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Stockton Suggests Ed Hartman As GOP Candidate

ABUQUERQUE — Republican candidates for governor of New Mexico were the main topics of discussion at the GOP State Committee meeting here today.

Hartman, of Artesia, state member in the last Republican election, named two candidates, Tom Belack, former Farmington mayor, and Frank Rend, Santa Fe publisher. Hartman also said that an candidate would have an edge in the election.

Picket Lines Established At Wash Firm

SANTA FE — Picket lines were set up at two shafts of the Potash Co mines by members of the AFL, Shaft and Tunnelers Union, Local 162.

Adlai Hunting, But Claims Not For More Votes

JEROME, Ark. — Adlai Stevenson said Saturday he "wasn't shooting for votes" on his Southern hunting trip, but would be "naturally very pleased" to have the Arkansas delegation's support in his 1956 bid for the presidency.

Ferguson-Steere Hearing Opens Monday Before SCC

SANTA FE — The State Corporation Commission opens a hearing on the Ferguson-Steere trucking case Monday.

MALCO Confirms El Paso Gas To Buy Refinery

ROSWELL — Malco Refineries, which last month announced the purchase of a 30-million-dollar plant in California, Saturday confirmed negotiations for the sale of its Prewitt, N. M., refinery and pipeline facilities to El Paso Natural Gas Co.

The announcement was made by Robert O. Anderson, president of the company. He said the sale will probably be completed this month. He said he felt the move was a logical one for both Malco and El Paso Natural Gas because his company's Juan Basin properties fit in well with the El Paso firm's operations.

State Hospital Council Tables Funds For Health Clinic Here

SANTA FE — The State Hospital Advisory Council has recommended nearly two million dollars in federal hospital construction funds be distributed to 14 state institutions.

Army Reserve Unit Being Formed Here

A new Army Reserve unit is in the process of being established in Artesia, the two men who will become commanding officer and public information officer respectively said today.

Ranch Foreman Shot To Death Near Meridian

MERIDIAN — Clarence Bethke, 29, foreman of the Hamilton ranch near here, was shot to death today, and officers set off a Central Texas manhunt for the ranch owner, Dallas Attorney Norman Hamilton, who was feared kidnapped.



ARTESIA CHEER LEADERS competing against schools from all over the state at Santa Fe today won the privilege of leading the cheering section for the South in the annual North-South football game at Albuquerque next August.

President Also Advised To Wait Before Deciding To Run

WASHINGTON — President Eisenhower's doctor called last night for a "slowdown" in his activities and said he thought Eisenhower should withhold a decision on whether to run again until at least mid-February.

Russians Hand Two GI's Over To U. S. Army

BERLIN — The Russians returned to the U. S. Army last night two young American soldiers nabbed by Red East German police after a street fight Wednesday in East Berlin.

George Expects Early Move To Reduce Taxes

WASHINGTON — Sen. George (D-Ga.) predicted Saturday the Democratic-controlled House will move immediately toward a reduction in individual income taxes when Congress reconvenes next month.

Social Security Aid Available

Ralph H. Yowell, field representative of the Roswell Social Security Administration office, will be in Artesia Monday to assist local residents in making application for old age or survivors insurance benefits and to give general information concerning the Social Security Act.

American Cafe Sold Saturday

The sale of the American Cafe, 110 West Main street, has been announced by Bill and Tommy Thomas, who also operate the Driller Cafe at 332 West Main.

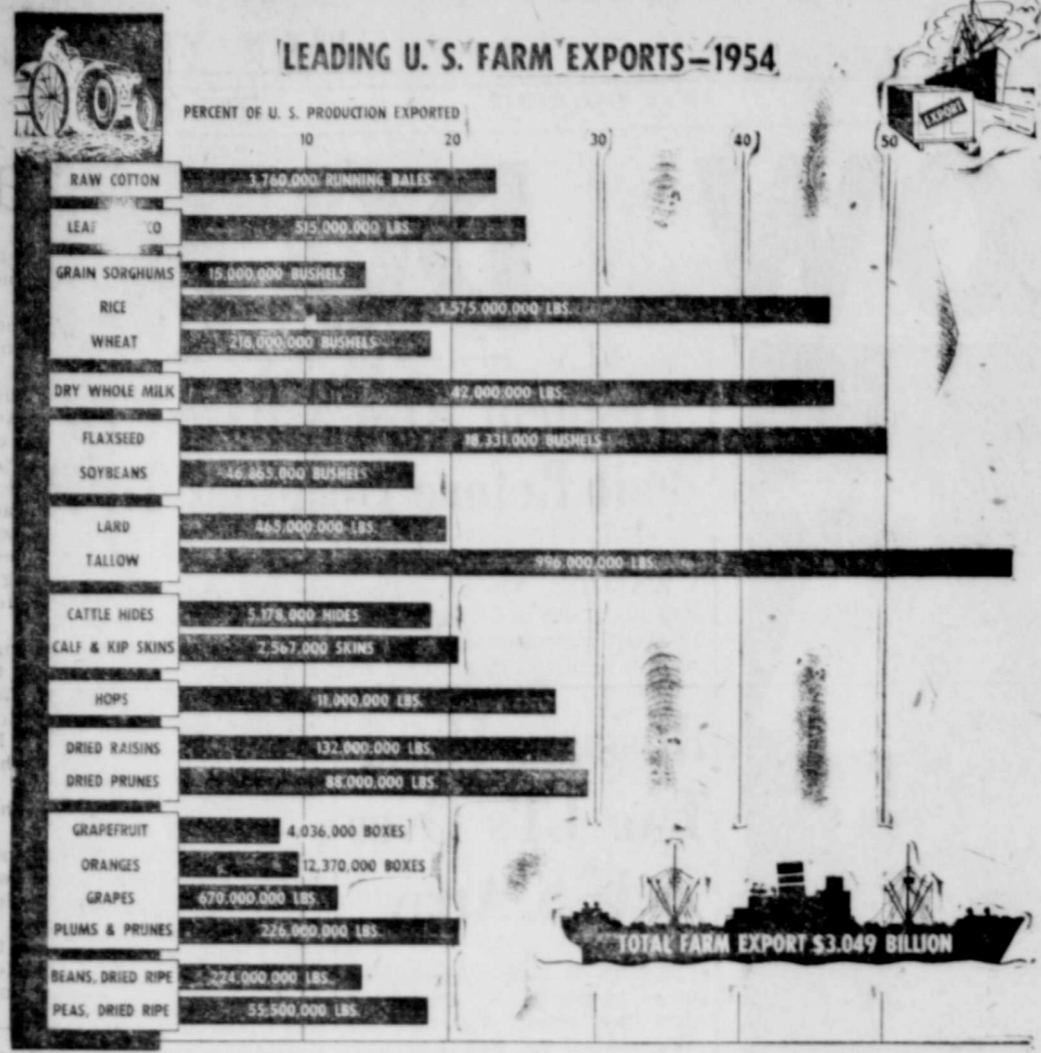
Pickets Ask Amnesty For War Objectors

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 — A score of men and women picketed the White House today with banners urging President Eisenhower to grant a "Christmas amnesty" to conscientious objectors imprisoned during World War II.

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Ship-Farm Partnership Means \$3 Billion In Exports



America's Merchant Marine helped carry over \$3 billion in farm surplus goods and other agricultural commodities to foreign markets in 1954. Exports this year from July through September were 20 per cent greater than those in the same 1954 period. One U. S. farm dollar in eight comes from overseas sales. This chart indicates last year's leading farm exports was prepared by The Committee of American Steamship Lines for a recent study showing how U. S. ships help retain overseas markets and stabilize world shipping rates.

Questions-Answers On CIO-AFL Labor Union Answered As Long Awaited Merger Is Completed

By NORMAN WALKER

NEW YORK (AP)—Here are some questions and answers on the new united-labor organization, the AFL-CIO.

What is it?
The AFL with 108 national unions and the CIO with 30 have banded together in a single association of unions.

How big is it?
The Labor Department, in a recent official report, estimated AFL membership at 10,900,000, the CIO's at 5,200,000, for a total of over 16 million. But officials of the new AFL-CIO claim only 15 million.

Why have they merged?
Union leaders say pooling resources and strength will give organized labor more power in bargaining with employers, organizing more workers in unions, and influencing state and national politics.

There is room for argument here. Some students of labor affairs feel the natural competition between two organizations tended to keep both more on their toes.

Will it actually increase labor's power?
It will to some extent. Affiliated unions will have the same autonomy as under the separate AFL and CIO. Any one of them can pull out at any time.

But AFL-CIO officials at the local, state and national level naturally will speak with more authority and influence than was true when there were two such officials.

A similar situation would be if the two main business associations combined, the National Assn. of Manufacturers and N. S. Chamber

of Commerce. The fusion would not necessarily mean increased power but it would certainly point that way.

Will union labor be more radical or more conservative?
Traditionally the AFL has been more conservative than the CIO. It appears likely that in the blending of the two a middle ground will be reached with the organization inclined to a bit more moderate course.

This has already been indicated in resolutions adopted by the AFL-CIO convention and in suggestions that the AFL-CIO should work out a "live-and-let-live" arrangement with American industry.

Who are the top active AFL-CIO officers?
George Meany, 61-year-old plumber, has been elected president and William Schnitzer, one-time bakery worker, secretary-treasurer. Both held similar posts in the AFL. Meany will get \$35,000 annual salary, Schnitzer \$33,000, the same pay they drew with the AFL.

What has happened to Walter Reuther, the former CIO chief?
Reuther, stepping aside for Meany will continue to be a very powerful influence, possibly second only to Meany. Reuther was well received in initial AFL-CIO convention appearances.

Where will the AFL-CIO have its headquarters?
A new, four-million-dollar building is being made ready for occupancy in Washington. It's just across a park from the White House. All employees of both organizations are being retained and merged into one staff.

What about John L. Lewis?
United Mine Workers and other unions now out of the AFL-CIO? The 75-year-old Lewis, founder of the new-merged CIO, has at one time or another, been a power in both the AFL and CIO. He has held aloof of the AFL-CIO and said the merger can't endure. Nevertheless, the miners someday may join up.

Independent railroad unions are actively considering entering the AFL-CIO. They are the Brotherhood of Firemen and Enginemen and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, with a combined membership of nearly 300,000. The Labor Department estimates the aggregate membership of unions outside the AFL-CIO at 1,800,000.

What is the new organization's official name?
"It's the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations. The separate AFL and CIO couldn't agree on a new name so to get around what was a real quarrel they just kept both. Eventually, they may trim down this cumbersome title.

How about mergers within the merger?
A good deal of this is expected. For instance, the two textile workers unions are talking of a consolidation. Separate paper workers units and meat industry unions have similar plans.

Where are the areas of possible disagreement in the merged setup?
The old feud among union leaders about craft vs. industrial organization still lies smoldering. This is the issue that led to the secession two decades ago to found the CIO.

Basically, it's this. Some unions such as the carpenters and plumb-

Atomic Energy For Teaching Is Demonstrated

By FRANK CAREY

Associated Press Science Reporter

CLEVELAND (AP)—Production of atomic energy for teaching purposes by "a poor man's approach" has been demonstrated for the first time.

Dr. Lyle Borst, New York University physicist, did the trick with a new kind of atomic reactor or "furnace," which he assembled and tested himself, for the first time last night in the Cleveland Public Hall, with only a reporter and a couple of scientific colleagues as an audience.

The device features "an old hothead we bought for 10 bucks" and several thousand dollars worth of auxiliary equipment—plus \$120,000 worth of atomic fuel and other material loaned by Uncle Sam. And it requires no shielding.

The fuel arrived just in time for Borst to assemble the device and prepare to give the first public demonstration of it today at the opening of an international atomic exposition sponsored by 25 American engineering and scientific societies. The exposition, designed to exhibit the latest developments on peaceful uses of nuclear energy, is the forerunner of a nuclear engineering and science congress, featuring technical reports, which will be held all next week.

Borst quickly made it clear that the uranium "fuel" for the reactor—obtained on loan from the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission—is worth \$80,000 and that a radium-beryllium mixture needed to start the fission process represents another \$40,000 loan from the AEC.

But he said that the setup—designed as a revolutionary new tool for teaching an important phase of atomic energy—is still a bargain-basement item compared with the cost of building a full-scale research reactor.

To build the latter type of reactor, he said, would cost about \$250,000—exclusive of the fuel that would have to be loaned from the AEC.

Explaining that his device is a so-called "subcritical nuclear nuclear reactor"—which produces atomic energy but is incapable of causing a chain-reaction such as occurs in a full-scale reactor—Borst told a reporter:

"With this apparatus, which represents a 'poor man's approach' to atomic energy, we can measure most of the characteristics of a chain reaction—which is basic to all nuclear engineering—without establishing a complete chain."

Fourteen Months After Dispute Milford Has Integration Tiff

By BILL LOFTUS

MILFORD, Del. (AP)—Fourteen months after a dispute over continued segregation of white and negro pupils, the Milford School District is involved today in a disagreement over relations with integrated schools.

The student council, headed by Edward J. Steiner, a tackle on the football team, then asked the board for a meeting to have the questions answered. The students asked to be allowed to bring their parents to the meeting. The board agreed to the meeting but canceled it Nov. 29.

The board, elected last day, after it campaigned on a pro-segregation platform, defeated a slate of candidates head by Steiner's father Edmund F. Steiner, a wool processor. Steiner had served on an interim board which ran the system after the original board involved in the integration dispute last fall resigned. The Steiner slate advocated a go-slow integration policy.

The 17-year-old Steiner, a 238-pound six-footer, and Dr. Paul Malie, high school mathematics teacher and student council advisor, said the student council is not interested in whether the School Board follows a pro-segregation or integration policy.

"What we want is for the board to lay down a line and how to it in their future decisions."

