

Women Loom as Future's Stronger Sex

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NEW YORK.—The men folk had better step spryly to regain ground lost to women, says Dr. Joseph Tenenbaum. That is, if they want to keep any rights at all for themselves—a latch key, a little loose change in their pockets, some "say" in the matter of where Junior is going to school and whom Daughter shall marry, use of the family car now and then, and maybe an occasional night out with "the boys."

Otherwise, thinks Dr. Tenenbaum America is likely to see a return to the Age of Amazons.

Distinctions in medical, educational and literary circles, Dr. Tenenbaum has given years of research to the subject of women's social and economic position through the ages. He undertook this study in preparation for his book, "The Riddle of Woman." The doctor is quick to explain that, though woman is a riddle and probably will remain one, he doesn't pretend to have found the answer.

Marriage Manifestations
"At the rate things are going to-

day," he says, "it seems inevitable that men will soon do little more than take orders. It happened 3,000 years ago in Egypt. Why shouldn't it happen again? Women had all the rights then. They made the laws, carried on the business, wore plain clothes and cut their hair short. The men stayed at home and got themselves up in fine costumes."

Right now, in 1936, Dr. Tenenbaum says, if you were to visit the right parts of the world, you could find in practice today practically every type of marriage and family life that history has known.

For instance: In Sumatra when a man buys a wife, she and her children become his property, subject to inheritance by his heirs.

In Samoa the husband is an absolute bond slave of his mother-in-law.

Among the Tauregs a man's property and titles are handed down, not to his children, but to his sister's children.

In Ceylon it is customary for one wife to have from four to six husbands—often brothers.

One Sex Enslaves Other
Dr. Tenenbaum points out that

one sex can never dominate unless the other, automatically, becomes enslaved. That is why he thinks the situation is serious for the United States today.

"Our grandmothers," he says, were not so free as women are today, but what they had was assurance. They could inspire their husbands, give them courage. Nowadays women do not have that assurance, and they can not give it to men."

"The woman who lives in luxury, with nothing to do all day, and the woman who drives herself, trying to earn a living and at the same time keep a home, are equal problems to society, according to the doctor.

"One becomes an Amazon," he says, "and the other a nagger."

Between these extremes there must be, Dr. Tenenbaum thinks, a happy medium—"something between a career and a career."

Dr. Tenenbaum would like to see the courses in every public school to train young people for marriage.

"The schools," he says, "teach young girls how to make a living, but never how to make a home. They are adding yearly to the increasing number of spinsters. Mar-

riage is the biggest, most difficult job in the world, yet girls are given no preparation for it at all."

Men Need Home Life
When Dr. Tenenbaum speaks of the home he becomes particularly earnest.

"Home life," he says "has suffered and is suffering—and we see the consequence everywhere. Men, with all the substitutes they can get elsewhere, need a home, a place to relax, where there is someone to understand and encourage them.

"Broken homes provide, not only children for penal institutions, but men and women to fill institutions for the insane. The increase in insanity today is astounding. Women lack adjustment to their surroundings, lack a feeling of security. Men lack security, too, because they can't come home and relax.

"We must find a way to benefit from the advantages and freedom we have today, and, at the same time, preserve the best of the old institutions. I do not mean that women should go back to baking bread and doing their own washing. What is important is that a means shall be found to preserve the spirit of the past."

For Baked Beans with That Boston Flavor

By NEA Service
Is it true what they say about dieticians? That they take the joy out of eating and put in vitamins? Let's nibble and see. At their recent convention in Boston, the American Dietetic Association had this buffet luncheon: Vegetable appetizer, pickled crabapples, sweet red pepper jam, hearts of celery, pickled relish, then Gloucester codfish balls, Connecticut egg sauce, cold sliced ham, Boston brown bread, watercress, and lettuce salad, sweet crescent rolls and for those sturdy dieticians still standing there was Boston cream pie and coffee. On the evidence presented, it is decidedly not true that dieticians take the joy out of eating.

The gals are generous, too. They whisper how the beans and brown bread got that way. It's all in the spirit of old New England.

Boston Baked Beans
(For 15 servings.)

One quart small pea beans, 3-4 pound fat salt pork, 1 tablespoon salt, 3 tablespoons granulated sugar, 1-4 cup molasses (Porto Rican), 1-2 teaspoon mustard, boiling water.

Before telling us what to do about the ingredients, the girls remind us that the young King of England chose his chef for his ability to produce such beans as these. Pick over beans, cover with cold

water, and soak over night. Drain, cover with fresh water, heat slowly (keeping water below boiling point) and cook until skins will burst. Drain beans. Scald pork and scrape, remove 1-4 inch slice and put it in bottom of bean pot. Cut through rind of remaining pork every half inch, making cuts 1 inch deep. Put beans in pot and bury pork in beans, leaving rind exposed. Mix salt, molasses, and sugar, add 1 cup boiling water and pour over beans. Cover bean pot and bake 6 to 8 hours in slow oven (250 degrees F.), uncovering last hour of cooking, so that rind may become brown and crisp. Add water as needed.

The ladies of the American Dietetic Association remind us that brown bread used to be steamed in a kettle hanging from the crane over the coals. But it's okay if we use a less complicated method.

Boston Brown Bread
(For 2 loaves.)

One cup rye meal, 1 cup whole wheat flour, 1 cup cornmeal, 3-4 teaspoon soda, 1 teaspoon salt, 3-4 cup molasses, 2 cups buttermilk, 1-2 cup seedless raisins.

Sift dry ingredients together, add raisins and mix well. Add molasses to buttermilk and stir until well mixed. Add to dry ingredients and beat until a smooth batter is obtained. Fill the greased mold 2-3 full. Steam from two to two and a half hours.

BEAUTY MAKES MOST OF NATURAL ASSETS

By Aliecia Hart
NEA Service Staff Writer

Almost any beauty defect can be overcome, but worrying won't do it. If you have a scar on your face get a preparation made especially to conceal blemishes, then use it correctly. If you have one bad feature dramatize your good points until the poor one is much less apparent.

