

Ernest Goule Visits Chicago Grain Market

E. Goule, County Agent, returned from the Grain Marketing trip to Chicago Friday, January 15. The Grain Marketing program is sponsored by the Chicago Board of Trade in cooperation with the Extension Service. Extension Agents and 4-H Club boys attended from eleven states. Two State 4-H club winners, Roy J. Milhoan of Potter County and Thomas W. Sheldon of Moore County, and E. Goule, County Agent, attended from Texas.

Some of the highlights of the program included a visit of the Board of Trade, going through the Museum of Industry and Science, and seeing Cinerama. The group was schooled in the operation of the Board of Trade. They observed the market in action and got to go down on the main floor while the cash market and future market were operating, and visit the various pits where the functions of each was pointed out to individuals by personnel of the Board of Trade.

The marketing program in Sherman County is tied in very closely with the 4-H Grain Improvement program. The boys are taught the better methods of production of grain in 4-H club demonstrations, then they are taught Grain Marketing as an activity in 4-H club work. In this activity they study the marketing of grain from the time it is harvested until it is delivered to the public for consumption or exported. The boys made a tour of the local grain marketing facilities, and later toured the terminal marketing facilities in Amarillo. From their record of grain production and story, written on Marketing of Grain, the county and state winners are selected. The Sherman County winner this year was Wayne Cummings and runners up in this program were Raymond Kirkwood, Rex Burgess and Cecil Borth. They entered the state contest but were eliminated on account of not being 14 years of age last January.

The adult sponsor is selected in Texas from among the County Agents and interested grain marketing people based on a similar contest on work they have done on grain marketing.

Death Claims Mrs. R. E. Tusha

Mrs. R. E. Tusha, mother of Don Tusha, passed away Friday in Artesia, New Mexico following an illness of many months. For several weeks she had been an invalid as the result of a stroke.

Mrs. Tusha had been a resident of Elida, New Mexico since 1905 when she moved with her husband to New Mexico from St. Charles, Iowa and became active in the development of that territory.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon in the Elida Methodist Church and interment was made in the Elida cemetery beside her husband who preceded her in death in 1938.

Survivors include five sons, E. A. Tusha of San Angelo, Texas, A. G. Tusha of Long Beach, California, Ercel Tusha of Carlsbad, New Mexico, Harold E. Tusha of Tucson, Arizona, Don D. Tusha of Stratford; three daughters, Mrs. Lela Gower of Pueblo, Colorado, Mrs. Embury Wall of Elida, New Mexico, and Mrs. Grace Tinnin of Hereford, Texas; and two sisters, Mrs. Ola Johnson of St. Charles, Iowa and Mrs. Rose Reither of Santa Ana, California.

Methodists Plan Family Night

Sunday evening will be "Family Night" at the First Methodist Church. The program will begin in Fellowship Hall immediately after the preaching service. A playlet that has been given at the Women's Society will be repeated by request. The title of the play is "Tardy April", and will be presented by Shirley Plunk, Dorothy Ross, Barbara Ferguson, Bobbie Cummings and Zonalyn Stevens.

The children's choir will sing at the preaching service at 7:00 P. M.

W. C. Martins Injured In Car Accident

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Martin were injured painfully in a car accident near Belen, New Mexico Friday evening. Mr. Martin is considered to be in a serious condition as the extent of his internal injuries has not been determined. Mrs. Martin is suffering from shock and bruises.

They are in St. Josephs Hospital at Albuquerque, New Mexico. Mr. Martin is known to have several fractured ribs.

Phil Dettle, about 7 years of age, who was riding in the car with Mr. and Mrs. Martin, was not injured in the accident.

No other car was involved in the accident and New Mexico Highway Patrolmen investigating the accident were of the opinion that the blowout of a front tire caused the wreck.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Riffe are in Albuquerque with Mr. and Mrs. Martin. Mrs. W. T. Martin accompanied them to Albuquerque Saturday and returned home Tuesday. Jack and Doug Dettle and Bill Martin have been in Albuquerque with Mr. and Mrs. Martin for short visits.

Wheat Producers Have Increase In Membership

The Sherman County Wheat Producers Directors met Wednesday. The local president, Jim Taylor, announced an increase in membership over the past two years. He stated that 138 had already paid their dues and the association was shooting for a goal of 200 members. The local Wheat Producers Association is only 4 years old and the directors are much encouraged with the interest expressed by the people in the growing membership. They would like to have 100% of wheat growers in their organization. They have approximately 225 wheat growers in Sherman County.

The local association has taken a strong position against sliding parity formula for wheat which is being advocated by the present administration. They give strong encouragement to Kenneth Kendrick, vice-president of the National Wheat Growers Association, to go all out in fighting this part of the farm program, which they feel will bankrupt the farmer. Mr. Kendrick will deliver one of the major addresses at the National Wheat Growers meeting in Wichita, Kansas, February 3, 4 and 5. Kendrick stated that he believed it was time for the general public to get a report on subsidies paid by the government to industries other than the farmer. He said he had found that the farmers only received, in price supports, about 75 cents or less out of each \$100.00 the government paid in other subsidies.

The directors voted to continue their support of the local 4-H and FFA Wheat Improvement and Grain Marketing program, which they have sponsored the past two years.

Death Takes Mrs. Ed S. Hill

Mrs. Ed S. Hill, one of Stratford's pioneer residents, died in Fort Worth, Texas Tuesday night, according to information received by relatives and friends in Stratford.

Mrs. Hill was a sister of Jim Bowling of Stratford and E. E. Bowling of Dalhart.

She visited in Stratford for several days last summer.

Mary Ethel Circle To Meet With Mrs. O. L. McMinn

Members of the Mary Ethel Circle of the Methodist Church will meet Wednesday, January 27, at 9:30 A. M. in the home of Mrs. O. L. McMinn.

INSTALLING TV LABORATORY

Wright Davis Pontiac is installing TV laboratory equipment this week.

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Harry Sears Is Candidate For Sheriff

Harry Sears announces his candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Sherman County. He has been a resident of the county since 1934, having been engaged in farming until he moved to Stratford five years ago. Since that time he has worked for Garrison Motor Co. and for Consumers Company, Inc. At the present time Mr. Sears is a bus driver for the Stratford Independent School District. He is married and has three children.

Mr. Sears is a graduate of White Bluff, Tennessee high school. He also attended school in Nashville, Tennessee. Before moving to Texas he was a member of the Tennessee State Highway Patrol.

If elected to the office he seeks, Mr. Sears states he will carry out the duties of the office and conduct its affairs to the best interests of the taxpayers of the county.

Mr. Sears asks the voters for their consideration in the Democratic Primary election to be held Saturday, July 24, on the basis of his qualifications for carrying on the duties of the office as well as his reputation of honesty and fairness in all respects. He will appreciate the public's consideration and support.

Country 4-H Club Views Sewing Box Demonstration

The 4-H Country Club met in the home of Mrs. Alvin Spurlock Wednesday of last week. The club was given a demonstration on what should be found in a good sewing box.

Kay Spurlock, presiding president led the club in repeating the motto, pledge and prayer. Mrs. Alvin Spurlock and Mrs. Travis Spurlock then showed the club what should be in a good sewing box and how to use different machine attachments.

Those attending were Kay Spurlock, Elaine Spurlock, Jean Spurlock, Mrs. Alvin Spurlock and Mrs. Travis Spurlock.

March Of Dimes Food Sale January 30

Ladies sponsoring a March of Dimes Food sale at the Ross Bros. Dry Goods last year which raised \$100.00 for the fund will sponsor another food sale at the store on Saturday, January 30.

Any one desiring to do so may make contributions of food for the sale. It should be taken to the store before 10:00 A. M., the time the sale will be opened.

February 3 Is Date For Rita Blanca Co-Op Meeting

The annual meeting of the Rita Blanca Electric Co-Op will be held February 3 at 10:00 A. M. in the Jaycee Community Center building at the Dalhart Airport.

This will be the annual membership meeting and an election will be held for the purpose of electing four directors.

One director is to be elected from Sherman, Moore, Dallam and Hartley counties.

Sherman County directors are R. C. Buckles and L. M. Fedric. The term of L. M. Fedric is expiring and he has given notice that he does not wish to be a candidate for re-election. Mr. Buckles has one more year to serve.

Luther Browder and Arthur Judd have been nominated as candidates for the office. Bob Burgess represented Sherman County on the nominating committee.

R. L. Elliott, Manager of the Cooperative, states that a barbecue will be served at the noon hour.

Gottlieb Daimler is called the "father of the automobile."

Mrs. Ethel Skillin Seeks Election As County Clerk

Mrs. Ethel Skillin announces her candidacy for the office of County and District Clerk of Sherman County subject to the action of the Democratic Primary election to be held Saturday, July 24.

Mrs. Skillin has lived in Sherman County most of her life, having moved here with her parents in 1916. She graduated from Stratford High School with the class of 1925 and attended Barnes Commercial College in Denver, Colorado. She returned to Stratford in the latter part of the year to accept a position as assistant cashier of the Sherman County National Bank where she was employed for six years. During this period she was appointed County Treasurer by the Commissioners' Court to fill an approximate 20-month unexpired term of office of Miss Lyla McKinney who resigned to be married.

Since Mrs. Skillin's marriage she has devoted most of her time to her home, working at intervals doing general book work for various farmers and business firms.

Mrs. Skillin states that if elected to the office she seeks, she will do her best to care for the duties of the office in a manner which will be a credit to the county and give satisfaction to those who desire the services of the office.

Mrs. Skillin will appreciate the consideration of the voters of her candidacy in the coming election and any favors the public may show her.