The board in its statements said policies were involved, that the defeated board candidates were trying to embarrass the present board. The elder Steiner denies this.

At first, the Negroes were accepted as students. Then resentment arose and after a boycott of the school by parents and white pupils, the negroes were ordered from the school. The Delaware State Supreme Court has since ruled the Milford School Board erred in admitting the negro pupils without first receiving acceptance from the State Board of Education of an integration schedule.

The negroes now are attending a segregated high school in Georgetown, Del., 17 miles south of Milford.

Recently, the Milford student council wrote a letter to the School Board which asked the board to spell out just what the integration policy would be in the future with regard to sports, and other

Neighbors Come To Assistance Of Man, Wife

By MARVIN SOSNA

Ventura Start-Free Press

VENTURA, Calif. (AP)—It could have been a bleak Christmas for Betty and Herb Smith.

But thanks to their neighbors in the closely knit California city of Ojai, Christmas won't be too bad, and the new year will shine bright for the future.

The Smiths are William H. 31, and Betty, 29, formerly of Spokane, Wash. He is a teacher at Nordhoff High School, and she teaches at the Ojai Cooperative Nursery School.

Both have been in iron lungs at Ventura County General Hospital since Oct. 10. He has been out of the respirator on rare occasions since then. She has been in her lung continuously.

They contracted polio within 24 hours of each other, and the first problem doctors faced was that of morale.

The Smiths have two children, Debra Susan, 5, and Jody Lyn, 2. They have a home. It has a mortgage.

They have payments to keep up. Herb added to his teacher's salary by coaching the Nordhoff High School junior varsity football team.

It was in September that Jody became ill. She was treated for fever and headaches, but no one thought of polio. The child appeared to recover.

Then, on a brisk October weekend, Mrs. Smith complained of the headache—dizziness—fever symptoms. She was rushed to the hospital.

Eighteen hours later Smith was in an iron lung next to her.

Jody had recovered from a mild polio attack, the doctors decided.

Mrs. Ernestine Hix, Mrs. Smith's mother, rushed down from Spokane, took charge of the house and set things right. Among her more pleasant chores: "I had to give the children a lot of loving."

And then Ojai Valley Teachers Assn. set to work. It promoted a benefit raffle, made \$2,200 on a television set giveaway.

Smith's students at Nordhoff donated \$300—the complete receipt—from the Ojai-Santa Barbara Catholic High School football game. Town folks collected \$300.

Where did the money go?
Debra blew out the candles on a fancy decorated birthday cake. The youngsters are eating three meals a day. They look healthy

Officials Place Foreign Aid Near Three Billions

WASHINGTON (AP)—Administration officials have decided this year's request for foreign aid funds should be slightly less than the \$2,703,000,000 voted this year. Some Congress members have been demanding an end to all foreign aid appropriations.

The figure decided on by the Budget Bureau, it was learned yesterday, is \$2,670,000,000 which is eight aid officials describe as "bare bones" version.

President Eisenhower still can change the figure before sending it to Congress, but it already has been thoroughly threshed out by interested agencies.

Of the final total approved, the budget Bureau, \$1,600,000,000 would go for economic, defense support and technical aid. About \$1,070,000,000 for armaments.

With 40 countries participating, this would seem to rule out stepped-up program for the Middle East, where the Communists have been active.

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Simms Praises Soil Conservation As Truly Great Accomplishment

PORTALES (AP)—Gov. John Simms told members attending a convention of the New Mexico Assn. of Soil Conservation Districts Friday night that the work of soil conservation is "one of the truly great accomplishments of our time."

Simms said a farmer or rancher of 30 or 40 years ago "would be amazed at today's approach to the business of raising crops or keeping soil in good shape."

While government and industry have contributed tremendously to the progress made in soil conservation, Simms said that "without question the most lasting effect has come through individual community leadership."

Simms said his state comptroller and state engineer worked "unceasingly" last summer to help relieve suffering and discomfort caused by flash floods, and secondly, to help devise a program to lessen future damage.

Earlier in the day Congressman John Dempsey declared the present administration is allowing soil conservation to lag "at a time when every other phase of our economy is making progress."

Dempsey's speech was read for him. He was confined to his home because of illness and was unable to attend the convention.

Dempsey quoted figures which he claimed showed that increased productivity of land due to soil building programs had caused 132 million dollars more to be returned to the U. S. treasury through income taxes than had been expended by the federal government and state governments combined during the past 20 years.

UNM Receives 30 Inquiries For Grid Post

ALBUQUERQUE (AP)—The University of New Mexico has received approximately 30 inquiries concerning the head football coaching position at the school, President Tom L. Popejoy said.

Popejoy, back in his office after attending educational conferences in New York and on the West Coast, said that no screening of applicants has been done yet.

He said applications and inquiries have come through letters, telegrams and telephone calls. The head coaching job at the University opened Wednesday with announcement of the dismissal of Bob Titchenall, whose teams had won 12, lost 18 and tied one in three seasons.

The University president said machinery for screening applicants would probably be set in motion "sometime this week." Popejoy would divulge no names of applicants but said the University would do "as thorough and complete a job as possible" in considering all those expressing interest in the head coaching job.

ers feel that anyone in their craft should belong to their union. In industrial organization all workers in a particular establishment are organized in a single union, even whatever plumbers or carpenters are among them.

This going to be a continuing problem which Meany, in the final analysis, is going to have to referee. About 70 of the former AFL unions and all of the former CIO unions belong to an internal pact known as the "no raiding" agreement. It binds signatory unions to submit all jurisdictional disputes to a neutral's binding decision.

The agreement has worked well, as has a separate, similar deal among the building trades unions. Meany's job will be to get the unions which have refused to go along with such arrangements, such as the teamsters, to line up.

Politics is likely to be an issue too. Some leaders of former AFL unions are Republican-inclined and may balk at any attempt on the part of the majority of union chiefs who prefer the Democratic party to make a formal choice between presidential nominees in the coming campaign.

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Four Bulldogs Named to All State Grid Team

Bratcher Wins Berth Second Year In Row

By ROBERT GREEN
 Associated Press Sports Writer

State champion Roswell and District 4AA boss Artesia dominated the Associated Press Class AA high school All-State football team for 1955.

Each squad places four men on the bulky squad. Ties at two positions resulted in a 13-man squad selected for the AP by the votes of coaches, sports writers and radio announcers.

Las Cruces, runner up to Roswell, placed two men on the dream team, while Hobbs, Clovis and Farmington had single representatives.

Roswell placed end Gene Moore, guard John Bassett, halfback Jerry Bell and fullback John England. Artesia is represented by end Billy Jones, tackle **Bob Cerny**, quarterback **Max Ratliff** and fullback Clyde Bratcher. Bratcher and England ended in a dead heat in heavy voting for the fullback spot. Bassett also was tied for his position with Jim Houk, Clovis' sole representative.

Las Cruces had halfback Charley Pettis and guard Ronnie Petty. Others were tackle Carl Huisch of Farmington and center Gerald Coppedge of Hobbs.

Moore, a 180-pound senior and the top man on Roswell's strong line this season, drew the most votes on the squad and serves as the team's captain.

Bratcher, a stocky 165-pound senior, is the only repeater on the team. The shifty 164-pounder trailed Pettis, however, as the most popular backfield man. Pettis, probably the fastest man on the squad, is also the heaviest back at 175.

Ratliff, the skipper of an up-and-down Artesia squad, was hard-pressed for his quarterback post by Dave Miller of Roswell.

The line is one of the smallest ever chosen to All-State honors by the coaches. It averages out at 173.5, bolstered by the two tackles, Jerry and Huisch, each weighing 190 pounds, made the squad with ease.

Petty, Coppedge and Jones were other more popular choices on the squad, though Coppedge got full competition from George Gill of Albuquerque for center.

There were no unanimous selections.

The first team:
 Ends—Gene Moore, Roswell 180
 Billy Jones, Artesia, 165 Sr.
 Tackles—Bob Cerny, Artesia, 190
 Carl Huisch, Farmington, 190.
 Guards—Ronnie Petty, Las Cruces, 165 Sr.; John Bassett, Roswell, 160 Sr.; Jim Houk, Clovis, 161 Sr.



Center: Gerald Coppedge, Hobbs 165, Sr.
 Quarterback: Max Ratliff, Artesia, 165, Sr.
 Halfbacks: Jerry Bell, Roswell, 164, Jr.; Charley Pettis, Las Cruces, 175, Sr.
 Fullbacks: Clyde Bratcher, Artesia, 165, Sr.; John England, Roswell, 160, Sr.
The Second Team
 Ends—Jeff Goodin, Las Cruces; Jerry Raines, Highland.
 Tackles—Jimmy Harrison, Las Cruces; Leon Cross, Hobbs.
 Guards—Jim Sloan, Carlsbad; Bob Ingram, Roswell.
 Center—George Gill, Albuquerque.
 Backs—Dave Miller, Roswell; John Watkins, Hobbs; Jarvis Ivy, Highland; Bob Crandall, Highland.
Honorable Mention
 Ends—Corny Patterson, Hobbs; Walt Ebia, Albuquerque, P. Walsh, Farmington; Tommy Gueren, Albuquerque; Dan Sloan, Santa Fe; Williams, Carlsbad; Bob Gentry, Clovis.
 Tackles—Bill Mayes, Artesia; Bryan Coope, Roswell; Anthony Linne, Hobbs; C. Bell, Clovis; Norman Frankfather, Carlsbad; Bill Strunk, Albuquerque; Joe Buchanan, Roswell; Fred Bapp, Roswell; Bob Schier, Roswell; Ronnie Morrison, Albuquerque; B. Dando, Carlsbad; Bill Kennedy, Las Cruces; Joe Venovich, Highland.
 Guards—Jim Campanella, Artesia; Dick Barela, Las Cruces; Leon Cross, Hobbs; Bingham, Clovis; John Garber, Highland; Phil Finley, Albuquerque; Joe Walcott, Hobbs; Ray Wenk, Highland; Ed Blanco, Artesia.
 Centers — Charles Cunningham, Roswell; Benny Diaz, Las Cruces; Ray Montgomery, Highland; James Holcomb, Artesia; Art Viles, Farmington; Bill Mason, Santa Fe; Bob Schuman, Valley.
 Backs—Paul Maese, Las Cruces; K. P. Ross, Hobbs; Steve Aguirre, Las Cruces; Bob Keahbone, Santa Fe; Van Lewing, Highland; George Price, Artesia; Joe Sloan, Hobbs; Pollard, Clovis; G. Phillips, Carlsbad; Monte Doyle, Highland; Ode Weller, Albuquerque; Bob Holderman, Farmington; Buck Wilson, Clovis; R. Othick, Carlsbad; B. Armijo, Albuquerque; D. Wilson, Farmington; Bill Isler, Roswell; Kenton Jones, Highland.

State, Military Officials Fire Blasts As Hunting Feud Reopens

SANTA FE Dec. 10 (AP)—State and military officials swapped verbal exchanges today in a renewal of the fight over hunting privileges in the 400,000-acre Fort Bliss firing range in southern New Mexico.

State Game and Fish Director Homer Pickens took sharp issue with Fort Bliss Conservation Officer Col. Arlie McDuff, who implied that the state was causing deer and game to "deteriorate" in the vast Army reservation.

Pickens said:

"Fort Bliss military authorities have chosen to prohibit public hunting in the range. This has led to a build-up of deer population over the years and within the last five years there has been a tremendous 'dying-off' of animals because no hunting, range or water development program has been allowed."

McDuff charged that the feud between New Mexico and Fort Bliss over hunting license fees had stalled a planned conservation program.

"The deer herd is multiplying too fast for its own good," he said. "He blamed this on the fact that Army personnel are forbidden to hunt until the U. S. Attorney General's office has ruled on whether the reservation is under state or federal law."

Col. McDuff said the base hopes to put into effect a program for feeding and watering the deer herd as soon as the jurisdiction question is settled. In the meantime, he said, game is deteriorating. Deer exist on old ranching facilities abandoned when the Army took over and the water is bad most places.

Pickens laughed at the idea that the 35 hunters Fort Bliss had planned on allowing to hunt could do any good reducing deer population.

"That number of hunters won't control the deer population there," he said. "You could lose 200-300 hunters in the area without any trouble at all."

As for the conservation program McDuff said was awaiting the outcome of the squabble, Pickens said:

"At no time has the Game Department opposed any hunting in the area or any water development program."

He said the department is interested only in whether soldiers at the Texas base will buy non-resident hunting licenses.

"The state law specifically requires residents to buy resident licenses and non-residents to buy non-resident licenses," said Pickens.

"and that's that."

The game director said the department would "welcome their carefully planned conservation project and will cooperate with them fully in the project."

But, he said "we insist the New Mexico game and fish laws be respected and all non-residents be required to buy non-resident licenses."

Pickens cited the cooperation between the game department and officials at White Sands Proving Grounds as a contrast to the Fort Bliss situation.

"We have a working program at WSPG to build up the habitat, improve the range and provide hunting for thousands of hunters," he said. "Gen. W. L. Bell Jr., commanding officer, has cooperated wholeheartedly with us."

The game director said he was a little puzzled by McDuff's references to "deterioration" of game. "He apparently means the range is deteriorating," said Pickens.

"We know that an over-population of deer will cause over use of the range and lead to what could be called deterioration. Deer will die off rapidly in those conditions."

Skyline Officials Recommend More Aid For Athletes

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—Athletic directors and faculty representatives of the Skyline Conference Saturday recommended more liberal aid to the loop's athletes.

