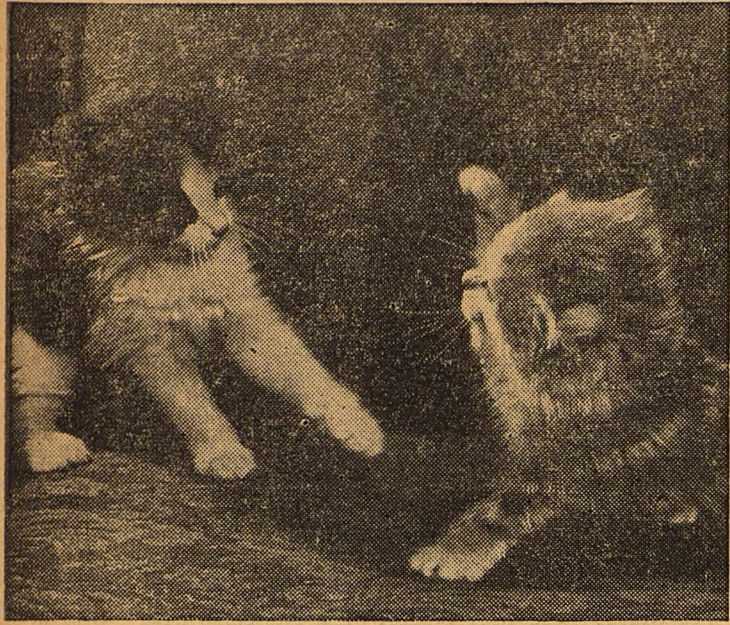


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CAMERA TOPICS

by T. T. Holden*



For cute pictures, this Honor Award picture from the Graflex Photo contest by Ruth Conway is hard to beat. Imagine how interesting a complete series of shots of the kittens at play would be.

PICTURE SERIES TELLS STORY BETTER

One picture seldom tells a complete story. The viewer is always curious to know what events stimulated that one shot and what went on afterwards. Just as you cannot describe your vacation dramatically with one simple sentence, it is hard to put a whole story into one picture. Yet too often we make one photograph of a subject and then turn away to look for new picture material.

Picture series are like a short story. You can show character in them, build up suspense and add much to the viewer's interest and understanding of the subject. And it is no harder to make an interesting series than to shoot a few unrelated pictures.

Your subject doesn't have to be a complicated one. Take something as simple as the baby helping her Mother dry dishes, or sister blowing soap bubbles. Watch any activity and you will see three or four highspots which would make an interesting sequence of pictures that tell the story.

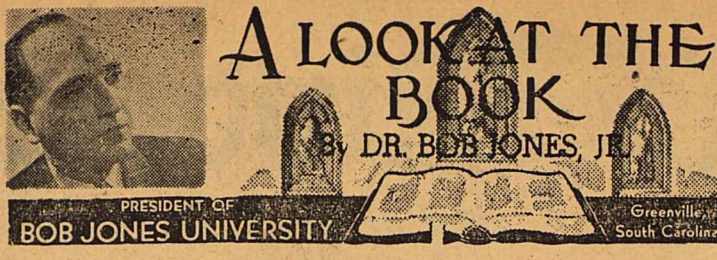
Here is an imaginary script of a

series that would be an addition to any family album. The first shot shows Uncle with a present behind his back and Baby begging to know what he has. Number two shows her delight at opening the box to find a giant balloon. In the third picture, Baby is blowing with all her strength and the balloon is just beginning to inflate. Baby almost hidden behind a tremendous balloon is the next shot. And the fifth picture furnishes the climax: Baby in a sea of tears clutching a few scraps of the exploded balloon.

Or you might build a series around a fishing trip with pictures of interesting episodes from loading the car, through baiting the hook, hauling in a big fish, frying the fish over an open fire to a final shot of the family lolling peacefully around the embers of the camp fire.

No subject is too big or too small to be made into a picture story. They are much more effective than single pictures, and you will find that planning and producing them makes photography even more fun.

*Graflex Photo Director



If you heard that a man with a steam shovel had excavated a city block for the foundation of a great building, you would have no reason to doubt the truth of the statement. Such a task would be relatively simple for an efficient operator with the proper machinery. If someone told you, however, that a 12-year-old boy had done the same task with his toy shovel, you would not be likely to believe it, for the job would be beyond the strength of the lad and the capacity of his tool. So it is with the miraculous. If the God you believe in is big enough, you have no trouble accepting the miracles recounted in the Word of God. If, however, your conception of God dwarfs Him into puny creature as weak as you yourself, you will naturally "stumble" over the miraculous.

Why should not a God who can make an ocean and create fish and mammals preserve Jonah three days in the belly of a sea creature? Why should not the God who locks fires beneath the surface of the earth and controls their escape valves in the craters of volcanoes send down fire from heaven to consume the sacrifice of Elijah? Why should not the God who created the elements and established the laws of the universe send a flood to cover the whole earth? Why should not He who proves His power in the recurring miracle

of seedtime and harvest and who causes the grain dropped into earth to bring forth a hundredfold, perform the miracle of feeding 5,000 with the loaves and fish from the lunch basket of a lad?

After all, the greatest of all miracles is this, that God can transform a sinner and an outcast into a saint and a child of the Most High. This is a miracle which is performed many times each day. The God who through the blood of His Son can change and transform a life and cleanse a soul from guilt is a God who is big enough to do anything.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Taylor and son, Donald, and Basil Taylor all of San Antonio visited Mr. and Mrs. Cashes Taylor Friday and Saturday.

Lt. and Mrs. P. A. Reary and daughter, Donna, of Denver, Colorado are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Clendennen and family.

Mrs. Doc Rape and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cahill and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Blake Brown and family in McCamey Christmas.

Miss Frances Drennan visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Drennan, during the holidays.

