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The First Christmas

(Taken from the 2nd Chapter of St. Luke, 1st to the 15th Verses)

And it came to pass, that in those days there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that the whole world should be enrolled.

This enrolling was first made by Cyrinus, the Governor of Syria.

And all went to be enrolled, every-one into his own city.

And Joseph also went from Galilee, out of the City of Nazareth into Judea, to the City of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David.

To be enrolled with Mary his espoused wife, who was with child.

And it came to pass, that when they were there, her days were accomplished, that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him up in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds watching, and keeping the night watches over their flocks.

And behold an Angel of the Lord stood by them, and the brightness of God shone round about them, and they feared with a great fear.

And the Angel said to them: Fear not, for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, that shall be to all the people.

For, this day, is born to you a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord, in the City of David.

And this shall be a sign unto you, you shall find the Infant wrapped in swaddling clothes, and laid in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the Angel a multitude of the heavenly army, praising God, and saying:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men of good will.

The Vital Drop

The following editorial from the Los Angeles Examiner could apply to Hope and the Penasco Valley. Therefore we are taking the liberty to reprint it and we hope every one reads it. Here it is: "All the way from San Joaquin Valley to the Mexican border, farmers and stockmen are scanning the skies with mingled hope and anxiety. Rainfall is again the great and pressing need.

"Against the dryness, which is not a drought, Santa Barbara is doubling the capacity of Gibraltar Dam, San Diego plans to resume construction of Sutherland Dam, abandoned some 20 years ago, new wells are being dug in many districts, and everywhere skill and enterprise are goaded to produce new sources and conserve old ones.

The hard fact is that there is just so much water, and no more, in Southern California. Our growth and progress are limited by our supply of water, or, better said, by our wisdom and economy in using it.

"We must learn to conserve and store, learn not to waste.

"These lessons might start in cities, those ever thirsty users and squanderers of water, with the nonchalant householder who drowns plants and makes brooks of gutters.

"In both country and city, we must learn to regard with respect that miracle and donor of life, the drop of water. We will find then that there is always enough water where none is thrown away."

Grand Dragon Gets Rid Of Drew Pearson's Spy

We enjoyed reading the "Washington Merry-Go-Round" in the Saturday El Paso Times, when it told about the meeting of the Ku Klux Klan held at Macon, Ga., last week. Some one asked the Grand Dragon if he had caught Drew Pearson's spy. The Grand Dragon said, "He's within ten feet of me now, we are going to get him Monday night."

At the Monday night meeting, the Grand Dragon made the announcement that we won't be bothered with Drew Pearson's spy any more. "I have attended to this man myself." Evidently the Grand Dragon did not get the right man, because in the press on Tuesday there was a play-by-play account of the Monday meeting. We don't know how he does it, but Drew Pearson gets the low-down on everything that happens.

School News

5th and 6th Grade News—Our Christmas party went off with a bang. We really had a lot of fun playing games, singing Christmas carols and exchanging gifts. We want to thank all our mothers for helping make our party a success. We have finished our English books. We will start on our new work books after the Christmas vacation. In geography class this week we have studied about our own state, New Mexico. Mrs. Lipsett didn't assign us any lesson to study during the vacation. Thank you, Mrs. Lipsett. We received a card from Letha Mae Newbill this week. She is enjoying her trip. Our teacher finished reading "The Story of Jesus" to us on Tuesday.

3rd and 4th Grade News—We are very excited over Christmas. We enjoyed practicing our short play and giving it before the other pupils in school. Most of all we liked our Christmas tree. We enjoyed giving gifts as well as receiving them. We especially want to thank our room mothers, Mrs. Floyd Greene and Mrs. Guy Crockett for our Christmas party. It was nice of them to remember us. We appreciate the other mothers who came to our Christmas tree. We're all looking forward to a nice Christmas vacation until Jan. 3.



Mrs. T. J. Mabry

Who suffered a broken hip recently as the result of a fall, says that this smile is a little overstatement of her present feeling. However, she expects her hip to heal nicely and hopes to be out in a few months. This picture was taken at the executive mansion in Santa Fe.

Valley News Is Launched At Hagerman

We have received No. 1, Vol. 1, of the Valley News, serving Hagerman, Dexter and Lake Arthur communities. In their official announcement, the publisher says: "The Valley News is printed by the Stuart Printing Co., of Artesia, with the headquarters in the post office building in Hagerman. The purpose of the paper is to print news both local and national, which is of interest to the three communities. Also to advertise the wares of the business houses in the locality. Publishers of the paper are Garland Stuart and George Spurgeons of Artesia, with Bert Shipp, acting as editor and advertising manager."

The first issue of the Valley News contains a lot of news and also a fair share of advertising. We wish the new publication all kinds of good luck.

"The Jim Fisk Case." Their rivalry over the fatal love of Josie Mansfield ended in a blaze of guns on a darkened hotel stairway. The victim was the fabulous Jim Fisk. The accused was Edward Stokes. Begin this exciting story in the American Weekly, that great magazine distributed with next Sunday's Los Angeles Examiner.

News From Hope

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Meador and children were up Sunday from Artesia and visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Buckner.

Bonnie Altman went to Artesia Monday on business. Lawrence Blakeney is out to the Hunter ranch during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Hunter and family, who have gone to Arkansas to visit relatives over the holiday season.

Hoyt Keller is here from Wyoming to spend the Christmas vacation with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Keller.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Jackson arrived here last week to spend the holiday season with Mr. and Mrs. Will Keller.

There was a dance last Saturday night at the high school gym sponsored by the Junior class.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Barley are the new leaders of the Hope 4-H Club. They ought to be good, they have had plenty of experience.

Mrs. N. L. Johnson returned Tuesday from a visit with relatives in Hobbs.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Moore and sons of Alamogordo were her Tuesday on business.

Claberon Buckner was here over the week end visiting home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Moore, Ned and Dee were in Hope Tuesday. They attended O.E.S. installation Tuesday night.

Mrs. Chester Teague's mother, Mrs. Mary A. Bush, of Phoenix, Ariz., is spending Christmas with the Teague's in Hope.

L. W. Bryant and Floyd are going to Carlsbad for the Christmas season.

The Order of the Eastern Star held public installation Tuesday evening.

James Potter and family have moved into the rooms back of the Coates service station.

The well being drilled at the Mrs. Tolliver property has been completed. It is said to be pumping 12 gallons per minute.

A man from the REA office was up Tuesday and read the meters and connected the lights on the Christmas tree. The tree looks very pretty.

Ed Watts who has been in the hospital at Roswell is expected to be back home for Christmas.

A Farm Bureau meeting was held at the school last Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Cauhope went to Roswell last Monday to meet Mr. Cantau who arrived by train from Albuquerque.

Margaret Scott of El Paso has been here the past week visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hill of Las Cruces were here last week visiting Mrs. Mary Harun and Mr. and Mrs. John Hardin.

Mrs. Henry Jernigan of Pinon is in the hospital at Halstead, Kan.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Clements are spending Christmas with relatives in Roswell.

Mrs. Geo. Trimble and two children of Kudos were here last week visiting Ada Belle Trimble.

Miss Tiny Wood who is employed in Artesia, will spend Christmas with home folks in Hope.

Newt Teel was taken sick the first of the week. He is now improving and expects to be up for Christmas.

Ezra Teel and his sister Mrs. Janie Richards will entertain their kin folks at Christmas dinner Saturday.

Mrs. Andy Teel is reported on the sick list.

Cards have been received from Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Teel stating that they have arrived safely at Brownsville, Texas. They will remain there for about two weeks before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Teel have returned from a trip to the coast.

Mrs. Roy Lipsett and Newell left Wednesday morning for Elk City, Okla. They will spend the Christmas vacation with Mrs. Lipsett's parents.

Coach and Mrs. Luke Toyobo will spend Christmas in Mt. View, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Young and Alta Ruth are going to Hamlin, Texas, this week to spend Christmas.

Supt. and Mrs. Ralph Lea are going to Phoenix, Ariz., and California during the Christmas vacation.

Coach Luke Toyobo will attend the Coach's Basketball Clinic at Oklahoma City from Dec. 26 to 29.

Mrs. Elizabeth Williams and family will spend Christmas at home in Artesia.

