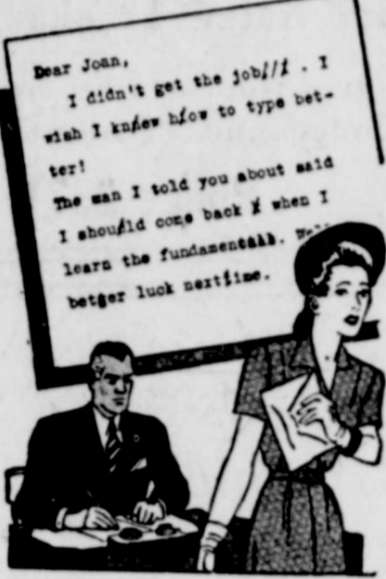
A lot of this stuff that passes as "food for thought" is merely propaganda artfully disguised.

The perfect host is one who makes his guests feel at home even though he wishes they were.

Egotism is the anesthetic which nature gives to deaden the pain of being a darn fool.

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HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers



Let Children Play and Frolic! (See recipes below)

Youngsters' Parties

Has your youngster had a party recently? There's nothing quite so excellent for social training for the youngsters as having a party completely their own. Social graces, unselfishness and consideration of others can be taught easily this way.

Of course, a child may look upon this purely as fun, but he can't help absorbing some social sense about the affair even if he is young. I don't suggest that any parent wield a strong arm over him, but there are little ways of coaching him to see that his small guests are comfortable, and the fact that they have come to see him in his own home gives the child a certain awareness about his role in the matter.

As a mother, you should be careful in planning the food for the children and seeing that everything goes smoothly. Little tots are apt to get very excited at the prospect of a party, so it's a good idea to have food simple and easy-to-digest.

Since birthdays are good occasions for parties, you might plan a simple supper party for the youngsters. Creamed chicken made with plenty of milk, an easy to get salad of molded fruit, and ice cream and cake is a good starter.

***Creamed Chicken. (Serves 4 to 6)**

- 5 tablespoons butter
- 5 tablespoons flour
- 2/3 cup sliced mushrooms
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 3/4 cups chicken broth
- 1/2 cup light cream or top milk
- 1 1/2 cups cooked, cut up chicken
- 2 egg yolks, beaten

Melt butter in top part of double boiler, then saute mushrooms in it for 5 minutes. Blend in flour and stir until smooth. Add salt, chicken broth and light cream, stirring constantly until mixture thickens. Add chicken and heat thoroughly. Remove from heat, pour slowly over beaten egg yolks, stirring constantly. Serve over thin wedges of toast.

Molded Salad. (Serves 6)

- 1 package lemon-flavored gelatin
- 1 cup boiling water
- 1 cup cranberry juice or canned, jellied sauce
- 1 apple
- 1 orange
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- Lettuce, mayonnaise

Dissolve gelatin in boiling water and chill until it thickens. Crush the sauce or add the juice to gelatin. Grind apple and orange, leaving skins on and combine with lemon juice and gelatin. Pour into mold and chill until firm. Serve on lettuce with mayonnaise.

If a birthday cake is a must at the party, plan to make a delicate white one yourself, frost it with chocolate icing and put the writing on with a tube. If you're not quite adept at this, practice the lettering on waxed paper. It can be scooped up and used again.

Birthday Cake. (Makes 2 8-inch layers)

- 1/2 cup shortening
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 2 cups sifted cake flour

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- Buttered String Beans with Pearled Onions
- Tomatoes Stuffed with Cole Slaw
- Beverage Peach Cake
- *Recipe given.

- 2 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 3 egg whites

Cream shortening and sugar together until light and fluffy. Sift flour, salt and baking powder together. Add alternately to creamed mixture with milk. Blend in vanilla and beat until smooth. Fold in stiffly beaten egg whites. Bake in greased, floured layer cake pans in a moderately hot (375 degree) oven for 25 minutes. Frost with chocolate butter cream icing and decorate with white or tinted butter cream icing forced through a pastry tube.

For youngsters who are a little older you might like to have a slightly different menu. If the youngsters are able to manage in the kitchen themselves, it might be a good idea to let them dig in and toast hamburgers themselves. Or you might let them fix their own sandwiches from bowls of different kinds of spread. Have milk to drink and serve with ice cream and cake or cookies, and watch them enjoy themselves!

Toasted Deviled Hamburgers. (Makes 8)

- 1 pound beef, ground
- 1/2 cup chili sauce
- 1 1/2 teaspoons prepared mustard
- 1 1/2 teaspoons horseradish sauce
- 1 teaspoon minced onion
- 1 1/2 teaspoons worcestershire sauce
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 8 buns or slices of white bread

Combine all ingredients except buns or bread. Toast bread on one side in broiler and spread with mixture. Return to the broiler and broil for 6 minutes. If desired, the sandwiches may be cut in halves or strips.

With the sandwiches, serve a salad like cole slaw or one of sliced tomatoes, potato chips or french fried potatoes.

If you don't want the children working in the kitchen for the party, plan to make the meat mixture early, refrigerate it and then pop the sandwiches in to broil while you are working in the kitchen yourself.

For children's parties where excitement tends to run high, better plan to have checked cloths and old napkins or a paper set so there's no worry about laundry. The children will feel more at ease, too, if there aren't too many breakables or things that ruin easily while they're having fun. Thin glassware is especially undesirable, as some of it is sure to be broken and it may hurt someone.

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