Rev. Roy Curtis To Preach Sunday At Christian Church

Rev. Roy Curtis, Fort Worth, Texas evangelist, will conduct morning and evening services at the First Christian Church Sunday. Mrs. Curtis, a talented organist, will accompany her husband to Stratford.

Heart Association Workers Are Appointed

The Moore-Sherman County Heart Association met in the county court room at Dumas Sunday afternoon. Sunray, Stratford, Texhoma and Dumas were represented. There were nine new members.

Don Lutz, chairman of the Board of Directors, made the following appointments: vice-chairman, Kenneth Kendrick of Stratford; Dumas chairman, Jess Cooper; Sunray chairman, R. B. Smith; Stratford and Texhoma, Kenneth Kendrick; Industrial chairman, John Vity; Rural chairman, Oliver Noel; Publicity director, Mrs. Denel Slagle.

A permanent Post Office box has been secured and the address is Moore-Sherman County Heart Association, Box 583, Dumas, Texas.

The next meeting will be held in the county court room February 7 at 3:00 P. M. at the Moore County court house. All interested persons are extended a special invitation to attend.

Jim Taylor has been appointed assistant chairman and H. M. Flores has been named treasurer of the local organization.

Kirk McWilliams Returns To U.S. For Discharge

A/1c Kirk McWilliams landed in Seattle, Washington Wednesday morning after serving 28 months with the Air Force in Japan. He will receive his discharge at Sparks Air Base, California and hopes to be home on February 5 or 6. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McWilliams.

F. M. Keener Is Candidate For Commissioner

F. M. Keener announces that he is a candidate for re-election to the office of County Commissioner of Precinct Four for a second term. His candidacy for the consideration of the voters is placed subject to the action of the Democratic Primary election to be held Saturday, July 24.

If elected to the office he seeks, Mr. Keener states that he will do his best to perform the duties of the office for the betterment of the county to encourage civic and economic progress. Mr. Keener has devoted much of his time to a county road improvement program and if re-elected he will continue to follow this policy. He further states that any favors shown him in the campaign will be appreciated.

Crusaders Class Sponsoring Supper

A chili and pie supper will be served in Fellowship Hall of the First Methodist Church Wednesday, January 27, from 5:30 to 8:30 P. M. by members of the Crusaders Class.

Funds raised by the class will be used for Japanese Mission work.

The Crusaders Class and two other classes of the First Methodist Church are raising funds to pay for student scholarships to Chenzei Gakuin, which is a school in Nagasaki, Japan. The school, which replaced one "blown to bits" by the atomic bomb, has 700 pupils.

New '54 Oldsmobile Is On Display At Sloan Implement Co.

The new 1954 Oldsmobile, described as the ultra-new car for '54, is on display at the Sloan Implement Co.

The new model car has a completely new body by Fisher and has a new lower, longer and lovelier silhouette. A daring new slant has been added to its panoramic windshield. It has a dramatic new flair in its sweep-cut doors and fenders.

Manufacturers of the new car claim it will establish a record for economy in operation.

HONORED AT SCHOOL DINNER

Miss Lelah Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Price, was one of the honorees at a birthday dinner held Friday evening at the Hockaday School in Dallas, Texas. Those honored during the dinner and at the program were those whose birthdays came during the month of January.

WSCS Circles Have Joint Meeting

Nine members of the W.S.C.S. met Wednesday for the regular joint monthly meeting in the parlor of the First Methodist Church. Mrs. F. B. Mullins called the meeting to order and led the opening prayer. Mrs. Harry Sears gave the financial report.

Mrs. M. Dortch, supply secretary, gave her report. It was voted to prepare a box to leave at the church for gathering equipment to be sent to the Wesley House in Amarillo.

Mrs. Vern Foreman had charge of the program, "Love Never Faleth," on which Mrs. Harry Sears, Mrs. Foreman, Mrs. O. L. McMinn, and Mrs. J. B. McWilliams took part.

The hymn, "Take My Life and Let It Be," was sung by the group with Mrs. James Cameron leading and Mrs. T. Edgar Neal as pianist.

Mrs. Foster Buys Office

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Foster have purchased the small house south of their residence. Mrs. Foster will use the building for her bookkeeping and income tax service office.

March Of Dimes Dance Scheduled For Saturday

The annual Sherman County March of Dimes Dance will be held in the American Legion Hall Saturday night. The 8-piece Sandies Swingster orchestra of Amarillo will start playing at 9:00 o'clock.

Members of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority are sponsoring the dance. A contribution to the March of Dimes Fund will be accepted as an admission charge.

Mollie Davis Circle Meets With Mrs. Norris

The Mollie Davis Circle of the Baptist W. M. U. met in the home of Mrs. H. B. Norris for mission study. The meeting was opened by Mrs. Norris, the circle chairman.

The opening prayer was given by Mrs. W. P. Brooks. Mrs. Stanley Murdock gave the devotional. Mrs. M. J. Carter dismissed the meeting.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. M. E. Upchurch, Mrs. Stanley Murdock, Mrs. Mollie Ellison, Mrs. W. P. Brooks, Mrs. Kenneth Pickens, Mrs. M. J. Carter, Mrs. Howard Haffey and Mrs. H. B. Norris.

The next meeting will be at the church for Royal Service.

Star Club Meets In Bennett Home

The Star Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Harold Bennett Tuesday. Eight members enjoyed the delicious covered dish luncheon at the noon hour.

At 1:00 o'clock Mrs. Earl Kirkwood, the president, opened the meeting. The club prayer was read by the group.

Mrs. Nina Judd called the roll. Each member answered with clippings on kitchen improvements and needed improvements.

Mrs. Nina Judd read the minutes of the last meeting. They were approved without question or correction. Reports were given by the committees.

Suggestions were made for raising finances. It was voted to have a family fun night, Mrs. Kirkwood appointed Mrs. T. L. Wakefield, Mrs. Nina Judd and Mrs. Harold Bennett as a committee to find a place and make necessary arrangements. Mrs. Ava Keener displayed the quilt block to be used for the quilt the club is making.

The constitution and by-laws were read by Mrs. Nina Judd and the necessary amendments were made. It was voted to continue the 11:30 luncheons during the school term, and that a prize would be given at the Christmas party for the best attendance.

Mrs. A. E. Pronger, Jr., had charge of the program on parliamentary laws, and the club procedures were read by Mrs. Harold Bennett, and discussed by the group.

Mrs. Pronger presented a demonstration on improving kitchen cabinets.

Those present were: Mrs. Earl Kirkwood, Mrs. Nina Judd, Mrs. T. L. Wakefield, Mrs. J. B. McWilliams, Mrs. J. W. Smith, Mrs. Ralph Keener, Mrs. Ariyn Haile, Mrs. Raymond Keener, Mrs. A. E. Pronger, Jr., and the hostess, Mrs. Harold Bennett.

County H. D. Council Holds Meeting

The Sherman County Home Demonstration Council met January 4 in the club room with Mrs. Harold Bennett, chairman, presiding. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Roll call was answered by 11 members and Miss Lucile King, county agent.

Each standing committee chairman read her goals for the coming year.

Forty-three members and guests were present at the Christmas luncheon and each one enjoyed it very much.

The year book price was set at 70 cents each.

As it was the first meeting of the council for the year, each member introduced themselves. The next meeting of the council will be held February 5 at 2:30 P. M.

PTA Meets At 7:30 P. M. Friday

George Jeffcoat will be the speaker at the meeting of the Stratford Parent Teacher Association Friday. The meeting will open in the school auditorium at 7:30 P. M.

Refreshments will be served by the Freshman Room Mothers.

Wohlford Speaks At Lions Club

State Representative Sam Wohlford spoke on natural resources in the Texas Panhandle at the meeting of the Stratford Lions Club Monday night.

Snow Brings .07 Inch Of Moisture

Snow falling Wednesday and Wednesday night brought a blanket of about 2 1-2 inches of snow to the Panhandle area. At Stratford the snow recorded only .07 of an inch of moisture.

Miss Crabtree Is Home From Nigeria

Miss Mildred Crabtree returned to Dalhart Saturday after being in Nigeria for several years. Miss Crabtree teaches in a Baptist Girls school there.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Crabtree, quietly celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary in their home in Dalhart on January 6.

Mrs. Crabtree Is Happy Hour Club Hostess

The Happy Hour Home Demonstration Club met Wednesday of last week in the home of Mrs. Newton Crabtree. Nine members answered roll call.

Mrs. Kenneth Pickens gave the council report. After the business meeting, Miss Lucile King, the agent, gave a very nice demonstration on kitchen back grounds.

Mrs. Bernard Dovel and Mrs. Kenneth Pickens attended a school at the courthouse on matching plaids and stripes.

Mrs. "Pup" Wells joined the club.

Pfc. Gene Austin Discharged From Marine Service

Pfc. Gene Austin received his honorable discharge from the U. S. Marine Corps at El Taro, California Saturday after completing three years of service. Austin served in Korea for 21 months and was awarded three battle stars.

Lowe And Ellison Arrive In Germany

Cpl. James Lowe and Cpl. Donald G. Ellison have arrived in Germany for duty with the U. S. Army. Lowe is stationed at Ansbach, Germany and Ellison is stationed at Hersfeld.

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Taylor of Kerrick are the parents of a son born Tuesday in Dumas Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry McDaniel are the parents of a 6 pound 4 ounce son, Bobby Dan, who was born in Dumas Memorial Hospital Saturday. Mrs. McDaniel and baby were brought to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Smith, Monday.

MICKIE SUE OQUIN IS HOSPITALIZED

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Oquin took their baby daughter, Mickie Sue, to Dumas Memorial Hospital Sunday for medical care. She is said to be in an improved condition.