Motion picture stars with too-thin lips have learned to use lipstick lavishly. Those with fairly small eyes apply mascara, in fact all kinds of eye makeup, generously.

If you have nice high cheek bones, a la Marlene Dietrich, put your rouge just below them. This dramatizes the hollows. If you have your crowning glory, keep it clean, shining, bright and done up in the latest mode. Wear small hats and push them backward so much of your head will show.

If your hands are nicely shaped and very white, vivid nail lacquer will set them off to even better advantage. Remember that long, rather pointed nails make fingers look longer and more slender.

Don't forget that smooth creamy white skin is one of the greatest assets any woman can have. See

that you eat the kind of food which makes for a clear complexion. Cleansing routines are important, and so are cosmetics that give your face a smooth, glowingly healthy look.

If you are tall and willowy, wear cloths that dramatize your height and curves. If you are short and inclined to be a little plump, pick dresses which make you look taller, less rounded. With the right clothes, plus correct makeup, any ugly duckling can become a swan.

DECORATIVE BAKED HAM IN SPOTLIGHT FOR THE HOLIDAYS

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Broiling Is Easy Says This Expert

With the advent of the newer method of cooking meat, broiling has become a simple task, says Inez S. Wilson, home economist. The lower temperature being advocated nowadays are largely responsible for this simplification. The broiling oven is thoroughly pre-heated. Then the meat is placed for enough from the source of heat that only one turning is necessary. By the time one side is nicely browned the steak or chop is half done, and is seasoned, turned and allowed to brown and finish cooking on the second side.

The cuts suitable for broiling are the tender steaks and chops. Porterhouse or T-bone, club and sirloin are the steaks; rib, loin or shoulder chops and slices cut from the leg are the lamb cuts suitable for broiling. Ground meat from even the less-tender cuts may be broiled, since in the grinding the long fibers are cut and the meat made tender.

"Libeled Lady" At Lyric Sunday and Monday



William Powell and Myrna Loy in "Libeled Lady"

William Powell and Myrna Loy are seen in "Libeled Lady," with Jean Harlow and Spencer Tracy, at the Lyric Theatre Sunday and Monday. Such a cast has never before been united into one great picture, so how could it help being one of the greatest pictures of the year?

"Rhythm on the Range" At Gem Sunday-Monday



Bing Crosby dons a ten-zillion topper and spurs in Paramount's western musical, "Rhythm on the Range," showing Sunday and Monday at the Gem Theatre. Playing with Bing in this great, fun-filled musical are Frances Farmer, Bob Burns and Martha Raye. The second feature on this program is "Along Came Love" with Irene Hervey and Charles Starrett.

Prayer at Parting

By Helen Welshimer
NOW go with him, I beg Thee,
He needs Your Hand, firm, strong,
To ease the way to Sinai . . .
(The road's so steep, so long!)

TO him, I pray, give comfort;
Smile on him tenderly,
Men have such need of kindness . . .
(Oh, never think of me!)

FILL his cup till waters
Of peace have touched its brim,
Take care of him as I would
If I could go with him!



Mortuary

CATHEY—Funeral services for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Erbin Cathey were held Tuesday at 11:30 a. m. at the Pleasant Valley Cemetery with the Rev. J. M. Cooper officiating.

Survivors include his parents, his grandmother, Mrs. Cora Cathey, his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Richardson, and a number of uncles and aunts.

CAIN—Mrs. Fannie Cain, 79-year-old Cross Plains woman, who died

on December 20, 1936, was born in Montgomery, Ala., on July 17, 1857. Funeral services were held at the home of a daughter-in-law, Mrs. C. N. Cain, East Seventh Street in Coleman Sunday afternoon, with Rev. W. H. Woolard, pastor of the First Christian church of that city officiating. Interment was made in the Coleman cemetery.

Survivors include four sons, Hugh, of Austin; John, Corpus Christi, Jake and Leonard, both of Coleman. One daughter, Mrs. Anna Hays, of Ada, Oklahoma, also survives.

GILBERT—Patsy Ruth Gilbert was born November 14, 1936, and passed away at her home December 20.

Funeral services for the infant girl were held at 2 p. m. at the home in Jordan Springs Monday with the Rev. J. M. Bradford officiating. Interment followed in

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Funeral services for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lancaster, O. J. Lancaster and Johnnie Vaughn Gilbert.
Surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Gilbert, grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lancaster, Brownwood, and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gilbert of Brownwood. A number of other relatives also survive.

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Home Demonstration Clubs
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The Mukewater 4-H Club met Friday morning at the Mukewater school. After the opening exercises and the business meeting the program was turned over to Miss Bertha Faye Strange. Miss Strange is a former Mukewater 4-H girl who has been home demonstration agent in Milam county. She is sailing this month to become home demonstration agent in the Hawaiian Islands.

BALLET RusSE TO BE SEEN AGAIN IN THIRD APPEARANCE IN S. A.

Now firmly established as the world's foremost ballet troupe, Col. W. de Basil's Ballet Russe has come intact for its fourth American tour. It will make its third annual appearance in San Antonio, Friday, January 8th. The tour will include one hundred cities and will cover more than 25,000 miles. The San Antonio appearance is under the direction of Elizabeth A. Devoe, Hotel Plaza Box Office, San Antonio.

The largest travelling organization touring this country, numbering one hundred dancers and musicians, the Ballet Russe is one of the most self sufficient companies in the world today. It travels in its own special train of eleven cars, carrying scenery for twenty-five different ballets, 6,000 costumes and numberless ballet shoes. It has its own symphony orchestra and stage crews. Last season the American public paid \$1,000,000.00 to see this unique group of dancers on their coast to coast tour.

