PENASCO VALLEY NEWS

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Hope, Eddy County, New Mexico

Friday, Nov. 18, 1949

Valley Telephone Cooperative Organized

Penasco Valley was held at the Alt. To E. B. and man Cafe last week and the first steps to organize the Penasco Vallev. All those in favor of a telephone their phone number is 777. company being organized were asked to contribute \$10.00 each in order to finance the organization plans.

A meeting of the directors was held Tuesday night at the Hope Tele- Be Here Nov. 22 phone office. Geo. S. Teel was elected president, and Geo. Casabonne, Sec. and Treas. Joe Clements was appointed one of the directors, making seven directors instead of six. This meeting was attended by Harry Atty. Wm. M. Siegenthaler. By-laws were drafted and the directors agreed that the office and place of business of the Penasco Valley Telephone cluded. Cooperative should be located in Hope. A drive will commence next Monday to secure members at \$10.00 Eddy County Gets each. There is quite an expense attached to getting a cooperative or Second Patrolman ganization started therefore everyone is asked to be ready to help financially when the committee calls. of this organization and they will be called upon to do a lot of work for which they will not receive a cent in pay, therefore the least an individual can do is sign up as a member and put up the \$10.00.

Gov. Mabry Heads Christmas Seal Campaign

Governor Thomas J. Mabry today accepted the honorary chairmanship for the 1949 Christmas seal sale campaign of the New Mexico Tuberculosis Association.

He said voluntary agencies, such as afternoon at the theater. the Tuberculosis Association, working health problems in this state.

Christmas Seals have been distributed Harris on a bird hunt. After they to 31 county associations in prepara- had killed enough birds they enjoytion for the sale.

Richard E. Tomlin, State Executive Secretary, and Charles Sacoman were at the Hope school Tuesday of setting poles and stringing wire Field Representative, are assisting examining the athletes and others, to bring electricity to ranchers west county organizations with prepara-

Tunnel on Highway 3 to Be Opened

the verge of being completed.

A meeting of the people of the Artesia Floral Sold Dale Burgett

ley Telephone Cooperative was tak- by the Artesia Floral Shop was pur- went to Carlsbad to have her glasses in a few weeks time. chased by E. B. and Dale Burgett. fitted. en. Mr. Frost, manager of the Cen- If you don't know who the new proptral Valley Electric Cooperative was own the large greenhouse located in EDITORIAL present and explained what steps James Canyon just east of Cloudwere necessary to form a coopera- croft. The Burgett's intend to carry a complete stock of mountain grown tive telephone company. A temporary flowers for all occasion. They intend good to them that hate you, and pray board of directors were chosen as to have a formal opening in the near for them which despitefully use you, follows: Geo. S. Teel, Geo. Casa-bonne, Charley Barley, Bryant Wil-later. The Artesia Floral Shop is liams, Robert Parks and M. D. Brant- located at 408 W. Main, Artesia and

County Nurse to

The county nurse will be at the Hope school Tuesday, Nov 22nd to immunize all of the children for whooping cough. The parents of the community are urged to bring their Frost of the R.E.A. Cooperative and children to the school house for immunization on this date. The nurse will be here from 9:30 a.m., to 3:45 p.m. Preschool children are in-

to the El Paso Tmes says that Eddy like Ben Marable or Mrs. Bob Wood matic conditions. County has a second State Highway We have some good men at the head patrolman. He is I. W. South, who this, I think it would be mighty nice. was transferred Thursday from Roswell and will be stationed at Artesia.

State Highway Patrolman Bill Lewis already on duty in the county, said he and South will split the area on patrol.

South will patrol from Artesia 20 miles south, and north to Hagerman, east to Loco Hills and west to Elk. Lewis will have the Carlsbad area.

School News

a visitor in Artesia Saturday and The Governor cited the high death Sunday. Carol Munson was a visitor

governor was informed, 18,000,000 Trimble was accompanied by John opens in earnest. ed a big bird feast.

Miss Myrtle Greenfield, Director lamps. These seem to be popular arthis line will be Lyle Hunter, Geo. O. of the New Mexico Public Health ticles at present as presents. One Teel, Irving Cox, Andy Teel, Guy Laboratory at Albuquerque, is State student has completed a rather strik- Crockett, Floyd Greene, Frank Run-Chairman of the Tuberculosis Asso- ing smoke stand. The other students yan, M. O. Teel and others. are busy making chairs and other

articles for themselves. returned from our vacation rested big steer, he could stand with his and full of tales about "the big buck front feet in the Gilf of Mexico, his that got away." Several brought ven- hind feet in Hudson Bay, and punch Official opening of the tunnel on ison in their lunches but the few Highway 83, West of High Rolls will turkeys that were killed are being be conducted by the Alamogordo saved until Thanksgiving. We have Chamber of Commerce at 2 p.m. next drawn some nice fat Thanksgiving you tell one. turkeys in art. Jackie Alexander fell Invitations have been sent to sur- from the roof of his porch and landrounding communities by Conley N. ed on his little red wagon. It didn't That is something unusual. You Chappell, president of the chamber. hurt the wagon any but Jackie has know an editor should never make a Mayors of nearby towns will offi- a broken arm which will remain in mistake. Well, the mistake occurred cially open the tunnel. The Ala- a cast for three weeks. We have re- in the Leone's Studio advertisement. mogordo school band will assist in ceived many interesting letters from It announced 12 postal card photos the program, which also will include our pen pals. We have received man- for 75c, which should have been speeches by prominent Alamogordo ganese rocks, pototoes and drawings \$3.75. If anyone took advantage of from other children. We appreciate that special offer last week they sure The 500-foot tunnel is part of the the bouquet of flowers from Mrs. got a bargain. Alamogordo to Cloudcroft, to Hope, Geo. Teel. Sarah May Marlar from to Artesia highway which is now on Carlsbad also brought us flowers and Bryant Williams was in town Wed-

emies, bless them that curse you, do

what Will Harrison in the Santa Fe New Mexican writes about the "Sheriff's and Police Officers' Conventions," both past and present.