Washington Irving's Sleepy Hollow is in New York.

APPRECIATION

The administration wishes to take this method of thanking the fans and visitors for their clean sportsmanship, their attendance and good wishes during the tournament. Our town is known by its attitude during these tournaments, so again may we say thank you for helping make our town known as one of the outstanding host towns to such events. We welcome visitors to our school and anytime that you wish to visit us you will always find the latch string on the outside.

Trophies awarded in the tour-

nament were presented by: The First State Bank of Stratford, Garrison Motor Co., Consumers Co., J. D. McDaniel, Stratford Department Store, Stratford Grain Co., Davis Motor Co., Sloan Implement Co., Stratford Insurance Co., and M. H. Harrison.

The boys, girls, faculty members and school administration wish to take this means to thank the local business men in helping to make our tournament a success by donating the trophies to be awarded to the winners of our annual tournament.

Recipe Of The Week SEAFARER'S RAFT

- 1 can (well drained) tuna flakes.
3 chopped hard cooked eggs.
1-4 pound grated American cheese.
2 tablespoons chopped bell peppers.
2 tablespoons chopped onion.
2 tablespoons sweet pickle relish.
2 tablespoons chopped stuffed olives.
1-2 cup mayonnaise or salad dressing.
Combine all ingredients and mix well. Mound mixture into split, buttered buns. Broil until bubbly and lightly browned, then sprinkle on a bit of grated cheese and brown. Top with sprinkling of parsley, serving at once. (Makes 16 open sandwiches if small buns are used.)

Timley Tips
1. Any kind of bun may be used but oblong buns will look more like rafts.
2. If bun is buttered well before mixture is piled on, bun will not be soaked and become soggy.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for the cards, visits and many kindnesses since Mr. McQueen was injured in a fall. Mr. and Mrs. E. E. McQueen



The question of the times appears to be: Will the pendulum swing from Korea to Indo-China? Recently it appeared, at least momentarily, that Syngman Rhee intends to back away slowly from his once strongly avowed policy of threatening military action if he found political negotiations on national unification not to his liking.

In a news conference intended in the main for home consumption, Rhee changed his tune and replied to the pointed question of a newsman in this fashion: "Peaceful means are the best conceivable method of achieving national unification. . . I only made it clear that I would give a 90-day period to conduct political negotiations after the convocation of a formal political conference."

Rhee's retreat was brought about, it appeared, by his realization (aided to some extent by visits from high ranking Americans) that the United States is willing to aid Korea with money—for rehabilitation—but not with the supplies and ammunition—needed for war. Congress, in effect, tossed Mr. Rhee an unsuspected curve. It earmarked only \$50 million for rehabilitation, with \$450 million more dependent upon his signing an agreement, which he very quietly signed.

The victory and the retreat, however, could not be considered complete, due to the unpredictable temperament of Mr. Rhee. Had it followed, rather than preceded the political conference, it could be considered truly important.

Yet, as Korean headlines became smaller and smaller, the Indo-China story moved into greater prominence. Americans had watched with official interest and concern the inept efforts of the French and Viet Nam forces against Communist guerrillas. Off-

Osa Kay Kendrick Celebrates Birthday

Little Miss Osa Kay Kendrick was honored with a birthday party in the Kendrick home Saturday. Movies of Osa Kay were made while she opened

the lovely gifts she received on this occasion, which was her fourth birthday.

Mrs. Jim Taylor helped in entertaining the children.

Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served to Susan Upchurch, Barbara Flores, Bobby Taylor, Jody Taylor, Marian

Haile, Alice and Becky Guthrie and the little honoree, Osa Kay Kendrick.

The only one of the seven wonders of the world, still in existence, is the Egyptian Pyramids.

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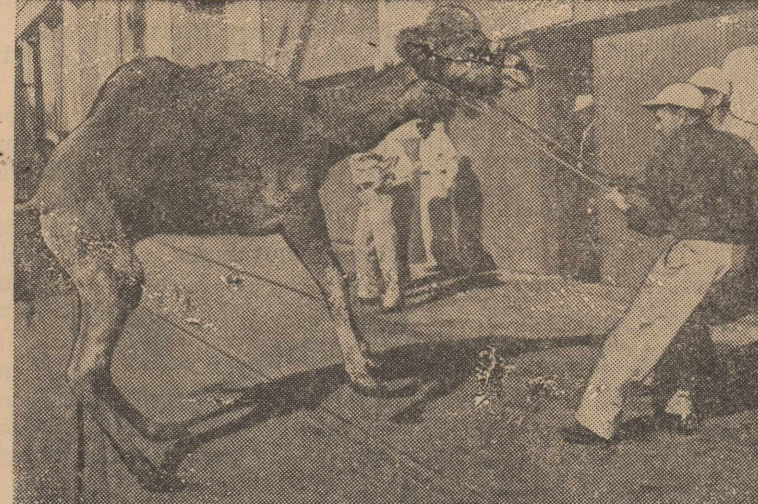
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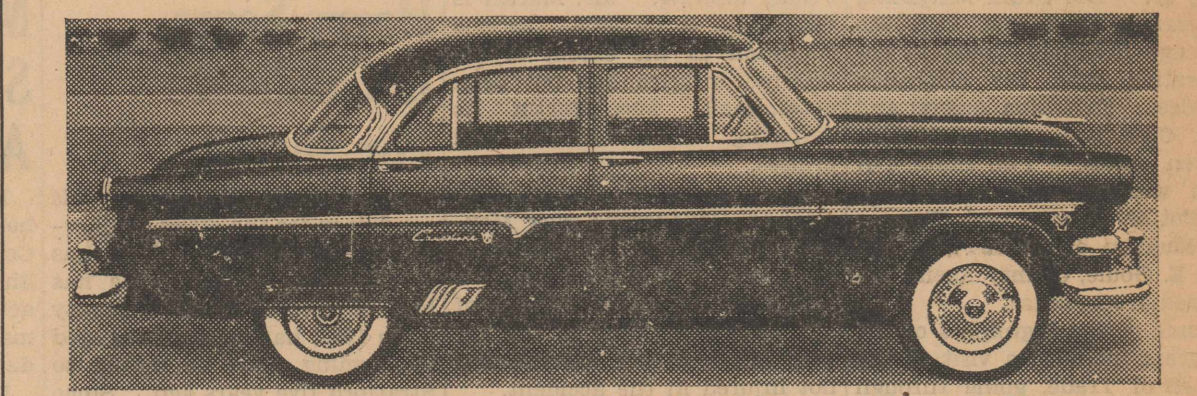
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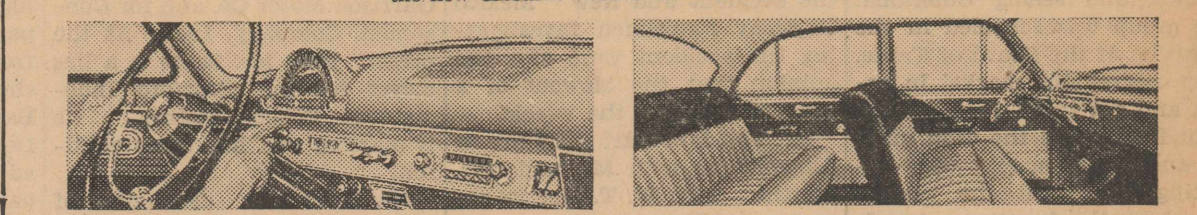
AUSSIE ARRIVAL . . . Young camel protests at 15-day quarantine at Los Angeles after boat trip from Australia with 22 buddies destined for American zoos and circuses.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE
HORIZONTAL
1 Title of respect
4 Burn with hot water
9 Kind of fly
12 A macaw
13 Slave of Sarah
14 A compass point
15 Joe Walcott's home town
17 Winter covering for hand
19 Article of furniture
20 Station
21 Business transaction
22 City in Chaldea
24 Excavation for removal of ore
27 Letter of alphabet
28 Goddess of discord
30 Ireland
31 Correlative of either
32 Coward's
34 Musical note
35 Bank of a river
37 Island in Dodecanese group
38 Approaches
41 Syllable of scale
42 Await
43 Piggins
44 Child's game
45 Those who cast ballots
46 Boxing matches
51 I have (cont.)
52 Weird
54 Measure of weight
55 Mournful
56 Falls along
57 Affirmative vote
VERTICAL
1 Pouch
2 Man's name
3 Roam about
4 Rough shelter
5 Metal container
6 Symbol for silver
7 Halt
8 Falls in drops
9 Wagerer
10 Number
11 Decade
16 River of England
19 Carries
20 Golf club (pl.)
21 Contempt
22 Eagle's nest
23 Russian mountain range
25 Heaped
26 Growing out
28 Teutonic deity
29 Withered
32 Position in fencing
33 Word of negotiation
36 Fastened with sticky substance
38 Powerful
40 Fathered
42 Paper container
44 Danish weight (pl.)
45 Pasture
46 Force
47 Eggs
48 Fruit
49 Pecal digit
50 Nahoor sheep
53 Sun god
Answer to Puzzle No. 272
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YOUR brain budget
1. The U. S. Secretary of Labor is (a) Sinclair Weeks; (b) Douglas McKay; (c) James P. Mitchell.
2. New president of France is (a) Francois Mauriac; (b) Rene Coty; (c) Jean Cocteau.
3. The face on the \$20 bill is that of Andrew Jackson. On the other side is (a) U. S. Capitol; (b) Lincoln Memorial; (c) White House.
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1. Mitchell
2. Rene Coty
3. White House



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EAGLE SCOUTS . . . Scoutmaster W. E. Grant of Los Angeles congratulates son, Kenny, 12 years, 7 months old, on becoming nation's youngest eagle scout. Kenny owns 34 merit badges, and his dad is also an eagle scout.