Mr. Gene Lipsett and Mr. Howard Pearson of Buffalo, Okla., and Roy Lipsett plan a hunting trip to Old Mexico this week. After their return from the trip, Mr. Lipsett will join Mrs. Lipsett and Newell in Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Seeley and children will spend Christmas in Las Vegas, with Mr. Seeley's parents.

Surprise Shower

The senior and Home Ec girls honored Mrs. Luke Toyobo with a surprise pink and blue shower Monday afternoon at the school. The center table was covered with a white cloth with pink and blue streamers. The centerpiece was a white stork with a kewpie doll on its back. After the many lovely gifts were opened and admired, refreshments of cake and punch were served.

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By Lawrence Gould

Fear and Suspicion



Is fear what makes you suspicious?

Answer: Not primarily, though it might seem so. If your mental habit is to feel that everyone you meet is out to get the better of you, you are likely to be suffering from the rage left over from a childish feeling that no one loved or appreciated you. The resentment you originally felt toward your parents has been "displaced" onto everyone you meet, and you suspect others of unkind intentions toward you both because you assume they reciprocate your secret, hostile feelings, and because their "meanness" justifies your hatred.

and women actually throw away success when it is all but won because they feel so much more secure in a position where they do not have to "stick their necks out." But you do not have to be successful to be happy, and that is what matters.



Is nail-biting commoner with boys than with girls?

Answer: Yes, reports a writer in the French Archives of Pediatrics. Study of 150 "backward" children who bit their nails showed the habit to be more than twice as prevalent in male children as in females, and that "the nail-biting child comes very often from an economically and psychologically unfavorable background." One plausible reason for the difference between the sexes is that biting one's nails generally is an expression of repressed aggressiveness, and boys seem to be more subject than girls to aggressive feelings.



Is there any "formula" for success?

Answer: None that everyone can follow. For to be outstandingly successful takes a singleness of purpose which the average person's feelings are too "mixed" for him to achieve, plus unusual freedom from the more or less unconscious fear most of us have of trying to outstrip our neighbors. Many men

LOOKING AT RELIGION

By DON MOORE

St. PATRICK



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KEEPING HEALTHY

Symptoms Show Lack of Vitamins

By Dr. James W. Barton

IT IS told of a certain physician that when meeting another physician he would say, "Are you still taking vitamin B1 for your nerves?" The physician asked how he knew he was taking B1. The reply was that so many physicians now were taking vitamin B1, that he was trying the question on all his physician friends and found that not less than one in four were taking it.

While there is no question but that vitamin B1 helps the high-strung, nervous, hard-working individual, this physician who was asking the question thought that many who took vitamin B1 only thought they were being helped.

Now it is generally admitted that the vitamins are of great help to those who need them, and that the discovery of vitamins was the greatest advance in the knowledge of food and nutrition in modern times. However, it now is generally

agreed that the average or normal healthy individual does not need vitamins. Fortunately, vitamins do no harm when not needed—except perhaps vitamin D.

How can the individual know that he needs vitamins?

The first and outstanding symptom of lack of vitamins in the system is tiredness yet inability to sleep, lack of appetite, cramps in arms and legs, red tongue, ulcers of the mouth and at corners of the mouth, diarrhea from irritable bowel.

The tired feeling may be suspected of being caused by infection—teeth, tonsils, gums, gall bladder—but where infection is present, the individual not only wants to sleep but can sleep all night and a part of the day also.

Where the symptoms point to lack of vitamins, eating enough of the protective foods will bring relief.

Slavic Dancing Ushers in Christmas Season



Christmas ushers in a season of gladness and merrymaking that is marked in most Slavic countries by the gay and spirited performance of traditional folk dances. Among the most colorful is the fast and furious sword dance of Ukrainian Cossacks which is portrayed here by the dancing group of St. Vladimir's Ukrainian Orthodox church of Chicago.

Christmas Holly Makes Tasty Tea

Holly is useful for something besides Christmas wreaths. Yaupon, a shrub which grows profusely in certain sections of North Carolina, can be brewed into tea and is actually on the menu of one Carolinian hotel.

It's an old story to old-timers of the region. They've been drinking Yaupon tea for centuries and swear that it has all kinds of good qualities. The Indians before them used it, and John Lawson, an early historian, said the shrub was so highly valued that it was carried into the inland where it fetched a fabulous price from Indian tribes.

Actually, Yaupon is an American holly, but is closely akin to Mate, the drink so popular in South America. Both drinks are prepared much the same way. The leaves are cured with hot stones in a barrel and then chopped up, twigs included, and dried out in an oven. Leaves and twigs are then steeped in hot water and syrup, orange juice, lemon juice and cinnamon are added.

So at Christmas, instead of throwing away that dried up wreath, try brewing it up into a pot of tea.

Serbian Glorify Abundant Harvest

The Serbian strews his table with hay or straw at Christmas time and he is likely to eat roasted suckling pig for Christmas dinner. Weather permitting, a fire is built outdoors on Christmas morning and the pig roasted over it on a spit.

The Serbians, as well as the Croats, have several Christmas customs in common. Both plant wheat on a plate on December 10th. By Christmas day there is a miniature field of wheat which serves as a decoration, usually placed on a window sill.

Before sunrise on Christmas morning, the men of the family go into a nearby forest to fell a young oak tree. It is selected with great care and traditional rites must be observed in cutting it down. It must fall toward the East at the moment of sunrise. It is brought home in state and lighted candles are held on each side of the door through which it is carried.

Corn and wine are sprinkled on this Yule log while wishes for an abundant harvest for the next summer are expressed. As soon as the log is placed in the fire and is burning brightly, a neighbor, chosen beforehand for the ceremony, enters the house to bring Christmas blessings. He pours a little wine on the log and places a coin on it, a symbol of prosperity for the coming year.

Biblical 'Stables' Were Hewn Caves

The "stable" in which Christ was born does not conform to the modern conception of the word.

In Biblical times, places of shelter were hewn in rocky ledges; Judean travelers, frequently housed in such caves, welcomed joint tenancy with beasts because of the extra warmth provided by the animal's bodies.

The birthplace of Jesus was such a cave. Now a grotto beneath Bethlehem's Church of Nativity, the entire surface has been elaborately ornamented.

Christmas Trees Around The World

The Christmas tree is almost a universal symbol. It is common in many countries and its decorations mirror the cultural traditions and customs of the world.

The Japanese, who adopted American baseball, have also adopted the Christmas tree. They have given it an oriental appearance by decorating its branches with Japanese dolls, woodcuts, small tangerines and rice cookies called "sembel" that hold paper slips of fortunes.

In Germany, where the Christmas tree originated, chains and baskets made by hand—from ordinary newspapers when nothing else is available—are hung on the tree. Candles have been used for illumination ever since the time of Martin Luther, when the custom of decorating trees at Christmas first began.

The French Christmas tree is loaded with glittering ornaments and sugar-balls hang from its branches.

In Italy, the crib is the traditional symbol of Christmas and is carefully arranged beneath every Italian tree. This custom dates back to 1223 when St. Francis of Assisi arranged the first crib at Greccio, Italy, using a simple manger with a doll to represent the Christ Child and adding live animals for realism.

Czechs decorate their trees with clusters of gilded nuts, apples, and cookies made to resemble animal figures, peasant girls, stars and village huts.



Chicago Museum of Science and Industry.

Placing wooden shoes on the doorstep for the good Saint to fill with toys and sweets is traditional Dutch fashion. Carrots are left in the shoes for the white horse which St. Nicholas rides in Holland.

Old Roman Holiday Like Christmas

Long before Christ was born the Romans observed a holiday that was very much like modern Christian celebrations of Christmas. The day was December 19, known as the Feast of Saturnalia.

The Romans ornamented their homes with green boughs. Also, the Druids observed the Feast by gathering and decorating with mistletoe, while ancient Saxons used holly, ivy and bay.