Did the idea ever percolate through the heads of some of the people of Hope to have a turkey shoot sometime before Thanksgiving? The money raised could be used to put on a Christmas party for the Hope young people or it could be used to buy equipment for Home Ec department at the Hope school.

Up at Santa Fe they have started class for children ranging from the the course, 25c per lesson. Now if A specal Dspatch from Carlsbad some of the public spirited citizens would sponsor an undertaking like

> A big political battle is looming up. John Miles, U. S. representative in cCongress has about signified his intentions of running for the office of governor of New Mexico. He will be opposed by a candidate sponsored Mexico. John Miles has served four aged with man. years as governor of New Mexico and

Governor Mabry urged citizens of gone Mrs. John Hardin is substitut- of things generally and that the town dinner about supper time. New Mexico to purchase Christmas ing for our teacher. Billy Stephens, of Hope should have a change. The Seals when the sale opens November Ruth Ann Cox, Patricia Ann Wells, "Spit and Whittle Club" have not in spite of all efforts to teach them 21 and to use them as inspirational Billy Crockett, Reeva Jeanne Wood said much about the political situa- good manners. A boy, if not washed messengers on mail during the holi- and Wilma Seely went hunting. We tion as yet, only whittled a little too often and if kept in a cool, quiet can't say whether they went hunting harder and spit a little straighter. place after each accident, can sur-From the state office of the New for a dear or a deer. Some of us They will evidently have a ticket in Mexico Tuberculosis Association, the don't have any luck on either. Sammy the field by the time the campaign ming holes, fights and nine helpings

> We are glad to report that construction crews of the Central Valley Dr. Puckett and the county nurse Electric Cooperative are on the job Manual Training news-The Man- and southwest of Hope. Those who ual Training Class are still making will benefit by the construction of

Here's the latest one from Texas: 3rd, 4th and 5th grade news-We "If all the steers in Texas were one

We made a mistake last week.

Mrs. Fred Shedd from Carlsbad sent nesday a.m., showing off a most

us some growing plants for our room. beautiful necktie with a hand paint. News From Hope Tommy Greene brought us pictures ed turkey on it.- All he would say of birds for each of the 48 states. was that it was given him by one of Jackie Stephens brought us some cot- his admirers. At least that is what REMEMBER-Merit Feeds get best to some pupils in Maine. Barbara busy these days, if you don't believe Grand, Artesia. This week a deal was made where. Seeley was absent Monday as she it just try and market 6,000 turkeys

> Wm. T. McRee, boy scout field representative from Carlsbad confer- ed Tuesday morning in the Artesia red with the editor of the News hospital. "But I say unto you, Love your en- Monday in regard to prospective persons who would take an active interest in the establishment of a Boy over the week end on business. Scout troop in Hope. Luke Toycho was mentioned as scout leader (and we think he would make a good one). For directors we mentioned Ben We get a big kick out of reading Marable, O. A. Stirman, Geo. O. Teel, Bob Barley and Bill Weddige. The baby were here from Roswell from above are all good men to head a Thursday to Monday. They visited boy scout troop. They have the time Mrs. Tom Harrison and the ability to make a success of an undertaking like this.

> > dinner held in Santa Fe last week, us, insure with us. Purchasers of Nora one of the speakers describing boys, Johnson Agency. gave the following data on the definition of a boy:

"After a male boy has grown out of long clothes and triangles and has treatment. acquired pants, freckles, and so much dirt that relatives do not dare to kiss it between meals, it becomes the home of Mrs. Tom Harrison last something new — a square dance a BOY. A boy is nature's answer to Saturday night. the false belief that there is no such 6th through the 9th grade. Classes thing as pepetual motion. A boy can are scheduled for 10 consecutive swim like a fish, run like a deer, Monday. The price will be \$2.50 for climb like a squirrel, balk like a mule bellow like a bull, eat like a pig, or act like a jackass, according to cli-

over an appetite. A noise covered give your fruit cake or mince pie with smudges. He is called a ternado an extra flavor. because he comes in and at the most think a wrec't behind him. He is a Grand, Artesia. growing animal of superlative promise . . . to be fed, watered and kept by Dennis Chavez and his son, "Little warm . . . a joy forever, a periodic well were here Sunday visiting Mr. Denny." Whoever this will be will nuisance, the problem of our times, and Mrs. J. C. Buckner and family. have the support of the Chavez fac- the hope of a nation. Every boy is tion which means quite a bit in New evidence that God is not yet discour-

Were it not for boys the newspapers know all the ins and outs of the po- would go unread, a thousand picture ramento Mts., and each brought back Freshman news - Eula Marie litical game. Whoever wins out at shows would go bankrupt. Boys are a deer. Cox was in El Paso for dental work the primary will know that they have useful in running errands. A boy over the week end. Lee Mack was been in a battle, with no holds bared. can easily do the family errands with the aid of five or six adults. The zest turned from a hunting trip each one Another big political battle is sch- with which a boy does an errand is toll of tuberculosis and the contin- in Artesia Sunday afternoon at the eduled for the Town of Hope. The equalled only by the speed of a turual need of being on guard against theater. Robert Woods was a lucky semi-annual election of town board tle on a July day. The boy is a nathunter in the class. He got a 4 point members takes place next spring and ural spectator. He watches parades, The Governor also cited the sev- buck. Some girl was thrilled pink. all ready it is being discussed who fires, fights, ball games, automobiles, eral state departments working on J. C. Blenkeney also got a deer, will run. Some have suggested that boats and airplanes with equal ferhealth and rehabilitation problems. Oleta Melton was in Artesia Sunday an all women ticket, headed by Ida vor but will not watch the clock. The Prude as mayor, will be placed in man who invents a clock that will 6th, 7th and 8th grade news-Mrs. the field. Mrs. Prude ran for the of- stand on its head and sing a song in co-operation with the several de- Campbell is absent from school. We fice of mayor at one time and was when it strikes, will win the undying partments, could overcome many have heard that she is ill in a hos- defeated by one vote. The women gratitude of millions of families for the News. He said he can't get pital at Dalhart, Tex. Since she is think that the men mave made a mess whose boys are forever coming to along without it.