The directors and representatives adopted a three-point proposal at the final session of the conference's winter meeting. The proposal calls for:

1. That athletes be given a grant-in-aid, but the grant should not exceed tuition, institutional fees, board and room and \$135 a year earned by employment during school months. At present a grant-in-aid includes tuition and institutional fees, plus a training table within the competitive season, plus employment within certain limitations, which includes a bona fide job at the campus rate of pay, not to exceed one dollar an hour.
2. Under the present system an athlete has to work for his board and room when he is not competing in a sport. The new recommendation asks training table and room benefits for the entire school year.
3. The \$135 a year would be paid for legitimate work on the campus, to be used for laundry, incidentals and spending money for the athletes.

The grant-in-aid recommendation, observers said, should meet with favorable action from the presidents, who have been working to boost the prestige of the conference through its athletics.

The recommendation, along with other business passed at meetings this week, now will go before the Skyline Council of Presidents for final action. The president's probability will meet within a few weeks.

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Sugar Ray Regains Title With Second Round Kayo

CHICAGO (AP)—Time backed up for Sugar Ray Robinson Friday night and today the astounding re-crowned 35-year-old middleweight champion had a three-month wait for a return match with dethroned, dejected Bobo Olson.

It was almost three years ago to the day, Dec. 18, 1952, that Robinson abdicated the 160-pound title he viciously reclaimed without too much cash profit.

In what must go down as one of boxing's most brilliant comebacks, Robinson blasted a second-round knockout over favored, but befuddled Olson in a nationally-televisted title match at the Chicago Stadium.

However, Sugar Ray's \$46,428 purse was attached by the federal government for back income taxes.

This was the Robinson once rated as the best piece of fighting man per pound in the history of the game.

Either that, or the 27-year-old Olson—beset by marital difficulty—was a woeful 3-1 favorite still shell-shocked from his third-round knockout by light heavy champ Archie Moore last June 22.

At any rate, Olson finished his fourth 160-pound title defense flat on his back after a furious Robinson salvo in which a brutal left hook and right uppercut dealt the killing blows in 2:51 of the second.

The amazing finish made Robinson the first middleweight in history to recapture the 160-pound title twice.

The International Boxing Club, probably as surprised as Olson over last night's outcome, announced Robinson would not fight again until Olson has his entitled rematch within 90 days.

Sid Flaherty, Olson's manager, and Jim Norris, IBC president, both seemed to think that if Olson can straighten out things with his estranged wife, a rematch will be justified.

Bobo's wife, Dolores, commented after Olson's belting last night that maybe it "will put some sense in his head and he'll stop being a playboy."

But whatever happens on the Olson domestic front, Robinson will remain boxing's hero for some time. He can exult in his recaptured glory, promenading in TV and other personal appearances until Olson makes up his mind whether to meet him again.

There isn't much to encourage Olson to take on Robinson for a fourth time. It may have been psychology, as well as Sugar Ray's flailing fists, which dumped Olson last night.

Bobo knew that Robinson knocked him out in 12 rounds at Philadelphia in 1950 and won a 15-round decision over him in 1952 at San Francisco.

Olson admitted in his dressing room that he didn't know what hit him.

"So fast, so fast," moaned Bobo. "It was his fast combination and I got careless."

Olson asked if he tried to get up as Referee Frank Sikora counted him out. He did, but only by rolling helplessly over at "eight" while his glazed eyes stared at the glaring arc lights overhead.

Olson didn't even win the first round with two judges, Ed Hintz and John Bray giving the kill to Robinson and Referee Sikora calling it even.

Perhaps it was a long right lead which jolted Olson at the close of the first round that started Bobo's finish. Olson tried to force the fight in the second. He came in close for a sharp exchange. And then Robinson set up the kill.

Sugar Ray lashed his patented left-right combination. Olson hung in close for a moment. Robinson blurred another one-two combination and then whistled the left hook and right upper cut on the chin which sent Olson tumbling on his back. A left hook followed, but the lights had gone out for Bobo.

Rams Out To Clinch West Pro Grid Title

By The Associated Press

The Los Angeles Rams can clinch their first Western Division title since 1951 by defeating or tying the Green Bay Packers in the National Football League's top game today.

But it probably won't be easy. The Packers knocked off the Rams 30-28 in their only meeting this season Oct. 16. Should the Rams lose, the runnerup Chicago Bears can qualify for the championship game against Cleveland Dec. 26 by whipping the Philadelphia Eagles. The Rams are 7-3-1 for the year and the Bears 7-4.

The Browns, who clinched their sixth Eastern crown last Sunday, take on the Chicago Cardinals in their final game of the regular campaign. In other games, Baltimore plays San Francisco. New York faces Detroit and Pittsburgh goes against Washington.

The Western Conference race conceivably could wind up in a tie, necessitating a playoff Dec. 18. That would come about if Los Angeles loses and the Eagles tie the Bears. Whether the Rams or Bears win the title, however, Cleveland will be the visiting team in the championship contest.

The Browns go into the Cardinal game with an 8-2-1 record and will be putting Otto Graham on display before the home folks for the last time during the regular season. The great passer and signal caller came out of retirement to again spark the Cleveland attack but insists this definitely is his last year.

The Bears have not met Philadelphia in a regular season game since 1949 when they trounced the Eagles 38-21. They're heavily favored to do it again tomorrow.

If Detroit loses to the Giants it will have gone from one extreme to the other. The Lions, Western Division kingpins last season, are deadlocked with San Francisco for the cellar and, with Bobby Layne injured, their chances of beating the Giants are none too good.

Baltimore can wind up in third place in the Western Conference by tripping the 4fers while Green Bay loses. And a Pittsburgh triumph over Washington coupled with a cardinal and—or Philadelphia defeat will move the Steelers out of the Eastern dungeon.

Bulldogs Add Roswell, NMMI To Victim List

Clyde Chaney scored 16 points last night as he led the Artesia Bulldogs to their second win in as many nights, and third of the young season, as the 'Dogs' thumped New Mexico Military Institute 60-40 on their home court.

Friday night he counted 18 as the Bulldogs subdued Roswell 48-40 on the loser's hardwood.

The Artesians rushed to an 18-11 first period lead over NMMI and were never seriously threatened. The bulge was stretched to 35-28 at halftime, and 55-31 at the three-quarter mark.

Perry Cole and Max Ratliff each jumped into double figures against NMMI to give the needed assistance to lanky Chaney. Cole tallied 11 and Ratliff 13. Bob Cerny chipped in seven, and Robinson added five.

Gary Crockett contributed four and Charles Snow and Fred Alvarez each scored two.

Levine and Whiting scored 15 and 11 respectively to lead the NMMI attack. They were joined by Farrell with five, Cox with four, Stander with three and Kirkor with two.

The Friday night battle with Roswell was a squeaker all the way. The Bulldogs owned a narrow 9-8 lead at the end of the first period apud 19-18 at the intermission.

In the third period, however, they pumped 18 markers through the net while holding the Coyotes to five and established a lead which the Roswell five could not overcome in the final canto.

Cole and Ratliff were also in double figures in that contest, with 12 and 10, while Cerny scored six and Robinson two.

Next Friday night the Bulldogs entertain the defending state champion Carlsbad five, then journey to Lovington Saturday night.

Sports In Brief

By The Associated Press

TENNIS
 NEW YORK—Panchito Gonzales upset Tony Trabert's professional debut by whipping the former amateur ace 9-11, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2 at Madison Square Garden.

GOLF
 MIAMI, Fla.—Frank Stranahan and 4 relative "unknowns" tied for the first round lead in the Miami Open, with 3 under par 67s.

GENERAL
 EVANSTON, Ill.—Stu Holcomb stepped out as head football coach at Purdue to accept the athletic directorship at northwestern.

BASEBALL
 PHILADELPHIA—The Phillies purchased outfielder Frank Baumholtz from the Chicago Cubs in a straight cash deal, and the Brooklyn Dodgers traded pitcher Russ Meyer to the Chicago Cubs for cash and pitcher Don Elston of Los Angeles.

LEWISBURG, Pa.—Little League Baseball Inc., and deposed Commissioner Carl E. Stoltz agreed to negotiate their differences.

RACING
 MIAMI BEACH, Fla.—Laurel Springs (\$5,600) won the feature at Tropical Park.

NEW ORLEANS—Lebanon Lad (\$5.20) scored a length victory in the Symphony Purse at the Fair Grounds.

SAN BRUNO, Calif.—Ole Travis (\$9.30) overtook Pancho's Cover in the stretch to win the top event at Tanforan.

FIGHTS
 CHICAGO—Sugar Ray Robinson, 159-34, New York, knocked out Carl (Bobo) Olson, 159-14, San Francisco, 2. Robinson regained world's middleweight title.

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OH, DAD—BUT REALLY? THAT'S THE FIRST NIGHT THERE'S A FULL MOON!

BIG SISTER

OH, DONNIE, IT'S A PERFECT LIKENESS OF YOU!

THERE--THAT DOES IT--

NOW TRY YOUR SLICKER ON-- CAN I SEE IT?

WHEN CAN I SEE IT?

WOULD YOU KNOW YOU ANYWHERE, DONNIE!

REALLY BETH? WHAT DO I LOOK LIKE?

LITTLE ANNIE ROONEY

THIS IS A LONESOME KINDA ROAD. ZERO. I GUESS THAT'S CAUSE IT'S GETTIN' COLDER AN' COLDER, AN' NOBODY WANTS TO BE OUTSIDE IF THEY CAN HELP IT.

NO CARS, NO TRUCKS, NO NOTHIN'! IT'S JUST LIKE YOU AN' ME, HERE ALL ALONE IN A SILENT WORLD THAT WAS SLOWLY FREEZIN' TO DEATH.

I SHOULDN'T HAVE SCARY THOUGHTS LIKE THAT, BUT I GUESS I'M TOO COLD TO HAVE HAPPY THOUGHTS. I FEEL LIKE I COULD CRY, BUT I HOPE I DON'T. THE TEARS WOULD FREEZE ON MY FACE, AN' THEN I WOULD FEEL EVEN WORSE.

CISCO KID

IT'S EASY ENOUGH TO TALK ABOUT GETTIN' RID OF THE SHARK, HE AIN'T MUCH WITH A GUN, BUT SUPPOSE HE'S GOT THAT SURE SHOT STRANGER SHININ' HIM?

YOU MEAN CISCO? WELL, GET RID OF HIM FIRST!

AN INTERRUPTION...

HO, PANCHITO! I THINK YOU SHOULD LOOK AT YOUR HORSE. I CAN'T TELL WHAT'S WRONG WITH HIM!

SULP!

MY POOR LOCO! IS HE HURT? SICK? DYIN'?

EASY AMIGO! I CAN'T TELL YOU WHAT'S WRONG WITH HIM BECAUSE THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH HIM! I JUST WANTED TO GET YOU OUTSIDE!

MICKY MOUSE

OKAY, MINNIE... IF YOU INSIST! I'LL GET IT FOR YOU!

MIND IF I BORROW YOUR CATCHER'S STUFF FOR A WHILE?

HOW COME UNCA MICKEY? THE SEASON'S BEEN OVER FOR A LONG TIME!

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WHY'D MUGS GIVE HIM THE GUN? WHY'S HE JUST STANDING THERE? SHOULD I SHOOT?

THE OTHER MAN'S HIDDEN SOMEPLACE--WATCHING-- HIS GUN AIMED AT ME. BUT-- WHERE?

HANDRAKE HAS HYPNOTIZED THE THUG--

GO TO YOUR PAL--

NOW--IF MY LUCK HOLDS--

CONTINUED

A Girl Takes A Job - - Through The New Mexico State Employment Service

AN ADVOCATE PICTURE STORY



When Norma decides to change jobs, she goes first to the New Mexico State Employment Service.



Paul Davidson, right, an Employment Service interviewer, goes over Norma's qualifications.



Norma talks first to the receptionist at the Employment Service, Sue Nunnelee, left.



Norma is given a typing test to determine her proficiency as a typist.



Norma is interviewed by Bruce Cabot, left, manager of the Artesia Gas & Appliance Co., and later, is hired by B. N. Muncy, Jr., the owner.

All through her high school years, attractive, 18-year-old Norma Renfro had taken advantage of every business and commercial course afforded her—shorthand, typing, book-keeping—all of them. The excitement and glamour, and the pleasant working conditions of an office career had always appealed to Norma. It was what she had studied and worked toward all those years in school. But now she had been out of school almost six months. And what was she doing? Still working at a sales job she had taken on the spur of the moment, right after she had graduated from high school. Not that there was anything wrong with sales work, but it just wasn't what Norma wanted. She felt like she wasn't getting anywhere. She had taken the job when she got out of school because she had needed a job at the time, and this one had presented itself. Then, too, at that time she hadn't

been very sure of herself and she had thought that it might be hard to secure an office position that she would like. She had followed the course of least resistance and settled for sales work.

But one day about two weeks ago, Norma decided to do something about it. During her lunch hour that day, it was a Thursday, Norma walked down the street to the local New Mexico State Employment Service office at 511 W. Main St. She didn't know much about the operating of the State Employment Service, but she had been told they might be able to help her there. She had supposed that it would take a while for them to place her, possibly weeks or months, but she had retained her present job for the time being.

Norma entered the Employment Service office and one of the front desks she saw a girl with whom she was acquainted. The girl's name was Sue Nunnelee and she was a clerical worker and interviewer. Sue was the first to talk with Norma and she wrote down certain basic information—Norma's name and the type of employment she was interested in, her physical description and past experience. Then Sue turned her over to Paul Davidson, an employment relations interviewer.

Paul checked the information and took over from there. Her experience—Norma had only held the one job. Her five employers—if there had been that many—in Norma's case there had not been. Her background—she had attended school at Lubbock, Tex., had come to Artesia in 1954, graduated from high school here in 1955, had started in a business as a sophomore, had studied all the business and commercial courses she could get. She could take dictation but her shorthand might be a bit rusty now, and she used to type about 60 words per minute when she was in school.