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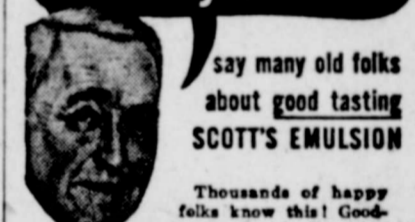
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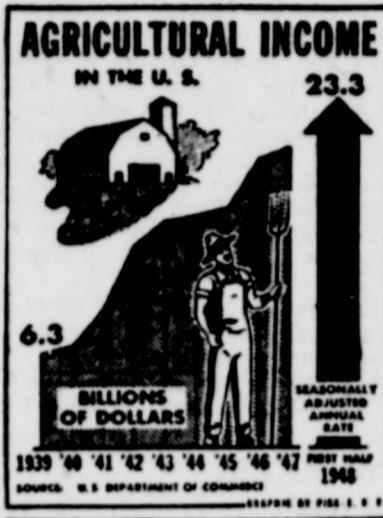
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Business Principles Required on Farms

Operation by Guess or 'By Neighbor' Deplored

Cash, credit, equipment, soil fertility and human strength are involved on the ledger of assets controlled by the farmer and rancher—assets that become liabilities when management is lacking. Probably 90 per cent of the difference between a poor farm or ranch



and a profitable one is in the management. Good business principles lead a farmer ahead, whereas one who operates by intuition, by guess or "by neighbor" never gets ahead. Here are a few points necessary to good farm or ranch management:

- 1. KEEP RECORDS.** This assures factual data to use in determining production possibilities of the farm or ranch. See that yields of crops, production of livestock, cash expenses and receipts are recorded properly.
- 2. WATCH MARKET TRENDS.** By consistently reading market outlooks or discussions on prices, which reflect the most probable future situations, farmers and ranchers will have a guide to use in planning production. Thus they will be able to have produce ready to sell at the right time to realize the highest price and still have livestock and land more fertile for the following year.
- 3. PLAN LABOR.** Make it tie in with seasons for care of machinery and equipment, time for planting, care of crops, harvesting and marketing.
- 4. PLAN THE FARMSTEAD AND FIELDS.** Make rotations easy, save labor and increase yields by adapting crops to land.

Study in Contrasts



Long a standby of agriculture in the South, "Sally" views with interest the "new look" in Georgia farming. Latest figures show a steady decrease in the number of mules used for farm power in this state. Replacing them are jeeps, representing another step forward in farm mechanization. Equipped with hydraulic lifts and numerous other special implements and attachments, jeeps have speeded up farm operations and eased the work burden for both farmer and wife.

Farm Population Drops 10 Per Cent Since 1940

Farm population of the United States declined about three million persons, or 10 per cent, between the census of 1940 and the special estimate as of January 1, 1948. The latest farm population figure of 27,439,000, however, is more than two million larger than the total for January, 1945, when many farm residents were in the armed forces or working in war plants, census reports show.

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The Penasco Valley News
Hope, New Mexico

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

New Spy Ring Data Revives Probe; Tax Hike Bugaboo Frightens Some; Berlin Red Vote Tightens Issue

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

WITCH HUNT: Pumpkin, Too

Like a delayed Halloween episode, with macabre rather than humorous undertones, was the revival of the spy hunt in Washington. All the ingredients were there—the cornfield, the pumpkin, and the specter of Stalin hovering over the unsavory whole.

But there was nothing funny in the situation to the house un-American activities committee or to a federal grand jury seeking to rush indictments against suspected traitors and espionage agents.

THE PROBE committee declared it had "definite proof of one of the most extensive espionage rings in the history of the United States." Bolstering this assertion was discovery of microfilm documents, termed by the committee of "tremendous importance," which had been removed from the state department for transmission to Russian agents.

The microfilm was revealed by Whitaker Chambers, a senior editor of Time magazine, who admitted its possession and declared Alger Hiss, president of the Carnegie Foundation for International Peace, had given it to him for transmission to Russia. Hiss promptly denied the charge.

PLACED ON the witness stand, Chambers said he had not had possession of the film during the years after 1937, until recently, and declined to name the persons in whose hands the film rested before being turned up in a pumpkin on Chambers' farm.

Meanwhile, Summer Welles, former undersecretary of state, studied the microfilm documents, evaluated their contents, but declined to divulge their importance.

Chambers, an admitted member of a Communist spy ring which operated here a decade ago, was slated for further witness stand appearances, as was Hiss, who maintains he was never a Russian agent.

HIGHER TAXES: Some Frightened

Some business men and industrialists, who feared a Truman victory might result in a new "soak-the-rich" tax program, shivered anew as they read a statement by one of the leading proponents of President Truman's twice-rejected plea to impose a modified form of the wartime excess profits tax.

THE SPEAKER was Wyoming's Senator O'Mahoney, Democrat, who cited the 1929 financial crash as an argument for boosting taxes on business profits.

The senator declared that "if corporate profits of 1929 had been adequately taxed, this government would have been in a much better fiscal position to meet the depression."

He pointed out that corporate earnings now are piling up at the same rate as in 1929, although the companies are bigger. So earnings are greater than ever before.

HOWEVER, industrialists, leaders of the big labor unions, accountants and economists have been requested to give their view on what, if anything, congress should do about profits, estimated at a record 20 billion dollars this year.

O'Mahoney proposed that "little business," or small, independent corporations be given special exemptions under any excess profits tax plan.

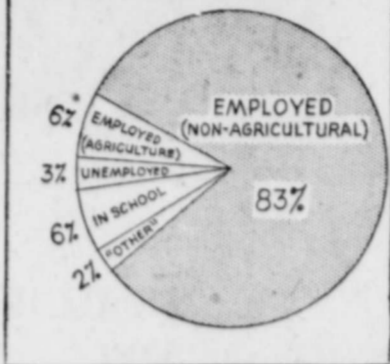
GOLDEN FLEECE: Page Jason

The "golden fleece," subject of one of mythology's most romantic, colorful stories, crashed the world press by proxy as a result of a row over custody of its namesake.

The fleece, symbol of one of the world's most exclusive orders of nobility—not even the king of England is a knight—may be "kidnaped" by the city of Dijon.

THE GOLDEN fleece—of which small replicas were awarded the knights—was kept in Dijon, France, after the order was founded by Philip the Good, Duke of Burgundy, in 1429, for several generations until Mary of Burgundy took it with her to Austria when she married Maximilian the Fair.

EMPLOYMENT OF MALE WORLD WAR II VETERANS SEPTEMBER 1948



Three years after the war most veterans, by and large, are firmly established in civilian employment, according to statistics compiled by the Research Council for Economic Security, Chicago. Eighty-nine of the estimated 14.9 million living veterans of World War II were employed as of last September. Of these, about 900,000 were on farms and another 900,000 in school. About 450,000 were unemployed, while an additional 300,000 were "resting" or unable to work.

DEAD END: Reds Block Way

The struggle for a Berlin peace dragged wearily on, extended by Russian establishment of a Communist "government" in the Reich capital.

Demanding elections be held on a "city-wide basis," the United States, Britain and France told the Soviet union that there could be no solution to the Berlin impasse until the Russians disown the newly-installed Berlin government. The terms were clearly expressed in a note accompanying a list of Soviet violations of the Berlin constitution that the three powers had submitted for guidance.

ALTHOUGH FORMALLY addressed to a United Nations committee, the note obviously was meant as a strongly worded warning to Moscow. It indicated that if what it termed the "illegal body" in the Soviet sector were not disbanded, the western powers would take a series of measures required by the fact, in their opinion, that the "legal, unified administration" of Berlin had ceased to exist.

The western powers placed no time limit for the Soviet union to make a decision on whether to continue collaboration. However, the tone of the note, as informed sources stressed, indicated that unless the normal administrative conditions were reestablished "pretty soon," a new policy would be adopted.

FROM BEGINNING to end the note gave what the western powers regard as detailed proof that the Soviets have pursued in Berlin a policy of systematic violation of all quadripartite agreements.

POTATOES: No More Doubt

There was no longer any doubt. Farmers, at last, had a full-blown portrait of the American housewife's ideal potato. The U. S. department of agriculture even suggested that farmers tack it up in the barn for quick reference.

The department found, after a survey among 3,300 housewives, that farmers and shippers would see to it that potatoes prepared for market are:

CLEAN, of medium size, marked by few "eyes," light in color, undamaged—and of such quality that they will cook up soft, mealy and evenly throughout, without falling apart.

Housewives like medium sized potatoes because they rate them easiest to peel and handle, and best for judging individual portions—the all-purpose potato, they say.

The survey showed more than a fourth of the householders disturbed by "mechanical and handling injuries" to potatoes. Said the department:

"IT IS PRETTY good evidence that too many potatoes are being dug and handled with improper machinery and tools, and that the potatoes are not properly culled before being sent to market."

Immediate question to arise: Will potato growers and shippers do anything about it?