> Boys faithfully imitate their dads vive broken bones, hornets, swim-

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ton with cotton seeds in it to send he said. Mr. Williams is sure nuff results. McCaw Hatchery, 13th and

Mrs. Geo. S. Teel entertained with a shower for Mrs. Jane Pitt Tuesday.

Dale Young had his tonsils remov-

T. E. Potter from Clovis was here

Dave Lewis has sold his residence in Hope to a Mr. Hall from Corona.

Mr. and Mrs. Odeal Walters and

Kiddy-Linell Agency. Complete insurance and Real Estate Service, 415 1/2 At the annual district Boy Scout West Main, Artesia, N. M. List with

> Mrs. Mark Fisher was taken to the hospital in El Paso last week for

The 'Teenagers held a dance at

J. M. Jackson was here last Friday from Artesia visiting his daughter Mrs. O. E. Van Winkle.

One of the local stores received a shipment of fresh raisins last week. He is a piece of skin stretched Any worms found in the raisins will

unexpected times, hits the most un- DR. SALISBURY-Nation wide poulexpected places, and leaves every- try service. McCaw Hatchery, 13th and

D. D. Buckner and son from Ros-

Hollis Buckner from Carlsbad. Claberon Buckner and wife from

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Brantley rewith a deer.

J. C. Buckner and Madeline Prude went to town Tuesday on business.

Jim Welch and five sons from Portales were here the first of the week on a visit with old friends.

We have buyers for ranches west into Sacramento Mts. Also for sale, ranches in other sections of state and farms in the Pecos Valley. Dons' Real Estate, 314 Carper Bldg., Artesia, N. M. Phone 79.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Seeley, of Las Vegas, N.M. spent the week end with their son, R. W. Seeley and family. They went to San Antonio, Tex., to visit another son, Tex Seeley.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Thomas, of Albuquerque, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Bush.

Mr., and Mrs. R. W. Seeley and children attended the 4-H Club sale in Carlsbad last Saturday.

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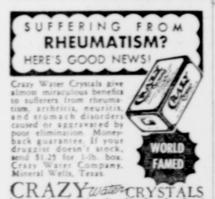
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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS-

Bethlehem Steel Signs With Union; Confusion Shrouds Defense Policy; Industry Profits Reflect Up-Trend

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When epinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.)

BIG STEEL:

The Break Comes The break had come in the steel

strike. The United Steelworkers had signed an agreement with the Bethlehem steel corporation ending the strike for that company's 80,000 workers and breaking the otherwise solid front that had been maintained by big steel in the strike issue.

IT WAS A TRIUMPH for CIO's President Philip Murray who announced that the agreement called for Bethlehem to pay the full cost of minimum \$100-a-month pensions for all employees 65 or over with 25 years of service. A social insurance plan also was included in the

Bethlehem, the industry's second largest producer, was the first unit of big steel to capitulate to union demands for a company-financed pension and welfare plan.

No one could say just how much the pension program would cost the steel company per hour for each employee once it begins operating. It was expected the pension plan would start to function in January and the social insurance program would get underway at about the same time.

Murray told newsmen that a 'very conservative" estimate of the pension cost to the company would be about 10 cents an hour, but added actuarial studies would have to be made before the cost could be determined definitely.

THE CIO LEADER said the Bethlehem action would set a pattern for the steel industry, but declined to say what companies he was talking to privately.

"Bib Steel," speaking through U. S. Steel corporation President Benjamin F. Fairless said:

"We renew our earlier proposals to sit down with the steelworkers union in an endeavor to negotiate a mutually satisfactory program of course we will study the Bethlehem settlement."

The question was: How long would the remainder of "big steel" hold out? The Bethlehem pact was a forceful argument for the unions for, they could argue, if Bethlehem can do it, so can you.

STETTINIUS:

Was Hard Worker

ith the death of Edward R. Stettinius, another major figure of the Roosevelt era passed from the American scene. The former secretary of state died of a heart attack at the age of 49.

STETTINIUS' contributions to his government were many and valuable. A rich man's son, he scorned a life of leisure and, instead, determined to make his own way, which he did rather well. He was chairman of the U.S. steel corporation at the age of 37. At 44, he was INDUSTRY: U.S. secretary of state, the top cabinet post. He was lend-lease administrator, taking over the post in 1941, a job in which he directed the 60-billion-dollar flow of supplies that played a major role in defeat of the axis powers.

. Youngest secretary of state since the administration of George Washington, Stettinius held the post only 11 months. He resigned to become the first U.S. delegate to the United Nations general assembly. He was one of Roosevelt's advisers at the Yalta conference with Winston Churchill and Joseph Stalin.

ALBANJA:

New 'Strong Man'

The Communists were beginning to throw their weight around in Albania. A new Communist "strong man," Lt. Gen. Mehmet Shehu, Moscow-trained army chief of staff, was reported gradually taking over control from Premier Hoxha.

ACCORDING to reports reaching western diplomats, Shehu appears to be the actual ruler of the country. Hokha, Albanian leader for five years, was reported to have been shoved into the background although he retains the title of

premier. The "strong man" is only 36 and he not only is the boss of the army, but also chief of the secret police, interior minister and vice-premier. He is described as the most ruthless Communist in Albania. He gained considerable fame in Albania during the war by leading the first Albanian partisan division in many deadly raids against Germans and Italians.

Slowing Down



Indicative of the general slow down in industry and field affected by it as a result of the coal strike is this photo of a store of the Westland mine of the Pittsburgh coal company. Because sales dropped so much with miners out of work, the store cut its operating hours from 9 each day to 4.

DEFENSE:

Some Confusion

It was difficult to reconcile Mr. Truman's constant emphasis on the grave defense problem, that he said confronts the nation, with his slashing of the air force budget which limited the groups to 58, and the more recent decision of the navy to cut 31 warships from the active

THESE ACTIONS served only to intensify the average citizen's confusion and puzzlement as to what actually is the status of the country's defense needs.