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44 Years Ago

G. M. Carson and family of Blanco were in Sonora this week prospecting for a location.

Sam Palmer was up from his ranch in Edwards County several days this week on all kinds of business.

B. F. Binyon and family were in Sonora Monday shopping. Ben is going to take charge of the E. A. Rose ranch for the Whitehead boys, who lately purchased it.

Misses Edna and Zena Wheat were in from the ranch Wednesday visiting and shopping. They are very interesting young ladies and always enjoy themselves while in Sonora.

Dock Simmons and family and Bob Martin and family arrived home Wednesday from a fishing trip to the Llano.

Miss Tommie Brown was in from the Brown & Ross ranch several days this week visiting and shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Mayer and children were in Sonora Thursday the guests of the Commercial Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Word were in from the ranch Monday shopping.

Frank Sparks went to Del Rio last week and arrived home Wednesday with his family.

The band boys looked fine in their new uniforms last Saturday.

George Hamilton returned from a trip to his old home in Greenville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Brockman, who have been visiting friends in Mills County for some time, were in Sonora last Saturday on their way home to Junction where Mr. Brockman has a position with Chas. Schreiner Co. While here they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Owens.

Marvin Alley and Max Luckie were in from the ranch Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stites left on Tuesday for San Angelo, where they will reside for the present.

Joe Kyle and George Hamilton attended the state championship football game between Brackenridge and Highland Park Saturday in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Stuart and son, Lynn, of Bryan have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stuart during the holidays.

Happy Birthday

Friday, January 2, 1948—

Mrs. George E. Smith
P. J. Taylor
Giles Hill
B. M. Halbert, Jr.

Saturday, January 3—

Mrs. James Weber
Sherry Ellen Farr
Monday, January 5—
I. B. Boughton
Tuesday, January 6—
Belle Glasscock
Nettie Reiley

Wednesday, January 7—

Jack Mann
Mrs. B. C. McGilvary
Thursday, January 8—

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Labenske and Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Labenske of Bronte are guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Labenske and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Fields and family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Harrison visited Harrison's sister, Mrs. B. D. Carter and family, in Troy Christmas Day.

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Pedestrians, for your own safety, walk to the left facing traffic, carry something white. Be extra cautious at night. Never forget, the life you save may be your own.



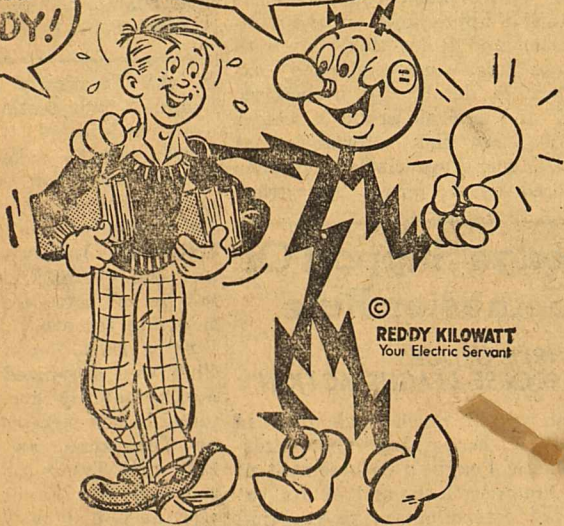
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Texas 4-H'ers Win National Honors



Jackie Jean Brock Gayle West Henry Neil Schacht Howard Altenhof

Four of Texas' state winners in 1947 received national honors for superior records of achievement in their respective 4-H awards programs. The national winners, programs in which they won top rating, awards and donors are:

Jackie Jean Brock, of Floydada, won second place in the boys' division of National 4-H Leadership program; \$100.00 college scholarship; Edward Foss Wilson, Chicago.
 Gayle West, of Memphis, 4-H Better Methods Electric; \$200.00 college scholarship; Westinghouse Educational Foundation.
 Henry Neil Schacht, Lockney, 4-H Garden; \$200.00 college scholarship; A.H.S.-Chalmers.
 Howard Altenhof, New Braunfels, 4-H Meat Animal; \$200.00 college scholarship; Thos. E. Wilson.
 All these national 4-H awards programs, which were conducted under the supervision of the Extension Service are being continued in 1948.

Christmas on the Frontier

Stories of West Texas ...

by N. H. Kincaid

The tall dignified old gentleman slipped a wide, detachable collar from his bureau drawer, touched the back of it to his lips, bent it slightly, and then buttoned it easily to the gold collar button at the back of his shirt. Under his expert fingers it seemed a simple matter and the stiff strip of celluloid was soon fitted around his neck, smooth and unruffled.

Seeing the look of interest and the lurking question in his younger visitor's eyes, the octogenarian chuckled. "Yes sir, Jim Clark gave me that recipe years ago. 'John,' he said, 'always touch your tongue to the button hole when your collar

is stiff, and you can break it every time.' And you can, too; it's much better than trying to punch it open with a pen knife." And he chuckled again as his mind traveled back through the years.

"But you should have seen the collars that we used to get back from the laundry! Now, they were really stiff. That's when Bill Spring and Abilene and all these cowtowns out here along the T & P. were just little whippersnappers but were trying to strut like big time stuff. And they all had their Chinese laundries.

"I remember Lee Sing, who operated two; and John Sing, who had the big laundry across from the present Texas and Pacific Freight Depot. And then there were several Chinese cooks in the hotels; and the truck gardeners."

As the old gentleman paused and the sound of Christmas carols floated up softly from a downstairs radio, his eyes sparkled reminiscently.
 "Say, you should have seen these Christmas and New Year's gifts that Lee and John Sing used to give their customers! They never forgot a one. I know those were the most beautiful boxes of candy I have ever seen. There was nothing like them, all wrapped in lovely Chinese paper. And for the children of the family, there were always firecrackers."