But it had been six months since Norma had done any typing to speak of, so Paul thought it advisable to give her a typing test. First there was a stenographer's and typist aptitude test to determine her proficiency in that type of work, and then the standard typing test. Norma typed 60 words per minute in the test.

If Norma had not already known what type of work she wanted, Paul, as a part of the Employment Service's employment counseling, might have given her aptitude and personality tests to determine the field she would be best suited for. For that purpose the Employment Service has paper and pencil tests developed by U. S. Department of Labor psychologists for 350 occupations. In addition there are eye-hand coordination tests, form perception and clerical perception tests, a general intelligence test, and a general aptitude test that measures aptitude for nine types of work.

But Norma Renfro's field was already determined. Tests had shown her proficient in her field, so she returned to her sales job to await a call from the Employment Service.

Meanwhile Employment Service personnel went to work on Norma's case. The task, now that her qualifications had been evaluated, was to match her application to an employment job order from the files.

Troy Knighten, interviewer in charge of selection and referrals, checked the files and found a job order from the Artesia Gas & Appliance Co., 402 N. First St., the stipulations of which matched Norma's qualifications. His findings were checked by Carl Foster, local State Employment Service manager.

Norma had started the ball rolling at noon Thursday. Friday morning she received a call from Sue Nunnelee. She was to come to the Employment Service office and pick up a referral card for an interview with B. N. Muncy, Jr., owner of the Artesia Gas & Appliance Co. Later that day Norma picked up her card and went for an interview with Muncy.

Norma was met at the Artesia Gas & Appliance Co. by Wanda McDonald, bookkeeper, who told her that Muncy had called but that Bruce Cabot, manager of the firm, would see her. Later Norma returned for an interview with Muncy. He filled out her referral card, stating that she had been hired and returned it to the State Employment Service. Norma reported for work at her new job the following Monday.

Norma's new position consists of bookkeeping, posting, stenographic and secretarial work, exactly the type of work she is best qualified for and most wanted to do. It pays her \$82 a month more than she was making as a sales girl.

The State Employment Service had another satisfied customer. She was one of many. In the month of November this year, the Artesia office of the State Employment Service placed 99 persons in non-agricultural occupations. The placements resulted from 174 referrals. There were 89 openings in November. In addition, 89 individuals and 77 in crews, were placed in agricultural jobs that month.

Of the 99 non-agricultural placements, 14 were in clerical and sales positions, 12 were service jobs, one was skilled labor, nine were semi-skilled, and 63 were unskilled labor.

That same month 88 new applications were taken by the New Mexico State Employment Service at Artesia.



The next day, Norma reports to the Artesia Gas & Appliance Co. for an interview arranged by the State Employment Service.



At the office of the Artesia Gas & Appliance Co., Norma is greeted by the bookkeeper and receptionist, Wanda McDonald.



Before she leaves the Employment office, Norma talks to Troy Knighten, in charge of selection and referrals.



Norma's new job consists of posting, bookkeeping, stenographic and secretarial work. All Advocate Photos



Left to right: W. G. Short, director of special activities, 29 years; A. R. Wood, business manager, Artesia schools, 27 years; George P. White, director of instructions, 25 year service.

Here are pictured most of the faculty of the Artesia school system who have been in the teaching service for as many as 25 years, or more. A few of the 25-year teachers were not available when these pictures were made. These teachers have given long and honorable service to their community. (All photos on this page are Advocate photos with the exception of the two at the bottom, left.)



Teachers at Central School with 25 years service or more. Left to right: Miss Hazel Hockensmith, Miss Helen Gorman and Mrs. Winifred Haralson.



Miss Spence, 32 years service, and Mrs. Gertrude McCaw, 35 years service. Both teachers at Park School.



James Allen, industrial arts teacher at the High School, 29 years service.



Faculty members of Artesia Junior High School with 25 years service or more. Seated, Miss Esther Ekstrom; standing, Mrs. Nell Hamann, and Don Riddle principal.



Elsie Hayhurst, teacher at Atoka School with 26 years of teaching service.



Ruffus Stinnett, principal, Roselawn School, with 28 years of teaching service.



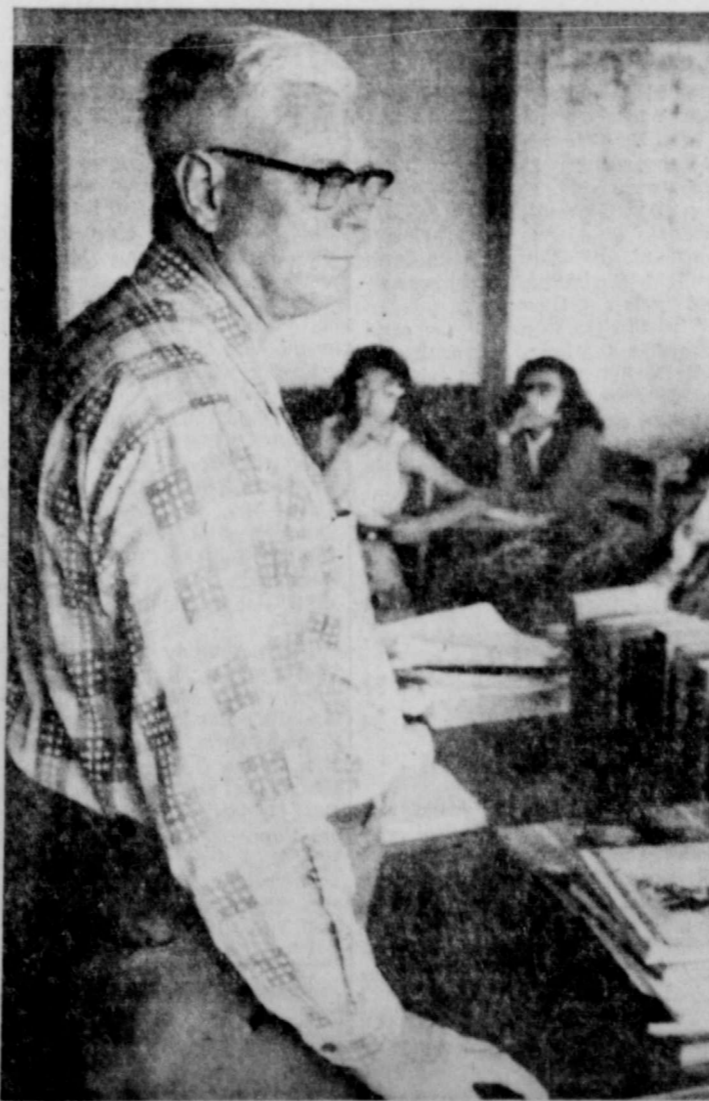
High School faculty members with 25 years of service or more are: Left to right, R. M. Parham, assistant principal and math teacher, 34 years; Miss Ann Howarth, home economics, 25 years; Miss Lois Nethery, librarian, 26 years; F. L. Green, history teacher, 29 years.



Ralph L. Lea, teacher Hope school, 37 years of service.



Fae Lea, Hope school, over 25 years of service.



L. E. Hodges, principal Cottonwood School, 28 years of service.



Mrs. Rosetta Stalcup, 25 years service, and Ralph Thompson, 25 years service. Both are teachers at Park School.



THREE ARTESIANS at the University of New Mexico get together on the campus between classes. L to R, they are Harold Francis, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Francis, 506 Quay st.; Sara Curtis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry S. Curtis, 1304 S. 9th st.; and Walter Gray, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gray, 405 W. Missouri. Harold is a pre-law student in the junior class. Sara, who will be graduated in January of 1956, is majoring in Spanish and minoring in psychology. She has also attended summer school at the Autonomous University of Guadalajara, Mexico. Among her many student activities are membership in the Student Senate, the council of her dormitory, the geology club and the Fiesta committee. In 1954 she was chosen as the "dream girl" of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. Walter, a freshman in civil engineering, was formerly a deep-sea diver with the U. S. Navy in the Philippines, China, Alaska, Japan and Korea. In Japan he assisted in raising a U. S. jet plane from 150 feet of water.

Pat Johnson Engagement To Son Of Artesia Couple Is Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard C. Johnson, of Lefore, Tex., have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Pat of Topeka, Kan. to Bill Feather of El Paso, Tex., son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Feather of Artesia. Vows will be exchanged at 6 p. m. January 14 in the Johnson family home. Miss Johnson was graduated from Lefore High school and Texas Technological college and is a member of the editorial staff of The Topeka State Journal. Mr. Feather was graduated from Artesia High school and New Mexico A&M college and is a member of the editorial staff of the El Paso Times.

AAUW Meeting Held Saturday

A Christmas story, "The Uninvited Guest," as told by Mrs. C. C. Westerman was the feature of the December meeting of the Artesia branch of the American Association of University Women held Saturday afternoon at the Country Club. Serving as hostesses were Miss Sue Felix, Mrs. Wallace Johnson and Miss Zelma Jean Knull. Presiding was president, Mrs. A. R. Haralson who conducted the club's business after the luncheon.

WSCS Circles To Hold Joint Yule Party Thursday

The four circles of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will hold a joint Christmas party at 2:30 p. m. Thursday in Fellowship hall. Mrs. Owen Haynes, vice president, will be in charge of the arrangements. Highlight of the program will be the High School chorus under the direction of H. O. Miller which will present musical numbers during the reading of a Christmas story "Mary Pondered" by Mrs. Haynes. The Christmas story from Luke will be read by Mrs. Ed Thompson. Hostesses for the afternoon will be Mrs. Reed Brainard, Mrs. Wayne Dougherty, Mrs. M. G. Goodwin, Mrs. C. H. Johns and Mrs. Everett Crume.

Baptist Circle Meets Friday With Mrs. Shearin

The ladies of the Blonny Foreman Circle of the First Baptist church met Friday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Bill Shearin. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Mrs. William Holly. Members were reminded to bring Christmas toys for the two-year-old nursery at the next Royal Service meeting. Members were also reminded of the Worker's conference on Dec. 13 at Dexter. Community mission for December is distributing the White Christmas to the needy. Devotional was the Christmas story given by Mrs. Jimmy Francis. Mrs. Burr Clem brought the missions study from Guide for Community Missions. The meeting was closed with a prayer by Mrs. Charles Shaid. Refreshments of fruit cake and coffee were served to Mrs. Gene Sandlin, Mrs. Orville Chambers, Mrs. Lee Spalding, Mrs. Burr Clem, Mrs. Jimmy Francis, Mrs. Bill Shearin, Mrs. William Holly, Mrs. Allen White, and Mrs. Charles Shaid.

Shower Honors Mrs. Callahan Wednesday Night

Mrs. H. S. Callahan was honored with a pink and blue shower on Wednesday evening in the home of Mrs. John Clark. Hostesses were Miss Peggy Hanna and Mrs. Floyd Shelton. The gifts were placed in a basinet with a large stork standing by the side of it. Favors were storks made from jelly beans. Refreshments of cake, coffee, and Cokes were served. Those present were Mrs. Doug Fowler and Kathy, Mrs. Danny Fuller, Mrs. Willis Baker, Mrs. Herb Clark, Mrs. Plaz Hill, Mrs. Gene Youckey, Mrs. Jack Hanna, Mrs. Tommy Godfrey, Mrs. Jim Byler, Mrs. Clark, Miss Faith Shepard, Miss Gladys Hanna and the hostesses.

Ward Children Feted At Joint Birthday Party

Darryl Gene, seven years and Sandra Lee Dard, two years celebrated their birthdays Wednesday afternoon with a joint party at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ward, 502 Runyan. Sandra's birthday cake was green decorated in pink. Darryl's was yellow decorated in blue. Those present were Randy and Dave Anna Jenkins, Bubba and Donnie Clement, Genie, Wayne, and David Fore, Billy and Bobby Boyce, Jackie and Jimmy Mayberry, and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Neilson.

Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Neilson have sold their home at 1108 Washington and left Saturday morning for Neosho, Mo., where they plan to make their residence. Mrs. Buford Gray and Miss Nina Cole, spent Friday afternoon in Roswell. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Parmer and daughters, Sandra and Jamie, are expected this week from Philadelphia, where they have been since September. Jim is a member of the Philadelphia Eagles professional football team. Al Anderson, a student at Central School, is a patient in the Shrine Children's Hospital, St. Louis, Mo., where he will undergo surgery. He expects to be there several months. He would appreciate hearing from his friends. He is the son of Mrs. Gloria Anderson, a teacher at Hermosa school. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Durham spent the weekend in Lubbock, Texas. Mrs. Don Mayes and Mrs. Ralph Barr left today for Lubbock, Texas, where they plan to spend several days. Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Muncy, Jr., returned Thursday from Kansas City, Mo., where they attended an agricultural ammonia institute. They left here last Sunday by plane, and returned by plane. Mrs. A. J. Shaver of Waco, Texas, arrived Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Shaver. Mrs. Wayne Truett, 1210 Mann



DORA HOWELL is shown standing by the bicycle she was awarded this week, as one of the second prizes for entries in the contest sponsored by Lipton Tea to name Arthur Gray's colt. She named it Twilight. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Howell, 1110 S. Roselawn.

Artesia Garden Club Christmas Party Held At J. O. Miller Home

Artesia Garden Club met Friday afternoon in the home of Mrs. J. O. Miller for the Christmas party. Mrs. J. W. Bradshaw was co-hostess. The Christmas motif was carried out in the house decorations and yard. In the front yard is Santa with his four reindeers, a fireplace and lighted tree with pack-a-scentrude ages under it. Santa talks to the children as they approach the yard. The house was decorated with small reindeers, holly and potted plants. Members exchanged gifts from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree. Mrs. W. M. Tipps, president, was in charge of the meeting. The group voted to go to the Southern Union Gas Co. demonstration on Tuesday. The Artesia Story League was in charge of the program, and Mrs. Shirley Hager told the Christmas story, "Christmas Roses." Those present were Mrs. J. W. Kennedy, Mrs. Omer Kersey, Mrs. John Parmer, Mrs. Earl Darst, Mrs. C. W. Smith, Mrs. Paul Terry, Mrs. E. J. Shepard, Mrs. Jesse Funk, Mrs. J. A. Richards, Mrs. W.