The navy's top admiral had been ousted because he contended present defense policies would destroy navy value and effectiveness. Other navy officials were facing probable punishment for speaking out. Unification and harmony were urged on all sides as a desperate need if this nation is to protect itself in Washington as the courtship prothe world of today.

Despite all that, the air force was to be less than it generals declared it should be and the navy was being deprived of much of its tials. "I've been sitting on a volca strength. This left still hanging the no," she said. "It suddenly blew question of who was right in the up. All this excitement!"
row over armed service unification The Hadley-Barkley romance berow over armed service unification and the proper defense setup.

THE NAVY was taking 77 ships out of active service-cutting the by Clark Gifford, presidential ad operating fleet by 31 warships in line with fund reductions. The fleet by mid-1950 will be made up of 237 combat vessels, instead of the 268 it had on September 1. Most of the | ding. cut was to be in the Atlantic force. It was also reported that 54,891

men will be whittled from the navy and marine corps by next July to correspond with the reduction in

Profits Climb

The first upward trend of U.S. industry profits since the peak of earnings was reached in the third quarter of 1948 was reported in New York.

Profits turned around and headed upward in the third quarter of 1949, the report said, and pointed out that | meet a situation which is more of 1948 was a banner year that surpassed even the fabulous 1929. Thus a threat to community well-being. it appeared that industry earnings were at a record peak.

BUT THE PICTURE was not quite as bright as it may have appeared. Washington had a different report. Commerce Secretary Sawyer reported that the coal and steel strikes had increased the number of jobless by 225,000 in the week. ending October 8, as compared with early September. It was quite possible that the strike effect had not been felt strongly enough as yet to influence the roseate report concerning earnings in industry.

The future was uncertain. As strikes continued, so would purchasing power dwindle, and with that fall-off would come an inevitable decline in industry earnings.

HE EMPHASIZED that the figures released do not show the full effects of the strikes because they were compiled while the walkouts were in their early stages.

As for industry profit, a compilation by the Associated Press showed net profits of 314 companies amounted to one billion, three milion, 664,061 dollars in the third quarter of this year-an increase of 4.3 per cent over earnings of 962 million, 102,819 dollars in the second quarter of 1949.

RELIGION:

New Concept Urged

When man finds himself unable to cope with the myriad problems that beset him, when there seems to be no avenue toward solution within himself, he is wont to turn to the concept of Divine aid for the help he needs.

AS THIS IS TRUE of most individuals, it is essentially true of this nation, as evidenced by the motto on its coins, the frequent allusions to the Divinity in its constitution and laws.

But, it seemed, a new concept, a new dedication to religion was needed. President Harry Truman himself went on the air to emphasize that need. His broadcast was part of the program, "Religion in American Life," sponsored by the Federal Council of Churches, the Synagogue Council of America, and 18 other religious bodies.

The President urged every American to take an active part in the religious life of his community and give generous support to religious institutions.

Turning to the perplexed world situation of today, he declared that every problem in the world could be solved "if men would live by the principles of the ancient prophets and the Sermon on The Mount."

BUT, he added, that religion is like freedom—"we cannot take it for granted."

"Man to be free," the President said, "must work at it. And manto be truly religious-must work at that, too. Unless men live by their faith and practice their faith in their daily lives, religion cannot be a living force in the world today.'

BARKLEY:

He Made It

He said he had no way of knowing whether he'd "make the grade," but he made it. On Halloween eve. Vice-President Alben W. Barkley's plans to marry his Missouri sweetheart, Mrs. Carleton Hadley, were announced. With the wedding would culminate a romance that had the entire nation looking on with eager and excited interest.

THE VICE-PRESIDENT is 71 and a widower. Mrs. Hadley is 38 and a widow. Mr. Barkley's age, however, was no apparent obstacle to his courtship, just as it hasn't been to his political and governmental accomplishments. An ardent and active suitor, he squired Mrs. Hadley to numerous social affairs, almost commuted to Missouri from gressed.

Mrs. Estell Rucker, mother of Mrs. Hadley, was all smiles when she was told of the proposed nup-

gan last spring at Washington when the two met at a party in her honor viser.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN was duly notified of the event and, it was said, would be present at the wed-

GYPSIES:

Free as Ever

In Belfast, Ireland, there was sounded a new and lighter note in the dismal refrain of world confusion.

Gypsies, with freedom of movement since time immemorial, were supported by the minister of home affairs when efforts were made to crack down on them and other itinerants in northern Ireland.

THE MINISTER of home affairs took the view that proposed legislation was "rather too drastic to an annoyance to individuals than One complaint, issued to bolster the proposed legislation, was that the gypsies tramped down crops.

Missing



Stuart Benson, 72, internationally known sculptor, was reported missing when the Polish liner "Sobieski," on which he was a passenger, docked in New York. The ship's master said the ship was searched for 24 hours but no trace of Benson

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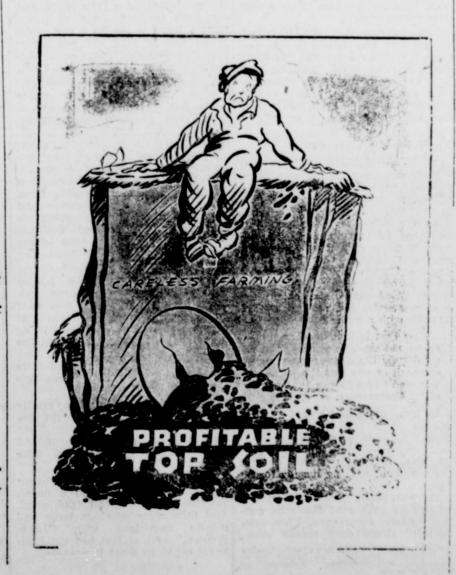
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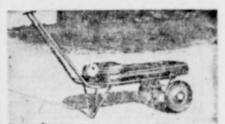
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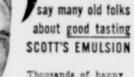
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SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 55; 56:6-8, DEVOTIONAL READING: Romans 10:1-13.