NATION'S NO. 1 ICEMAN



ST. JOSEPH, MO. — M. J. Garvey, Jr., president of Artesian Ice & Cold Storage Co. here, is the new president of the National Association of Ice Industries. Named the "No. 1 Icedman" of the nation at the association's 30th annual convention in Chicago, Garvey pledged his industry to "greater service to the health and welfare of America through new developments and expanded facilities."

And so for a full hour the old gentleman talked of those days when each West Texas cowtown had its own little China. He described their homes and their truck gardens down near the creek, and told of their own improvised foot bridge they had swung across its waters.

Their fresh vegetables were delivered in several baskets suspended from either end of a pole carried across their shoulders, and their load weighed 150 pounds.

"They were wizards at growing things and had worked out their own irrigation system," he said. "We always had fresh vegetables for Thanksgiving, and oftentimes for Christmas."

To Help Another Child



"This used fat is not for you," radio star Jinx Falkenberg explains to her young son, Patrick, "but it may help another child somewhere in the world. Kitchen grease sold to meat dealers is used industrially over here, which releases fats and oils for distribution to starving people in Europe. That is why I save every drop of used cooking fat, and why our government urges every woman to do the same," says Jinx.

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G. H. Davises Are Hosts At Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Davis and Miss Flora Dell Davis were hosts at the rehearsal dinner for Miss Marguerite Howell and Jack Morris Allen at their ranch home Saturday.

The color scheme chosen was green and white. White carnations and gladioli between green and white candles served as the centerpiece. Place cards, corsages and boutonnières were also green and white.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Preston C. Lightfoot and Ann of Sweetwater, Judge and Mrs. J. R. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Rupprecht, William Allen and Phillip La Master of Perryton, Aubrey Loeffler, Miss Josette Boughton, Miss Marjory Dameron, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell, J. F. Howell, Jr., and the Reverend W. P. Carmichael.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Loeffler and sons, Aubrey, Norris and Carlos, spent Christmas Day in Marble Falls visiting Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Willman and family.

Mobley - Sanders Rites Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Caffey of Nugent, former Sonorans, announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Jan Sanders, to Raymond Mobley.

The single ring ceremony was read the evening of December 27 at Anson with the Reverend R. C. Barrett officiating. The couple was attended by Miss Ruby Grace Melvain and Pat Speers.

The bride wore a brown suit with brown accessories. Mrs. Mobley attended the Sonora schools before moving to Nugent, where she graduated from high school.

Mobley is a student at North Texas State Teachers College.

After a wedding trip the couple will be at home in Denton, where Mobley will resume his studies.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Newby of Del Rio and son, Hi Eastland, visited Mr. and Mrs. Hi Eastland during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry Duff of Ft. Collins, Colorado are visiting in Sonora this week.



Mrs. Jack Morris Allen

Miss Marguerite Howell Married Sunday To Jack Morris Allen

In an impressive double-ring ceremony performed Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the First Methodist Church in Sonora, Miss Georgia Marguerite Howell and Jack Morris Allen of Perryton were united in marriage. Miss Howell is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John Franklin Howell, and the groom's parents are Judge and Mrs. Jack Rice Allen of Perryton. The Reverend W. P. Carmichael, pastor of the church, read the marriage ceremony.

The vows were exchanged in the chancel of the church before a background of palms and other greens, in front of which were placed two large floor candelabra flanked by floor baskets filled with white gladioli, stephanotis and fern. Along the sides of the chancel toward the chancel rail the candelabra, palms and baskets of blossoms were also used, and the chancel rail was entwined with moss and white carnations.

Preceding the ceremony the organist, Mrs. G. H. Hall, played "Traumeri" by Schumann, Handel's "Largo", Schubert's "Serenade", "Liebestraum" by Liszt and "Ave Maria" by Gounod. During the ceremony she played "Morning Prayer" by Tschalkowsky. As the bride entered she played the "Wedding March" by Mendelssohn and, as the recessional, Lohengrin's "Bridal Chorus" by Wagner.

Soloist for the occasion was Mrs. Preston C. Lightfoot of Sweetwater, formerly of Sonora, who sang "Because" and "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life." She was accompanied at the piano by Edwin Sawyer.

The bride, who entered on the arm of her father, was gowned in a Miriam original wedding dress of pearl bridal satin and a fingertip veil of French silk illusion caught to a halo tiara of pleated illusion outlined with pearls and centered with a cluster of pearlized orange blossoms. The bridal gown was fashioned with a fitted bodice, buttoned down the back with tiny, covered buttons, and a sweetheart neckline heavily embroidered with seed pearls. The very full skirt extended into a chapel-length train, and the long sleeves ended in puffs over her hands.

The bride carried a shower bouquet of camellias, stephanotis and tulle puffs topped with a single white orchid, surrounded by a frill of the tulle and finished with cascading streamers of tiny white satin ribbon caught with stephanotis. Her only jewelry was a single strand of pearls, and for "something old" and for good luck she wore in her shoe an old gold coin given her maternal grandparents on their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Her "something blue" was a garter given her by Mrs. Harry Borcharding of Weatherford, and for "something borrowed" she carried the imported lace handkerchief carried by the groom's mother and sister in their weddings.

The matron of honor, Mrs. George K. Rupprecht II of Perryton, sister of the groom, was gowned in aqua faille, fashioned with a fitted bodice, v-neckline with tiny, rolled back collar, full circular skirt and cap sleeves. With it she wore a halo of aqua blossoms and ostrich feathers with a shoulder-length veil, and she carried a muff of pink carnations and aqua maline.

The bridesmaids, Miss Marjory Dameron of Sonora and Miss Grace Boothe of Del Rio, wore ashes of roses faille gowns and halos identical with that of the matron of honor. They carried muffs made of aqua blossoms and maline.