ROBOT EAR: New Magic

Alexander Graham Bell would have approved. Science had moved to make his telephone even more serviceable. Tom Edison also would have nodded in approbation, for these same scientists had tied together two great contributions to living to make their convenience even more marked, more appreciated.

A NEW robot ear that hears the phone ring and turns on the light was shown to doctors at the American Medical association meeting in St. Louis.

The ear could be used when no one is at home to turn on the light outside the front door. When the householder got ready to go home, he could call his house and the ear would turn on the light. No one need answer the phone.

THE ROBOT is a box on which the telephone sets. When the phone rings, the noise of the bell vibrates a salt crystal in the box. The vibration makes electricity flow in the salt, and the current is amplified to turn on the light switch. The box and phone are set in the circuit with the light to be turned on. In this way, the ear could be used to light any lamp in the house, or outside.

The device comes from wartime submarine and surface ship detection by sound. Nothing but the vibration of a phone bell affects this ear.

Besides doctors, FBI men have been getting these ears because they are on call 24 hours a day. Undertakers are getting them because more people seem to die at night.

RAIN-MAKER: In the Bag

Perhaps it was in the bag, but Franklin Fenenga, an archeologist of California university wasn't saying. All he would say was that he did have the bag.

THE BAG was a complete rain-making outfit he had acquired from an Indian whose grandfather was a medicine man.

The bag and its potentialities came to light when Kern county, in the southern part of California's central valley, had its first rainfall in eight months not long ago. Fenenga was right there in the middle of the downpour. And, when he returned to Berkeley, the rain came down there in torrents.

NATURALLY, speculation arose concerning the properties of the rain-making bag, for, when the outfit, including the tail of a beaver, a bag of snapdragon seeds, a bag of eagle down, a fossil fish vertebra and various charm stones and pebbles, was brought out of storage, the rain started.

Fenenga had the bag with him when he entered Berkeley in a storm. It is now in possession of the university.

Polio Poster Girl



Linda Brown, 4, of San Antonio, Tex., has been selected the poster girl for the 1949 March of Dimes, January 14 to 31. Stricken with polio two and a half years ago, Linda was treated at the Robert B. Greene hospital in San Antonio with funds derived from the March of Dimes. She now walks without braces and has only a slight limp.

RANKIN: Outward Bound?

Rep. John E. Rankin (D., Miss.) one of the foremost house opponents of President Truman's civil rights program, faces a strong fight by northern Democrats in congress to force him off the house un-American activities committee.

UNDER THE seniority system, Rankin is slated to become chairman of the house veterans' affairs committee. The attempt to oust him from the un-American investigating group will be based on the general house rule that the chairman of a committee may hold only one committee post.

The northern Democrats will argue that if Rankin accepts the veterans' affairs committee chairmanship, he should be restricted to that.



Average Farm Family Sees Income Recede

Buying Power Higher Now Than Year Ago

What, if anything, is happening to the average U. S. farmer with regard to the money he gets for what he raises, and does he have anything to worry about?

Although there has been a moderate drop in income of farmers, the average family has more purchasing power today than it had a

PURCHASING POWER



year ago, a reliable monthly survey of "real income" reveals. "Real income" is the relationship of revenue to living costs.

The national figures indicate that the average home has 2 per cent more buying power than last year. Wage-earners, salaried people and those with investment income are equally well off, while the farmer is now about 3 per cent below his status of a year ago.

It should be remembered, however, that such status a year ago was at a then all-time high.

Besides the recent drop in farm prices, the survey said, it is expected that there may be further tapering off during the next six months, but farm income will continue at a high level. In the same way, although surpluses are beginning to appear in the clothing industry, there are no signs yet that sharp price breaks are likely.

Overhauling the Land



Ten years' work in rebuilding the soil-depleted 300-acre Rio Grande college farm at Rio Grande, Ohio, were compressed into 1 1/2 hours recently by 600 workers and hundreds of pieces of mechanized farm equipment. In this hilly Ohio valley country, chief problem was removal of excess water which had been carrying away top soil. Diversion ditches and sod water outlets were prepared. Two ponds were built. The course of a stream was altered. Years of cultivation had taken much of the life from the farm's soil, so the horde of workers also attacked the problem of soil rejuvenation. Great areas were tilled, limed, fertilized and seeded and overgrown pasture land was reclaimed and prepared for seeding. In the picture, a jeep, equipped with bush and bog harrow, is engaged in mulching as part of the work done on the farm.

2,4-D Winter Spraying Destroys Stumps, Weeds

Successful winter spraying with an ester of 2,4-D is the newest twist to the ever-broadening field of chemical weed control.

At East Lansing, Mich., agronomists Keith Barrons and L. L. Coulter of the Dow Chemical company announced that stumps sprayed in near zero weather during the past three winters have responded to treatment in the same manner as stumps sprayed during the summer season. The chemical used was Esteron 44 which contains 44 per cent of the isopropyl ester of 2,4-D.

Household Hints

Mend your torn shower curtains by placing scotch tape directly over the tear.

If you lack a clothesline, hangers hung from the shower rod can be used to hold drying clothes.

Iron first those parts of a garment that will hang off the board while the rest is being ironed.

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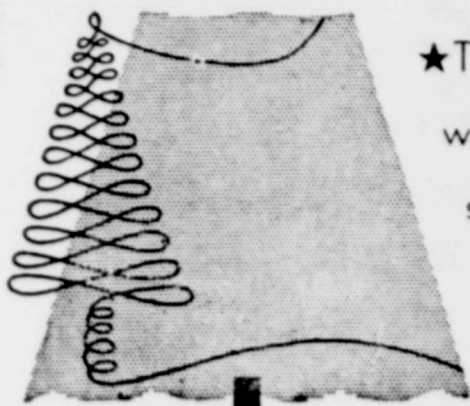


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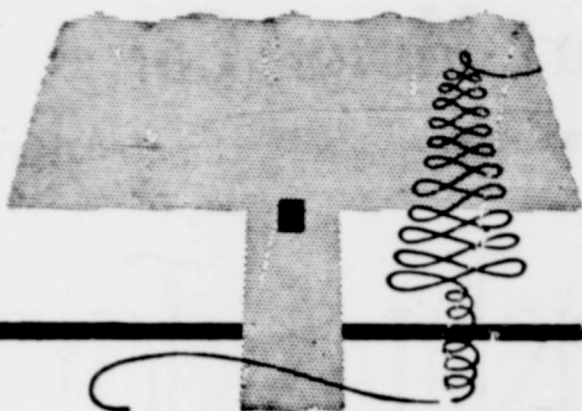
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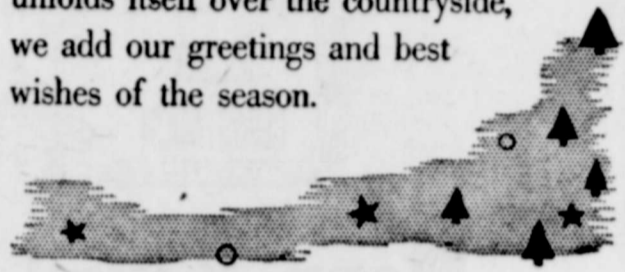


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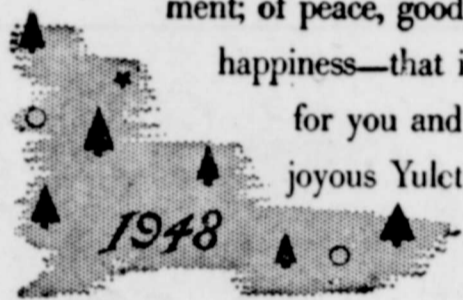
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As the Spirit of Christmas unfolds itself over the countryside, we add our greetings and best wishes of the season.



A Christmas of joy and contentment; of peace, good cheer and happiness—that is our wish for you and yours this joyous Yuletide season.



The First National Bank of Roswell, New Mexico

State Police

In his 14-point program of recommendations for the legislature which assembles in January, Governor Mabry suggests an expansion of the New Mexico State Police.

The governor correctly states it when he says "we are far behind other states of the Rocky Mountain area in the number of patrolmen employed."