God's Open House

Lesson for November 20, 1949

IT IS A WARM chapter, this 55th of Isaiah. Some false ideas about God melt away fast when they are brought close to it. Let us take a look at some of these notions and

see how they wilt in the light of God's word. Sometimes these notions are held sincerely, sometimes they are mere excuses to keep from facing God. One of these mistaken notions is the idea that God has two lists; one is a list of people Dr. Foreman on whom he in-



tends to have mercy, and will save; the other list being a private one, of those on whom he intends to have no mercy and will not save. If your name is on the first list, fine; but if it is on the second list, you are in a hopeless fix; for if God is not going to help you, who can?

This is a terribly wrong notion. It confuses the true God with some sort of sultan in the sky who has a "social register" of persons he will admit to his palace. "Use this invitation as your card of admittance." No, it is not at all like that.

If you really think that admission to heaven is by card only, then cut out Isaiah 55 and present it at the Cut out any verse in the Bible that says "Whosoever,"-John 3:16 for example-and present that. God keeps open house, he does not employ butlers or strong-arm men to keep out the crowds, he wants all to come who will.

No Waiting

THERE IS ANOTHER notion that keeps people away from God. It is a kind of shyness. It is the feeling that maybe it isn't any use hunting for God. It is the feeling a boy has when he is lost in the woods and has about made up his mind that there is no use in walking any more, he will just sit down and wait till somebody finds him.

It is the feeling that God may be sensitive and doesn't want people coming bothering him. It is the notion that if God wants me, he will knock me down and drag me where he wants me to be. A man with a notion like that, of course, isn't likely to meet with God.

He spends his life paying God no attention whatever, not even thinking about him, perhaps. He may even go as far as he can from the Father's house, believing that God's long arm, like the long arm of the year or two in which Abba ar-F.B.I. or the Mounties, will reach after him and get him in case God ever wants him.

Now this is a ridiculous idea and a bad one too. Isaiah would not think it true for a minute. "Seek ve the Lord," he says. "Call on God ... return to the Lord." "Incline your ear and come!" This means you-if you will. But if you won't,

God will not force you. No House Of Horrors

A NOTHER WRONG NOTION, for which, alas, many a church member is partly responsible, is the notion that the nearer we get

to God, the gloomier we shall be.

All the talk about sacrifice and suffering for others, such as we were thinking of last week, all the emphasis in the church on the death of Christ, all the solemnity of most church services, make people think: "God may be all right for solemn people, but not for me; I like life with a smile."

Now that is just another mistaken notion. The very persons who know the deeper meanings of sacrifice are just the persons who don't like to use that word about themselves.

In fact, it could be said that in general it is only Christians who have a right to be gay. Jesus himself, on the same night in which he was betrayed, spoke to his friends about sharing his joy to the

Do you really want to find out what goes on there? Don't be content to hear others say, "It's wonderful!" God's door stands open.

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KATHLEEN NORRIS

Louisa M. Alcott

THE NAME LOUISA M. ALCOTT has always had magic in it for me. Since the long-ago days when her books spread their enchantment over my girlhood she has been a dream and a model. So that when a new biography ap-peared by Katharine Anthony a few weeks ago, I could hardly wait until it was in my hands.

Perhaps you visualized the Alcotts as quiet, honorable New England folk, the father guide and teacher, the mother quietly gathering her four girls about her to master household arts and keep together the home.

Anything less shockingly like the truth could hardly be imagined. To read their story is to become utterly confused, and I believe Miss Anthony was equally confused when she tried to transcribe it. The senior Alcotts were completely irresponsible, drifting from one unprofitable visionary undertaking to another at the slightest setback, and living almost entirely on the charity of relatives and the entirely unembarrassed donations of all and sundry neighbors.

No Regular Education

The girls had no regular education, their mother frequently slipping off from Concord to Boston to stay with old friends and their father at one crisis lying wordles2 on his bed for a long interval. Sometimes he chopped wood for a neighbor but this was small support for four girls, one woman and himself.

Emerson at this crisis suggested that he go to Europe at Emerson's expense, and off he lightheartedly went. Meanwhile the mother and daughters gave plays in the barn, but no pay is mentioned.

The father returned with three male disciples in tow, and it was decided to start the celebrated "Fruitlands," a Utopian experiment that I always thought had gone on for years, but which actually broke up in six months be-



". . . mother frequently slipping off . . ." cause not only had the men sown no crops, but neither Abba Alcott nor her girls ever had the faintest idea of cooking. They hated the

So the vision of "Marmee's" deliciously odorous kitchen with her four gay little cooks in attendance vanishes with the rest!

Girls Run Wild

One or two of the English visitors went away forever, but after a ranged for plays in the barn and Bronson chopped a little wood and the girls ran wild, one of them, named Lane, came back and Abba asked him to stay. At this Bron-son, "generously," says Miss Anthony, perhaps as stunned as I am, retired to Boston for six months.

After Lane left, Bronson came back, but thought it would be a good idea to wander westward lecturing and philosophising. Off he went, and the five helpless women, instead of following the example of thousands of other resourceful manless households in a dozen ways of self-support, hung about in a state of distress and idleness, Abba finally going to Boston to try several fruitless ventures there and Anna going away to teach. By this time they were all pretty well grown.

Then came the Civil War. Louisa enlisted as an army nurse, collapsed immediately and was sent home sick. And now Bronson was offered a modest job, which he actually held for four years, so that the discouraged Abba, the sick Louisa and the neglected little girls actually did live under one roof together.

But Abba had visited a family with small pox and brought the disease home to the family. They all had it-one wonders who nursed them-but all got well but little Betty who died.

But Louisa wrote short stories and they sold, and then a novel, not too successful but published. And then came glorious fame and wealth overnight with "Little Women," and at last her generous heart could do what it dreamed.

