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Neighborhood News

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Hardin of T. or C. were in this neighborhood Tuesday, they were shipping two truck loads of cattle to Clovis to be sold at auction. Clarence Scharbauer of Midland was here this week selling lambs. Lawrence Blakeney is hiding out in the hills for a while, until the grand jury disbands. Johnny Cauhape is having an electric line built to his ranch near Pinon. Mr. and Mrs. Dee Madron and daughter, Mrs. Mary Hardin and the two Davis children were in Hobbs Sunday to see Mary Jane and W. G. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hardin and family spent Sunday in Hope visiting and looking after business. Mr. and Mrs. Junior Newsom visited in Hope Saturday night. Dolph Jones returned from Ouessa, Texas, where he was visiting his sister. Mrs. Marg Meador and children John Roy, Ronda and Betty visited her mother and brother, Mrs. Elia Buckner and Hollis, last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Mark Fisher, Mrs. Joe Fisher, Mrs. Nelson Jones visited the Buckners Monday night to see the wrestling match on TV. Jane Pitt Crockett returned Tuesday from a visit with her sister in Louisiana. Dee Madron and John Hardin made a trip to Hobbs this week. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Watts passed through Hope Wednesday from their ranch near Dunken. Frank Runyan took a cow to Roswell Monday for medical treatment. Mr. Livingston and Mr. Marable were out looking for locations for their service stations this week, they would like to get a location on the new highway. Mr. Dean of Hagerman has been up to Hope looking for a location to build a modern service station. He would handle Phillips 66 products. Everyone in Artesia are breathlessly awaiting the outcome of the grand jury investigation. No one in Hope is bothered, we're too honest up here. The Scharbauer Cattle Co. will shop their lambs Saturday to Roswell. Mrs. Roy Treat of Roswell has been here this week visiting Ethel Altman and Ada Belle Trimble. Mrs. Treat has been visiting Lloyd and Elmer Treat and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Clements. Mrs. Charlie Hepler was here Tuesday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Haskell Harris and boys. The Eddy County News had a nice article about "Granny" Clements who lives in Carlsbad. She lived in Hope during the good old days when water was plentiful. When we get the well finished and water piped around to all the residences, "Granny" will have to make a trip to Hope and renew acquaintances, she might even decide to come back to Hope to live.

Congratulations are in order. Irving Cox and Mrs. Ethel Fowler were married Friday in Carlsbad. Rev. Morrow of the Church of Christ performing the ceremony. Mrs. Fowler is a member of the faculty at Carlsbad and taught school in Hope several years before moving to Carlsbad. Mr. Cox is one of our prominent farmers and ranchmen of this community. The newly weds will reside in Hope after the close of school.

Work on Highway 83 Begins

Monday morning the county road equipment arrived and work on improving Highway 83. The county commissioners composed of Mr. Spurlin, Mr. Zumwalt and Mr. Shafer should be given the credit for getting this work started. All the right and left angle turns between Hope and Artesia will be eliminated. The matter of water for packing the dirt was a problem, but we heard this morning Charley Barley was going to furnish the water which will do away with the long haul from Artesia.

Altman's Making Improvements

Altman's, who are always willing to keep abreast of the times and realizing that Hope is due to climb upward, have installed a vegetable rack display refrigerator. It has not been connected as yet with electricity but will be in a few days. When making purchases at Altman's, ask for S&H Green Trading Stamps, which are given with every cash purchase.

Water System Contracts Pend Final Study

Award of a contract for network of distribution pipes in the long-awaited Hope water system is pending a study by attorneys, Mayor Ethel Altman said Thursday.

Bids for the distribution system are \$5,332.54, \$45,979, and \$46,254.87. Award is pending check of a technicality over posting of a bond, Mayor Altman said.

Drilling on the Hope water system's well is scheduled to start "right away," Mrs. Altman added, and installation of the pipe system will be started as soon as final award of the contract is made.

Apparent low bidder on the pump for the system is Smith Machinery of Roswell at \$9,325.33. Second low bid was for \$9,354.50. A third bid for under \$9,000 was rejected because it did not meet specifications.

With Hope's petticoat government at bid opening Wednesday were T. E. Griffin of the Farm Home administration office, Albuquerque, and Joseph Gideon of the Carlsbad FHA office.

"The Shocking Truth About Sororities." . . . Many girls who join sororities find only loneliness, frustration and bitterness! For an eye-opening, behind-the-scenes glimpse of sorority life as it really is in colleges throughout America, read "Sorority Girl" it's shocking! It's provocative! It's must reading for all parents and students. It's in The American Weekly, that great magazine distributed with next Sunday's Los Angeles Examiner.

One inch of rain is equal to about 14,000,000 gallons per square mile.

District Supt. Here Sunday

Rev. L. B. Trone, Dist. Supt. of the Pecos Valley Dist. will be here Sunday, Oct. 4, and will conduct communion service at the Methodist church Sunday morning. The first quarterly conference will be held in the afternoon. Dinner will be served on the grounds.

Who Will Win 1954 Elections?