M. Tipps, Mrs. Carl Lewis, Mrs. J. W. Bradshaw, and Mrs. J. O. Miller, members, and Mrs. L. E. Francis, Mrs. J. W. Jones, and Mrs. H. R. Williams of Lovington, guests.

Girl Scout Troop Blesses Home, Plans Trip Overseas

A house was blessed and initial plans were made for a trip abroad by members of Girl Scout Troop 20 Wednesday evening at the new home of the assistant troop leader, Mrs. T. C. Stromberg. Fourteen members participated in the choral blessing and were accompanied by Mrs. Stanley Carper, troop leader. Parents of the Girl Scouts witnessed the ceremony which was concluded with a prayer by Rev. Fred Klerekooper. Miss Bobbie Jo Hanson showed the group her slides of her trip to Norway last summer where she was sent as a Girl Scout representative from the United States to an encampment at Oslo. Inspired by Miss Hanson's trip, the girls presented their plan to earn money for the entire troop to travel to Europe when they are seniors. They have already had rummage sales, washed cars, hired themselves out as baby-sitters, helped merchants with Christmas mailing and other means of earning troop trip money. Parents at the meeting agreed to back the girls in any way they could in order for them to reach the goal they have set. Mrs. Stromberg served refresh-

Wesleyan Guild Christmas Party Held Thursday

Wesleyan Service Guild met Thursday evening in the home of Mrs. Glenn Caskey for a Christmas party. The Christmas motif was carried out in the house decorations. Christmas carols were sung with Mrs. Rufus Waltrip at the piano, with Mrs. L. H. McAlester giving the theme of the song and the life of the composer. The Rev. H. L. McAlester told the story, "The Man, Who Was Too Busy to Find The Child," by Lucius Bugbee. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments of fruit cake topped with whipped cream, nuts and coffee were served. Those present were Mrs. Nora Coppinger, Mrs. Leona Gott, Mrs. Robert Blair, Mrs. Bertha Stahler, Mrs. Loraine Phillips, Mrs. Daisy Wilburn, Mrs. Frank Hopkins, Mrs. Nina McCarter, Mrs. Rufus Waltrip, Mrs. Nellie Hattell, Mrs. Rosetta Stalcup, Mrs. Marion Dunnam, Mrs. Eva Speck, Mrs. Myrtle Franklin, Mrs. Beatrice Blocker, Miss Zelma Knull, Miss Esther Ekstrom, Miss Doris Johnson, Mrs. Nell Lorain, Mrs. Ruth Jones, Mrs. Caskey, Rev. and Mrs. McAlester, and a guest, Mrs. Smith.

Hospital Record

Admissions, Dec. 9—John E. Ucker, 1004 Hermosa; Mrs. Carl Terrell, city; Mrs. Darrell Wilson; Mrs. Joe Florez, Roswell; Mrs. C. O. Halterman, Loco Hills; Sally Jo Ann Bowman, 407 S. Eighth St. Dismissed Dec. 9—Phyllis Coolcy; Mrs. C. A. Blevins. Births Dec. 9—Mr. and Mrs. Carl Terrell, daughter, 7:38 a. m., 6 pounds 3 ounces; Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Wilson, son, 7 pounds 10 ounces; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Florez, daughter, 11:05 a. m., 5 pounds 14 ounces.

Cottonwood Garden Club Meet Held Thursday At Gray Residence

Cottonwood Garden Club met Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Orval Gray. Mrs. Bill Fox, was co-hostess. Mrs. Bill Fox, president, was in charge of the meeting. It was announced, starting with January, meetings will be held the fourth Friday of the month. The next meeting will be Jan. 27 at the home of Mrs. Ralph Pearson. Mrs. Orval Gray, Mrs. James Thigpen, and Mrs. Bill Fox were appointed on the nominating committee to select new officers. Mrs. Ray Zumwalt was in charge of the program which was Christmas arrangements made, using living plants. Mrs. J. J. Terry, Mrs. James Thigpen, Mrs. Kermit Southard, and Mrs. Ray Zumwalt, brought Christmas arrangements and explained them. The Christmas motif was carried out in the house decorations. Refreshments of spiced cake and coffee were served. Those present were Mrs. Bill Fox, Mrs. Jesse Funk, Mrs. Owen Haynes, Mrs. Carl Lewis, Mrs. Ralph Pearson, Mrs. John Runyan, Mrs. Kermit Southard, Mrs. Elzie Swift, Mrs. J. J. Terry, Mrs. James Thigpen, Mrs. Ray Zumwalt, Mrs. Ed Parnell, Mrs. Bill Fox, and Mrs. Orval Gray.

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Park School P-T-A Meeting Scheduled

Park School Parent Teacher Association will meet at 3:45 p.m. Tuesday in the music room. For the program Mrs. J. Burr Stouff's chorus will present several numbers, and Johnnie Ware's string orchestra will play several numbers. The Rev. Fred G. Klerkoper will give the Christmas message.

Loco Hills News

Vicki Jo Davis, four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willburn Davis, has returned home from the hospital at Artesia, after an appendectomy last Sunday night. Mrs. Frank Collins, Mrs. Gavel Westfall and Mrs. W. A. Hammond and daughter Jan of Maljamar went to Roswell last Saturday. Frank Collins, Jewell Heard and Ray Miller are attending to business at Dallas, Texas this week. Mrs. Raymond D. Jones entered Lovelace clinic at Albuquerque Tuesday for a checkup. Mrs. Jimmy Davis has returned home after being hospitalized in Artesia for several days. Gaynell Chaney has been ill with the chicken pox. Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Hamersley and daughter Vera Mae spent last weekend at Crosbyton, Texas, with Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Hamersley. Mrs. J. D. Peck, Mrs. E. A. Shafter, Mrs. L. D. Richardson and Mrs. J. M. Richardson went to Carlsbad Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Truett Loyd and Ronnie of Artesia were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Richardson, Sunday night. Mrs. C. A. Briscoe and Mrs. Truett Goss and daughter Barbara of Artesia visited with Jimmy Belyin at a Roswell hospital Wednesday. Mrs. Bert Shafer was a visitor at the home of Mrs. C. A. Briscoe Monday. Noble Harvey was operated on Friday at Medical Center hospital at Roswell. Mrs. Harvey reports he is getting along fine and will be home in a few days, but will remain in a cast for several weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Furlong and son Ricky Craig of Iraan, Texas, spent Thursday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Miller and Gary. Their son, Kenneth Ray returned home with them Friday after visiting with his grandparents for several days. Mr. and Mrs. John Danley arrived home Wednesday from El Paso, Texas, where Mr. Danley was a patient at the Providence Memorial hospital for eighteen days. He is recovering nicely from surgery performed last week. Mrs. T. H. Burrows and daughter Mrs. Leonard Vandever shopped at Carlsbad Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Brown Northeit of Albuquerque spent last weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Burrows. Mrs. Jack Smith has been ill. Mr. and Mrs. Billy Smith of Albuquerque visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith recently. Womens Society of Christian Service met Tuesday afternoon at the Methodist church for a Christmas party and gifts were exchanged. Mrs. Orlando Briscoe and Mrs. Lee Foster were hostesses. Attending the party were Mrs. B. J. Rogers, Mrs. Sam Snow and grand son Sammie, Mrs. John Hyder, Mrs. Lloyd Gray, Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Clark of Artesia, Mrs. C. T. Burrows, Mrs. Bill Golden, Mrs. E. R. McKinstry and Mrs. Sarah Pleasant all of Maljamar. Mrs. Larry Moore, Mrs. Doyle Gray and Mrs. Jack Case and daughter Deborah shopped at Roswell Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sanders of

An Open-Plan Kitchen—It's Designed... FOR COOKING AND FOR WASHING



Open-planing in many of today's homes permits a look of spaciousness and warmth even in steel kitchens of limited size such as this. With built-in surface cooking units and waist-high oven installed on one wall, an abundance of harmonizing steel cabinets surround, as well as house, the built-in to provide ample storage space. There is sufficient counter work surface here, too. In this convenient plan, the laundry equipment fits in an adjacent area, within steps of the "open" kitchen.

Few Hardy Souls Bring Unpopular Measures To Fore

By SAM DAWSON
NEW YORK (AP)—A yuletide flushed with prosperity is a poor time to bring up unpopular measures. But a few hardy souls are doing that today—and, borrowing the nursery phrase, are insisting they are doing it only for our own good.

Some swimmers against the tide of popular demand are saying this is no time for tax cuts. Others are warning that if more Americans don't start saving more money, there won't be enough to meet the demand of their neighbors for new mortgages and maybe even for new gadgets bought on time—at least the available money will be so tight that interest rates will go even higher. Those opposing tax cuts and accusing fast-spending citizens of being responsible for tight money rather than the government, as many charge are likely to win few friends just now. And it's questionable whether they'll influence many congressmen or consumers.

The plea to let taxes stay high is being heard by a House-Senate Economic subcommittee studying the effect of taxes on the economy. Good times have built up enough momentum to carry through next year without any stimulant from tax cuts, according to Edwin B. George, director of the Economics Department of Dun & Bradstreet. He would like to see taxes maintained at the present level and any Treasury surplus used for slum clearance and social security. This view is sure to be unpopular in many quarters. Another economist, Gerhard Colm of the National Planning Assn., would spend any surplus on both military and nondefense programs.

An industrial economist, Donald B. Woodruff, chairman of the Finance Committee of Vick Chemical, would use present tax rates to reduce the federal debt. The interest charge on that each year is one of the burdens the taxpayer bears. Last year Americans were saving 6.5 per cent of their disposable income, and this year 5.8 per cent. Some economists point out that this gap between savings and borrowing, and not governmental credit policies, is causing the credit pinch now.

Ecuador is the world's leading producer of bananas. The oldest Quaker Meeting House in America, dating from 1699, still stands in Newport, R.I. It is now used as a city community center for children. There are an estimated two billion tons of low grade iron ore within 100 feet of the surface in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Upper Michigan's iron mines produced approximately 13 million tons of ore in 1930. But in 1931 they produced more than 19 million tons.

Library Notes

The Artesia Public Library, through Mrs. Lewis Story, acting librarian, today announced a list of seven new books that the library has in. The latest release is "The African Giant" by Stuart Cloete. It is the story of a year's journey through Africa. "It All Started With Europa," by Richard Armour, is a humorous story of the history of Europe from cave man to cold war. A case book of a psychologist is found in "A Few Buttons Missing" by James T. Fisher, M. D., and Lowell S. Hawley. Life Magazine's series, "The World We Live In," is featured in book form now at the library. "Singing Family of the Cumberland," by Jean Ritchie, shows one family's contribution to the building of America. Louisa Grace Erdman's "The Far Journey" tells of the trail from Missouri to the Texas Panhandle in the 1830's.

The best-selling "Marjorie Morningstar," by Herman Wouk, author of "The Caine Mutiny", is available. It is a story of Jewish life in the 1920's. Most of the new books coming in recently have been children's books, Mrs. Story said.

Artesia visited with Mrs. George Miller Tuesday afternoon. They were friends in Kansas and hadn't seen each other for twenty-one years. Donald Thorpe and Don Merchant of Chicago, Illinois, were weekend guests of Donald's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Collins. They went through the Carlsbad Caverns Saturday. The boys are roommates at Eastern New Mexico University at Portales.

All students at the school are entering the statewide Meat Promotional contest. The students' parents are making new curtains for the stage at the school. In the recent magazine selling contest at school, Roy Collins won a kodak as first prize for being high salesman. The contest was a great success and the students wish to thank everyone.

Mrs. Raymond D. Jones entertained the L and M Bridge Club at her home Monday with a Christmas luncheon. Decorations consisted of Christmas napkins and a miniature Christmas tree for the centerpiece. Turkey and all the trimmings were served. Each guest brought a covered dish.

Gifts were exchanged. Mrs. E. R. McKinstry won high score, Mrs. Goul Westall second high and Mrs. Pete Williams low. Pie and coffee were served in the afternoon to Mrs. Harold Adams, Mrs. Kenneth Shields, Mrs. E. R. McKinstry, Mrs. Goul Westall, Mrs. Luke Taylor, Mrs. Pete Williams and Mrs. H. A. Alexander.



A golden wedding reception honoring Dr. and Mrs. O. E. Puckett will be held Dec. 17 from 3 to 5 p. m. and 7 to 9 p. m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Alzugary, 403 Riverside Drive, Carlsbad. Mrs. W. F. Pruiett and Mrs. F. R. Zumwalt, daughters, have invited all friends of the couple in Artesia, El Paso and neighboring communities. Dr. and Mrs. Puckett are shown above at their wedding in Evening Shade, Ark. in 1915.

Wallpaper Makes A Magic Change



One of the easiest ways to turn any room into a thing of beauty is to decorate with one of the season's colorful wallpapers. The bathroom shown here was dark, boxy, and seemed compressed. To freshen it up and make it look colorfully glamorous, a wallpaper pattern of garden flowers was selected. Lovely blossoms in deep coral and light pink contrast beautifully with fresh lilac blooms and bright green leaves. Small white butterflies outlined in black flit lazily through the flowers and leaves. The background is a soft white. The great diversity in wallpapers this season makes it possible to select traditional types of wallpaper for traditional type homes, or, to use the same papers to add elegance to modern rooms.

Test To Decide El Paso-Canada Telephone Link

ALBUQUERQUE (AP)—Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Co. has announced that it is conducting feasibility tests into a multi-million dollar wireless communication net linking Canada with El Paso.