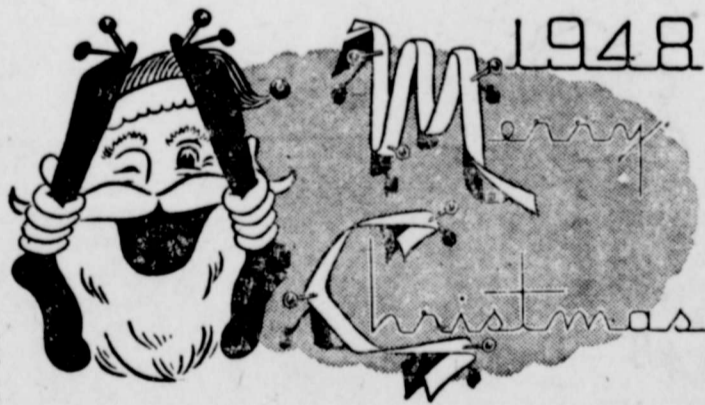
New Mexico has an excellent state police system, but we do not have enough patrolmen. New Mexico is bigger than Colorado, and our road mileage is about the same, but we have fewer patrolmen than Colorado. In the interest of public safety on

the highways, we would like to see the state patrol expanded. And we would like to see one of the extra patrolmen stationed permanently in the northern end of Eddy County—Editorial in the Current-Argus.

Thanks for those kind words. We are very glad to see that someone is putting in a plug for Northern Eddy County. We had a good man appointed for this territory with headquarters at Artesia. His name was McCasland, but on account of him being a good officer, he was transferred to Hobbs.

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At the annual election of the Hope Water User Association held Tuesday, Dec. 14, the following were elected commissioners for the next year: C. R. Barley, C. A. Cole, J. H. Clements, M. D. Brantley and Irving Cox. Mr. Cox takes the place of Sam Hunter.

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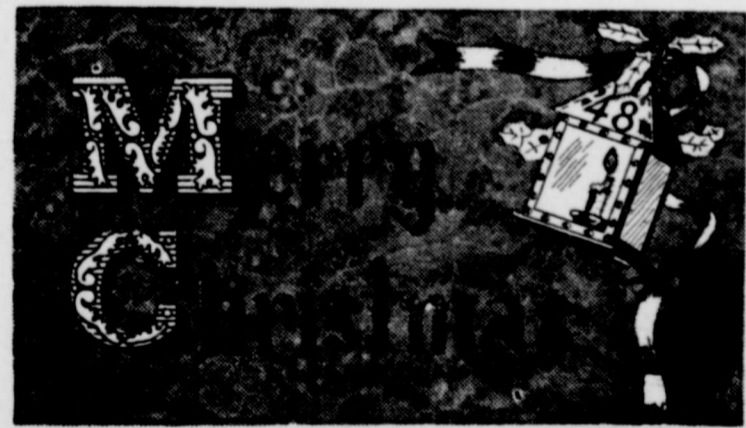
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The First National Bank of Artesia, New Mexico

Herds and Flocks

All night lights help to prevent stampeding of turkeys on range.

Blackhead of turkeys causes heavy losses. Phenothiazine powder mixed in the mash at the rate of one ounce daily for 100 birds, has been found effective in preventing losses, because it destroys cecal worms which are carriers of the blackhead organisms.

DDT Proves Effective On Peach Tree Borer

DDT, when used as a trunk spray, will control the peach tree borer, according to the New York

State agricultural experiment station. The new method of borer control takes the place of older methods using ethylene dichloride of PDB crystals, since it is non-injurious, labor-saving, time-saving and inexpensive. DDT is used at the rate of two pounds to even 100 gallons of water.

Internal Parasites Loot Farmers of Huge Toll

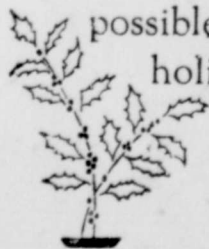
Few criminals ever dream of committing a 125 million dollar robbery. But that's the amount internal parasites steal from the U. S. livestock industry every year. Because the parasites are hidden, the farmer never will see the thieves at work. However, they keep right

on causing losses day and night. Parasites cause diseased animals and poultry to eat more grain and other feeds than healthy stock eat. They stunt the growth of young animals and sometimes kill them. Affected animals generally bring lower prices when shipped to market.

Internal parasites can be controlled. Phenothiazine, carbon tetrachloride, hexachlorethane, sodium fluoride and carbon disulfide are used to fight certain types of parasites. The advice of a local veterinarian should be secured to determine the proper method of treatment.



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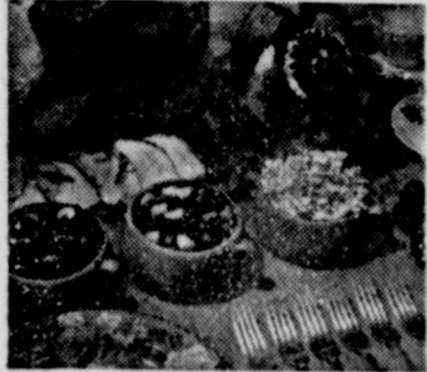
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HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers



A New Year's buffet supper can be done simply if you serve sliced turkey with assorted breads, and bowls of fresh cranberry relish, salted nuts, popcorn, and if you desire, a molded salad and dessert.

Welcome New Year With Luxury Spread Or Simple Buffets

IF YOU'RE planning a gay New Year's Eve party, then be prepared for the call for refreshments at about the stroke of midnight when the revelers start feeling hunger pangs.

However, if you're the hostess and want to enjoy your own party, plan foods that you can whip out to the table in a minimum of time. In other words, do the cooking to completion before the party begins.

A big crowd is best handled with a buffet supper, with all the preparation done ahead of time. If properly planned, you can get the food on the table in a quarter of an hour. A small party can have a cozy waffle supper, and the menu can be very simple but still satisfying.

- Buffet Supper**
Sliced Roast Turkey
Ham or Roast Beef
*Hawaiian Cranberry Relish
*Dark Nut Bread
*Molded Cider Salad
*Peppermint Stick Cake
Popcorn Salted Nuts
Beverage

BAKE THE TURKEY, roast beef or ham during the day; or, use slices from the meat you've had for dinner. This may be served cold. If you don't have enough meat, have sliced assorted cheese on the platter. All the other items can be made beforehand.

- *Hawaiian Cranberry Relish (Makes 1 quart)
4 cups fresh cranberries
2 cups sugar
1 cup canned pineapple

Put cranberries and pineapple through food chopper. Add sugar and mix well. Chill before serving. This relish will keep well for several weeks if refrigerated.

- *Dark Nut Bread (Makes 1 loaf)
2 eggs, well beaten
1 cup sugar
¼ cup melted shortening
½ cup light molasses
1 cup sour milk
1½ cups white flour
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon soda
1½ cups wheat or graham flour
1 cup seedless raisins
1½ cups broken nut meats

Beat eggs and sugar until thick. Add shortening and molasses. Add sour milk. Add white flour sifted with soda and salt, then wheat flour. Fold in raisins and nuts. Bake in wax paper-lined pan in a moderate oven (350-degree) for about an hour.

- *Molded Cider Salad (Serves 10)
1 package orange-flavored gelatin
1 cup boiling water
1 cup cider
1½ cup diced red apples
¼ cup seeded Tokay grapes, halved
¼ cup chopped nuts, if desired

Dissolve gelatin in hot water and cool. Add cider and allow to thicken. Fold in other ingredients. Pour into molds which have been rinsed in cold water or oiled and allow to chill until firm. Serve on lettuce.

The dessert for your gala New Year's buffet is a refrigerator cake which one and all will welcome for its light fluffiness and refreshing flavor. Make this ahead of time so it will have time to chill thoroughly and thus slice nicely.

NEW YEAR'S DINNER

- Shrimp-Grapefruit Cocktail
Rib Roast of Beef Natural Gravy
Yorkshire Pudding Creamed Peas
Tossed Vegetable Salad Hot Rolls
*Peppermint Stick Cake
Beverage
*Recipe Given

*Peppermint Stick Cake (Serves 10-12)

- 2 envelopes unflavored gelatin
½ cup cold water
2 cups milk, scalded
¼ teaspoon salt
½ pound marshmallows, diced
¼ pound peppermint stick candy, coarsely broken
2 cups heavy cream, whipped
½ cup maraschino cherries, quartered

Angel Food Cake

Soften gelatin in cold water. Dissolve in hot milk. Add salt and chill until partially set. Fold marshmallows and candy into whipped cream. Beat gelatine mixture until light and fluffy. Add cherries and whipped cream mixture. Line bottom and sides of an angel cake pan or a spring form (oiled) with strips one-half inch thick and one inch wide of angel food cake, from which the crusts have been removed. Fill with gelatine mixture and chill until set.