All the lovely ballerinas who have charmed European capitals and been applauded by estatic American audiences in past years will dance here. There will be dark Caucasian Tamara Toumanova, blond, nimble-footed Irina Baronova, dainty, graceful Tatiana Tishboushinska, dashing, brilliant, Alexandra Danilova, charming Olga Morosova and many others. Leonide Massine, most famous of all Russian dancers, who has created half the productions in the repertoire of the Ballet Russe will again

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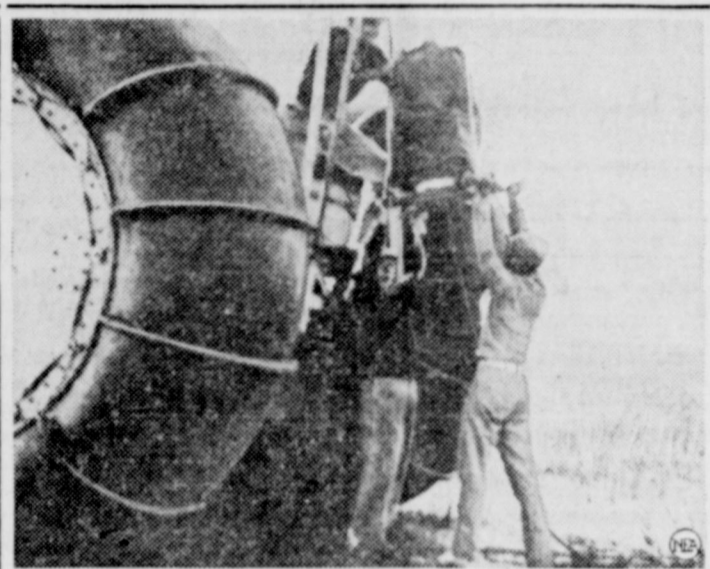
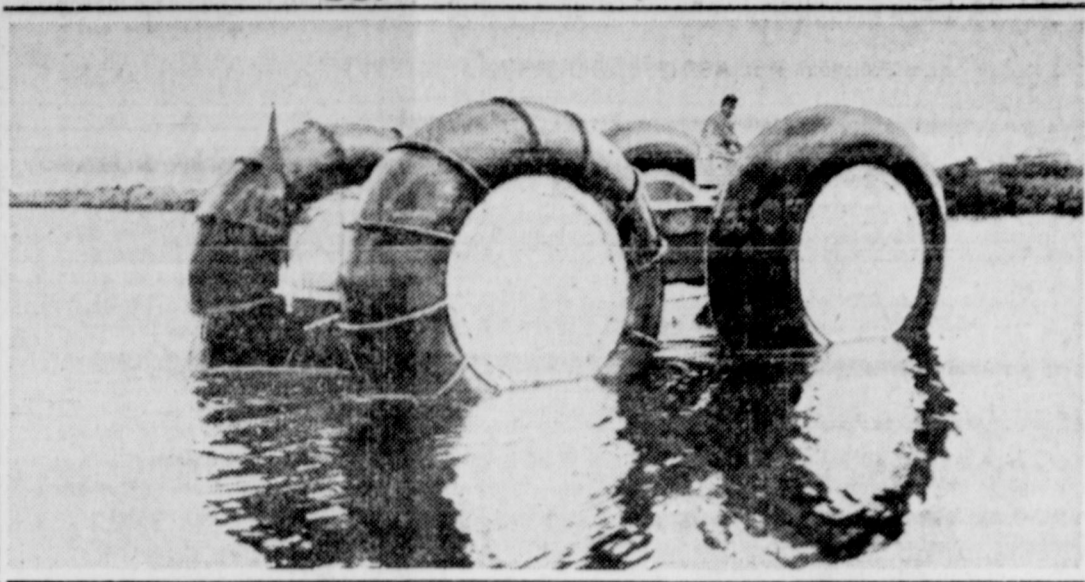
Phil Weintraub, below, introduces the missus, the former Jeanne Holzman, above, whom the new Cincinnati Red took for his bride in Waukegan, Ill. Both are residents of Chicago. The Reds last fall purchased Weintraub, former New York Giant outfielder, from Rochester, where he played first base, and was one of the leading International League hitters.

head the list of men, others being David Lachine, Yurek Shabelevsky and others.

The San Antonio program includes "Aurora's Wedding", with music by Tschalkowsky; "Clamorousiana" with music Cimarosa and "The Three Corned Hat" with music by Manuel de Falla, famous Spanish composer.

Recently deciphered tablets show that the installment system was known to ancient Egyptians.

The Marsh Buggy—for Heavy Sea or Rough Road



These are not pictures of the landing gear for the newest super-super airplane. They merely introduce the Marsh Buggy, which now is bobbing across the bays and wading through the mud of Louisiana lowlands in search of oil. When engineers of a Pittsburgh oil firm found difficulty negotiating the marshlands by foot and canoe, they devised the vehicle, which, on its 10-foot rubber tires, travels over land, as at left, or through water and swamps, top photo, with equal facility. It carries a marine engine, and has automobile lights and horn. Engineers now carry their heavy equipment with them and conduct tests without regard for the terrain. Treads on the tires are inflated pieces of hose. The Marsh Buggy weighs 7500 pounds over all, yet sinks but two feet in water.

CAGLE PLANS NEW FOOTBALL PROGRAM DURING '37 SEASON

In order to encourage more boys to come out for football, Coach Pat Cagle of Brownwood High School has devised a plan which he hopes to put into effect for the 1937 season.

The schedule under the new program calls for 20 games, or about two games a week. A squad of from 50 to 60 boys will be required to carry out such a schedule, but Cagle believes he will have the necessary material.

Cagle plans to have two separate teams, each playing its own schedule. The first team will play Class A teams, including Oil Belt members. The other team will play Class B teams such as Brady, Coleman, Santa Anna, Bangs, Rising Star, DeLeon, Dublin, Hamilton, Golthwaite and others.

Ex-Service Men, Families, Invited To Christmas Party

All ex-service men and their families are invited to attend a Christmas tree and party, to be held in the county court room at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, December 23.

There will be presents for every child attending, states the committee in charge. Music for the occasion will be furnished by V. F. W. orchestra and by Marshall Castro, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Castro, Jr. R. J. Elkins, radio entertainer, and Vernon Dorsett will also appear on the program.