William Hoover Allen of Perryton attended his brother as best man, and groomsmen were Midshipman Aubrey Loeffler and Phillip LaMaster of Perryton. Ushers were George K. Rupprecht II and John F. Howell, Jr., brother of the bride.

Mrs. Howell, the bride's mother, chose a gray dinner-length crepe gown and blue feather hat for the occasion. With it she wore American beauty roses.

The groom's mother wore a spring print gown with black background and with it wore a pink leather hat and pink carnation corsage.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony at the Sonora Woman's Club house. Receiving the guests with the bridal couple and Mrs. Howell were the parents of the groom and the matron of honor and the bridesmaids.

A color scheme of green and white was carried out in the reception rooms with ferns, huckle-

Open House Held In Savell Home

Mr. and Mrs. Theo Savell, Mr. and Mrs. Miers Savell and Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Hunt held open house Christmas morning at the Theo Savell home.

The house was decorated with red and gold bells, poinsettias, red roses and holly. In the dining room the centerpiece was of red roses in a gold bowl on a reflector with gold candles in gold holders.

Mrs. Miers Savell and Mrs. Hunt served and about two hundred guests called during the morning.

HIGH SCHOOL ENTERTAINED BY JUNIOR CLASS

The Junior Class of Sonora High School entertained the high school with a Christmas dance at the gym Friday, December 19.

A Christmas tree, a fireplace with stockings hanging from it, red candles, greenery and mistletoe decorated the band room.

Games and music were furnished for recreation, and cokes and Christmas packages with apples, nuts and candy were served as refreshments.

Those who attended the dance were Edwina Hawley, Phillip Cooper, James Hunt, Jane Neill, Sue Wendt, Charles Cusenbary, Carlene Peoples, Norris Loeffler, Max Murray, Bobby Allen, Frank Bond, Nina Smith, Jo McClelland, Bubba Chalk, Pat Jungk, Bobby Granger, Billie Joe Barker, Flora Dell Davis, Alice Adkins, Derrell Alley, Hayden Barker, Bitsy Chalk, Wayne Ogden, George Hamilton, Scott Walters, Royce Regeon, Norva Smith, Charles Lee Haynes, Peggy Willman and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wendt.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Davis and children spent Christmas in El Paso visiting Mrs. Davis, parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Boland.

Mrs. R. A. King of Eldorado has been a guest in the Cleve Jones home.

CHRISTMAS CAROL PARTY

The Sonora townspeople were serenaded with Christmas songs and greetings by a group of about 20 high school boys and girls Saturday, December 20.

The carolers met at the W. W. Wendt home at 9 o'clock to map out a route to follow.

Among the homes visited were the Frank Bond's, the Joe B. Ross's, the Robert Rees's, Mrs. Clara Murphy's the Tom Ratliff's, the Theo Savell's the Mack Alexander's and the J. E. Eldridge's.

At several of the homes refreshments were served to the group.

After the carolers had walked and sung for about two hours, they went back to the Wendt's home for hot chocolate, games and dancing.

Those who attended the caroling party were James Hunt, Kathy Ross, Sue Wendt, Charles Cusenbary, Bobby Allen, Lois Hill, Joyce Johnson, Betty Spoon, Nina Smith, Frank Bond, Patsy Moore, Jill Henderson, Phillip Cooper, Glen Dye, Norris Loeffler, Bobby Granger, Carlene Peoples, Sonny Howell, Jewel McGhee, J. R. Caldwell, Jack Henderson, Royce Regeon and Joe Neil Smith.

GUESTS IN LOWREY HOME

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lowrey during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Awalt, Mrs. Edd Harris of Katemcy, Mason County, Mrs. Lela Hurley of Minco, Okla., Miss Lola Sims of Chickasha, Okla., Miss Ernie Awalt of George West, Mrs. Lewis Meadows of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Mans Hoggett of Mertzon and Mr. and Mrs. Grady Lowrey and Miss Doris Lowrey of Del Rio.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Regeon had as their guests during the Christmas holidays Mr. and Mrs. Robert Buhrkuhl and family of Kress, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Regeon and Lois of Dalhart and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Regeon of Abilene.

Marion Elliott is visiting his father, A. C. Elliott, this week.

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Miss Howell Feted In Sawyer Home

Mrs. E. E. Sawyer, Mrs. Edwin Sawyer and Mrs. Cleve Jones, Jr. honored Miss Marguerite Howell Tuesday afternoon at the Sawyer home.

Poinsettias and azaleas were placed in the party rooms and Mrs. L. W. Elliott won high score prize. Mrs. Tommy Smith won the bingra prize and the honoree was presented with a gift.

A salad plate was served to Mesdames J. F. Howell, S. M. Loeffler, James D. Trainer, G. H. Davis, W. R. Cusenbary, J. H. Brasher, Harold Friess, Elliott, S. L. Sharp, Ella Wallace, W. H. Dameron, Smith, Libb Wallace, A. E. Prugel and H. A. Ward of Oakwood and Misses Bernie Dawn Gibbs, Majory Dameron, Josette Boughton and Jerry Morrow.

NEW BOOKS IN LIBRARY

Two new books given to the Sonora Woman's Club library are "An Encyclopedia of Antiques" by Harold Louis Bond and "Together" by Katherine Tupper Marshall. The books were given in memory of Mrs. W. R. Aldwell by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Willoughby of Eldorado and Mr. and Mrs. Hi Eastland.

Mrs. Ora Teagarden arrived Friday night from Sacramento, California to visit her sisters, Mrs. W. F. Clendennen and Mrs. Lewis Roueche.

As a result of a fall in her yard Christmas Eve, Mrs. S. M. Davis is in the Shannon Hospital with a fractured collarbone and a rib.