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SYNOPSIS

Jerry Longwood and a girl he believes to be his cousin, Nancy Lee, meet in the swamp during a storm and seek shelter at Swamp Hollow, home of Abner Longwood, wealthy uncle whom the girl was going to see on Nancy's behalf. They find Abner dead. Later, the body dis-appears and as Jerry is searching the house for it, an oil portrait of Longwood moves and his living figure descends upon Nancy. She finds that the portrait covered a secret exit. Longwood imprisons her beyond the wall and threatens her to silence as Jerry tooks frantically for her. Abner tells Nancy there was no body in the living room.

CHAPTER VIII

"Then if there was no murder," I said slowly, after a pause, "why do you hold me in here? Why do you act so strangely? Why not tell Jerry so and let us both go?"

"I can't!" he cried. "That worthless scamp's after the Dallas Heart! He'd kill me to get it!"

"Then why not give it to him?" I asked boldly. "Why not let us have it? It belongs to us. Give it to us, and we'll go away."

For a moment he seemed to yield to my plea, but a second later a hard, crafty, cunning expression came into his eyes. It was the cupidity of the miser, which is past understanding-a passionate greed that stultifies all human feelingthat he showed.

We could still hear Jerry rambling through the big house, calling, banging and making a loud racket. I made no attempt to call out. Abner watched me sharply when the voice came near, with his fingers crooked and ready to spring at my throat if I attempted to scream.

"I'm not going to call, Uncle Abner," I said once when he crouched threateningly before me. "I'll keep quief."

"See that you do," he rumbled. "It wouldn't do any good to shout."
"I know it wouldn't. But how long are you going to keep me here?'

"Until the young scamp goes." "Jerry will never go," I replied.
"He won't go until he finds me."

"How do you know?" he cried "Why, I know-or if he goes he'll come back, with help. He'll tear

this house to pieces to find me. Uncle, Abner," I added impressively, leaning forward, "he loves me! And when a man loves a woman he'll never desert her when she's in trouble."

"Loves you! Loves you!" he re-peated sardonically. "You'd marry him-a cousin! You can't! You shan't! I won't permit it! I'd stop

"Wait!" I said, checking him. "I didn't say he loved me that way. Can't he love me without wishing to marry me?"

"I couldn't trust you," he mum-bled finally. "You know the way in here. You'd show him if I let you

go."
"If I promised not to, would you let me go?" I asked eagerly.
"Yes! — No!" he replied uncer-

tainly. "Nancy! Nancy, speak to me!" came Jerry's voice so clearly that we both jumped.

Abner sprang to the peep-hole, looked through it, and then closed it, shutting out the sound of the voice so that it reached us only in muffled undertones.

Exploring in The Cellar

"Come," he said, "I'l show you the rest of this secret hiding place. It's worth exploring. It was built here so one could escape into the swamp. I'll show you the way out. Come!"

His sudden change of attitude disquieted me. Had he really decided to free me?

I had thought that the room had no exit except the stairs and through the opening in the wall back of the picture; but I was soon to be enlightened. Abner Longwood stepped back and moved his hand up and down the paneled wall as if searching for something.

Suddenly, to my surprise, there was a clicking noise almost at my very feet, and a trap-door in the floor swung upward, revealing another pair of stairs. I stared in amazement, surprise and curiosity

in my eyes. "We'll go down it," he whispered. "It will take us into the swamp."

He thrust his electric light into the yawning opening and motioned for me to proceed; but I drew back in fright.

"You go first," I whispered. He paused for a second, and then mumbled something under his breath. He watched me as a cat watches a mouse, but I made no move to trick him. The moment he was safely on the ladder I followed.

He would not proceed further until silver things that come with mani-

We descended in this way step by step. An unpleasant odor came from below, damp and musty, and I shivered.

It was a short descent, not more than ten feet. At the bottom we came into a room that seemed to be a part of the cellar under the house. I was so sure of this that I asked in a whisper:

"Is this the cellar?"

He nodded and threw the rays of light around for me to see. If it was the cellar it was a small one for such a large house as Swamp Hol-



He paused for a second, then mumbled something under his

low, and I began to doubt if it really was a cellar. I began poking around in the dark corners, sniffing and

Suddenly the light went out and I was left in total darkness. I gave a

great start and cried:

"Where's the light, Uncle Abner? Where are you?" I heard the stealthy tread of his feet, a sharp click as if a foot had

come in contact with a stone, and then by the aid of the dim light from above I saw Abner Longwood crawling up the ladder. With a cry of fear, I groped for the first rung and tried to follow him.

It dawned upon me in a flash that he had tricked me, enticed me into the dark cellar where I would be safely out of his way. I screamed again and clutched at his foot; but he was too quick for me, and climbed out of the place and closed the trap-door with a click.

Working Furiously Against Time

I was in total darkness, and for a time I was too terrified to scream or act. The dastardly trick of the man seemed to paralyze my mind and tongue. He had deliberately lured me into the underground place to hold me a prisoner.

How long he would keep me there I could only conjecture. Certainly until he had got rid of Jerry. "Jerry! Jerry!" I shrieked then,

recovering the use of my voice. But I might have saved my strength. Jerry was far away, and my voice could not reach him. I blamed myself then for not screaming when only a thin partition had separated us. There might have been hope of rescue then. There was little or none now.

The place was absolutely dark, and I huddled at the foot of the ladder in terror. Was the man crazy? Would he leave me there to starve or die of fright, or would he

return in time and release me? The situation was so appalling and desperate that I became numb with horror, and for a long time I could do nothing but call Jerry and sob aloud.

Not a sound came from above. If the owner of Swamp Hollow heard he was indifferent to my pleas.

Gaining a little self-control, I finally crawled up the ladder until my hand came in contact with the trap-door. I pushed against it with all my might, but it did not yield.

It creaked and rasped a little, and a ray of hope came to me. The hinges were rusty from age and long disuse, while the wood itself was rotten and soft in places.

With trembling fingers I examined the hinges, poking at them until my nails were broken. Yes, they were rusty, and the wood was rotten with age. If a man were imprisoned there—Jerry, for instance
—what would he do? I asked myself this question, and then proceeded to answer it with acts.

one of my feet was on the top rung. | cure sets. It belonged to the tiny vanity case that I had tucked in my pocket. It was so fragile and small that I was almost afraid it would break if used for any purpose other than that for which it had been made.