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A young man's ambition formed nearly thirty years ago materialized on December 14 when Dr. George W. Cox was chosen State Health Officer. Through busy years in the practice of medicine and surgery Dr. Cox nursed the desire to engage in public health work. Dr. Cox as a youthful physician accepted appointment of Governor Thomas M. Campbell to be in charge of quarantine stations at Brownsville and Corpus Christi. During that four years of service he developed an abiding interest in public health work.

Dr. Cox has had a varied and interesting career in medical and health service. He was born at Gonzales and educated in public schools there and at Polytechnic College at Fort Worth. Later he was in the University of Texas and Vanderbilt University, where he studied pharmacy and advanced chemistry. He was for a time a pharmacist and in the drug business at Corpus Christi. He studied medicine two years in the University of Texas Medical College at Galveston and received his degree after two more years of study in Tulane University in 1906. It was shortly thereafter that he was appointed by Governor Campbell in the quarantine service, then maintained by the State and later taken over by the United States Public Health Service. Later he practiced medicine at Corpus Christi and was at Ozona for a time before moving to Del Rio, where he has practiced general medicine and surgery for the past seventeen years.

Dr. Cox was a charter member and is past president of the Del Rio Rotary Club and has been active in all civic affairs of his town. Since he was appointed by Governor James V. Alfred as a member of the State Board of Health in January, 1935, Dr. Cox has devoted much of his time to an intensive study of public health problems in America. A few months ago he resigned his membership on the board and has since then been engaged in a study of the public health systems in Kentucky and New York, and the United States Public Health Service in Washington.

Mrs. Cox, wife of the new State Health Officer, also has had an extensive career in civic work. She

Two Plead Guilty To Court Charges; Given Sentences

Marion Harris, convicted of forgery, was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary, in 35th district court Monday morning. Harris pleaded guilty before a jury and was given two years. He then waived trial by jury and entered a plea of guilty before Judge E. J. Miller on a similar charge and was given three years, the two sentences to run concurrently.

C. M. Lindsey, charged with burglary, entered a plea of guilty before Judge Miller and was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

R. H. Bingham, under grand jury indictment charging arson, was arrested in San Antonio Sunday and returned to Brownwood. He was released Sunday afternoon under \$2,000 bond.

Injuries Fatal To J. A. Stewart

Shock from injuries received when a cable on a stump pulling machine broke and struck him Tuesday afternoon, was fatal to J. A. Stewart, 59, of near May. Mr. Stewart was working with the machine when the cable broke and fractured both his legs below the knees.

He was rushed to the Central Texas Hospital but died Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock. The body is being held at White & London funeral home pending funeral.



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No New Taxes

Texas taxpayers will get a measure of satisfaction from the statement of Senator John S. Redditt of Lufkin, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, that the new Legislature can take care of Texas' governmental needs without additional taxes.

Texans who are familiar with State finances well know that the State at present faces a deficit of some \$10,000,000. With this huge amount outstanding, it has been generally assumed that new taxes would be forced upon the people in an effort to liquidate this amount, or a large portion of it, and put the State back on a cash operating basis.

The idea of an alarming State deficit is usually predicated upon a lumping together of the deficit in the General Revenue Fund with that in the Confederate Pension Fund. Mr. Redditt points out, "Actually, there is no connection between the two. The Confederate Pension Fund is created by a tax of seven cents on the \$100 valuation, fixed by the Constitution, and this tax cannot be increased by the Legislature."

There is a balance of \$1,739,535 in the Available School Fund; a balance of \$7,970,295 in the Highway Fund, and a deficit of \$9,295,000 in the General Revenue Fund. Taking the three together, and without considering the Confederate Pension deficit, a cash balance of some \$400,000 is arrived at.

Mr. Redditt's figures indicate that the General Revenue Fund deficit can be reduced, if Legislative appropriations are not increased materially, by something more than \$5,500,000 during the next two years, leaving a deficit of about \$6,000,000. This is upon the assumption that no new appropriations or no new levies are made by the new Legislature.

There is no occasion for the dire predictions of disaster and demand for new and oppressive taxes. It is an old political trick in Texas to throw up a smoke screen of talk about 'deficits' as a basis for new and enormous tax burdens. No new taxes at all will be necessary for general purposes of government, for schools, or for highways.

It seems now pretty well agreed that Representative Sam Rayburn of Bonham will be elected majority leader of the next Congress, and thus another Texan will be catapulted into the National spotlight.

Past activities in behalf of Administration legislation has put Mr. Rayburn in the favored position; opposition to the Administration during the past session has weakened Mr. O'Conner's chances. But the deciding factor which seems to assure Mr. Rayburn's selection came last week when the Pennsylvania delegation decided to vote as a unit in favor of the Texan for the post.

Of prime importance because it is recognized as the stepping stone to the Speakership - more important this year because ill health probably will cause the present Speaker to withdraw - there has been really only one issue in the campaign: whether another Texan should be so honored. With Vice President Garner representing Texas in the second highest position in the National administration, many representatives have taken the position that another Texan should not be placed in line for the Speakership.

As a matter of fact, Mr. Rayburn's home is further from Uvalde, home of the Vice President, than the distance between Detroit and Washington, as has been pointed out by his supporters. But a further important fact is that Mr. Rayburn has served this State and the Nation in the House of Representatives for a generation. To be sure, this service while able has not been of the spectacular nature that would place him in the public eye.

His intensive and apparently successful campaign for majority leader has served to cause a recognition of his ability and service, and cast added credit upon the State that has contributed so much to the cause of the present Administration. His majority leadership will add emphasis to this position.

For the first nine months of this year, the nation's estimated fire loss amounted to about \$220,000,000. This marked a \$30,000,000 advance over the loss sustained in the same period last year. We have become accustomed to thinking in vast figures these days, and we say a billion more easily than we used to say a million.

Suppose that instead of burning up that \$220,000,000 we had put it to productive use. What could it have done? We hear much of the housing shortage in this country. The money we gave to the god of fire in nine months could have built 55,000 homes at a cost of \$4,000 each - homes which would have comfortably housed 200,000 to 300,000 people.