FOR A SIMPLE supper on New Year's you may set the table for the number you are serving or serve buffet style, making waffles at the table. A simple fruit centerpiece will be appropriate, as the guests may want some after you have served the waffles.



Plain waffles with syrup are an excellent choice, but if you want something more, serve creamed chicken or creamed ham and mushrooms on the waffles. If you serve caffeine-free coffee, everyone can drink all they wish without any qualms about staying awake after they get home to retire. Use the regular grind for percolator and the drip grind for glass coffee maker or drip type of pot. The instant type is good if you want quick service.

Waffles (Makes 4 4-section waffles)

- 2 cups sifted cake flour
2 teaspoons double-acting baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
3 egg yolks, well beaten
1 cup milk
4 tablespoons melted butter or other shortening
3 egg whites

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt and sift again. Combine egg yolks and milk. Add to flour with butter then mix only



For those who wish a simple spread at the stroke of midnight to welcome the New Year, crisp waffles with creamed chicken, turkey or ham are welcome. Have a simple, but edible, bowl of fruit for the centerpiece, and top the meal off with cups of steaming decaffeinated coffee.

until smooth. Beat egg whites until they hold up in moist peaks. Stir quickly but thoroughly into the batter. Bake in a hot waffle iron.

TO MAKE CREAMED chicken or turkey, use 2 cups of medium white sauce to two and one-half cups of shredded or diced chicken. If you want the mixture to have a richer color, add a little of the white sauce to one beaten egg yolk, mix thoroughly, then add the remainder of the sauce. Heat in the double boiler so the mixture will not burn.

If you don't have leftover chicken to use, get some already cooked, canned, boned chicken that comes ready to use.

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THE BIBLE SPEAKS

International Uniform Sunday School Lessons
By DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

SCRIPTURE: Daniel 7; Revelation 1: 4-8; 11: 11-15b; 15: 3b-4; 21: 22.
DEVOTIONAL READING: Revelation 1: 9-17.

God's V-Day

Lesson for December 26, 1948

EVERYBODY loves a fight, they say. But the underdog does not love it, and nobody loves one that goes on and on and seems to have no end. The longest war in history is the war that mankind wages against everything that is out to destroy him. It is the war between man at his best and man at his worst, between the angel and the devil in man himself. We seem to be the underdogs—and how tired we grow of it!



Dr. Foreman

God's Fight

THE Bible shows us that this fight is not one in which we human beings are left to defend ourselves alone. We have an enemy, Satan; and we have an ally, God. Whenever a man lines up against anything that is wrong, hateful, deceitful, destructive, and on the side of what is creative, just, brotherly and true, he finds that this is not a private fight, it is not even the struggle of mankind alone. It is a cosmic conflict.

God's universe is not a neat garden in which only flowers grow; he has to work cutting down the weeds. His universe is not a realm at peace, with no need even for police; treason is abroad, rebellion breaks out here and there.

The Greeks used to think that the gods never went to any trouble, they ruled without effort. But the Christian Bible tells of a God who does have troubles, who meets opposition and fights against it.

Bright Books for Dark Times

TWO books in our Bible bring this out in a startling way: Daniel and Revelation. We have been thinking through three months now about various kinds of literature in the Bible. The kind represented by these two books is called "Apocalyptic." Scholars have discovered a number of similar books, but these two are incomparably the greatest and were the only two to be admitted to the Bible.

Daniel, long before the time of Christ, and Revelation, two generations later than Christ, came as lights in a very dark world. The first of these books circulated when the Jews were hard pressed by Syrian persecutors, and when the other came out, the Christians were about to be crushed out of existence.

Observing what went on in those days, you might have thought the Jews, or the Christians as the case might be, had no prospects of surviving.

A Code in Pictures

DANIEL and Revelation are both hard to understand, and for the same reason. Their messages are framed not always in plain language but in symbols. Hidden meanings abound.

All sorts of weird creatures and events move through these mysterious pages, and they often probably refer to persons or events known to the writers and the first readers: beasts with iron teeth and horns with eyes; a flaming throne set on a river of fire; golden vials filled with the wrath of God; a red dragon sweeping the stars down with its tail.

God's Victory

WE NEED not be distressed now at not being able to unlock all the code in which these extraordinary books are written. We can read them for their sheer beauty and force of imagination, for one thing, and we cannot miss their main truth. The bright picture of the New Jerusalem in Rev. 21, 22 is one of the loveliest and most comforting passages in the entire Bible.

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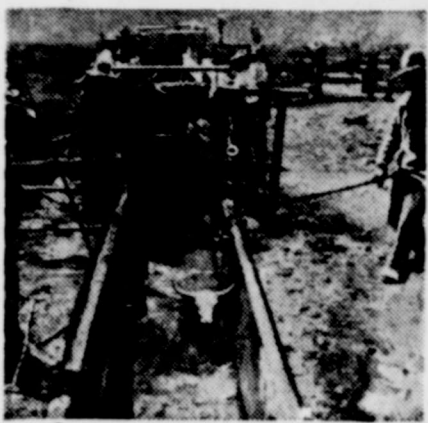
**Spraying in Summer
Will Not Halt Grubs**

**Destroying Eggs Fails
To Stop Winter Attack**

Spraying cattle in summer with benzene hexachloride, rotenone or other insecticides, new or old, does not prevent grub infestation in winter.

Although there is nothing new in that statement, the need for repeating it is plainly indicated by an account of spraying dairy cattle in one of the corn belt states. The work was given considerable publicity, with erroneous conclusions.

In this case, older animals of the herd were sprayed with DDT. Heifers and calves were not sprayed because they were running in pas-



Dipping method is favored by some cattlemen to control grubs and other infestations.

ture. Spraying them would have required getting them up and handling them.

The following winter, it was noticeable that the cows which had been sprayed were not infested with grubs. The young stuff was peppered with them. The natural conclusion was that a summer spray of DDT was effective.

That conclusion is unwarranted because, as entomologists know, older cattle seldom if ever have grubs of the heel fly. The young animals are the ones that suffer.

The department of agriculture says: "Many substances have been applied to cattle to keep away heel flies and to kill the eggs deposited on the legs of the animals. All have been found to be either ineffective or impractical. The best time for attacking the pest is when the grubs are in the backs of cattle."

One-Wheel Power Unit

The power unit, designed by Carlton M. Edwards, Cornell university, for Lincoln Arc Welding foundation, can be used to drive numerous front mounted garden tools, farm tools, lawn mowers or snow blades. A cultivator tool bar can be attached



across the rear of the frame. Castor wheels on each end of the tool bar will adjust depth and give three points on the ground for balance. All welding on this unit can be done with a 3/16-inch diameter electrode, using approximately 180 amperes welding current.

Pays to Mechanize

The mechanical age is paying dividends on the farm as well as in industry, says the Farmers and Manufacturers Beet Sugar associa-



tion. A century ago 64 man-hours of labor were required to produce an acre of wheat, now less than 10 hours are needed. One hundred fifty years ago the labor of 19 farm workers was necessary to produce the food consumed by one person living in the city, now one worker can produce for four people living in the cities.



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the present in
the holiday
season and
we're happy
to add our
greetings
to the rest.



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**Wheat Yield Boosted
Through Fertilization**

**Gains in Indiana Tests
Exceed Seven Bushels**

Fertilizing wheat paid dividends in crop increases averaging seven to nine and one-half bushels per acre, Purdue university research men revealed in announcing results of 1947 studies conducted in 15 Indiana counties.

Wheat yields increased seven bushels per acre when fertilizer applications averaged from 150 to 200 pounds per acre. When the plant food treatment was boosted to 300 to 400 pounds per acre, average production gains of nine and one-half bushels were obtained.

Demonstrations with wheat started on various soil types last fall showed somewhat similar results, according to the Purdue research men. When 165 pounds of 0-12-12 was applied on six southern Indiana upland soils, increases of five bushels per acre resulted. When the application was doubled, yield increases averaged seven bushels per acre.