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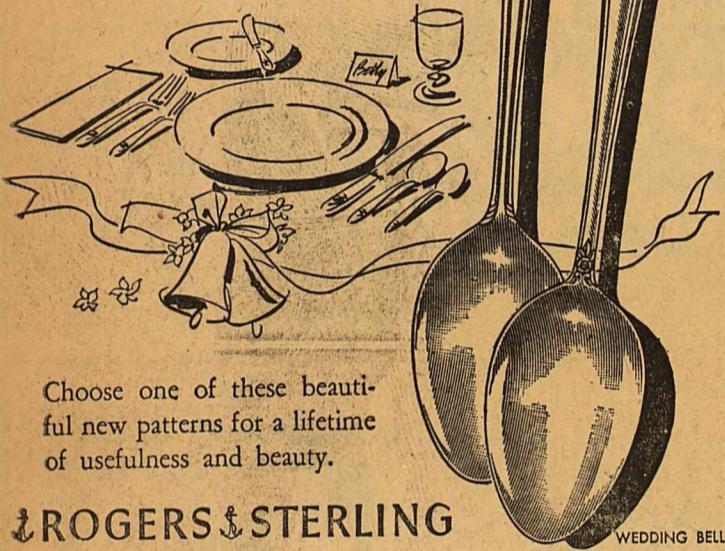
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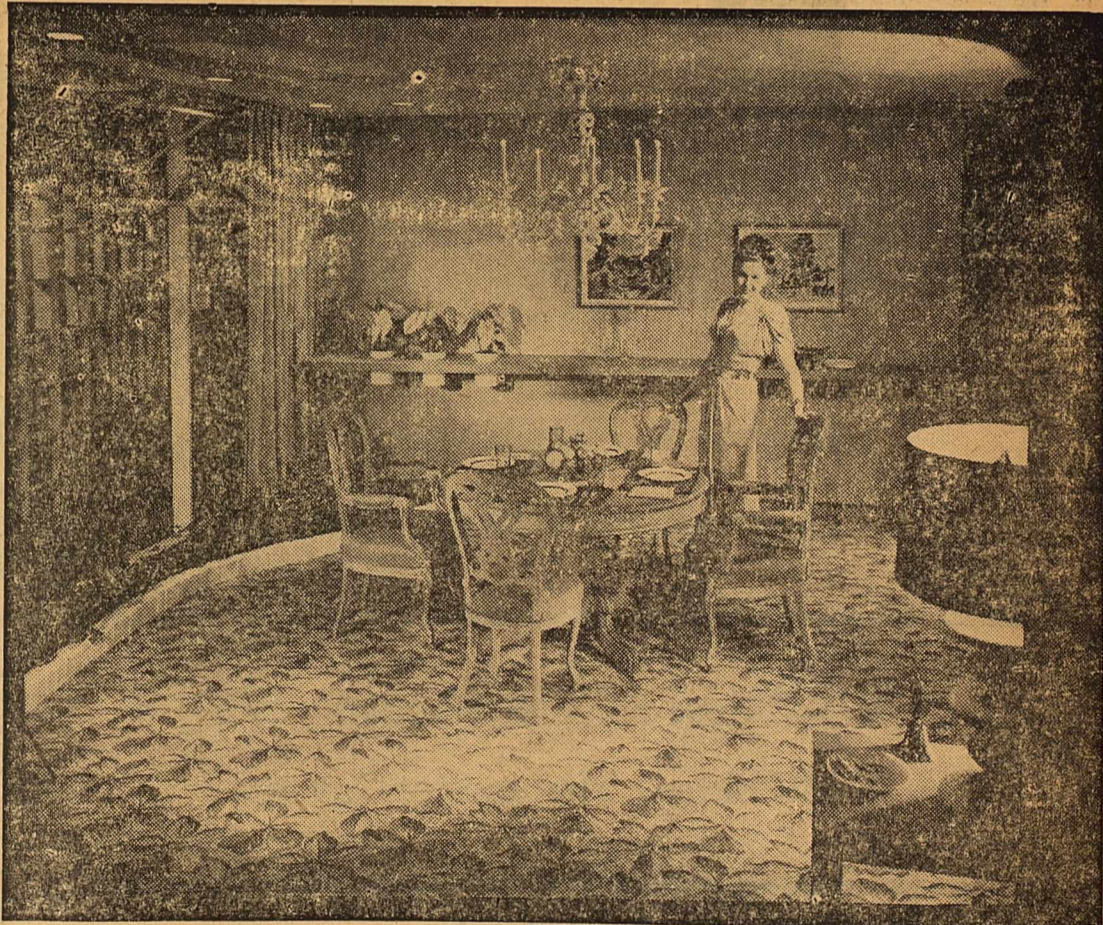
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YOUR ARMY TODAY

With ten below zero weather greeting them upon their November arrival at training grounds in Big Delta, Alaska, troops of the Second Infantry Division participating in the Army Ground Forces Exercise Yukon, began their training in over-snow operations under Arctic conditions. The exercise is scheduled to end in March of 1948.

ARMY LINGUISTS: Selected military personnel are now being trained in 21 languages, including Russian, Chinese, Japanese, Persian and Arabic, in Army Language Schools here and overseas. Length of courses varies with the difficulty of the language, Chinese involving four years of study.