The announcement said the work is being done with American Telephone and Telegraph Co. The idea would be to run a series of microwave towers through Montana, Colorado, Wyoming and New Mexico to El Paso.

Telephone conversations, radio waves, television—all could be beamed from tower to tower in

a relay series that would tie in the entire area. Current tests, the report said, are being conducted between Albuquerque and El Paso. Eight towers are going up in the sample project at an estimated total cost of about \$5,000,000. The overall plan, if proved feasible, would cost about \$22,000,000, the report said. The eight test towers would be at Albuquerque, Los Lunas, Socorro, San Antonio, Truth or Consequences, Las Cruces and El Paso.

PARTY SERVICE

Girl Scout Troop 18 will plan games and conduct parties for children under 10 years of age. For further information dial SH 6-2993 or SH 6-3654.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12

- Past Presidents' Parley, American Legion Auxiliary Christmas party with husbands as guests, covered-dish supper at Veterans Memorial building, 6:30 p. m.
- Hermosa Parent Teacher Assn. meeting and Christmas party at school, 7:30 p. m.
- Central School Parent Teacher Assn., meeting and Christmas program, school, 7:30 p. m.
- Order of Rainbow for Girls, meeting at Masonic Temple, 8:00 p. m.
- Sunrise Rebekah Lodge, meeting IOOF Hall, 7:30 p. m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13

- Cottonwood Community Extension Club, Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Orval Brateanu, Cottonwood, 2 p. m.
- Park School Parent Teacher Assn., meeting at school with Christmas program to be presented, 3:45 p. m.
- Order of Eastern Star, Masonic Temple, covered-dish supper, 6:30 p. m., meeting, 7:30 p. m.
- Daughters of American Revolution, Mary Griggs chapter, Christmas dinner with husbands as guests at the home of Mrs. Charles Denton.
- Catholic Daughters of America, meeting at home of Mrs. J. Clarke, Sr., 7:30 p. m.
- Xi Iota chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, Christmas party at home of Mrs. Maynard Hall, 7:30 p. m.
- Alpha Alpha chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, meeting, home of Mrs. J. T. Hamrick, 1209 Merchant, 8 p. m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

- Stud' group of Artesia Woman's club, study will be on Christmas topics, at the home of Mrs. Earle McDormann, 8 a. m.
- Homemakers Circle of the First Baptist Church, Christmas party, educational building, 2 p. m.
- Past Matrons Club, Christmas dinner and party with husbands as guests, Masonic Temple, 6:30 p. m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

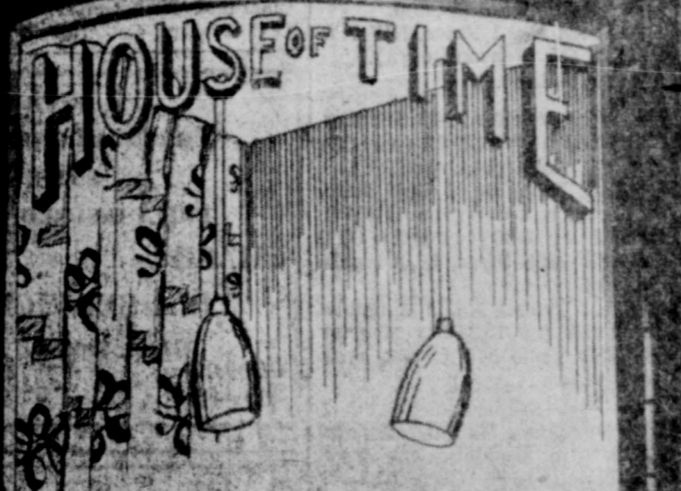
- General meeting of Christian Women Fellowship of the First Christian church, prayer retreat 2 p. m., meeting 2:30 p. m.
- The four circles of the Women's Society of Christian Service, will hold a joint Christmas party in Fellowship hall, 8 p. m.
- Sunshine class of the First Methodist Church, Christmas dinner and party, Fellowship hall, 6:45 p. m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

- Cottonwood Woman's Club, Christmas luncheon at the home of Mrs. Orval Gray, Cottonwood, noon.
- PEO chapter "J" meeting at the home of Mrs. Harvey Bates. The program will be "The Power of Christmas," 8 p. m.
- New Mex Refinery annual Christmas banquet, Veterans Memorial building, 7 p. m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

- Southern Union Gas Co. annual Christmas party and banquet, Veterans Memorial building, 6:30 p. m.



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Farm Real Estate Prices Continue To Rise

By JOHN O. KLING
Extension Economist
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For a number of years, in fact since the end of World War II, many people have been expecting a substantial decline in the price of farm land. Yet, farm real estate prices are still increasing, and have been increasing steadily since 1941 with only slight dips in 1949 and 1952-53. The index of farm real estate prices in New Mexico has increased 176 per cent from 1940 to July, 1955. During the four months from March, 1955 to July, 1955, the price of farm land increased 5 per cent in New Mexico and 3 per cent in the United States.

Ordinarily, the price received for farm products determines the price of farm land. However, for nearly 5 years—a decline of 25 per cent since February, 1951, the question is often asked, "Why do farm land prices throughout the United States continue to rise?" Probably the main reason is that land prices have lagged behind commodity prices since 1941 and still have not caught up even though commodity prices have been declining.

There are several other good reasons why, in the face of declining farm-product prices, farmers are asking higher prices for their land and buyers are paying these higher prices: (1) There is a strong demand for additional land to enlarge existing farms into more efficient-sized economic units, to make fuller use of machinery and decrease cost per unit of output—about one-third of all farms sold in 1954-55 were bought for farm enlargement; (2) Support prices have been an important factor; (3) More liberal lending policies by several classes of lenders have increased effective demand for farm land; (4) Apparently, the high-level prosperity and favorable outlook in the general economy has given both buyers and sellers confidence in the future position of agriculture. Other factors that tend to boost land prices in certain areas are expansion of pump irrigation, oil and mineral possibilities, and the use and potential use of farm for non-farm uses.

Good Grass, Corn Silage Used For Ewes

Good grass or corn silage may be used to winter pregnant ewes, if there is not enough pasture, says Ivan Watson, extension animal husbandman at New Mexico A&M college.

"Eight to 12 pounds daily is the recommended allowance per head. However, it is better to include at least a pound of dry roughage in the ration in place of 2½ to 3 pounds of silage," Watson says. "Do not feed moldy or frozen silage because either tends to cause digestive disturbances in pregnant ewes."

After fall and early winter grazing is no longer available, adequate roughage plus a half-pound of grain per ewe daily should be fed before lambing and a pound after lambing until spring pasture becomes available.

With grass silage the grain can be shelled corn, small grain or a mixture of grains, the animal husbandman explains. The same grain can be used with corn silage, but a fourth of a pound of protein supplement should be included in the grain mixture.

If silage and other roughages are scarce, Watson says, the grain allowance may be increased gradually to 1½ pounds per head daily. For each pound of grain fed, approximately 1½ pounds of hay or 4 pounds of silage can be replaced in the ration.

Ewes should have access to salt alone and in addition, a mixture of 3 parts of bonemeal and one part of salt to insure against mineral deficiencies.

The livestock specialist says, ewes should be kept gaining up to lambing time in order to prevent pregnancy toxemia. This is best done by liberal feeding of grain and good roughage.

An objective measure of the current value of farm land is the price buyers are willing to pay, but this does not provide sufficient information. Since the purchase of a farm is the most important business deal the average farmer makes in his entire lifetime, his decision regarding sound values should be based on judgement concerning future yields per acre, future prices of farm products, and the cost of production in relation to gross income. Also, he should consider that a greater risk is involved when the purchase of a farm is associated with excessive debt, and that unless the particular farm in question can be bought on the basis of its probable long-time earnings, it would be far safer to rent a farm than to buy one and assume a large real estate debt obligation.

Concerning future yields of farm products, it is generally agreed among production specialists that most farm land will yield more per acre in the future. Future prices of farm products are difficult to predict, but estimates based on known facts are helpful. In the short run, farm commodity prices are not expected to rise due to large stocks on hand and our capacity to produce more than will clean the market at present prices. In the long run, however, when we consider our rapidly increasing population, our relatively fixed acreage of good farm land, the

present high level of prosperity and favorable outlook in the general economy, the continued trend of farm to city movement, and our government's determination to develop a satisfactory farm program it appears that farm product prices should strengthen.

Throughout the years, there has always been a close relationship between farm product prices and farm real estate values, although farm product prices are the more variable of the two. The above chart shows that the relationship between index of farm land prices and index of farm product prices is approaching the point that if farm product prices continue to decline, land prices will also decline.

BREWER WEDS AGAIN
NEW YORK (AP)—Brewer Philip Liebmann, divorced six days ago, in Juarez with actress Linda Darnell, has married again. The bride is Joan Barry, 26 of Los Angeles. It was Liebmann's third marriage.

USSR GETS BASES
TAIPEI (AP)—The official Chinese Nationalist Central News Agency said yesterday the Chinese Reds had turned over the Chu Shan islands to Russia as a naval base.

Accidents involving motorcycles account for approximately 1,000 deaths yearly in the United States.

Clayton Youth Named Winner Of National Achievement Test

The presidential trophy has been awarded to Franklin M. McKay, of Clayton, top national winner in the 4-H Achievement Awards Program. The trophy was presented to the Clayton youth at a recognition banquet held during the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago. Competing for the coveted award were 12 national 4-H winners from nine states.

McKay's climb to the top in the 4-H Achievement Program began over 11 years ago when he joined the Mansker 4-H Club in Clayton. Year after year he enrolled in projects such as livestock, gardening, crops, handicrafts, leather crafts, poultry and junior leadership, and participated in a wide variety of other 4-H activities. And year after year he climbed a little higher up the 4-H Achievement ladder.

In 1954, his 9 years of work in poultry paid dividends. He was named state and national champion in the 4-H Poultry Achievement Program and was awarded an expense-paid trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago and a \$300 college scholarship.

In June, 1955, McKay's outstanding 4-H record won him the oppor-

tunity to represent more than 7,500 New Mexico 4-Hers at the National 4-H Club Camp in Washington, D. C.

Prior to being named one of 12 national winners in 4-H Achievement Awards Program, the Clayton 4-H'er had been chosen state and sectional winner in the same program. The award in the state contest was a statue, and in the sectional contest, an expense-paid trip to the National 4-H Club Congress. As a national winner, he received a \$300 college scholarship from the Ford Motor Company.

He is a student at Eastern New Mexico University at Portales.

HATCH MISS IN FINALS
MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP)—Patty Stewart, Hatch, N. M., is a finalist in the 1956 Maid of Cotton contest. The new maid will be chosen Dec. 28. Miss Stewart was among seven state contest winners who became finalists automatically.

Platinum was known to the Colombian Indians of South America long before Columbus discovered the New World.

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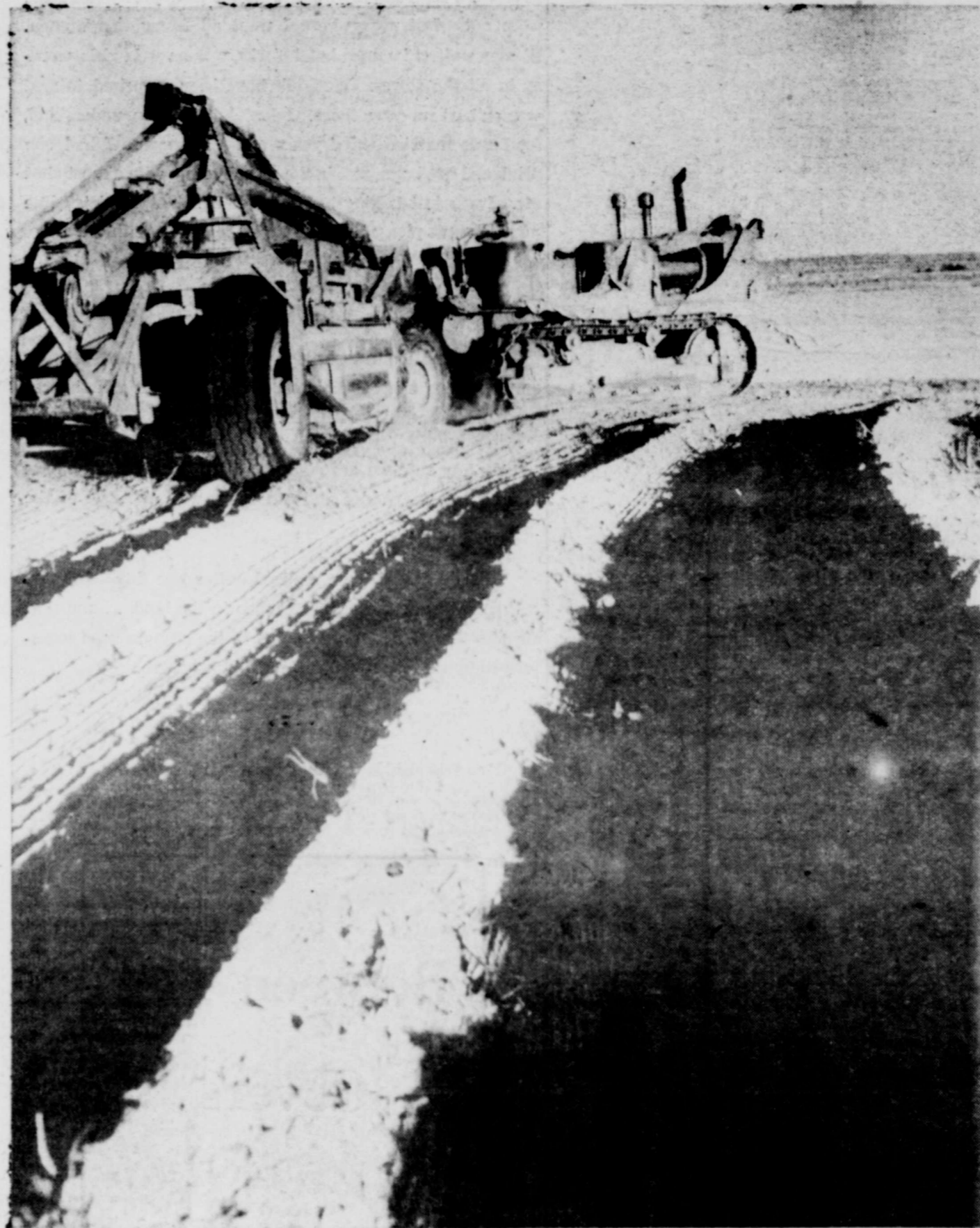
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... it takes huge machinery and the outlay of a great deal of money to level land for more efficient use. One of the most enthusiastic land-levelers in the Artesia area is Johnnie Bowman who farms north of the city. Johnnie is systematically increasing the value of his land on an annual basis. For an inside look into the operation see page three. Another feature you won't want to miss is on pages four and five and covers local vocational agriculture activities.