TELLS BALT SEIZURE . . . Lithuanian minister to U.S. Povilas Zadeikis testifies before special House committee in Washington investigating Russia's 1940 "illegal seizure" of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia.

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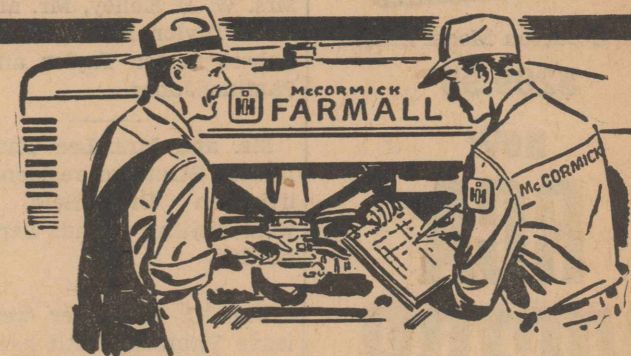
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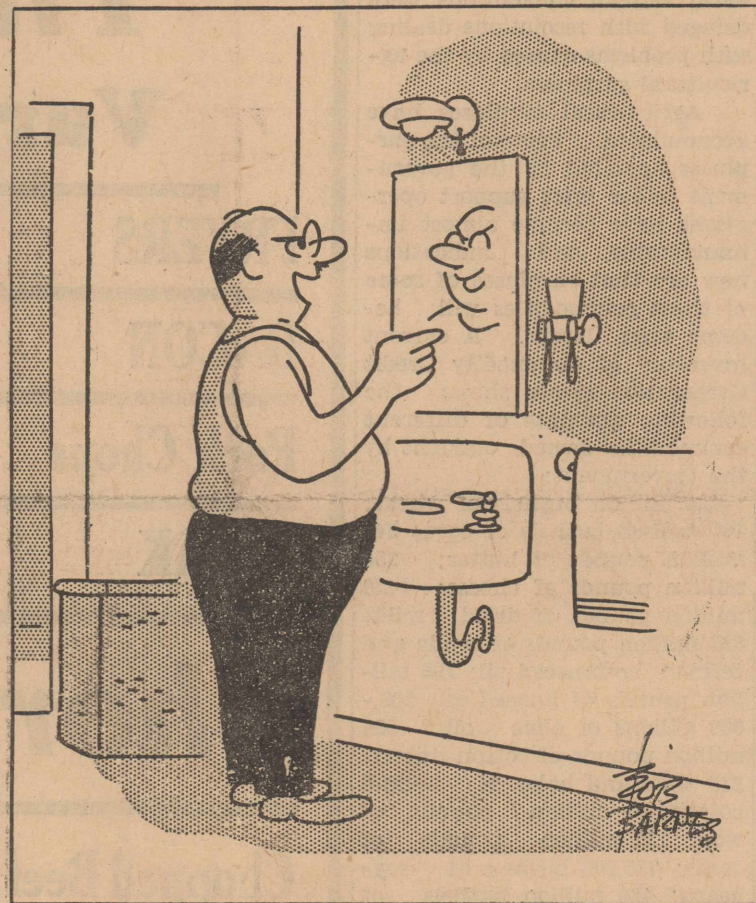
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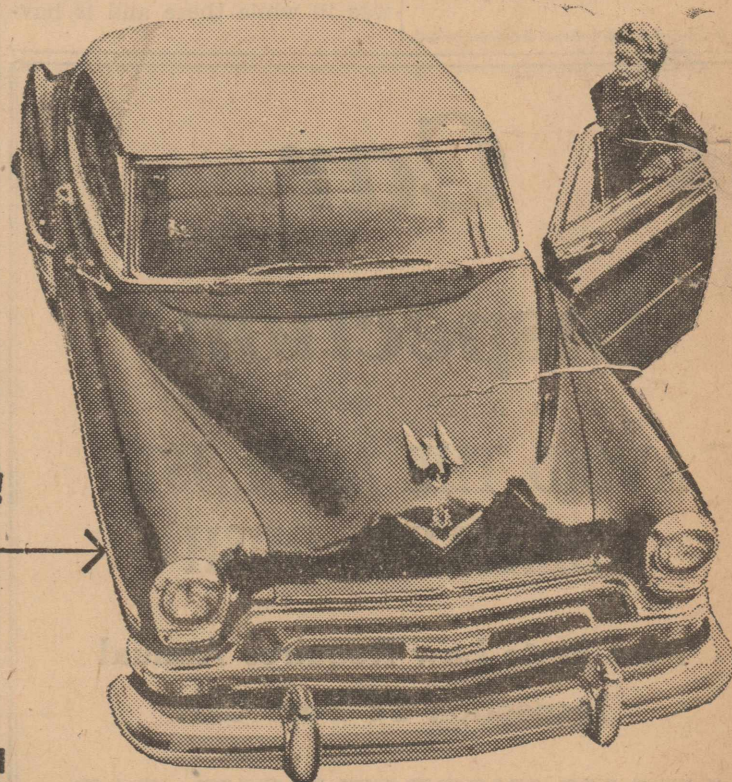
CUTS ARMED FORCES . . . Assistant defense secretary John A. Hannah orders U. S. army, navy and marine corps to cut their manpower ten per cent, in line with airforce reduction.



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Local News

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Brooks returned home Thursday of last week from a two months visit with relatives in Indiana and Tennessee.

Fred Ashley, Amarillo, was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal Pendleton were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Pendleton in

Amarillo Sunday and spent the night with Mrs. Pendleton's father in Canyon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Warren, Guymon, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. Ross Turner Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Turner visited relatives in Hooker, Oklahoma Sunday.

Mrs. F. L. Yates made her official visit to Panhandle, Texas Monday night as Deputy Grand Matron of District Two Section Two. Mr. Yates accompanied his wife to Panhandle.

Mrs. H. Stanley, mother of I. D. Wall, was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wall Monday. She was returning to her home in California after a visit in Fort Scott, Kansas.

Harry Vincent of Texhoma received his 33rd degree in Masonry at Guthrie, Oklahoma Saturday.

Mrs. Lucy Kelp and her brother, Ozie Green, were business visitors in Amarillo Friday.

Mrs. J. B. McWilliams visited Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Looney in Amarillo from Wednesday until Saturday of last week.

Sunday dinner guests in the L. M. Fedric home in the Spurlock Community were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Taylor, Mrs. V. O. Gilbert, Robert Lester Taylor and Miss Pauline Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Thompson, former Stratford residents, now living in Brownfield, Texas, were visiting friends here Wednesday.

Mrs. C. R. Foster went to leave Thursday with her brother, Amarillo Wednesday and left Thursday with her brother, for Orlando, Florida, where they plan to remain about two months. They will visit cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Speer and S. W. Speer while there.

Miss Mary Lee Green has returned to Boise City where she is employed with the Barnes Floral Shop. Miss Green has been at home the past ten days, ill with virus pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Harper, Amarillo, and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wilson, Dumas, were week end guests in the Homer Blake home and in the T. D. Chisum home.

Mr. and Mrs. Newton Crabtree visited Mr. Crabtree's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Crabtree, and sister, Miss Mildred Crabtree in Dalhart Sunday.

Mrs. Earl Albert and son, Russell, were guests last week end in the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Higgins. Russell was ill while there and is hav-

ing to remain in bed this week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Taylor spent the week end at the Taylor Ranch at La Veta, Colorado, returning home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Chisum were business visitors in Dumas Tuesday.

S/Sgt. Boyd McWilliams of Smoky Hill Air Force Base, Kansas spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McWilliams.

Mrs. Ernest Palmer and daughter, Joyce, were visitors in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Albert and children, Lane and Sandra, were business visitors in Amarillo Tuesday.

Farm Surpluses Threatening Agriculture

Agriculture is beset by a number of problems, but one of the worst threatens the stability of the entire industry. That is the problem of surpluses. Perhaps more than any other factor, the specter of unmanageable surpluses caused farmers and ranchers to do more thinking this past year than in any comparable period in our history. Both the state and national Farm Bureau conventions were deluged with resolutions dealing with problems caused by the agricultural surpluses.

Agricultural surpluses have accumulated. Some of the surpluses acquired by the government under price support operations have become almost unmanageable, and indications now are that surpluses of some of these commodities will become even larger. A current inventory of Commodity Credit Corporation stocks shows the following amounts of different commodities owned outright by the Government:

425 million bushels of wheat; 461 million bushels of corn; 248 million pounds of butter; 250 million pounds of cheese; 420 million pounds of dried milk; 826 million pounds of crude and refined cottonseed oil; 108 million pounds of linseed oil; 203,000 gallons of olive oil; 529 million pounds of cotton lint; 235 thousand bales of upland cotton; 99 million pounds of wool; 117 million pounds of seeds; 735,000 bushels of soybeans; 466 million bushels of rosin; 2 million gallons of turpentine; 68 million pounds of barley; 602 million pounds of peanuts; 118,000 bushels of nuts; 118 thousand bushels of rye; 292,000 bushels of flaxseed; and 31 thousand hundredweight of grain sorghums.

The value of farm surpluses now owned outright by the Government is close to \$2,500,000,000. In addition, the Government has outstanding nearly two and one-half billion dollars in price support loans on various commodities, many of which will no doubt be acquired and put in storage. Thus the American people have the record high amount of nearly 5 billion dollars invested in farm surpluses. It all adds up to well over \$100 worth of farm products for every American family. This investment will certainly increase unless ways are found to avoid further surpluses. Some of these commodities can be stored longer than others, but even such things as wheat and corn deteriorate in time. None of them can be stored forever.