There are millions of men in our country who lack steady jobs. Had we put that \$220,000,000 in productive enterprise, it would have given more than 300,000 men work for a solid year at the rate of \$60 a month. Many parts of the country are still in need of good roads. If we had put that \$220,000,000 into road construction, it would have built 44,000 miles of highway costing \$5,000 per mile - a road long enough to go back and forth across the continent almost 15 times.

Finally, to give an idea of the magnitude of the sum destroyed by fire in less than a year, \$220,000,000 represents interest at 5 per cent for twelve months on the vast sum of \$4,400,000,000!

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson



ANY BEAVER THAT WILL NOT WORK IS DRIVEN FROM THE COLONY, AND BECOMES AN OUTCAST. ANYHOW PURPLE MARTINS GO ALL THE WAY TO BRAZIL TO SPEND THE WINTER, THEY ARRIVE AT THEIR NORTHERN HOMES ON ALMOST THE SAME DATE EACH YEAR. GRAVEL RANGES IN SIZE FROM A PEA TO A WALNUT! IF IT IS LARGER, IT IS CALLED 'SHINGLE'! IF SMALLER, IT IS 'SAND'.

Missing Mullin Girl Is Found Near Her Home On Monday

Era King, 20-year-old Mullin girl missing for four days, was discovered in an old barn near her home eleven miles south of Mullin Monday afternoon. The girl is under the care of a physician, and is suffering from exposure.

Discovery of the girl ended a wide search for her in Mills county. Pecan Bayou, near her home, had been dragged several times. Flood gates of Brownwood dam were closed Saturday so water would be lowered in the stream.

Miss King is the daughter of Mrs. Nathaniel King. Her father died about three months ago.

SALESMAN SAM BY SMALL



WELL, FER GOSH SAKES, KITTY! YOU'VE BEEN FIXIN' UP HER HAIR WITH ONE OF THOSE MARCEL IRONS, I SEE! AN' SO HAS DUNK, I SUPPOSE! THAT'S TH' WAY TA SHOW CUSTOMERS HOW THEY WORK!



HOW 'BOUT YOU, SAM? HAVE YOU TAKEN TH' HINT FROM KITTY AN' DUNK AN' USED ONE OF THOSE MARCEL IRONS?



RELIQS OF VANISHED NATION Sensational finds of gold ornaments and other relics of a vanished nation and race have been made in Africa on the Hill of Mystery, at Northern Transvaal. The people were known as the rhinoceros men.

PEEP SHOW For Ladies Only

Peepshow - k4S8c dVpD 6. Did you read how the lady Had velvet lined her tub How swell! ... but kinda fitzy— And then, here is the rub— If tubs were made for bathing And velvet made for skirts Then all this bath-tub-lining Is driving me plum Nertz!

Everyone has a thing-a-bobs; here's mine for this week: If you brood over your troubles you will have a perfect hatch. "Early to bed and early to rise, and your girl goes out with other guys."

Another Oklahoma Dramatist The Frederiek B. Ingram Co., who have just published Eugenia White's (Oklahoma City) "Ship's Destination," and "His Miracle," have this to say about the latter play: "The most perfect and easiest to produce Christmas play that's been written. Christmas won't be complete in your community without at least one performance of 'His Miracle.'"

Swell words to listen to, but a "swell gal" wrote the plays. If you could know Eugenia like we do then you'd know that anything she had anything to do with, would naturally be lovely. Three cheers for Frederiek Ingram and Co. They must be discerning editors to realize the real worth of our Eugenia White's plays.

Kaleidograph comes in a merry red cover but holding the real beauty inside this month. Daisy Lemon Coldiron of Perry, has a beautiful poem called "Give Us Their God." Author of "Songs of Oklahomas," Mrs. Coldiron seems to never pause for lack of beauty in which to dip her jeweled pen.

Then our own Jennie Harris Oliver has one appearing in the same issue. "The Slave" those of you who have heard why she wrote it and how, will enjoy it even more than the casual reader. However, how could a poor columnist describe Jennie's descriptive powers ... and I would speak again of yesterday ... Oh let me watch the purple evening fill again with stars ...

Gals, get on your toes ... Contests are ending this month. There's the State Poets ending December 26th ... Oklahoma Federated clubs ending their poetry contest December 30th ... Many, many more before the February meetings.

Christmas cards are coming in. Such delightful ones ... Helen McMahan always has an original one that expresses just what she wants it to so cleverly and in such an amusing manner that I give up ...

Here's hoping old Santa puts your stocking full of nice things and that in case ... just in case ... you have charged the gift you bought for the man of the house ... well, that he doesn't find it out until after Christmas, I want all of your time to be spent having a grand and good time.

Here's wishing you and yours a very Happy Christmas. May it be a day of peace and love. May saddened hearts find consolation in the old story of how one mother's heart gave her only son that we might have everlasting life. May it be a day of family ties, grown tighter because love is the light of the world ...

Closeup and Comedy

By ERSKINE JOHNSON-GEORGE SCARBO



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STAYS ON A BANJO IN IDLE MOMENTS.

ON TEXAS FARMS

MASON—Income from cowpeas grazed by hogs exceeded cotton income on his farm this year, Clyde Bode, Mason county farmer, reported to Frank N. Newsom, county agricultural agent.

Bode grazed 52 head of hogs on 32.3 acres of cowpeas. The gain made by the animals at 9 cents per pound gave a \$469 return from the 32.3 acres.

The 12 acres of cotton on this farm made one 475 pound bale that grossed \$52. After deducting the tinning and picking costs, the profit was \$31.50, or \$2.57 per acre.

BALLINGER—"It is difficult to estimate the value of the terraces on my home place of 533 acres," says G. H. Dierschke of Runnels county. "They held all through the recent floods, held the soil and water and prevented washing up of crops."

Dierschke went on to say that his terraces cost him around \$1.50 per acre and that he received his money back in one year after terracing and a handsome dividend each year since his land was terraced. He has five farms and all are under the agricultural soil conservation program.