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They Vote Tuesday

COTTON GROWERS vote Tuesday whether to accept federal acreage and marketing controls on their 1956 crop.

As in nine earlier cotton referendums since the support program went into operation in 1938, federal controls will become effective only if approved by two thirds of the farmers voting.

Cotton growers have favored controls by a margin of about 9 to 1 in all previous votes. Controls were approved last year by 92 per cent of the 346,542 farmers who voted.

Because of a growing cotton surplus and a big 1955 crop, Secretary of Agriculture Benson is almost certain to cut next year's cotton support price if controls are approved.

If controls are rejected, price supports will drop automatically to 50 per cent of parity—the standard fixed by law as giving farmers a fair return in relation to their production costs.

Supports now are at 90 per cent of parity but under the flexible support system they could be set next year between 75 and 90 per cent.

Regardless of Tuesday's vote, price supports will be available only to growers keeping within their acreage allotments. If controls are rejected, however, growers would not be subject to marketing quotas and penalties for marketing overproduction.

Under marketing quotas, growers can sell all the cotton produced on their allotted acreage.

The flexible support system approved by Congress last year would affect cotton growers for the first time next year if they approve controls. Benson would determine the exact support figure, possibly next month. Agriculture Department experts have said the support price could drop to 80 to 82 per cent of parity.

Benson has set the 1956 cotton acreage allotment at 17,391,304 acres. This is the acreage he thinks will produce 10 million bales, the minimum he can ask under the law.

The 1955 allotment of 18,183,000 acres also was calculated to produce 10 million bales. Increased yields resulted in a crop of 14,663,000 bales.

Acreage allotments are based on the average yield per acre for the past few years.

The huge 1955 crop, added to the surplus on hand from previous years, has piled up a supply of more than 25 million bales. The normal supply is 15,600,000 bales.

Annual domestic consumption is estimated by the department at nine million bales and exports at three million bales.

Separate votes will be held tomorrow for growers of upland cotton in 21 states and growers of long staple cotton in six states, mostly in Texas and the West.

The department will announce the results tomorrow night.

In The Corner

A visitor to Artesia during the Golden Jubilee of the city last August has written the Advocate with an unusual complaint—he says there are too many women here.

In the letter Charles Osborne, of Joplin, Mo., had this to say:

"If you have any left I wish you would send me two more copies of your August Jubilee paper. I was in Artesia during this time and got one copy but would like two more. Stamps for payment are enclosed.

"Guess I will come back to Artesia some time for I like the country pretty well. The only thing I did not like about your town was so many women. Some were pretty and some were not. But everywhere I went all I saw was women. Women waiters, women hotel clerks, women soda girls, women in all the stores. Wouldn't have been surprised to find women barbers down there. I don't hate women, understand, for I was married three years and just because I had one drink and got home at 1 in the morning, my wife almost shot me. I was just talking to a man friend. But, I think I like your town, so please send the papers if you have them."

Being male ourselves it sounds as though Mr. Osborne may be doing a little alibing for his late hours and chances are it wasn't a MAN FRIEND.

At any rate we are glad there are lots of women here and we like to gander at them along with the rest of the "stronger" sex.

Charlie should have realized—after one day—that Artesia has the most beautiful women in the land... and that includes Texas. Even newcomers to the city are soon transformed by the climate, altitude and atmosphere.

Few friendships avoid at least one acid test.

—F. J. G.

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Extra Long Staple Cotton Harvested By Machine As Suitable As Hand Picked For Spinning Cloth

Extra long staple cottons harvested with machines can be just as suitable for spinning into high-quality fabric as those carefully picked by human hands.

This new-found fact—highly important to producers and ginners of the western area of the Cotton Belt where the long-staple Pima S-1 is grown—was revealed in recent tests conducted at the U. S. Cotton Ginning Laboratory at Mesilla Park, N. Mex.

Three sets of samples were harvested in the test—one bale each of machine and hand-picked from the same field, both ginned under identical conditions at the same gin, with no effort to give special attention to either... two bales each of machine and hand-harvested from the same general growing area and ginner at the same gin, but with the selection being made on the basis of Smith-Doxey green card classification; and two bales harvested from the same field and sent to the Cotton Ginning Laboratory for special ginning tests.

While these are preliminary tests, the fact stands that in no case was it shown that machine harvesting lowered either the quality of end products or the spinning performance of the fiber. In no case did the machine-picked cotton drop more than one grade under the hand-picked. Savings due to machine harvesting were far greater than the loss due to the one grade drop. Potentially, the saving might run as high as \$50 a bale.

The test project was conducted with the cooperation of Arizona Pima S-1 producers, the Arizona Planting Seed Association, the Arizona Cotton Producers Association, the Shaw Cotton Co., Phoenix, and several mills engaged in the manufacture of yarns and fabrics using Peruvian Pima, Egyptian Karnak, and Pima S-1.

Farm Bureau Looks Into Soil-Bank, Crop Control Plan

CHICAGO (AP)—A soil-bank conservation and crop control program which pays off in surplus commodities is under study by an American Farm Bureau Federation group.

A federation official confirmed that a plan using negotiable certificates redeemable in government-held surplus crops instead of cash for payments under the soil bank proposal is under study by the AFBF resolutions committee.

The soil-bank proposal would provide for temporary retirement of crop land under government lease. Such acreage would be planted to non-harvestable soil-improving crops which would be withheld from grazing.

Other soil-bank plans have suggested cash payments to farmers for taking acreage out of marketable production, or making such land retirement a condition for eligibility to price supports.

AROUND THE TREE

A glistening Christmas tree apron is made of polyethylene, helps catch spilled water and dropping needles and provides a gay background for gifts. The 72 inch square apron may be gathered around the base to hide the tree-holder.

T-Formation to T-Bones

BEEF TRUST TO BEEF TRUST has a gilt-edged, if repetitive ring. Yet it conceals its 14-year saga of Tom Greenfield, ex-National Football League star. Nowadays he's recognized as Arizona's outstanding Angus cattle breeder with herd so valuable that local folks call them "Fort Knox on the Hoof." As Green Bay Packers' center, breeder was in line trio labelled "big beef trust."



AFTER WORLD WAR II service, which earned him Silver Star, Greenfield started raising cattle for show and sale.



AT 1,300-ACRE Tomar Ranch, north of Tucson, Ariz., life revolves about cattle. Couple christened son "Rocky," honoring dad's idol, the late Notre Dame grid mentor.

GREENFIELD, NOW PRESIDENT of Arizona Aberdeen Breeders' Association, has developed stock from two brood cows in 1951 to 140-head herd. Ex-footballer operates own irrigation system with four gas-powered pumping units. Tomar's equipment includes nine International trucks and tractors, combines and hay balers.

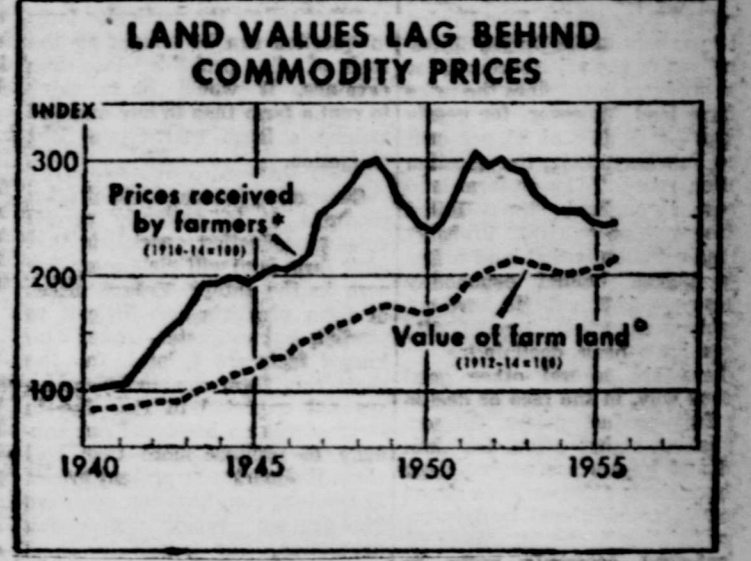


Pathologists Prepare Bulletin Showing Barley Diseases, Equipment For Treating Various Seeds

The United States Department of Agriculture announces the release of a new Farmers' Bulletin on diseases of barley. The bulletin discusses resistant and susceptible varieties and has a chart of diseases, casual organisms and control measures recommended for use against them.

Barley, fourth in farm value among U. S. cereal crops, is grown on more than 13 million acres in this country. The crop is subject to smuts, rusts, rots, viruses and other plant diseases, which cause losses estimated at 5 per cent of barley yields.

Authors of the new bulletin say that much of this loss can be prevented if growers use such measures as planting resistant varieties, proper crop rotation, seed treatment, and tillage methods that bury disease-harboring material in the field. They urge barley growers to learn to recognize the principal diseases of the crop. Most mentally deficient children have pleasant dispositions.



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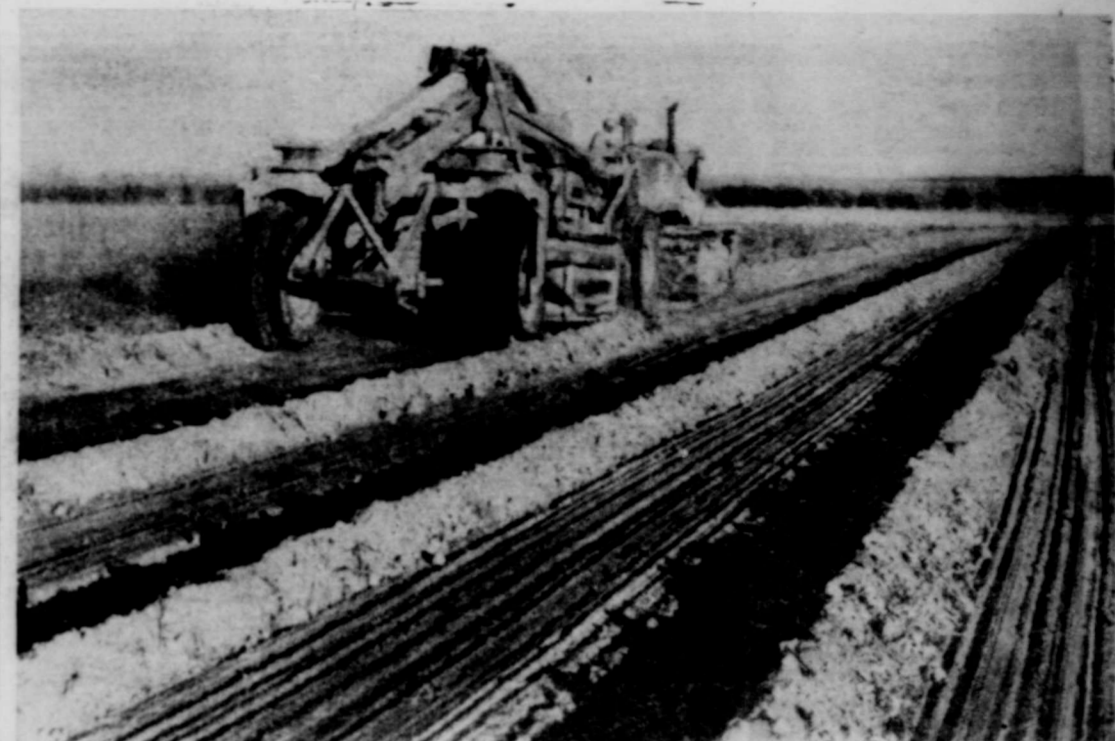
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In The Corner

Land Leveling Adds To Efficiency, Value Of Plot



Just before you come to the little village of Espuella, about five miles north on Highway 285, you can look across to the west of the road and see big earth-moving equipment circling and darting back and forth over the field.



This is on the Johnnie Bowman farm. Mr. Bowman is bench-leveling another tract of ground this fall. It's not the first time for Johnnie. He farms about 800 acres in this area and about 90 acres are already bench-leveled. There is another 33 acres in the tract he is working on now. Eventually, he says, he will get around to a lot more of it.

ABOVE, CARRY-ALL begins the initial operations of bench levelling on the Johnny Bowman farm. Below, grader makes the final pass in completion of the job.

It costs about \$100 an acre to bench-level ground, varying, of course, on how rough the terrain is to begin with. But that is not a high figure if you consider that it will go far toward paying for itself with an increased yield in the first year.

Before bench-leveling can begin, the ground has to be surveyed and staked according to the desired amount of fall. This may vary, depending on the steepness of the ground to begin with, and the preferences of the individual farmer. However, the idea behind bench-leveling is to get the ground as nearly level as possible without causing the water to stand on the ground.