It is costing the American taxpayer more than 14 million dollars a month just to store these commodities. And realized losses under price support operations for the first three months of this fiscal year totaled nearly 47 million dollars.

An important cause contributing to our ever-increasing surpluses of some crops is the sharp drop in agricultural exports. Here's what has happened. In 1940, U. S. exports of farm products averaged 738 million dollars a year. Then the war came and blasted millions of foreign acres out of production. By the time the war was over, millions of people in other countries were hungry and markets for food mushroomed. During the 1947-48 marketing year, \$3,505 million dollars worth of American farm products were

sent abroad. But by this time foreign agriculture was recovering. The need for food in other countries of the world became less desperate and normal trade patterns were being resumed. Some of the money foreign countries formerly spent for food was being used to buy more of America's non-agricultural products. In the 1949-50 marketing year, the value of U. S. agricultural exports dropped to \$2,986,000,000.

Then, in 1950, the outbreak of the Korean War was followed by a sharply increased demand abroad for U. S. farm products. Exports in the 1951-52 marketing year hit a new high of \$4,053,000,000. This helped to drain off surpluses, but everything caught up with us during the 1952-53 marketing year, and exports dropped to \$2,816,000,000, the lowest level since the end of World War II. Wheat exports, for example, dropped from about 474 and one-half million bushels to less than 318 million. Cotton exports dropped from about 5 and one-half million bales to just a little more than three million bales. And figures for the first three months of the current marketing year show that exports of cotton and wheat are at even a lower rate than in 1952. Exports of various other commodities also dipped sharply, including apples

beans, evaporated milk, cheese, dried eggs, bacon, and lard. While foreign demands will never provide outlets even approaching those at home, the importance of these overseas markets to a stable agricultural economy can not be over-emphasized.

Some people argue that farmers have done quite well under farm programs of the past decade or so. The fact remains that many farmers--yes agriculture in general--is in trouble today. Surpluses are mounting, prices are dropping, farm production costs are increasing, foreign markets are disappearing, and consumption of some commodities is falling off, particularly those supported at high levels by the government. It does not seem likely that the problems now facing agriculture can be solved by programs that caused them to occur in the first place.

Perhaps the simplest solution would be to destroy these surpluses, but this would mean a tremendous dollar loss and a drastic waste of food. The surpluses could be dumped on the world market for whatever price they would bring, but money losses would still be large and such trade practices would jeopardize the much-needed friendship of countries this side of the

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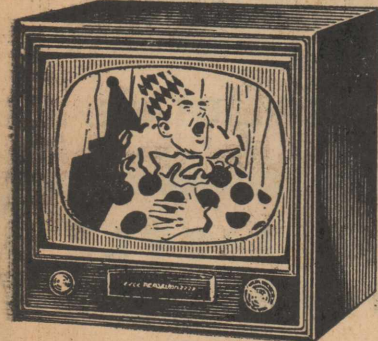
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First Grade

Mrs. Gates' and Miss Staten's Rooms

Perhaps you have seen some strange little creatures running around the premises lately. If so, do not be frightened, they are only the monkeys, elephants, and fleas from Mrs. Gates' room and skunks, rattlesnakes and monkeys from Miss Staten's

room. That is what happens when the students name their own reading groups.

The grade cards will go out before you read this. Do not be surprised to see a decrease in grade points. It is quite hard to grade fairly the first year of school, and especially the first half of it. Our grades from here on will be stiffer, because we are now in the

state of perfecting most of what we have learned. Every student making A's will work hard for it. No child will make one until he has reached every requirement for it. We are striving to grade as fairly as possible, but grades do not necessarily tell what you want them to tell. Remember, there are many things that enter the grading of a first grade child.

We have now finished all of our primers and are reading our first primers. Most of us are doing fine. We really enjoy the funny stories about Jack, Jane, and Penny.

We are really happy to have Sheri Hudson back in school with us. She has been ill the past few days.

We have been making "Big Show" books in Mrs. Gates' room. The books are being made to go with a story read lately. We are all enjoying making our books.

It seems the tables have been turned. It was very unusual indeed. Who gets the spanking now days? Ask any first grade child about who got it Monday. Oh well, Miss Staten's time is coming. It was she that told about Mrs. Gates' birthday.

Second Grade

Mrs. Peterson's Room

This week begins the second semester of school. We are starting on the last half of second grade work. In reading, part of us are ready for our new McKee Reader, On We Go. Others have to finish Come Along. These are our basic readers, and give us the training we need in phonics and word analysis, in order that we may cope with new words as we meet them.

In Language Arts we have a new workbook called, Keys To Good Language, in which we shall learn to write and to tell many things. There are games to play, things to make, and other interesting activities in this book.

In Spelling and arithmetic, we follow the same texts and workbooks that we have used the first semester, plus day to day activities.

We have two different Science texts which we take home for pleasure reading.

Report cards go home this week and we hope that they will be signed and returned by Friday.

Second Grade

Mrs. Minkley's Room

We have five pupils in our room who have had perfect attendance so far this year. They are: Carol Reeder, Cynthia Heil, Linda Reesing, Karen Woolsey and Rickie Pickens. We are hoping they can continue this good record, for the last semester of this school year.

We are enjoying the new clock our room bought with some of our money from the Halloween Carnival. It is helping us to learn to tell time.

"The Blue Birds" have completed another reader, "Little Lost Bobo" and will begin a new reader, On We Go. The Red Birds have completed their reader, Come Along, and will begin a new reader, Little Lost Bobo.

We all miss Chucko Robinson. He has gone to live with his uncle at Wichita Falls, Texas.

Sue Plunk had a birthday on January 6th. She was eight years old. Phil Dettle and

Georgia Ann Reaves also have a birthday coming up this month.

Fifth Grade

Mrs. Elliott's Room

We have been busy taking tests and making corrections of any errors made in our tests. We enjoyed several free periods at which time we attended the tournament and too we got some new traveling books this week.

Thursday morning we had a citizenship play. The play was written by Dennis Walker. He chose Sharon Mullican as director and manager of his play. Characters in the play were: Shirley Sanders as Betsy Ross, Elaine Spurlock as Betty Ross, Billy Steinberger as George Washington, and Dennis Walker played Jim Washington. Special poetry reader was Linda Brewster.

Since Linda Brewster's two day illness we only have one pupil who has a perfect attendance record for the first semester. This lucky person is Barbara Lavake. Keep up the good work, Barbara, we are proud of you.

Speech Class

The Speech Class of Stratford High School sponsored by Wayne Stevens will present a radio program over KXIT, Dalhart, at 1:45 P. M. Sunday, January 24. There are to be six programs presented by various departments of the school.

Those participating from the Speech department are: Benny Biddy, Lynne Reeder, Rita Neal, James Crawford, Marjory Mathews, Bob Garoutte, Adabelle Knight, Yvonne Mitts and Donald Weller.

Wine Off The Ole Grape Vine

We've been mighty busy with our out-of-town guest that were at the tournament. Seems we should have a lot of juicy gossip.

I wonder why all the girls were eyeing Billy Brown, or was it his car?

Irene, Arlene, and you too, Martha, what's your alibi of all those happy boys in the cafe Saturday afternoon.

Too bad Mr. Bilbrey likes to sit in the back of the bus, isn't it Dan? — how about it Carolyn.

I've heard some certain people think Yvonne eloped the other night — you should know Jimmy, you were there with?

Some of the couples we've seen lately are, Jim B. and Lynne R., Glen M. and Gay P., M. B. and Virginia P., and Joyce H. and Buzz W.

Too bad the Stinnett girls didn't have the privilege of sitting in front of their enemies after the half of the finals.

Hey, Bob Euper your car was slightly over-loaded with Adrian girls Saturday afternoon, but knowing you, it wasn't.

It seems the hockey players will stay after school, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. I'll bet they'll have a time.

Those were some hum-dingers you found from Stinnett Saturday night, wasn't it Beth P., Laurene N., and Ealon D.

By the way, Rita Joyce sure gave her Hardesty Friend the knockoff Friday night.

Say Mr. Bilbrey, you better watch it. You could get in trouble sitting with girls, right Bob.

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It is to sow seeds with tenderness and reap the harvest with joy, even as if your beloved were to eat the fruit.

It is to charge all things you fashion with a breath of your own spirit.

— Kahlil Gibran

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Lynne Reeder to Jim Beasley — You, You, You.

Mrs. Belvin to students — You Better Not Do That.

Frankie to Jean Cummings — She's My Baby.

Jo Wayne to Johnny S. — Have You Ever.

Frances Norris to Don Young — Letters Have No Arms.

Mr. McGaughey to Hokey Players — You Must Walk The Line.

Joyce H. to Buzz W. — Aint'cha Ever Coming Back.

Dan to Carolyn F. — That's My Weakness Now.

James C. to Helen F. — I Love You Because.

Bonnie to Emery — Don't Call It Little Girl Love.

Buzzie to Girls — I'll Walk Alone.

George to Anne R. — Kiss Me Like Crazy.

Bobby to Martha S. — Good-bye and So Long To You.

Jimmy H. to Betty W. — That's My Baby.

Wayne C. to Martha S. — Hi Baby.

Stinnett Boys And Happy Girls Win Stratford Tourney

The Stratford Double Elimination Boys and Girls Consolation games got under way Thursday afternoon of last week. The first game began at 2:15. The teams participating in this tournament were: Stinnett, Sunray, Happy, Stratford, Channing, Adrian, Hartley and Texline.