SAN ANGELO—A profit of \$1,155.43 was realized this year by 16 Tom Green County 4-H club boys on 24 calves, or an average net profit of \$48.14 per calf, W. L. Marshall, county agricultural agent, has reported.

The calves were fed for 241 days at a cost of \$18.09 per calf. The calves were valued at \$21 apiece at the beginning of the feeding period. The sale of the calves brought \$2,078.94 and they won premiums of \$263.50.

BALLINGER—Native plants such as leaf sumac, prickly ash and redbud have been recently set out by Mrs. Lester Bryson of Runnels county as a screen planting for her wash place, according to Miss Myra Tanversley, county home demonstration agent.

As a part of her yard improvement plan, the wash place was first moved to a more convenient location. Mrs. Bryson has also put out 53 shrubs in her yard which have been grown from cuttings.

FORT STOCKTON—For a cost of \$35.38, Mrs. R. L. Custer, of Pecos county has clothed herself for the past year, as shown by the clothing accounts kept by her under the supervision of Mrs. Mary Sue Gesell, home demonstration agent.

Mrs. Custer made her own dresses by a foundation pattern and supplemented with needed articles purchased with care. During the year she made three silk dresses and five cotton dresses, and bought one coat and two hats.

MASON—To keep a supply of fresh vegetables growing all during the winter months, Vera Bolt, 14, Mason county 4-H club girl, has a cold frame 2 by 12 feet. To protect the plants from injury caused by cold wind and standstills, a wire cover, to which is attached a light weight covering of tobacco cloth, is used over the cold frame when



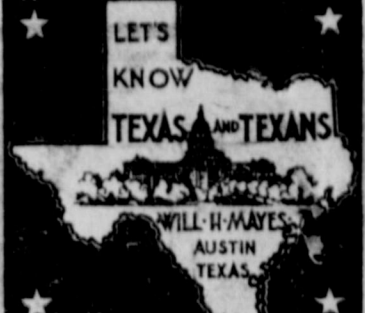
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In this column answers will be given to inquiries as to Texas history and other matters pertaining to the State and its people. Address inquiries to Will H. Mayes, Austin, Texas.

Q. What troops constituted Fanning's forces at La Bahia? T. R. E. A. The New Orleans Grays, the Tennesseans, Capt. Shackelford's Alabamians (Red Rovers), Major Mitchell's Georgians, Major Wallace's LaFayette Battalion and the Kentucky Mustangs.

Q. Why were the Kentuckians, who had just reached Texas, called the "Mustangs"? T. R. E. A. They were so named by Mexicans at La Bahia because they were hard to restrain and to become submissive to drill tactics, reminding the natives of the wild horses of Texas.

Q. What induced Lamothe Cadillac, French governor of Louisiana, to send St. Denis to the Nueva Filipinas (Texas) country? Y. K. A. Father Hidalgo, disappointed at Spanish procrastination in establishing missions and reconquering Texas, wrote letters in 1711 to the French governor calling attention to the opportunities for profitable trading in that country. In 1714, Crozat, the Mobile merchant who held the Louisiana trading privileges, sent St. Denis with five boat loads of goods to the head of navigation on Red River to establish a trading point and to find Father Hidalgo.

Q. What was the "black bean lottery"? H. L. A. En route as prisoners after surrender at Mier, the Texans escaped at Tlaxianda Salado, Mex., Feb. 11, 1834. Most of them were recaptured, Feb. 18, and returned to Salado, where Santa Anna ordered every tenth one shot, the victims to be determined by a drawing of black beans from a jar in which every tenth bean was black. Of the 173 then held as prisoners, the 17 who drew the black tokens of death were shot March 24, 1834, the rest being taken to Perote prison.

Q. How many Texans were killed and wounded before the surrender at Coleto, and why did the Texans surrender? S. F. C. A. Reports vary. But approximately 19 were killed and 60 wounded. At the close of the first day's fight, the Mexicans had sustained heavy losses, but the Texans were without water even for the wounded, food supplies were short, ammunition was running low, and Urrea received reinforcements during the night, and it was thought best to surrender to avoid further losses.

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News of Brown County Communities

Gap Creek

The bright, sunny weather is fine on the farmers who are moving and those who are trying to finish sowing their grain.

Mr. Sid Porter has moved from out community. We regret losing those fine neighbors and welcome the ones who take their place.

Mr. J. E. Alexander has also moved down in the Salt Creek community. We hope the best of luck. They will be greatly missed.

Ed Faulkner from Glendale, Arizona has been spending quite a while here and at Blanket with his mother, Mrs. G. W. Faulkner.

Mrs. Sally Faulkner who has been sick for a long while, seems to be slowly recovering.

Mrs. Alman of Dallas spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Ray Faulkner.

Blanket

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Sadler of San Antonio were here last week to attend the funeral of Mrs. Sadler's mother, Mrs. Joe Mallow.

Miss Josephine Milner left last Tuesday for Houston where she will visit relatives for several days before returning.

Rev. Frank O'Hearn of Brownwood filled the Methodist pulpit last Sunday morning in the absence of the pastor, Rev. C. A. Wilkerson. He was accompanied by his two daughters. They were the dinner guests of Madames Williams and Easterling while here.

Mr. Mark Reeves of Fort Worth is here this week visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Simmon of Houston were here last week visiting relatives.

Mr. George Easterling returned last week from Snyder, Okla., where he had been to visit a sick sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Morris and family moved to their farm north of town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cline Archer of Austin were here last week visiting relatives.

Mr. William La Grove of Hasse is spending a few days here the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Reynolds Hobson and family.

Miss Velma Lindsay is spending the holidays in Big Springs visiting relatives.

Funeral services for Mrs. Josephine Mallow, who passed away Thursday, December 10, 1936 were held Friday afternoon from the family residence at 1 P. M. with Rev. Ollie Cantwell officiating. "Aunt Joe" as she was known to all her friends, was for 56 years a resident of this community. She was born March 25, 1845. She was the widow of W. A. Mallow, who preceded her in death 26 years ago. She leaves to mourn her loss two daughters, Mrs. J. F. Milner, of Blanket and Mrs. L. C. Sadler, of San Antonio; twelve grand children and six great-grandchildren. Aunt Joe's going away creates a void vacancy here but fills an important place in a better world.