> Still I was desperate. I had to do something. I could not sit there and wait for release that might never

> come. I thought of Jerry, and began picking cautiously at the hinges. But rusted as they were, they were still stout enough to resist anything I could do; but the wood was soft and rotten.

> I attacked this, picking and digging small splinters around the hinge nearest me. Once my file sunk its full length into the wood. I gave a start and breathed more easily. The wood in places was little more than punk.

How my heart beat with hope and fear! If I could once get out of the place I would take my chances in a struggle with the old man. That was better than starving down there in the cellar.

I worked feverishly, picking and digging at the rotten wood with nail file and fingers. A sudden tinkling noise startled me, and I held my breath a moment. Then I expelled it with a faint cry of joy. One of the screws had been loosened and dropped out.

I do not know how long I scraped and dug and picked at first one hinge and then at the other, but it seemed ages to me.

I was cramped in my awkward position, and my body and limbs ached. But I was too desperate to give heed to anything but the necessity for accomplishing my purpose.

Another screw came loose, and I managed to pick it out with my nail file. It gave me a thrill as few things in my life had done. It was a milestone in my progress toward freedom.

Abner Longwood had made no noise above, and sometimes I wondered what he was doing or what new diabolical trap he might be preparing in case I should work myself out of the underground dungeon.

Would he wait for me and then crack me on the head with some instrument, toppling me back into the hole to break my neck in the fall? This had to be considered, and as I silently worked away at my desperate task I tried to plan what I should do.

I would not immeddiately thrust my head up once the door was lifted from its hinges. I would play cautiously, ducking back into the hole until Abner betrayed his presence. He would have the advantage, working from above with a searchlight.

Yes, I would be decidedly in a dangerous position, but even that was better than rotting in the cellar.

I had dug the hinges half out of the rotten wood when I decided it was time to see if I could force the door. I braced myself on a rung of the ladder, and bent my head so that the pressure would come partly on my shoulders. I slowly straightened my body, pushing upward with increasing force.

I was disappointed when nothing happened. Not even a creak of the door or hinges greeted my ears. Was the thing held fast by bolts? Or was Abner sitting on it so that even if the hinges fell off I could not budge it?

This thought was disheartening. It explained the reason for my failure to move it.

A Nail File Leads to Safety

Half in anger and half in the hope that I could break through, I straightened my body and exerted all the upward pressure possible. There was a moment of silence, a desperate moment of fear and uncertainty, and then something gave way. And with a crash the door opened, nearly catapulting me through the opening. I had to clutch at the sides to save myself from falling back into the hole.

Clinging precariously to my support, I hung there, momentarily expecting a blow on the head; but it did not come. And when I looked up I saw by the dim light from the lamp that I was in no immediate

danger. Abner was not crouching there, waiting for me. A quick glance around the small room showed me

further that he was not in it.

With a little gasp of relief I climbed out and stood a moment, wild-eyed and expectant, waiting for his appearance. The door leading to the spiral stairs above was open. Was he crouching behind it or lurking on the dark stairs to catch me unawares?

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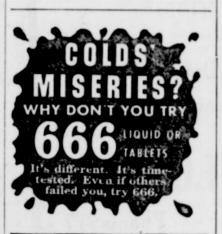
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Baumann said he had spent 10 years developing the wingless flock, and that he expects the breed to set a new trend in chicken raising. He pointed out that the wingless chicken has a thick layer of white meat where ordinary chickens have wings.

Baumann said he had kept his



For those who dislike chicken where. Peter II. Baumann, of I as Melnes, Iowa, has come up the wingless of chens. He is there have commaring the wingless chicken (rin b) with an ordinary chicken (cat).

chellen brond a secret because he wanted to be sure it was a success. He studied enimal husbandry at Iowa State college and ascerts his windless chic' ons are not a "freak." A freak does not reproduce, he argued

The ancestors of this new breed of chic'er, Esumann said, came from Texes. I'e was traveling through that state in the 20's who a he acquired a light Brahma rooster and a white Minorca han Each bird had only stubs for wings.

He bred them, he said, and was astounded when the ben hetched wingless chickens. For then begs a experimenting and breeding.

Baumann reported that at first he got only three or four wingles; birds out of 100 eggs, llow, he said, about 95 of every 100 chicks have no wings at all. Some of the others, he said, have stubs or a stub on one side and a wing on the other.





Let Cranberries Grace the Turkey Stuffing (See Recipe Below)

THANKSGIVING DINNER

*Oyster Soup

*Cranberry Apple-Bread Stuffing

•Gingerale Fruit Salad

*Pumpkin Chiffon Tarts

Beverage

and heat to boiling point, stirring

occasionally. Remove from heat;

add gelatin and stir until dissolved.

When cool, fold in whipped cream

and vanilla. Pour into baked and

cooled tart shells or a nine-inch

pastry shell, if one large pie is

desired. Chill until firm. Garnish with toasted pecans. Serve with ad-

ditional whipped cream, if desired.

How to Prepare Turkey

CLEAN TURKEY by removing all feathers. Singe and use

tweezers on pin feathers, if neces-

sary. Wash and drain well. Rub cavity with salt. Stuff neck and

body cavities lightly as stuffing ex-

For a turkey over 12 pounds,

end of each leg

bone and tie

with string. Cov-

er cloth with

prevents lower

leg from drying.

leg bones

Roasting Time

3 hours

4 hours

31/2 hours

41/2 hours

51/2 hours

61/2 hours

This

shortening.

together

fasten string under the tail to hold

legs against the body. Rub surface

of the turkey with softened butter.

Roast turkey in a slow oven following the times given here:

TUST ONE more tip: plan small

servings of everything except the

turkey, because that's what folks

Oyster Soup

(Serves 8)

tablespoon parsley, minced

Simmer vegetables lightly in but-

ter. Add flour and brown. Gradual-

ly add oyster liquor and bouillon.