The Stratford Elks opened the tournament by defeating Channing 58 to 28. Garoutte and Biddy led the scoring with 15 and 14 points. The Elks were showing improvement on ball handling. In the second game, Stinnett beat Sunray 59 to 39. Happy drew a bye and in the third game, Adrian won over Hartley 46 to 33. In the losers bracket, Sunray beat Channing in the fourth game 39 to 28. These games were played on Thursday afternoon and Thursday night.

Beginning Friday morning, Stratford fell under Adrian 55 to 34. The Elks could not get started for some reason and Adrian was playing at their best. In the sixth game Stinnett won over Happy in the first exciting game of the tournament. Stinnett won 58 to 55. The seventh game was played by Stratford and Sunray. Stratford won 54 to 39. All the boys seemed to be hitting in this game. In the eighth game, Happy beat Hartley 60 to 35. In the ninth game, Stinnett beat Adrian 58 to 44. Stinnett was showing that ability to hit from anywhere on the court. In the tenth game Stratford beat Happy 54 to 47. Garoutte was high with 24 points. This was one of Stratford's best games. In the eleventh game, Stratford was defeated by Adrian for the second time. Adrian won 45 to 44 in one of the most exciting games of the tournament. Both teams were showing ability to handle the ball. Benny Biddy was high point man with 17 points. In the final game, Stinnett beat Adrian in an exciting game 57 to 49.

Trophies Awarded

Sunray girls received the girls sportsmanship trophy. Hartley boys were presented the boys sportsmanship trophy. Stinnett girls won the consolation trophy. Stratford received the girls second place trophy. Adrian won the boys second place trophy. Coach Roberts of Happy was presented the girls coaches award. The girls first place trophy also went to Happy. Coach Malone of Stinnett was presented the boys coaches award. Stinnett boys won the boys first place trophy.

All Tournament Teams

Named to the girls all-tournament team were: Lavake of Stratford, Reeder of Stratford, Patterson of Happy, Stubblefield of Happy, Irlbeck of Happy, Tomkins of Sunray, Folsom of Sunray, Sheets of Adrian, Edwards of Channing, Britton of Stinnett, Shalsky of Hartley, and Newton of Texline.

Chosen on the boys all-tournament team were: Reger of Stinnett, Ballard of Stinnett, Smith of Stinnett, Brown of Adrian, Allen of Adrian, Biddy of Stratford, Garoutte of Stratford, Oler of Happy, Broxson of Sunray and Armstrong of Hartley.

GIRLS GAMES

The first game of the tournament began at 5:45 P. M. Thursday with Texline defeating Channing with a score of 30 to 28. This was a thriller, setting the pace for all following games.

Game two was at 7:15 P. M. in which Stratford met Hartley. The Elks played a good fast game taking Hartley for a 38 to 27 victory.

Game three was between Sunray and Adrian with Sunray taking a fast lead and holding it to the end with a final score of 38 to 27.

Game four was between the fast stepping Happy team and the always dangerous Stinnett team. Happy came out with a final score of 58 to 55.

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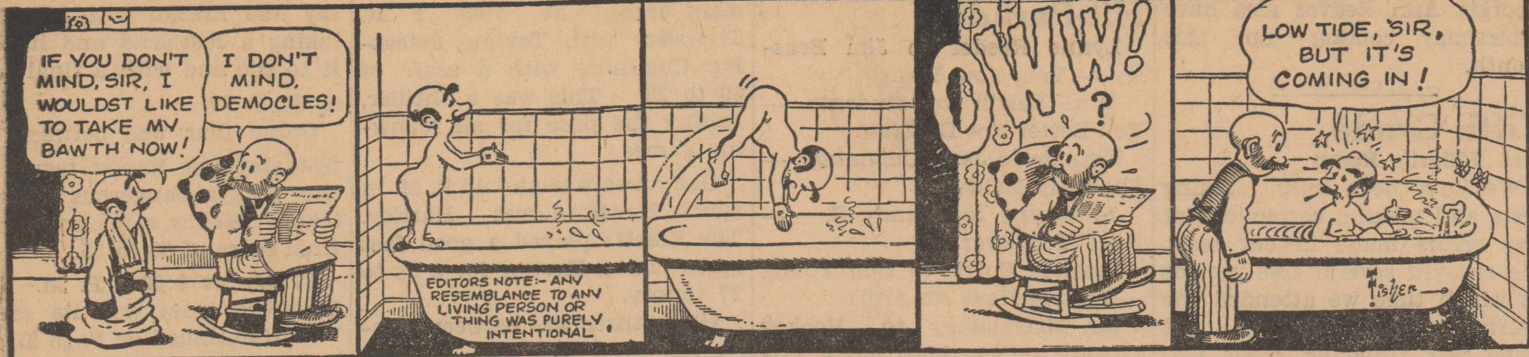
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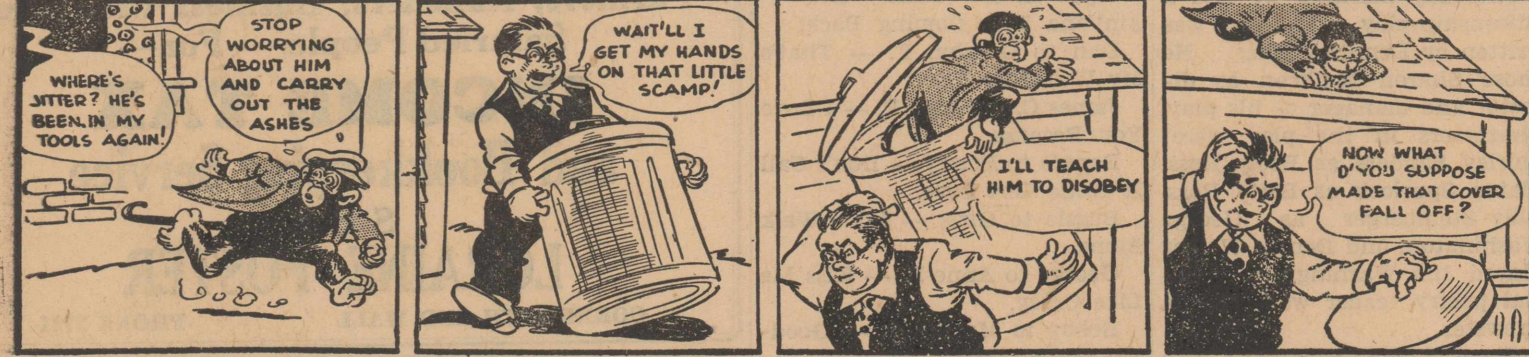
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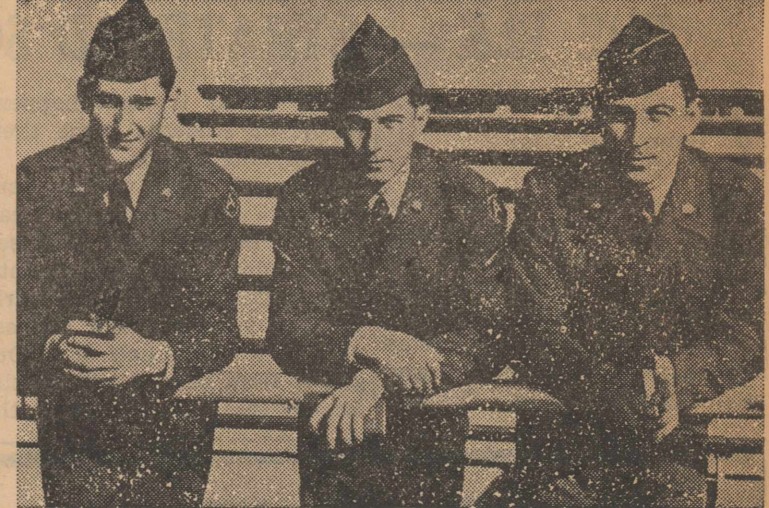
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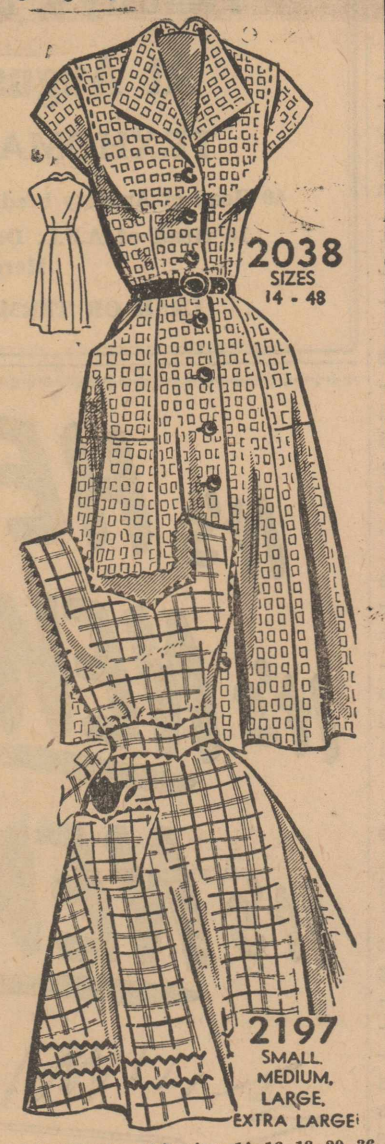
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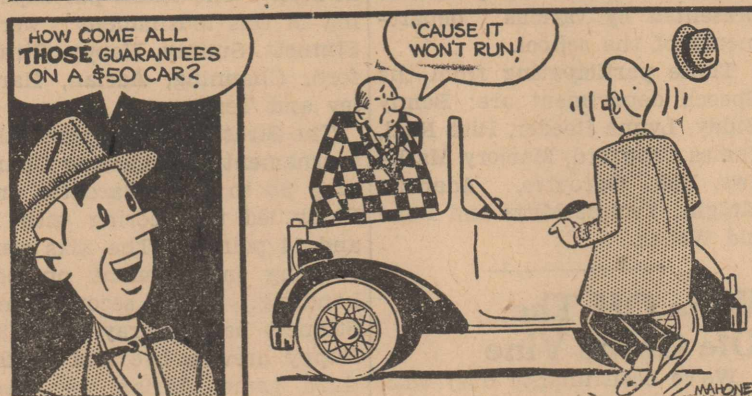
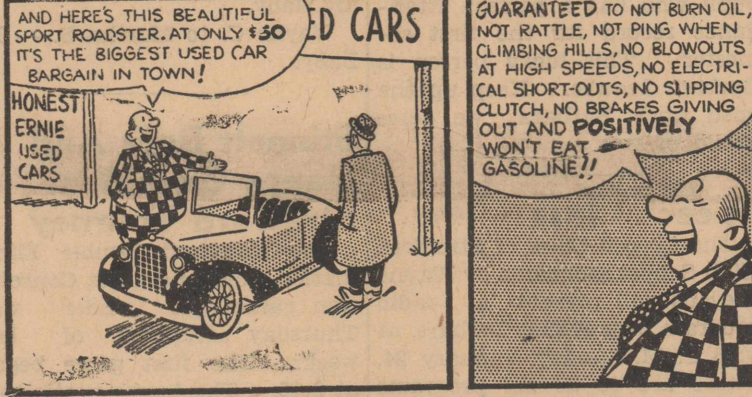
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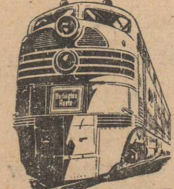
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the Stratford team in the finals.