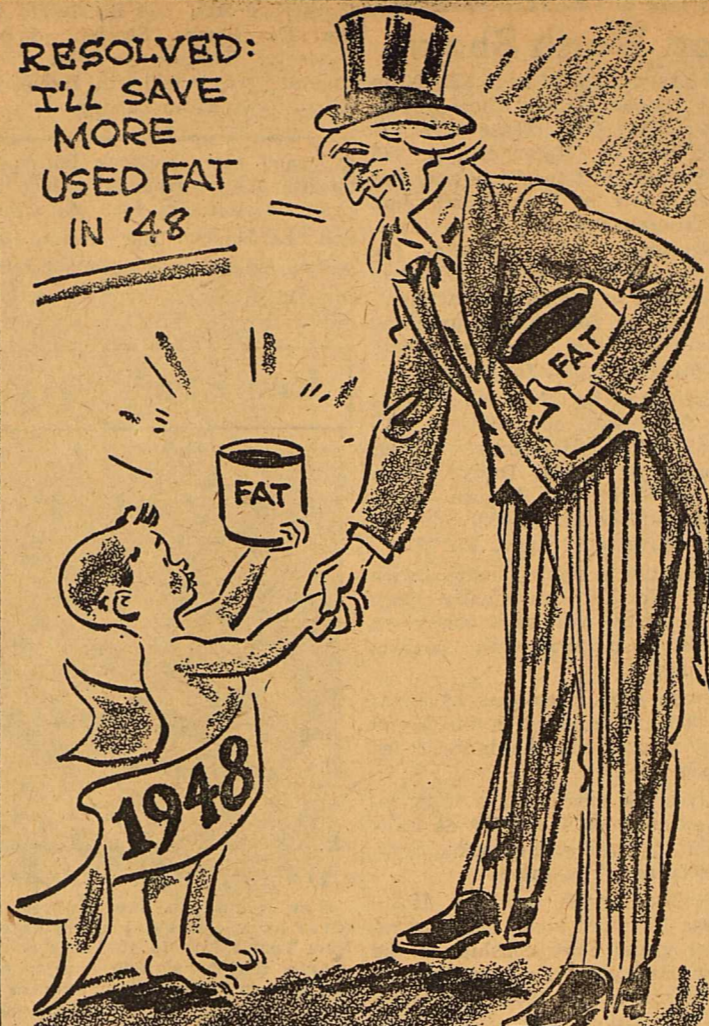
WAR DEAD ESCORTS: An opportunity actively to participate in the nation-wide program of the return and reburial of their fallen comrades-in-arms is being offered to World War II veterans of the Enlisted Reserve Corps. Enlisted Reservists, who qualify for escort and ceremonial duty, may volunteer for six months or a year of active service connected with this program.

SAFETY AWARD: The Department of the Army has been awarded the National Safety Council's Award of Honor for Distinguished Service to Safety in recognition of a reduction of 36 per cent in the Army accident rate in 1946 over the preceding year.

NATIONAL GUARD: A total of 9,197 men enlisted in the National Guard during the week ending November 8th, according to Major General Kenneth F. Cramer, Chief of the National Guard Bureau. This is the highest number of men to enlist in any one week since the campaign to recruit 88,888 men for the National Guard began September 16th. The Guard's total strength now is more than 179,000.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wendt, Harvey Lee and Sue spent Christmas in Galveston with Mrs. Wendt's mother and her family. They returned the day after Christmas.

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Mr. and Mrs. U. F. Schlather of San Antonio spent the week-end with the Rev. and Mrs. W. P. Carmichael. They returned to San Antonio Monday accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Dan Carmichael.

Mrs. J. A. Ward, Sr. of San Angelo visited the J. A. Ward, Jr. and Rip Ward families during the Christmas holidays.

Miss Madelyn Powell of San Angelo spent Saturday with Jane Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Cooper and children of Fort Stockton spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Jones, Sr.

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family develops one of cancer's danger signals*, see him at once.

And lend a helping hand to conquer cancer. Join the American Cancer Society's April drive to wipe out this scourge. Every dollar you give lets you march in spirit beside some child your nickels helped save through research... comfort some woman your dimes have helped relieve from suffering... safeguard some family with new X-ray or radium equipment your dollars helped to buy.

So give more than generously. Give so many may live.

LIFE-AND-DEATH FACTS ABOUT CANCER

One-eighth of our entire population—17,000,000 Americans—are today doomed to die of cancer. This is a shocking, but absolutely true fact. But there is hope... even today, one out of three may be cured of cancer, and in at least one type, 92% is curable—when caught in time. And to help science finally conquer cancer, the American Cancer Society has made more than 100 grants for research projects. Right now, the same scientific group responsible for the atomic bomb is directing the research to conquer cancer. Every dollar you give speeds the search.

***Cancer's Danger Signals**

1. Any sore that does not heal... particularly about the tongue, mouth, or lips.
2. A painless lump or thickening, especially in the breast, lip, or tongue.
3. Bloody discharge from the nipple or irregular bleeding from any of the other natural body openings.
4. Progressive change in the color or size of a wart or mole.
5. Persistent indigestion.
6. Persistent hoarseness, unexplained cough, or difficulty in swallowing.
7. Any radical change in normal bowel habits.

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Good resolutions are useless attempts to interfere with scientific laws. Their origin is purely vanity. Their result is absolutely nil. They give us now and then some of those luxurious, sterile emotions that have a certain charm for the weak. That is all that can be said for them. They are simply checkques that men draw on a bank where they have no account.

The elderly president of the Ladies' Aid Society in a small town was asked, after several years' determined opposition to the ideas of a "radical" minister, why she didn't try to have him removed.

"Well," she explained, "we all know that the Reverend Blank has very dangerous ideas, but I would rather not have him leave. After all, if he isn't here, he will be some place else, and just think, there people might listen to him."

During a conversation with an old friend I hadn't seen for some time, I asked how he had been sleeping. "I sleep good nights," he said, "and I sleep pretty good mornings, but afternoons I just seem to twist and turn."

An elderly man sat down beside me in the lobby of a hotel in Beville, Texas, remarking, "I feel like I was 75 years old this morning." "That's too bad," I replied sympathetically.

"No, it ain't," said the old boy cheerfully. "Because I'm 85."

Shivering polar bear cub to his mother: "I don't care who my ancestors were—I'm cold."