Oscar Sumner, who at one time was a resident of this community was born in Comanche County Oct. 21, 1886, passed away at his home near Brownwood Tuesday afternoon at 2:15 as the result of a heart attack. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 3 P. M. at the Blanket Baptist church with the Rev. W. I. Newton officiating, assisted by Rev. Karl H. Moore of Brownwood. Interment was in the Blanket cemetery. He was married to Miss Roanna Ellen Archer of our city Dec. 10, 1912, who survives him, as do two daughters, Katherine Sumner, Miles, and Allene Sumner of Grovesboro. Other survivors include one sister, Mrs. J. E. Deely, Brownwood and two brothers, E. L. Sumner, Blanket, and W. C. Sumner of Socorro, New Mexico. Mr. Sumner numbered his friends by the score in this community who wish to extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

Madames Easterling, Frankie and Miss Lydia Boenke very delightfully entertained the adult members of the Methodist Sunday School at the Franklin home Thursday night. Games enjoyable for the occasion were enjoyed after which dainty refreshments were served.

Mr. Lem Waugh of Niles, Mich. was here last week transacting business and visiting old friends.

Your eyes should have the best. See Dr. R. A. Ellis, Optometrist.

Zephyr

Mr. Olen Cornelius returned to his work at Burkett Sunday after spending the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Jessie Cornelius.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Johnston and daughter, Norma Ruth of Brownwood were the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Lake Sunday.

Mr. Burl Gist returned home from Idaho last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Timmins and son, Franklin are the proud owners of a 1937 Chevrolet.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hunter and daughter, Helen of Brooksmith spent last Sunday week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ware and family of Sweetwater visited here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Locks, Sr. and Mrs. Hubert Locks, Jr. and daughter, Betty Sue were shopping in Brownwood Saturday.

Messrs. Volley Grimes, Price Hanks, Harold Cirtwinger of the CCC camp at Dublin spent the week end with their parents. Messrs. Franklin Timmins, Delmer Keeler, Gerald Bowden and Melvin Bowden were visiting in Brownwood Saturday night.

Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Clark returned home from Grandbury last week where they have been visiting their son, Mr. Grady Clark and family for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Renard Vanzandt of El Paso are visiting his mother, Mrs. Nora Vanzandt.

Mrs. Mary Forsythe returned to Calallen Monday after a few days here on business.

Mr. Clayton Coffey of A. & M. College of College Station, arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Mollie Coffey.

Mr. M. N. Cobb and Mr. Chris Renfro were shopping in Brownwood Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Skipping, Mrs. Ellie Skipping and Mr. W. R. Shelton went to Brownwood Monday.

Mrs. R. A. Scott has gone to Willis Point to visit relatives.

Messrs. Marion Reasoner, Lyn Coffey, Franklin Timmins and Early Reasoner attended the show in Brownwood Sunday night.

Mr. George Bowden made a business trip to Brownwood Monday.

Mrs. George Petty and children and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Neamith were shopping in Brownwood Monday.

Mrs. G. W. Adams made a business trip to Santa Anna last Friday.

Mr. Pete Weston of Mullen was here Monday on business.

Mr. Forest Weston was shopping in Brownwood Monday.

Mr. Carson Ball was a Brownwood visitor Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Joe Galaway, Mr. Ed Couch and J. O. McDaniel were Mullin visitors Sunday afternoon.

Miss Emogene and Anita Couch, Lucille and Cleo Priest were Christmas shopping in Brownwood Saturday.

Mrs. Mae Williams and daughter Miss Mary Helen Little were visiting in Brownwood Saturday.

Mr. Darrell Shelton has arrived to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Shelton.

Miss Jewel Smythe of Brownwood was the guest of Miss Vivian McDaniel Sunday.

Mr. A. E. Driskill was visiting in Mullin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Baker and little son, James, Andy from Bakerville, California, came in Monday night to spend the holidays with relatives.

Early High

Wedding bells have rung again for one of our community boys, Cecil Faulkner and Miss Georgie Marie Owens, daughter of H. R. Owens, formerly of Silver Valley. Miss Owens was a 1936 graduate of Iraan High School. They were married in Coleman on Tuesday of last week by Rev. Porter. Cecil is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Orie Faulkner and is a high school graduate of Early High. The writer has known Cecil all his life and wishes for him and his life companion much happiness and prosperity. They are living in Brownwood at present.

Mr. and Mrs. John Horton and daughter, Mrs. Amanda Hughes accompanied by Mrs. Luther Henderson, spent Sunday at Lometa with relatives.

Floyd Henderson who is attending school at Abilene, came in Friday for a two weeks visit during the holidays.

Miss Mary Lena Moore of Carlton is visiting a few days this week with her sister, Mrs. C. E. Boyd.

Mrs. Fambrough (formerly Mrs. Silkstone) son and daughter, Arthur and Eva, have moved back to their home here after being away at Lamesa for some time.

Mrs. Robert Wyatt and children of Hall, Texas, came over Sunday to spend the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Alexander and other relatives.

Several from here attended the Tol Beckham murder trial last week.

Vernon Lee Karr of John Tarleton was in the community the past week-end on business.

Mrs. Jennie Benton and Cecil Faulkner and wife, all of Brownwood, spent Sunday here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orie Faulkner. Other visitors in the Faulkner home Sunday were Aunt Maz Heptinstall of Blanket, Dock Chraane and family and Jack Earp.

Mrs. Lee Earp and two children, Bobby Lou and Don Lee had Sunday night supper with Mr. and Mrs. Cull Earp.

Edgar Perkinson of Brownwood was a caller in the Earp home Sunday.

Carneleta Goates of Fort Worth spent the week-end here with relatives.

Perry Wyatt has been on the sick list for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Dink Faulkner of Brownwood spent Sunday with C. E. Boyd and wife.