Game six gave the onlookers a thrill when Happy won over the Sunray team with a final count of 42 to 39.

Game seven, a consolation game, was held at 10:00 A. M. Saturday with Channing racking up a 40 to 28 victory.

Game eight, another consolation game, between Adrian and Stinnett, brought Stinnett another victory with the score of 49 to 25.

Game nine, the final consolation game, started with Stinnett playing Channing. Stinnett won the consolation trophy with a score of 29 to 23, another hard fought game and a thriller.

Game ten, the final game of the tournament Saturday at 7:15 P. M. packed the gym to a record capacity crowd. The Stratford fans and the Happy fans pulling for each team, made it appear that each side was out for blood. It was the game of the tournament for the girls teams. Each side having a complete determination that they would be the ones to take home the beautiful trophy. The highly trained and spunky Happy team took the score with a counting of 54 to 47. Stratford fans felt that although the home town team lost the game that the girls made a remarkable showing against the speedy Happy team. Stratford girls take off their hats to Happy and issue them the challenge to return next year as they feel that the trophy will belong to Stratford in 1955.

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FHA News

The FHA girls and Miss Smith want to thank the mothers for the help they gave them during the tournament.

FARM SURPLUSES

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 iron curtain.

A more sensible alternative would be to move surpluses out of warehouses and into stomachs by promoting higher consumption on certain commodities. A much more aggressive search can be made for new uses of surpluses. More emphasis can be placed on expanding present foreign markets and finding new ones. These alternatives may not produce re-

sults as quickly as dumping and destroying, but they offer a sounder and more basic approach to the surplus problem.

Basically, these alternatives are consensus of thinking of Farm Bureau members from all over the United States. They are contained in the resolutions passed by the voting delegates to the American Farm Bureau Federation convention last month in Chicago.

PRISCILLA CLUB PARTY NEWS

(By Club Reporter)

Dear Aunt Sally:
 Here I come again after being absent a month. I am really a poor correspondent, don't you think? I'll really try to do better, though.

Ruth Park had the club two weeks ago. Some of us didn't make it. I was having a new grandbaby, so that made two absent, and Mary had paint in her hair. The new grandson is a husky and all of us have about forgotten we yearned for a girl in the family.

To get back to the club — we have a new member, Helen Powell, and we can see she is going to be lots of fun. We are really happy to have her. The girls redrew secret pal names so hers could be included and had a time. Seems some kept getting their own name and who wants to receive gifts from themselves.

We all journeyed over to Frances Browder's house last week. That is, all but Ruth Morris, she is staying home with her new boy friend a while yet; and Nell, who has gone to visit her sister down on the border somewhere.

We almost had club along the roadside. Mary scooted off in the ditch, and along came Mary Belle, Velma, Syble, Ruth and Helen. Mary was sure miffed to think the only wet spot in the road threw her. We finally left her car for papa to come and get.

There just isn't anything we can't do out here. Beauty work was the order of the day. But Frances can make a new hair pillow and it will probably take a maize crop to replenish her shampoo and bobby pin supplies, not to mention some paper supplies that left on our heads. Sure wish someone would learn to do that Italian hair cut business.

Frances doesn't have TV yet but she must have been watching as she served the most heavenly concoction of marshmallows, pineapple, nuts, cherries, coconut and cream, I ever ate, also wonderful coffee. We will all be letting out our seams before long if we eat with her often.

Well, Aunt Sally, this is wash day and it looks like I can hang my clothes outdoors without them freezing so I must run.

Mary Belle has club next and has promised Mexican food or ice cream — come and bring your Alka-seltzers. Be seeing you.

Sarah.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Trustees of the Stratford Independent School District will receive bids, until 7:00 P. M. Thursday, February 4, 1954, in the office of the Superintendent, for one used Bendix Washing Machine and one used 6 inch Bench Saw. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

JOHN P. STEEL
 Secretary, Stratford Independent School District.

Your Senator Reports

(By Lyndon B. Johnson)
Farm Program
 The President's farm message proposes a number of changes in the present program. Some of these changes, I believe, would result in less protection and less income for the farmer. I cannot support any proposals that would have such an effect.

The recent trend in the farm economy has been downward. It is the duty of Congress to take action designed to halt that trend. I do not believe a flexible price support system — even if it is called a "modernized" parity concept — is the answer.

Livestock Industry
 The President stated in his farm message that no new laws are needed to deal with problems of the livestock industry. He recommended that "existing conditions with respect to meat animals be continued."

I talked to hundreds of cattlemen between sessions of Congress. I certainly did not find

them satisfied with "existing conditions." It is not their feeling that problems affecting the livestock industry are being dealt with adequately.

All the President's recommendations must be studied carefully. They must be changed when changes are necessary to maintain the protections Congress already has accorded to agriculture.

Rural Telephones

Texas now has seven REA financed telephone systems. Only Minnesota, with eight, has more.

More than half the States now have rural telephone facilities financed by REA. Telephone loans amounting to \$49,000,000 were approved last year. That was about \$6,000,000 less than the total approved in 1952.

Oil Depletion

Texas Service Stations, Associated, is a trade association of service station operators with thousands of members in some 200 Texas cities and towns. The organization's board of directors sent me a copy of a resolution they recently passed, vigorously opposing any effort to repeal or reduce the oil depletion allowance.

I had the resolution placed in the Congressional Record. I know it will help to inform the members of Congress about this important matter.

Official Memorandum

The Public School System in Texas goes back literally to the very beginning of our State. Texas' first Constitution made provisions for a system of public education. President Mirabeau Buonaparte Lamar, in his message to the Texas Congress in 1838 stated, "It is admitted by all that cultivated mind is the guardian genius of Democracy, and while guided and controlled by virtue, the noblest attribute of man. It is the only dictator that freemen acknowledge, and the only security freemen desire."

The progress of our public schools from small beginnings to the fine educational system

we have today has not been easy. It has required a cooperative effort of State and local officials, the active interest of parents and of citizens generally, and the energy and devotion of public-spirited men and women who have been willing to devote their lives to the teaching profession.

In recent years we have had to face great problems in the administration of our public schools. We have learned that the solution of these problems is only possible with public interest, understanding and cooperation.

One of the best evidences of public support is a definite effort on the part of each citizen to become familiar with the public school system and to keep in touch with it.

Therefore, I, Allan Shivers, Governor of Texas, do hereby designate the period May 1 to 7, 1954, as Public Schools Week in Texas, and urged every citizen to visit one of the public schools during this period and become acquainted with the programs and accomplishments of our education system.

Randolph Elected As Vice-President To Succeed Short

Walter L. Randolph of Alabama is the new vice-president of the American Farm Bureau Federation. He was elected by voting delegates to the Chicago convention last month to fill the vacancy left by Romeo E. Short of Arkansas who resigned earlier last year when he was named head of the Foreign Agricultural Service of the USDA. The delegates also re-elected Allan B. Kline of Iowa for a fourth term as head of the world's largest farm organization. Kline was the only candidate for the position.

Randolph has been president of the Alabama Farm Bureau Federation since 1940. A recognized leader of the South and close friend of President J. Walter Hammond of Texas, Randolph has also served as an AFBF director and a member of the executive committee of the Board of Directors.

The Swiss watch industry employs more than 50,000 persons.

Octopus is a favorite food of Japan's Awaji islanders. They buy it sun-dried and stretched on sticks, or alive from tanks of sea water. Choice portions are tentacles, boiled and sliced.

Less than 50 years ago, traffic in the District of Columbia was monitored by bicycle-mounted police who could overtake and arrest "speeding" automobile drivers.

"God made the sea, we made the shore," is a Dutch proverb.

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Rev. Robert H. Harper Jesus and the Samaritans. Lesson for January 24: John 4: 27-42. Golden Text: John 4: 42.