Traveling through a remote section of Colorado, we stopped at a small general store. There were several mountaineers sitting around a big pot-bellied stove, talking desultorily. While we were there, one old fellow got up, gave a hitch to his trousers, yawned and said to the storekeeper, "Percy, where's your whittling pine? I can't fool away my time like this."

One cow to another: "I have no idea how it tastes. Personally I never touch the stuff!"

One circus elephant says to the other: "I'm getting sick and tired of working for peanuts."

One very angry skunk to another skunk: "So do you!"

Bear, standing at the door of his cave, reminds a bird: "Remember now—call us about half past April."

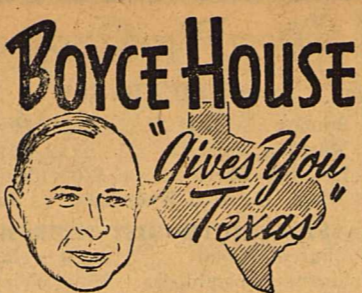
No one can be mean and happy any more than an orange can be sour and sweet.

A little girl's prayer: "O God, make the bad people good, and the good people nice."

As long as a woman can look ten years younger than her daughter she is perfectly satisfied.

He who thinks he can do without the world deceives himself; but he who thinks the world cannot do without him is still more in error.

To be with those we love is



The world would be a happier place if humans would just be human.

Congress ought to raise the exemption on the income tax. A man can't live on \$500 a year -- yet if he makes \$501, he has to pay a tax.

Also some encouragement ought to be given for home ownership -- an exemption, up to a certain amount, for expenditures to keep your home repaired and to improve it and the grounds. The man who owns his home is a great asset and when he spends his money to improve that home, he is helping the whole neighborhood, making it a prettier and more pleasant place in which to live. He deserves encouragement.

Then the man who tries to provide for his old age so that he can be self-supporting should be encouraged. If he economizes and pays each year on an annuity, why shouldn't he be given credit on his income tax payment for that, up to a certain percent, of course?

The world is crying for wheat. We are being asked to save a slice of bread a day. And yet there are some farmers with a large amount of wheat on hand. They will not market it until after a certain time because it would run their income tax into a higher bracket.

We have got to fix it so that a man will have an incentive to work and produce.

Those who are drawing salaries up in Washington to make the laws ought to know the answers -- and do something. If they can't, they ought to be like that rabbit. Uncle Rastus was passing a cemetery at midnight and he thought he saw a ghost. He began running.

happiness; even if both are silent, the mere fact of being together is sufficient; we may be each dreaming of the other, or thinking of quite different things.

Bragging may not bring happiness, but no man having caught a large fish goes home through an alley.

State Health Officer Urges Safe Driving

"The only way to avoid the useless waste of life due to traffic accidents is to prevent the accident," reads a warning issued by Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

"It is not a question of who is right and who is wrong after the accident has occurred," he said. "And automobile accidents happen merely because of 'bad luck' -- there is a definite cause for every one of them, although it is not possible to determine the precise origin of every mishap."

"Leaders of the safety movement agree that the most fundamental approach to the solution lies in the education and training of the individual. Safety education includes the training of individuals to avoid accidents to themselves and to prevent accidents to others. It involves the acquisition of a certain fund of information, the ability to apply this information to concrete situations, and the building up of habits which will make the application of knowledge to situations automatic.

"The dangerous curves and intersections on the highways of Texas are distinctly marked, and automobile drivers can assist greatly in the reduction of deaths from automobile accidents by carefully observing these warning signs."

"Some motorists rely too much on traffic rules and regulations, thinking that if they obey the rules of the road at the time when an accident occurs, no blame can be attached to them. This is not true. The only man who considers himself blameless in case of accidents, when he was obeying the rules of the road, is the one who did everything possible to avoid that accident."

"The consequences of automobile accidents are so disastrous that only when we have done everything in our power to avoid such accidents can we consider ourselves, or expect others to consider us, blameless in the case of accident. "When each individual does all that he is able to do toward avoiding an accident of any kind, then and then only will our traffic accidents be avoided."

SWING OF SOUTHWEST MARKETS

Livestock continued to advance but most other southwest farm products brought steady to slightly lower prices in seasonally dull Christmas week trade, according to U. S. Department of Agriculture's Production and Marketing Administration.

Strong to higher cattle trends prevailed except for some reaction at San Antonio after the previous week's prices attained new peaks for the year to date. Low canner cows lost 25 to 50 cents while common and medium slaughter calves and common stocker calves declined 50 cents to \$1, but other grades and classes held steady. Gains at other markets ranged from 25 cents to \$1 and affected practically all kinds of cattle. Best sows reached a new high of \$20 per hundred pounds at Fort Worth.

Hogs and sows registered gains of 50 cents to \$1 or more at leading southwest markets, but pigs were weak to lower. Top butchers reached \$29 in Denver, \$28 in Wichita and Oklahoma City, \$27.75 in Fort Worth, and \$26.50 in San Antonio.

Most sheep and lambs brought steady to strong prices. Occasional gains included a 50-cent rise on lambs at Wichita and a 25 to 50-cent advance at Denver, where good and choice ewes reached the highest price since June at \$9.75 to \$10.25 and choice lambs topped

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War Assets Adm. Surplus Sales News

Next step in the steady parade of real property camp building disposals will be a venture into Oklahoma. The War Assets Administration will introduce its fast-action, auction type selling of camp buildings at Camp Gruber, Muskogee, Oklahoma. Barracks, mess halls, and various types of GI structures will be offered in two days of informal bidding. There will be a total of 333 buildings sold without priority at Camp Gruber on January 6 and 7.