Then the earth-moving equipment comes in. The carry-alls scrape off the high spots and fill in the low ones. The final smoothing and working of the soil is done with blades.

Where the top soil is removed from the high spots sometimes leaves a depleted condition in these places but this is replenished with fertilizers. Other benefits that accrue far outweigh this minor inconvenience.

Mr. Bowman is installing concrete-lined ditches on the tract now being bench-leveled. This, he says, will save enough water to pay for the cost of the ditches over a three-year period. It is costing him \$12 a foot for a 20-inch ditch.

Charles Hunt of Roswell is doing Mr. Bowman's bench-leveling for him. "A majority of the farmers in this area are coming around to bench-leveling," Bowman says. "It's a wonderful thing," is his comment.

Below, grader makes the final pass in completion of the job. (Advocate Photo)

Antibiotic Adds Several Pigs To Average Litter

An extra pig or two per litter resulted when the diet of the mother sow was supplemented with an antibiotic during her gestation, N. R. Ellis of the U. S. Department of Agriculture told delegates to the first International Conference on the Use of Antibiotics in Agriculture at its meeting in Washington today.



The extra pigs were due to birth of more live pigs and better ability of the pigs to survive until weaned, he said. Ellis emphasized that the inclusion of Aureomycin (the antibiotic used) in the gestation ration neither increased the number of embryos nor the birth weight of the pigs.

Antibiotics have been widely tested and have proved highly successful as additives to the rations of growing animals, but results of research with swine at USDA's Agricultural Research Center, at Beltsville, Md., have been among the first positive evidences of the value of antibiotics during the reproductive period of animal life.

However, other tests by research scientists of USDA and various state Experiment Stations have strongly suggested that use of antibiotics is likely to be beneficial, Ellis said.

WORKMEN POUR CONCRETE in completion of an irrigation ditch for the tract of ground that is being bench levelled on the Bowman farm. (Advocate Photo)

Around The House

When In Doubt Give A Couple Gifts To Use In Their Home

When in doubt, give that lovely couple something for the home. More emphasis is on home accessories this year, with novelty hostess gifts and food specialties being among the most welcome presents.

Sweater Always Most Popular Apparel Item

Take your choice of gifts from spices to braces of pheasants for gourmet friends. Little crocks of cheese flavored with sherry, brandy or port area ideal holiday remembrances.

Or make up a package of your own choosing. A French salad basket is an ideal container to hold almond stuffed olives, a box of cocktail water wafers, spreads of ham or liver pate. Fish balls, mussels and smorgasbord items might be added. Well-heeled types could include caviar or pate de foie gras.

A straw basket that may be used later for sewing or handbag contains tasty canned imported sardines and kippers. Buy it packaged or make up your own basket.

Jars of chutney for curry lovers, pickled walnuts for game eaters, dates and figs for emergency shelves are worth a place in Santa's pack. A box of salted nuts or after dinner mints is a thoughtful stocking stuffer for your holiday hostess.

The party cook in your house might enjoy a chef's hat and apron to look the part, jars of spices or perhaps a new spice set. One seasoner set comes in blue, pink and sand ceramic with black trim. A pepper mill and salt shaker is accompanied by two matching herb jars that the cook can label herself from labels in the package.

Smart and colorful new dish towels make handsome presents for the lady of the house. One gourmet group comes in a wide range of colors with patterns of French inspiration. A set of bar-becue implements will fascinate the outdoor chef. Cookbooks are at an all-time high in popularity, and not just because more people can read.

Demitasse cups are sure-fire favorites with entertaining ladies. The after-dinner smoker will welcome a box of cigars with gusto. Even a token gift of a few will please him. Fancy paper napkins, place mats, unusual candles, ash trays, coasters are some of the gifts that ring a bell. The right remembrance is available for the home. Just decide what they'd like and how much you can afford.

Probably the most popular single item of feminine American apparel, year in and year out, is the sweater.

Just when it seems the vogue must have reached its peak, and a slump in interest is due, the designers come up with a new idea and the perennial favorite is off the runnin' again.

This year the bulky rib-knit sweater, unexpectedly trimmed with jewels, is making news as a top item for Christmas giving and winter resort wear. The bulky look in sweaters arrived in full force last season, with the vogue of the Italian look, and it is still going strong.

Women have found the casual look of white rib-knit sweater in either brief bolero or longer coat style, just the right touch for either sports or dress-up clothes, especially for country or resort. Now the bejewelled sweater styles look new and gay, adding a festive note to almost any costume.

Other favorites in the sweater lineup include plain or decorated cashmires, often dyed to match skirts and the new, easily washable and budget priced orions, that look like cashmere at 10 paces.

Navajo Tribe Opens Campaign For Industry

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz., (AP)—The huge Navajo tribe has opened a \$300,000 campaign to change its way of life from its historic pastoral form to an industrial age.

The money, to be taken from tribal funds for industrial development, on or off the reservation. But there must be reasonable assurance the money will provide substantial employment opportunities for Navajos. The resolution provides the money may be spent directly by the tribe or through grants to federal, state, municipal or private agencies.

The fund can be used for a survey to determine the number of employable Navajos, for training purposes for Navajos or for purchase or provision otherwise of



FOR HOLIDAY AND RESORT...New sparkle sweaters in bulky knits add gaiety to the current scene. Here are two popular styles designed by Rosanna, the fitted knit coat at left and the bolero at right, both in white rib-knit, studded with rhinestones.



NEW OFFICERS of the Artesia chapter of the FFA. Left to right: Miller Glenn, treasurer; Tom Mobley, president; Jimmy Lee, sentinel; Lewitt Tidwell, reporter; Mark Stroup, vice president; and Bill Belvin, secretary. (Advocate Photo)

plant sites and facilities. Generally, it can be used for any action to aid and encourage industrial development and provide employment opportunities for the tribesmen.

"This is a wise use of tribal funds because it is one which will be lasting, in contrast to a hand-out which lasts a few days," Jones told the council. "I believe this is an opportunity that many of our people have been waiting for. Given the chance, I'm sure our Nava-

jos will make good in this new program."

DIES OF FUMES
SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—A coroner's report shows Miss Barbara Neill, 25, Albuquerque, died of benzene fumes inhaled while making a laboratory test. She died Wednesday at Stanford University Hospital, San Francisco. The report said Miss Neill was working in a laboratory at California University at Berkeley when she inhaled the fumes.

NEWS TEACHERS ORGANIZE
ALBUQUERQUE (AP)—Members of the executive committee of the New Mexico Education Assn. have approved formation of a new NMEA section for journalism teachers and supervisors of school publications. Ed Leupold, Espanola is president of the new group and Jo Boughton, Santa Fe, vice president.

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Teaching Leadership, Acceptance Of Responsibility Goal Of Ag Teachers



THE PICTURE at the top shows FFA chapter feed pens built by the boys. Larry Haney and Louis Chipman, FFA members. In the picture directly above, Bill Mobley builds a tool box in a vo-ag shop course. At the right, Bill Mobley and Jerry Mathews operate a transit in a surveying class. Bill Lamb holds the target rod. (Advocate Photo)



Teach him leadership and teach him to accept responsibility—teach him these two things and you can figure you've successfully fulfilled your obligation," the vocational agriculture teacher said.

Those are the fundamental aims of the FFA program. What the program amounts to, is teaching him to be a farmer and a citizen, said John T. Short, agriculture teacher at Artesia High School.

The FFA is an entirely self-supporting organization of boys. School funds support the vocational agriculture program of the schools, but so closely integrated into the school program is the FFA that 99 per cent of the boys taking vocational agriculture are also members of the FFA. The remainder are not because they have not yet met the requirements of FFA, but they eventually will become members.

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A boy enters the FFA with nothing the first year he goes into vocational agriculture as a freshman in high school. Most boys at the end of four years in the FFA, have built up several thousand dollars in cash, livestock and other property as a result of their projects. Some find that their FFA projects in high finance their way through college. The Artesia chapter of the FFA at the end of the last school year valued the farm projects of its members at \$55,000.

A boy enters high school. In his freshman year he starts out as a "Green Hand" in Ag. I. He may be a farm boy, about 80 per cent are; or he may be a town boy who has a yen for the soil. The other 20 per cent come from the town, and some of them make the best agriculture students and FFA members.

But regardless whether he is a farm boy or a town boy, his first year as an ag student is devoted largely to learning the use of tools. He learns to work with leather and wood and sheet metal. He learns are and acetylene welding, basic mechanics, motor repair and overhaul, farm electricity and plumbing, and he learns the rudiments of surveying. Toward the end of the year he is assigned his first project. He has mastered the use of his tools, now he can apply them. He may not be a polished technician, but he can make almost anything that he will ever need to make on the farm.

Now he is ready for broader training. He is no longer a Green Hand. In his next years as an agriculture student and FFA member he will study crops and soils, livestock and agriculture economics. He will learn the growing of crops. He will learn the growing of crops. He will learn the growing of crops. He will learn to feed, judge and doctor livestock, and how to de-horn, cut, mark and brand.

Now, too, he is ready to take on

bigger projects in his FFA work. Some of the boys will establish their own projects and some will conduct projects related to their father's farms. A project might be putting in a lawn or a watering system, painting farm buildings, building corrals or barns, or repairing farm equipment and machinery.

The boy will undoubtedly take on a livestock project. If it is feeding out a calf, he will begin in the fall of the year to fatten one for showing and sale the next fall. If he chooses to feed a pig, he will begin on it in the spring to have it ready for the shows in October. And when the fall of the year comes around he will enter his project animal in the Eastern New Mexico Livestock Show and he may take him on to the State Fair at Albuquerque. After that he will enter in the chapter show here.

At the end of his training year, he goes to New Mexico A&M College at Las Cruces, where, in competition with boys like himself from other FFA chapters all over the state, he will put his accumulated knowledge to the test, judging livestock, poultry, meats, and crops and doing shop work.

For three consecutive years now his chapter has won the district land judging contest and entered the national judging at Oklahoma City, where it went on to win first place in land judging for the western region of the United States.

He belongs to a good chapter, one of the 32 best in the nation, where 400,000 boys participate in 10,000 chapters. There are 30 others, like himself, in his own chapter, he is proud to be one of them. His chapter has joined the Chamber of Commerce and offered its services to the city administration, and it has become a member of the Farm Bureau.

And so he has learned to accept the responsibility of a farmer and a citizen and he has developed leadership. And now that he has

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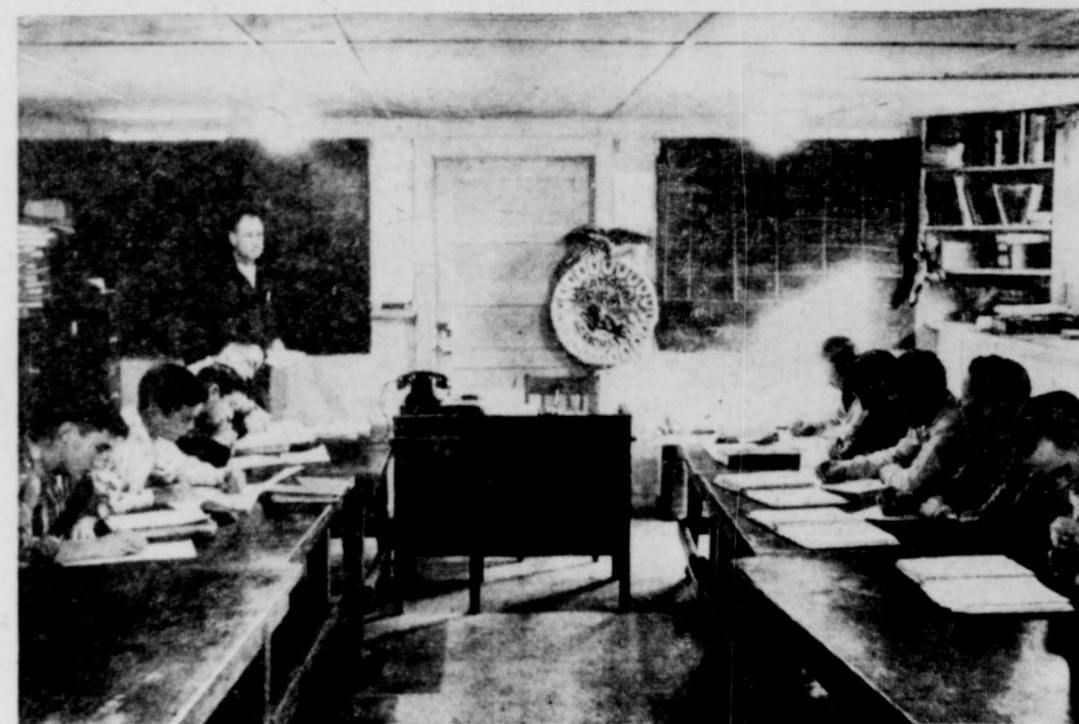
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finished his schooling, he may go directly into farming, if he has the means, or he may go to an agricultural college, and then to farming or some allied field.

But there will be others to follow in his shoes. Next year those who remain of the chapter, and the new Green Hands who join it, will be quartered in a new building. It will be 71 by 104 feet and will have two classrooms and an audiovisual room. Storage facilities will

line one side of the big shop room of the building and work benches the other. There will be a separate department for each shop trade for the first time there will be room in the building to go into the repair and overhaul of farm machinery.

The new building devoted exclusively to vocational agriculture is significant of the importance of the vo-ag and FFA programs in the community.

THE PICTURE BELOW shows Bill Lamb at work on a wood lathe in a shop class. The photo at the bottom shows Bill Belvin operating a cutting torch in a shop class. At the top left, Tom Mobley and John Uxer, an agriculture instructor, look over an array of plaques and trophies the local FFA chapter has copped. In the center a vocational agriculture class under the instruction of John T. Short, at the blackboard. (Advocate Photo)



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