It is said that the Jews of our Lord's time, when going from Jerusalem to Galilee, usually traveled east of the Jordan so as to avoid passing through cursed Samaria. But Jesus, with his disciples, on the occasion of which the lesson tells, took the road through Samaria. Did he do this that he might meet the woman at the well? Perhaps about noon, Jesus and the disciples reached Jacob's well near the city of Sychar. And Jesus rested there while the disciples went away to buy food.

After the woman of Samaria had come to the well to draw water and was amazed at the words of the wondrous Stranger she had met there, she left her waterpot unfulfilled and hastened back to the city to tell the men of her experience. "Is not this the Christ?" she asked them.

The forgotten waterpot, left at the well, is eloquent of the change of heart and new direction of desires that will come to one who finds Jesus on the road of life.

The woman hastened back to the city to tell the wondrous news and to invite men to see the Christ for themselves. There is a good lesson in that for us. Finding Christ for ourselves, let us be eager to bring others to know him. A good man, speaking of his conversion, said he knew it was genuine because he wanted to bring others to Christ.



LYN CONNELLY

JACK BAILEY, whose ambition is to make every woman in America "Queen" for every day, revealed five rules recently which, if followed by contestants, would lead them to crown, robes and the prizes and thrills which come with being "Queen for a Day" . . . "First," Jack says, "a woman must sincerely and simply establish a needful wish to be granted if she is named Queen . . . She might fool me, but she never can fool those other women in the audience and their applause decides who wins . . . Secondly, she must not be too concerned with self, but to fill a need of a husband, children or friends.

"She must hold emotions in check as much as is possible . . . If she can't help breaking down, the audience will understand, but other women turn away from a contestant they think is 'staging' a scene . . . She must be warmly natural and, lastly, she must not 'over-dress' nor 'dress down' as though in a costume picture about needy women . . . Follow those five, and you're Queen for a Day!"

PLATTER CHATTER CAPITOL: Al Rogers and his Rocky Mountain Boys do "Too Blue to Care" with feeling . . . "All Alone, All Alone," backs it . . . Both songs were written by Rogers . . . Al Martino, who zoomed to fame via "Here Is My Heart," now offers "Here Are My Arms" and if Al isn't careful, there won't be much left of him to give away . . . Reverse has a bright new ballad by the prolific team of Rodgers and Hammerstein, "There's Music in You."

Capitol also offers a charming duet by zany Jerry Lewis and his pretty and part wife, Patti . . . It's a Cole Porter cutie called "If You Loved Me Truly" backed by that old favorite, "Little Man, You've Had a Busy Day" . . . Al Martino turns out another good disc in "This Night I'll Remember" with "When You're Mine" on the flip side . . . And be sure you try Dean Martin's super recording of "Love Me, Love Me!"

A trainload of coal one mile long contains 8,334 tons.



FRESHIES . . . John and Phyllis Egnak, freshmen at Penn State College, study while children Patty, 5; John, 4; Phillip, 20 months and Bruce, 9 months form family group. John, Korea vet, married Phyllis in 1947 while both were in army in Germany.

"I REMEMBER" BY THE OLDTIMERS

From Mrs. Katherine Glatt, Holland, California: I remember when as a little girl in St. Paul, Minnesota big blocks of ice were cut out of the Mississippi River and sledded to the top of a hill where an ice palace was built. There were toboggan clubs, beautiful floats, and my sister, being queen, sat in majesty covered in eiderdown and white bear skins. Her carriage was drawn by six white horses, led by men in white robes. The palace was stormed with colors, and they erupted from all the windows. It was a grand sight to see, with the poplars knee-deep in snow.

Some nights the sky was dazzling, the Aurora Borealis or northern lights casting streams and arcs of light in glorious colors—a wonderful display coming from the northern horizon toward the zenith. After the second ice palace the city officials decided not to build any more ice palaces, for the hot summers couldn't melt them and it was considered a bad advertisement for winter and summer weather conditions.

(Editor's note: Mrs. Glatt is 80 years old, but we promised not to "tell.")

From S. J. McGinnis, Culloden, W. Virginia: I remember in the late nineties—when father and mother stayed up until midnight on Christmas eve, cooking and baking, and listening to the boys talk about Santa Claus.

Our stockings we hung with safety pins, over chairs, the next morning to be found loaded with good things to eat, and with clothes. The snow was deep on the ground.

Those were the happy and good old days—happy days of our life when \$5 would buy more than \$25 will today.

Some 23,380,000 passengers traveled 15,500,000,000 passenger miles on U. S. domestic and international scheduled airlines during 1952.



Q—Why are Congressional committee chairmanships concentrated regionally?

A—Under the seniority rule, the chairman of a committee generally is the member of the majority party with the longest continuous service on that committee. Members of Congress from states which habitually vote for one party tend to build up the greatest continuous seniority. Under Democratic control, most committees were headed by Southerners and members from Democratic strongholds in the West. In the 83rd Congress, the bulk of chairmen are from "safe" Republican states in the Eastern, Central, and Western regions.

Q—Why are Congressional tours around the world called "junkets"?

A—The derivation is believed to stem from the Latin "juncus," meaning "rush" or "reed." The French called a dessert served in a rush basket a "junket," while the Italians call a similar sweet dish a "giuncata." In old English, a junket was any sweetmeat or delicate food. Later, a junket became a feast or party away from home, and finally a trip by an official at public expense. Some Congressional "junkets" are paid for by the participants.

Q—How big is the small business lobby?

A—More than a dozen pressure groups are active on Capitol Hill in behalf of small business. Among them are: National Federation of Independent Business, Smaller Business of America, National Association of Independent Business, Inc., National Small Business Men's Association, Conference of American Small Business Organizations, Smaller Business Association of New England, American Association of Small Business, Smaller Manufacturers Council, Small Business Men of America, Small Business Council, American Business Congress and Council of Independent Business.

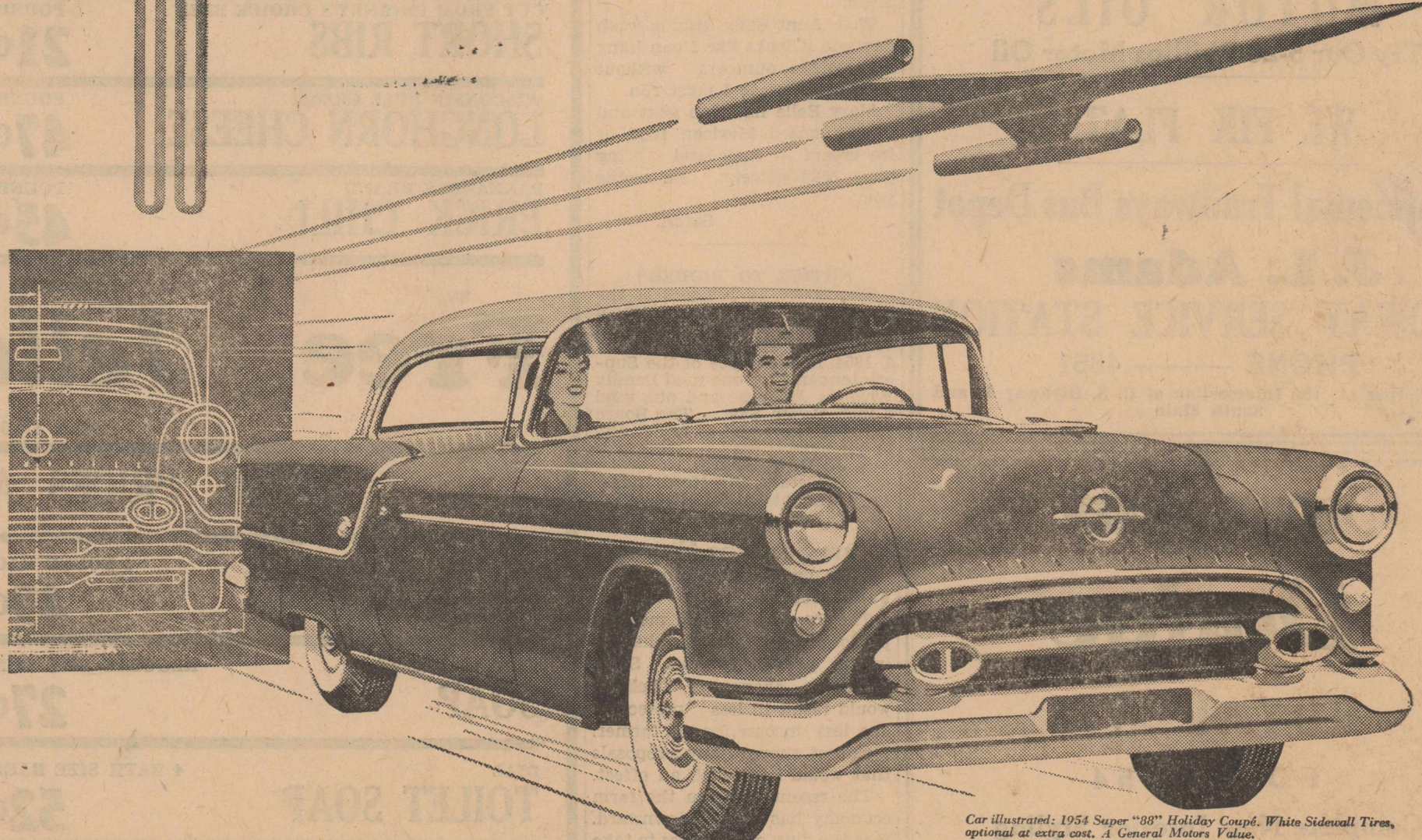
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