The 1954 elections, which will determine the political fate of all the members of the House and one third of the members of the Senate, are more than a year away. But to all practical purposes the campaign is underway now. As U. S. News & World Report put it, members of both parties "are issuing statements making speeches, holding rallies, setting up party organizations, working as if the voting were to be this year instead of next."

In this early stage of the game, the Democratic leaders are the more aggressive, which is pretty much to be expected—the party which is out of power and trying to bet back is always carries the battle to the enemy. Another reason for it is found in the character and attitude of Mr. Truman who is a firm believer in knock-down and drag-out tactics so far as political wars are concerned—the kind of tactics which brought him his wholly unexpected victory in 1948.

Actually, of course, Mr. Stevenson is the titular head of the Democratic party. If he wants the nomination again and works for it, the chances are he will get it. But Mr. Stevenson is not the "give 'em hell" type. He does not see everything in blacks and whites as Mr. Truman does, and he does not argue that the Democrats are all on the side of the angels while all Republicans are the devil's disciples. Indeed, there are a number of fields—foreign policy being one—where it is hard to find any basic difference between the views of Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Eisenhower. So, when it comes to the heavy line-plunging, Mr. Truman is filling the fullback spot.

An excellent preview of things to come was provided in Mr. Truman's Detroit speech on Labor Day. He gave unrestricted praise to the achievements of the Democrats during the 1932-52 period, saying, "We stopped wild speculation. We taxed in accordance with the ability to pay. We enacted minimum-wage laws and social security laws. We helped agriculture and small business. We moved to develop the great natural resources of the country in the interest not of a few exploiters but of all the people . . . We saw to it that the American labor movement got an

even break." Then, naturally he denounced the acts of the new administration in equally unequivocal terms.

The Republicans have not yet brought out their biggest guns to present their case. But the general line they will take is easily detailed. Their principal arguments, in the view of U.S. News, will include the following: Under their leadership the Korean shooting was stopped; they are ridding the government of Communists who infiltrated in great numbers and to high places under the Democrats; they are restoring an honest dollar and will bring about a balanced budget; states' rights, which were in danger of being totally destroyed by the concentration of power in Washington, are being restored, the socialistic trend begun by Roosevelt and carried on by Truman is being stopped and free enterprise encouraged, at long last, integrity is again the symbol of government.

That this campaign will be fought hard goes without saying. The Republican majority in the Senate is tissue thin, and a switch of but eight seats would give the Democrats control of the House. As of the moment, and largely due to the President's enormous and apparently undiminished personal popularity, the political writers generally are forecasting that the GOP will keep its control, and perhaps somewhat improve its Congressional position. But anything can happen in 13 months.

Today's Meditation

We know that all things work together for good to them that love God.—Romans 8:28. Read Romans 8: 26-28.

At the beginning of the nineteenth century, the African continent was unconsciously witnessing a great event. Colonists were weaving their way across hundreds of miles of uncharted land. Among them was Paul Kruger, a boy of ten, a future president of the Transvaal Republic. The moving cavalcade clashed with a native tribe. A native slave boy, Magata, escaped and fled southward.

He became influenced by a pioneer Christian missionary. Soundly converted, he desired to return to the Transvaal in order to preach the Gospel. Arriving there, he was bound to a wagon, flogged, and expelled from the province.

In his wanderings, he heard of the president of the Republic, Paul Kruger, who at the age of ten had been one of the colonists in the Great Trek. Magata wrote to him. The president granted him sanctuary in the Transvaal. Joyfully, Magata returned to establish the first society, from which small beginning great things have been done there for God.

PRAYER

Limited though my gifts may be, O God, I offer myself to be witness for Thee. Grant me fruit for Thee through labor. So teach me new joys in the adventure of living for Thee. Through Christ, my Saviour. Amen.

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"Desert Song"

Kathryn Grayson
Gordon MacRae

★—————★
WEDNESDAY
Check Night

"China Venture

Edmond O'Brien
Barry Sullivan

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"Desert Rats"

Richard Burton
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LOOKING AHEAD

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If Not Now—When?

John Q. Citizen has two responsibilities which must be acted upon at once if our federal government ever again is to balance its budget and get on a safe and sound financial foundation. They are: (1) give positive assurance to your representatives in Congress that economy cuts, even on your pet federal projects and services, will be accepted without a quawk; and (2) give positive assurance that you expect immediate fulfillment of the administration's pledge to balance the budget, to start reducing the national debt and to cut taxes substantially.

Most American citizens are willing to take these positive measures, but being willing and then actually arousing oneself to positive action are two different things. Those who want a balanced budget and reduced taxes, and who are willing to accept economy cuts in any and all federal operations, are the very ones who are not acting on their wishes. The fact that there are about 10 or 20 of them to every one citizen who doesn't care whether the budget is balanced, makes no difference in Washington—if they continue to remain silent and inactive.

Terrific Pressure

Recently I addressed the annual conference of the Council of State Chambers of Commerce. Present were business and state governmental leaders from more than 30 states. On the program also was Rowland Hughes, deputy director of the Bureau of the Budget. He reviewed the efforts being made by the administration to drastically cut expenses and told how every single proposed

cut, whether for \$1,000 or \$10,000,000, was being bitterly opposed by influential individuals or groups.