The biggest first of 1948 war surplus sale in North Texas will be a spot bid offering of \$300,000 worth of merchandise stored in the WAA's Grand Prairie sales warehouse. Goods encompass a

at \$25.15. Most ewes sold around \$8.50 to \$9 or \$9.50 at other southwest markets while best lambs returned \$22 to \$22.50 at Texas markets, around \$23 at Oklahoma City, and \$23.25 to \$23.75 at Wichita.

wide variety including lumber, furniture, aluminum and metal stock, office equipment, cable, paint, chemicals, and a quantity of miscellaneous such as indirect heaters, auto parts and friction tape. Inspection and bidding on a non-priority basis will be held at the former North American Aviation B plant warehouse from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, January 7 and 8, and also the following morning, Friday, until 11 a.m. Bid opening and awards will be made at the sales warehouse starting promptly at 1 p.m. Friday, January 9.

War Assets Administration is moving into the new year under the signal "full steam ahead." Thirteen plant liquidation sales of surplus materials in the southwestern states have already been scheduled between January 8 and January 23. Locations include New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Leesville and Lake Charles, Louisiana; Houston and Grand Prairie, Texas; McAlester and Tulsa, Oklahoma. A number of smaller "on site" location sales are also planned by WAA's zone office.

Celebrity Parade

By Earle Ferris

THE Metropolitan Opera Auditions of the Air, which between 1936 and 1945 added 42 new young artists to the roster of that renowned opera company, will return to the air via ABC Sunday, Jan. 4. Whereas



Eleanor Steber

it was once customary to belittle the "home-grown" artists in the belief that Americans were incapable of competing with foreign opera stars, the Metropolitan Opera Auditions of the Air proved the fallacy of this notion. Among many current members of the Met who came from previous auditions is Eleanor Steber, beautiful West Virginia-born soprano.

Taylor Renewed

Henry J. Taylor, heard with "Your Land and Mine" over MBS Mondays and Fridays, has been renewed by his sponsor. Taylor, war correspondent and author, spent last summer touring Europe and broadcasting from there to give his listeners an eye-witness account of conditions abroad.

Monroe Is Tops

Radio's influence in building audiences for other music media is aptly demonstrated by Vaughn Monroe. The bandleader, heard Saturdays via CBS, finds that his broadcast fans are showing their appreciation at record counters and jukeboxes. In a recent survey by Billboard magazine, three out of the ten most-played jukebox records throughout the country bore the Monroe label. Monroe featured these leading tunes on his radio programs before the records were released.

On World Tour

Young, handsome, and with a list of accomplishments that merit a half-column in Who's Who, Com-

poser-conductor Igor Buketoff has embarked on a new activity. As new director of Menotti's "The Medium" and "The Telephone," Buketoff has just begun a year's tour of the world with these two widely hailed operas.

Accidental Career

An accident that blighted her budding career as an actress brought Jo Lyons a new profession — as a writer. Now scriptwriter for A B C's "Betty Crocker Magazine of the Air" and a successful short-story author, Jo had just landed her first ingenue role in a radio serial when a fall seriously injured her back and threatened her with permanent disability. Just "to keep from brooding," she took up writing—and hit the jackpot!

Laugh of the Week

CBS news reporter Bob Garred says that though the wolf may lose his teeth, he never loses his inclinations.

Back From Europe

William Kapell, young pianist, has returned to the United States following his first European concert tour. Kapell, whose next New York appearance will be at Carnegie Hall on Jan. 5, is one of the outstanding members of the younger generation of musicians whose concert careers started after the beginning of World War II. Entirely American-trained, he has appeared abroad in Australia and South America as well as in Europe.

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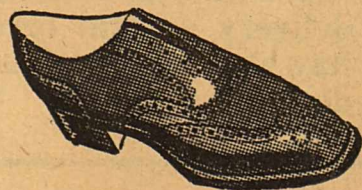
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The Devil's River News is authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic primary:

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CALLAN GRAHAM

Dickie Street, Clayton Hamilton, John Allen Ward, James Hunt, Al Boughton, Lynn Stuart, Jimmy Cusenbary, Billy Joe Nance, Helen Martin, Madelyn Powell, Jane Neill, Tommy Bond, and Cleveland Nance were guests at a supper at David Shurley's home last Saturday night.

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 Young People's Class 7:15 o'clock
 Mid-week Bible Study, Wednesday 8:00 o'clock

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH
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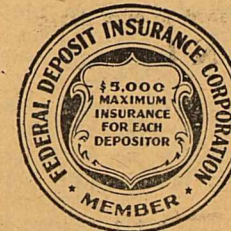
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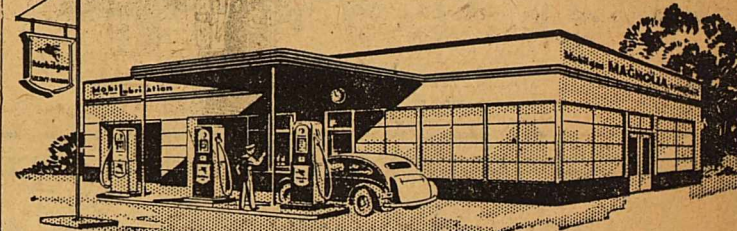
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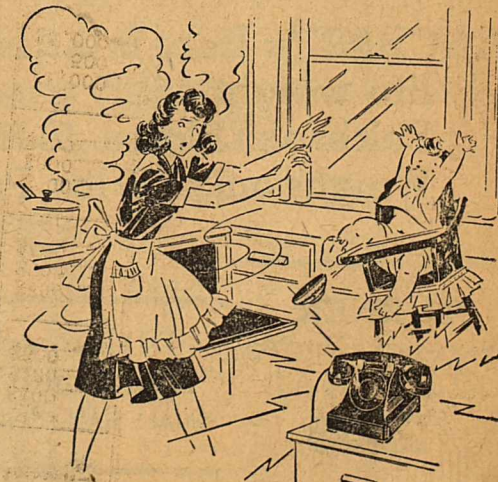


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