"Applications of 300 to 350 pounds of 3-12-12 are being recommended for wheat on practically all upland silt or clay loam soils and for sandy loams," says a statement by the Purdue agronomy department. "If the 3-12-12 cannot be obtained, then 2-12-6 is a good substitute for the wheat crop itself. The additional potash in the 3-12-12, however, is especially important for the clover and corn crops following the small grain."



Greetings to
all our friends
this Christmas
Season.



J.C. Buckner
Hope, N. Mex.



**Crop Roots Require
Oxygen and Water**

**Organic Matter Decay
Helps Soil to 'Breathe'**

Soils must "breathe" deeply if crop roots are to support high yields above the ground. These roots need oxygen to grow and reach out for water plant nutrients.

To breathe deeply, soils must have regular additions of organic matter. Without organic matter soils tighten up. Soil particles are jammed together. The soil becomes a compacted mass. There is little room for either air or water. Roots find it hard to forage in the tight soil.

When organic matter is added, it opens the soil for air and water to soak in deeply. As it rots the organic matter builds soil structure. The humus formed from organic matter swells and shrinks with wetting and drying. Compounds that form when organic matter decays help to stick these mineral particles together in small groups so that the soil is loose and workable.

Organic matter should be added deep in the soil as well as in the plow layer. Middle West Soil Improvement committee points out that the best way to drive organic matter down deep is through use



of tap-rooted legumes, such as alfalfa or sweet clover, regularly in the rotation. The roots of these legumes drill down 18 to 25 inches below the plow layer.

Heavy stands of legumes also can be secured by liming according to soil tests, and by making sure soils are well stocked with phosphate and potash for full production. When a good top growth is plowed under to go with the roots, these legumes will build the structure tilth soil needs for high yields



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**Poultry Will Require
Water for Winter**

**Steady Flow Obtained
With Pressure System**

Farmers have tried various ways of preventing water from freezing in their poultry houses in cold weather. Some simply drain the poultry line and go back to carrying water during the winter. Others, who dislike carrying water even more in the winter than they do in the summer, appear to have devised satisfactory ways of keeping their pressure water systems working no matter what the thermometer reads.

The result of one farmer's idea is shown in the accompanying illustration. It presents one of 16 waterers fashioned from drain tiles, 2 1/2 feet high and 12 inches in diameter. Pie plates, suspended a few inches below the top of the tiles, are used for drinking purposes and water flows into them on a continuous,



Ideal water heater for winter use can be installed at little cost.

year-round basis. Ordinary sink drains, located below the plates, direct the overflow into a central waste system which serves the three-story poultry house.

Waste water spills over a hill a short distance from the building. The steady flow of water through the supply pipes, plus the fact that all such pipes are doubly protected by being located within conventional soil tiles, keeps them open all winter. To date, ice and snow have not retarded the waste outlet. The system's 500-gallon supply tank is served by a two-horsepower electric motor.

Sales pads for sale at The News office at Hope.

Peppertree Inn

By JEAN RANDALL

SYNOPSIS

The loss of their family fortune is accepted stoically by the Bristol family, including Professor Bristol, invalid archeologist; his daughter, Rosemary, and Simmons, a family "fixure." The only property salvaged is Peppertree Inn, a Southern California hotel. To settle their dilemma, the Bristols move to California to operate the inn. Rosemary experiences the hectic turmoil of an innkeeper's existence and is grateful for the aid of Bob Elliot, former temporary manager. Bob leaves when Kent Standish, Rosemary's childhood sweetheart, arrives to take charge. As soon as the inn is running smoothly, Kent reveals plans for a string of similar inns.

CHAPTER XI

Kent looked at Rosemary pityingly. Of course. You didn't think I asked him here to play checkers? I've got it all worked out in figures. I know just the sites I want to buy. Think of it, Rosemary! Peppertree Inns strung all up and down the Coast like—like a jeweled band, or something."

"How could you be sure there'd be a peppertree handy?"

"There always is in California. You can't walk a block without seeing one. And if worst came to the worst, we could always plant one. They grow pretty fast."

She was surprised to find how the idea horrified her. Peppertree Inn—this inn, her inn—was unique. Even Kent had said so. She hated to think of its being duplicated in town after town.

Kent moved restlessly in his chair. "Don't you think it's a splendid idea, darling? Don't you think Madre will fall for it?"

"I don't know. I suppose she will. Have you talked to her about it?"

"No; but I'm going to. Your car settles that. It was all I needed to know—just that she was satisfied. "In the new inns we'll eliminate all the bad features of this one and add some good ones which aren't possible here. We'll keep all the quaint odds and ends we have here but we'll be a bit more modern in our initial plans. For example, the lobby. There's far too much waste space out there."

"But is it wasted, Kent? The Friday night dances—"

"Take place once a week. The rest of the time we could get along nicely with about half the room. No, we'll change all that. Wait—I'll show you a blueprint. You see this space"—his pencil paused above a large oblong—"it's part theatre—for movies, you know, and for amateur plays—California's death on amateur acting!—and it's part ballroom and it can be used for bridge in the daytime. And look!" The pencil darted to the other side of the stiff paper. "To balance that, we'll put a morning room on the opposite side. Right here. Like it?"

"What's a morning room?"

"It's really a rest room—for old people, you know, and semi-invalids. There'll be lots of deep, comfortable couches, and chairs, and plants standing about; but we call it a morning room so the thought of sickness won't upset 'em."

"Good heavens, Kent! Are you planning to build a lot of sanitariums?"

"That's just what I'm not. That's the big reason why I'm calling them Peppertree Inns. Not a suggestion of illness of any kind."

Mrs. Standish Relents on Wedding

She burst out: "I don't like it! I don't like the idea of a chain of inns! I don't like you to be an innkeeper all your life. You said you'd had an expensive education and you have. Is this the best you can do with it? Build inns with rooms to dance in and to rest in?"

"Rosemary!" He looked at her in astonishment. "I thought you'd be tickled pink! I thought you'd realize what a lot of planning and thinking and figuring I've done on this thing in a short time. There's a whole lot more to it than I've told you. Wait till you understand! Wait till I've talked it over with Madre."

She nodded unhappily. "All right. I'm probably being very foolish, Kent. Don't pay any attention to me."

Rosemary sat under the peppertree gazing out at the ocean. She had declined Ellen's invitation to drive to Pasadena for lunch.

Kent had won his mother over to the idea of a chain of Peppertree Inns.

"I knew all the time that Kent had inherited his father's creative genius," she told Rosemary that afternoon. "But I confess, my dear, that even I have been underestimating him. To think of a boy of his age not only conceiving such an idea but going about its execution in such a practical and businesslike way!

Aren't you proud of him?"

Rosemary turned a corner skillfully. They were in the new car, headed for Los Angeles where the older woman wanted to do some shopping.

"Y-yes," she answered. "Only it seems a queer sort of lifework for Kent."

Mrs. Standish laughed gently. "Lifework? Establishing these inns, you mean? It won't be that. Kent has just got into his stride. He'll go from one thing to another, always climbing, just as his father did. This phase will last only a year or so, he thinks, and I do, too. You'll enjoy it Rosemary; the traveling around, you know. He wants to start



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out next week to look the field over."

"Driving? What about his arm?"

"He thinks it's strong enough but of course he must see a doctor first. He wants you to go along, darling."

"Go along? But I can't! It wouldn't be—I mean it wouldn't look right, would it?"

"Not unless you were married, of course," said the other gently. Rosemary sat straighter. "And that is out of the question, of course."

"Why, dear? What's to prevent your having a quiet wedding at the inn?"

"But you said six months; you insisted Kent hold a job for six months."

"I know; but that was just to shake Kent out of his playboy attitude. He's proved he can work now. I talked to Mr. Herriot over long distance right after lunch. He agrees with me that this chain inn idea is a splendid one. The firm will advance all the capital Kent needs. So the business end is all settled, Rosemary." She paused, waiting for the girl to speak. "You don't want to be married so soon?"

Rosemary shook her head. "And I don't know why," she said slowly. "It's not because of leaving Dad exactly, though he'll miss me, of course. Still, he has Simmons. And it's not because I want a big wedding. I know so few people out here that that wouldn't be possible even if I waited much longer. It's just—well, I'd set my mental alarm clock for six months, and I'd like to wait that long, Mrs. Standish."

"Because of Kent's job, you funny child?"

"I don't know; honestly, I don't know. Why don't we settle it that Kent will make his survey of towns and then we'll talk wedding plans when he gets back?"