Season and cook for five minutes. Just before serving, add oysters,

either cut or whole, and cook only

Fresh Cranberry-Apple Bread

Stuffing

(For 16-pound turkey)

1 quart peeled, chopped apples

cup finely chopped ceiery gallon ½-inch bread cubes

Combine all ingredients in order given. Add water or broth and mix

1 quart fresh cranberries,

teaspoons lemon juice

cup water or broth

2 tablespoons onion, grated 1 tablespoon celery, minced

tablespoons butter

tablespoon flour pint bouillon

pint oysters

until they curl.

chopped

2 cups sugar'

wrap strips of clean cloth around

pands during roasting.

Size

8 pounds

10 pounds

12 pounds

14 pounds

18 pounds

25 pounds

will fill up on!

Green Peas

Celery Carrot Sticks

Sweet Potatoes with Oranges

Buttered Cauliflower

•Roast Turkey

Cloverleaf Rolls

*Recipe Given

Thanksgiving Tips

IT WON'T BE LONG now before one of the biggest of the holiday meals will grace your table: golden brown, done to a turn turkey, chicken or other fowl, with the trimmings, topped off with a des-

sert of glistening pumpkin pie or spicy mince-

The list will be a long on e, the preparations extensive and the planning careful. Start early and make an

outline of all ingredients to have, and just what should be done when. Then even a Thanksgiving dinner will be well organized and efficiently executed.

FOR TURKEYS weighing 8 to 16 pounds, use an oven tempera-ture of 325°. For turkeys over 18 pounds, use an oven temperature of 300°. Plan to "rest" the turkey 15 to 30 minutes after roasting to make carving easier.

Sweet Potatoes with Oranges

- (Serves 8) 8 boiled sweet potatoes,
- sliced thin 2 oranges, peeled, sliced thin,
- 1 lemon, peeled, sliced thin
- 1/2 cup brown sugar 1/3 cup butter

3/3 cup water

Arrange potatoes and fruit in layers in a buttered casserole. Sprinkle with sugar, dot with butter and add water. Cover. Bake in a moderate (350°) oven until tender. *Gingerale Fruit Salad

(Serves 8)

- 2 tablespoons unflavored
- gelatin 2 tablespoons cold water
- 1/3 cup boiling water 34 cup lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 cup gingerale 1/3 cup red grapes, seeded and
- halved 1/2 cup celery, finely chopped
- 1/3 cup apple, cored and cubed
- 4 cup pineapple cubes

1/2 cup cubed, canned pears Dissolve gelatin in cold water add hot water,



lemon juice, sugar and gin-gerale. When mixture thickens, fold in fruit. Chill in one large or in individual molds. Serve with mayonnaise.

Chiffon Pumpkin Tarts (Makes 8)

- 1 envelope unflavored gela-
- 1/4 cup cold water
- 11/4 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ginger
- teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 teaspoon salt
- % cup brown sugar
- firmly packed cup rich milk
- cups canned or cooked
- pumpkin 1 cup heavy cream, whipped
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla 8 baked tart shells

Soften gelatin in water. Combine spices, salt, sugar in top of double boiler. Mix well. Stir in milk and pumpkin. Place over boiling water

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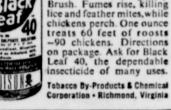
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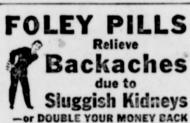
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Arkansas Farmers May Grow Drugs

New Plants to Produce Narcotics, Digitalis

A drug-farming program which may free the United States from reliance on foreign sources for many vital medicinal compounds has been launched in Arkansas by a transplanted Rumanian chemist, reports the magazine "Industrial and Engineering Chemistry.'

Dr. O. K. Cosla, a biochemist who instituted the first successful cultivation of drug-bearing plants in Rumania, is in charge of the Arkansas program at the College of the Ozarks, Clarksville, where a 20-acre tract has been set aside for his experiments.

Dr. Cosla, who has an M. D. degree as well as a Ph. D. in biochemistry, used to export to the United States part of its drug sup-



and during World War II he furnished southeastern Europe with medicinal materials.

If Dr. Cosla's plans mature, Arkansas farmers will soon begin supplying the nation with such drugs as belladonna, a narcotic; stramonium, a drug processed from dried Jimson weed which gives rekief to asthma sufferers, and ergot, used to control blood hemorrhages and as an anesthetic. Foxglove, the dotted white and purple tubular flower whose leaves bear the powerful heart stimulant digitalis, will also soon be blooming in Dr. Cosla's medical garden.

Some of the drug-bearing plants which Dr. Cosla is planning to cultivate already grow wild in the Arkansas backwoods. To determine the best conditions for growing each plant as a domestic crop, the Rumanian chemist will test them in hydroponic installations, in which their roots will be immersed in a watery solution containing mineral nutrients, instead of in soil.

The active drugs will be extracted from the plants in a four-room laboratory which Dr. Cosla brought with him to this country to aid his research in biochemistry and ex-

perimental pharmacology. Dr. Cosla believes, according to "Industrial and Engineering Chemthat the South can eventually become one of the nation's principal drug farming and manufacturing centers, thus diverting to the area millions of dollars now spent annually on imports.

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From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

Another "Friendly Call" From Fuzzy

A while back, Fuzzy Clarke, the RFD mail carrier, paid a call at the office, and I interviewed him on keeping mail boxes in good shape. Remember what he said?

"Boxes shouldn't be allowed to get rusty. Names should be clear. Boxes at crossroads should be grouped together. All this helps get the mail out faster and gets me home in time for supper!"

Well, just yesterday, Fuzzy came back mighty gratified with the fine cooperation folks have given him. Cooperation always gets results. Take, for example,

the results the Brewers and tavern owners have had in their Self-Regulation program. They work together for the best possible conditions in places where beer is sold.

From where I sit, keeping rural mail boxes in good, serviceable condition is the same principle as keeping taverns clean and lawabiding. You get good results if you cooperate-but, with both, you've got to keep checking up!

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