"Why," he exclaimed, "every time we prune from the federal payroll a man who has been on it two years, we can expect two letters from Congress." He said the average citizen back home "doesn't know what pressure is!" There is "terrific" pressure in Washington, he said, against economizing in even the most minor services.

Self-Interest Groups

Yet, this terrific pressure against each proposed expenditure cut, against each move to trim some of the 2,500,000 employees off the \$9,863,000,000 yearly civilian payroll, comes from a very small minority of citizens. It represents the personal self-interest of individuals and groups. Such "lobbying" wields a big stick in Washington only because it is vocal and active, and virtually unchallenged. Its voice would be drowned out and its power cut to proper size if all the John Q. Citizens who want government spending cut regardless of "pet" projects would write Congress and the White House.

It isn't "lobbying" to write your government in Washington and ask for a balanced budget and a big cut in government expenditures which now are about 10 times what they were in the years just prior to World War II. It is simply an act of good citizenship, fulfilling one's obligation to himself and future generations.

Citizen Watch Dogs

Government financing can never be entirely entrusted in office-holders whose jobs are dependent upon the practice of politics. The citizenry as a whole must be a watchdog and constantly demand and require sound financial practices. History reports the decline and fall of many nations whose people were lulled into apathy toward the financial affairs of their government. Spending borrowed money and building up debt over a continuing number of years, with the re-

sultant money inflation, has spelled the doom of these great nations.

Today in the United States, the national income is the highest in history. There is no significant unemployment. Jobs are plentiful; new businesses are opening every day. Private enterprise has demonstrated it is capable of taking up the slack as big government spending is whittled down, along with its 25 to 90 per cent taxation on incomes.

If our federal budget cannot be balanced now, when can it be balanced? I'm afraid the answer would be, never! But it can be balanced in the 1954-55 fiscal year. And it will be—by enough people who care about their future and the future of their children will speak up and act in the true role of American citizens.

Sage and Cactus

By Doughbelly Price

The New Mexico joke of the century is dying the slow quivering death of a water moccasin. The Hurley-Chaves election squabble. The dear old taxpayer, he footed the bill and them investigators wont even talk. They have slunk off to Wash. the center of Confusion, and it will soon be forgot. That will be easy for there is nothing to remember. That money went down the sewer of greed for political power and who wins? You guess. I already know. No wonder the United States is two hundred and seventy million in the hole and spending next years take to pay this years bills, tax reduction. That is another big joke.

And dead old Malenkove in Russia setting back grinning like a cat eating liver. We are trying to show Russia what we have got. We had better been showing what we aint got and that is common sense. That money spent for nothing but bull headedness could have been used in so many different ways.

It is getting to the point where it is no use to hold an election. That money would have went a long ways to buy voting machines. It costs more now to see who wins the election than the election itself, but them sub committee guys dont mind expenses. They are not out nothing. They had a nice paid vacation in the cool climate of New Mexico, seen things that they didnt know existed, and will get bac kto Washington in time to draw their pay check and go into winter quarters in one of them five hundred a month apartments and laugh at the sap taxpayers.

This United States is a great country. But it is getting to be a country of polotics by polotics and for polotics. The farmer and stockman can take what is left after he pays taxes. But we still have the groceries, that is what counts.

Drouth Continues To Spread

Hot, dry weather continued to spread to the North and East during September after having partially relaxed its grip on the high plains area of New Mexico, Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas during late July and early August when locally heavy rains fell.

Most of the western portion of the winter wheat producing area received sufficient moisture during August to bring the wheat up to a stand, but three to six weeks without additional rainfall has severely depleted the limited moisture available to the

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point that many fields need additional rain to continue growing.

Unseasonably hot daytime temperatures over much of the territory during September hastened maturity of corn, soybeans and sorghums and in many instances reduced yields of these crops below earlier estimates.

Pasture conditions continue to deteriorate over much of Missouri and Southern Illinois. Many farmers feel that it will be necessary to reseed timothy and clover pastures after moisture falls, since much of the stand has been killed by the drouth.

Range conditions over much of the high plains deteriorated rapidly during September due to the hot, dry weather. Many pastures in the Southwest, particularly in sandy areas, have been so depleted of cover that a serious wind erosion hazard has developed. Because of the scarcity of range cover much moisture may be lost by runoff when rains do come because of a lack of cover to retard the water until it can soak into the soil.—Santa Fe Crop Report.

Truman, Stevenson and the other big shots of the Democratic party is meeting soon to take a potshot at Ike in the big off-year convention. They are sure oiling up the guns.

The UN told the Korean boys to deliver all the POWs or else. Else what? Weu Lung Chung will do just as he pleases. He has done that all the time and what can they do about it? They might get him up before that Senate Crime committee but he would refuse to answer question on the grounds that it might tend to incriminate him.

More than 250 tons of water are used in making a ton of steel or a ton of sulfatr wood pulp.

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