"I think you're wise, dear. Don't let yourself be hurried into marriage by anyone—even Kent's mother or Kent himself."

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Kent Objects To Further Delay

Kent, however, was not so easily put off. He cornered Rosemary that evening and was vehement in his pleading for an early wedding.

"There's no telling how long I may have to be away, sweetheart. You know how these things go. I may be held up for weeks in one place while the title to the property I want is being examined. What's the point in waiting till I come back? Haven't we been separated long enough?"

"Only two weeks, Kent, really; almost two weeks to the day."

"It seemed more like two years. And you'll have to admit I've seen very little of you since I got here."

"My fault?"

"No one's fault; just circumstance; and now circumstances are with us instead of against us and still you hesitate about marrying me."

She laughed a little. "No, Kent, that's just what I'm not doing. I decided when your mother first suggested it to me. You go on and make your survey—why don't you take your mother with you? She'd love it."

"Because I'm going to take my wife!"

After two hours of such debate he yielded. "You're an awfully stubborn little thing, Rosemary. You always were. Once you get your teeth into a notion, you're just like a bulldog. Nothing will make you let go."

"What a flattering description!" She laughed gaily in her relief. "By the way, who's going to run the inn—this inn, I mean—while you're gone?"

He said patiently: "I told you the place will run itself now. All it needed was the right system and a good clerk and housekeeper."

"But there are always emergencies—"

"Durham knows how to deal with them," he said firmly. "And you can always reach me by telephone."

In the end it was decided that a driver be engaged for the new car. Kent was contemptuous of this arrangement but his mother, backed by the doctor, was insistent. Madre was going along, partly because she wanted to and partly, as she confided to Rosemary, to keep Kent from taking the wheel himself. They set off one glorious May morning and at the last minute Mrs. Standish had a brilliant idea.

"Why don't you come with us, dear child? No reason at all why you shouldn't since I'm going to play propriety. You haven't seen very much of California. You'll enjoy this trip."

"No," she told the Standishes. "I'll stay here, pacing the floor of my bedroom, counting the hours until you come back. In the intervals of counting and pacing, I might assemble my trousseau. Good-bye, dears! If you don't get started soon, you might as well stay and have lunch before you go."

The inn felt very lonely and deserted for several days. It didn't help matters for Rosemary that things moved forward as peacefully as Kent had predicted. She would have rather welcomed a crisis with which Durham could not cope. Then she could have written Kent that after all it was lucky she had stayed behind since she had been so greatly needed.

Alarmed Guests Depart in Haste

And then like a child that had been good too long and lies down on the floor and kicks and screams, Peppertree Inn staged a series of crises, emergencies, acute problems which left Rosemary no time to write Kent of how she had handled them; left her no time even to think of Kent Standish!

It began innocently enough with the seventeen-year-old boy in Room Twenty-four. He was a nice boy who was staying at the inn because the aunt whom he had come to visit in Bellevista was suddenly called to Chicago where her husband had been injured in a motor accident. The boy—his name was Peter Silcote—was enamored of the inn and after telephoning his family in San Francisco for permission, registered with a flourish and devoted himself to procuring a first class sunburn. By the end of the second day he appeared to have succeeded beyond his wildest hopes. At all events, he ran a temperature, became slightly delirious and the efficient Durham summoned a physician.

At breakfast the news spread like wildfire: that young fellow in Twenty-four was very ill—was dying—with the most virulent type of scarlet fever. My dear, yes! Not a doubt of it. A maid had seen him when she admitted the doctor—oh, certainly, the doctor had come in the middle of the night, in fact there had been a consultation a little after four this morning—the maid had caught sight of this young chap's face—Silcote, yes, that was his name, Silcote—and it was simply crimson with the rash!

Nervous mothers collected their offspring, flung garments into suitcases and departed without waiting for explanations. Middle-aged tourists listened cynically to Durham's stammered sentences about "a bad case of sunburn" before they followed suit. The waitresses and chambermaids walked out.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

KATHLEEN NORRIS

Paying the Piper

Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

"MINE has been a hard and bitter experience," writes Marie Coates from Oklahoma, "and now at 26 I feel sometimes as if the simplest thing to do would be to end it by my own hand."

"When I was 13, my mother died," the letter goes on, "and my father immediately married a woman with two sons. We three children did go to school but our marks were bad, our clothing was a disgrace and we could have no outside pleasures because Millie, as I called my stepmother, worked us so hard. "There was nothing pretty or easy about our home life. Millie had a houseful of boarders and between beds, dishes, sweeping, a dirty coal furnace downstairs, a dirty wood stove in the kitchen, leaves to rake, wood to chop, clothes and linen to wash, Harry, Zell and I never had any stop."

"I wanted to Run Away. "Often we talked about running away and finally Harry did. But I never had the courage and Zell and I grew very fond of each other. When I was nearly 17, Zell enlisted in the navy and I stayed home to face the shame and fear of motherhood. My little girl Beverley is now eight years old. "My father was killed some months before she was born and Millie, to whom he left everything he had, which wasn't much, threw me out. I went to the state hospital and for some years worked there as one of the dining room girls. Again there wasn't anything fine in

my life—smells of food, smells of sick people, smells of medicine—but I had Beverley with me and she was the darling of the place. "Now, just as she is reaching an age when she begins to notice such things as what other girls have in the way of home, advantages, clothes, friends, I have left the hospital and taken a little cottage with a woman friend, who is a nurse. I go out to daily engagements, waiting on table in private homes, or helping with banquets in the hotels. I can make from \$7 to \$10 a day. "Last week, and this is why I am writing you, Zell reappeared in my life. He is now 28, is good-looking and has a fine job, but is disappointed because after seven years of marriage he and his wife are childless."

"They Want Beverley. They both have seen Beverley, because Zell's niece goes to school with her. They have watched her and they want her. I questioned Beverley about it and she said the lovely lady gave her some candy and kissed her."

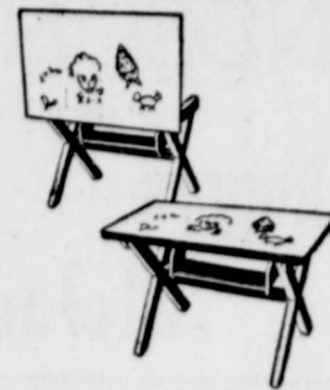


"... nothing fine in my life ..."

"How he found out about me is simple, for when Beverley was a baby I wrote him repeatedly asking him for help. Now Zell is an engineer in a small company that his wife's father owns. He cried when he talked to me and she did, too. She seems a kind, sensible woman. Her sisters and brothers all have children and she wants mine. And Zell left a check for me that would take me from this town, give me a chance to study architecture, which is my desire, and open a new world. Shall I take it? I am so torn, so shaken, so utterly tired of the struggle that I can't decide."

Marie, I think this is the exceptional case in which you would be wise to place the child with her father and start over. You are so young still, so terribly alone, to have met the horrifying injustices and responsibilities that have been thrust on you. The child sounds self-reliant, friendly, independent and strong. And alas, also selfish and a little hard, even at eight. She will hold her own. She will be delighted with luxury, the car, the big house, the cousins. And someday, well-established yourself and perhaps happily married, you will be in a position to meet your daughter again and get from her and her father one tithe of the gratitude they owe you.

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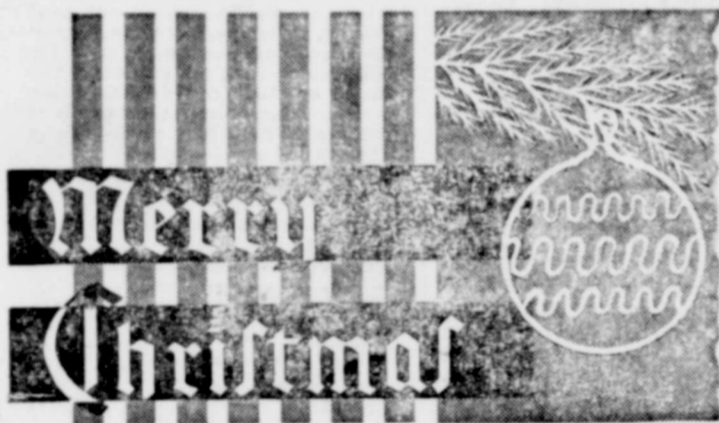


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