Reports from Perry Wyatt today (Monday) is that he is bordering on pneumonia. Dr. Locker was called out to see him Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mel Sears plan to go to Fort Worth Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays with three of their children who live there.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Roscoe of Woodland Heights spent the week-end here with his parents.

Mrs. Odelle Cole and Mrs. Means of Trickham visited here Tuesday with the former's mother, Mrs. J. H. Jackson.

Mrs. Dock Chraane visited Monday in Brownwood with her brother Cecil and wife and sister, Mrs. Benton.

For your next change in glasses see Dr. R. A. Ellis, Optometrist.

Ebony

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wright and their baby, Norma Ruth, and Ernest Shepherd, all of Brownwood, were with us Sunday morning. Bro. Wright and Bro. Shepherd are both ministerial students of Howard Payne College. Bro. Wright preached Sunday morning, a very edifying sermon, on "The Will of God." There was preaching again Sunday night.

Herbert Love of Ranger will preach here next Sunday morning at eleven. Let's give him a good audience, and be there ready to begin Sunday School promptly at ten.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright and Norma Ruth and Mr. Shepherd were guests for dinner Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Tippen.

Clayton Egger of Howard Payne College accompanied his mother, Mrs. Effie Egger, to church here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charm Whittenburg announce the arrival of a son, Clinton Reid, born Wednesday, December 14. Little Clinton Reid is the only living grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Whittenburg, Sr.; he is the first grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Reid; he is the great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Roberts; and the great-great-grandchild of Grandma Egger.

Uncle Nevt Kelly is just about the same.

We made a mistake last week in giving the name of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Griffin's new son. We were told that it was "Quincy Wayne," but we have been told since that it is "John Dewayne." If this should not be right, we'll keep on until we do get it right.

Tom Hobbs, son of Grandma Hobbs, and brother of Mrs. George Jones and Mrs. Bob Egger, died at his home, Fort Stanton, New Mexico last week. He was employed at the U. S. Marine Hospital there. He had been in bad health for some time. His mother and Mrs. George Jones went to Fort Stanton to attend the funeral. Tom grew to manhood in this community. Though he has been away for a long time, he still has friends here who remember him very kindly.

Miss Lucille Wilmett, a student of Abilene Christian College, came in Friday night to spend Christmas at home.

Alvin Mashburn of Port Arthur visited his mother, Mrs. W. M. Clements last week. He was accompanied by his aunt, Mrs. Paul Forsythe and children, also of Port Arthur.

Clarence Beles of Gordon is visiting at the Wilmett home.

Mrs. Janie Hanna of Oakland attended church here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Briley and Mrs. Nellie Malone had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Dwyer Sunday after church.

Lillard Wilmett of A. & M. College came in Sunday to spend the holidays with homefolks.

Roy Reynolds and his aunt, Miss Dolly Reynolds, made a trip to Brownwood Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crowder and children of Oakland visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Crowder at Ridge Sunday.

Comfort and satisfaction in glasses fitted by Dr. R. A. Ellis.

Homing Pigeon Smarter
The head of a homing pigeon is said to have one-fourth more brain space than that of an ordinary pigeon.

New Ball League Formed Tuesday Evening At May

A basketball league for commercial teams was formed at a meeting held at May Tuesday night, December 15. The following towns will compose the league: May, Cross Cut, Cottonwood, Atwell, Burkett, Carbon, Coleman and Blanket. The following men were elected as an executive committee: H. E. White, May, chairman; Wade Gholson, Burkett; Leo Varner, Atwell; and Laffin Brazz, Carbon.

A regular schedule is to be played, each team playing another team two games. Most of the games are to be played on Saturday nights. Any team in this vicinity not listed wishing to join the league is requested to notify H. E. White of May. All teams must post a list of players within two weeks with the executive committee, and no player can play with more than one team.

The schedule of games for January 2 is as follows:
May vs. Atwell at May.
Cottonwood vs. Burkett at Burkett.
Sidney vs. Carbon at Carbon.
Blanket vs. Cross Cut at Cross Cut.

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Mrs. C. B. McBride, Alfred and Wendell McBride, Mrs. W. T. Sowell and Mrs. Ludlow Allen made a trip to Santa Anna Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Allen and children of Woodland Heights spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ludlow Allen.
Rev. L. D. Ball preached at the Baptist church Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Pierce and son Elbert of Bangs, attended church here Sunday morning then ate dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Gresham.
Miss Dorothy Crenner and Delbert Maples of Coleman have been visiting Mrs. Alton Dixon.
The school will close Thursday for the holidays. There will be a Christmas tree at the school house Thursday afternoon.
Mrs. Arthur Tallant of Kilgore is visiting relatives in this community.
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Indian Creek
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Texas taxpayers will get a measure of satisfaction from the statement of Senator John S. Redditt of Lufkin, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, that the new Legislature can take care of Texas governmental needs without additional taxes. In a statement truly optimistic in these times of general anticipation of additional tax burdens, Senator Redditt points out that present tax measures, some of which were put in force by the Special Session of the Legislature in the fall, will be sufficient to take care of the operating expenses of the State, and at the same time reduce the present deficit by several million dollars.

No New Taxes

Texas who are familiar with State finances well know that the State at present faces a deficit of some \$10,000,000. With this huge amount outstanding, it has been generally assumed that new taxes would be forced upon the people in an effort to liquidate this amount, or a large portion of it, and put the State back on a cash operating basis. Senator Redditt's statement is encouraging.

"The idea of an alarming State deficit is usually predicated upon a lumping together of the deficit in the General Revenue Fund with that in the Confederate Pension Fund," Mr. Redditt points out. "Actually, there is no connection between the two. The Confederate Pension Fund is created by a tax of seven cents on the \$100 valuation, fixed by the Constitution, and this tax cannot be increased by the Legislature." Obviously, the Legislature cannot deal with this deficit, and it is well known that the decreased demands upon the Confederate Pension Fund will put it in good shape in a few years.

There is a balance of \$1,739,535 in the Available School Fund; a balance of \$7,970,293 in the Highway Fund, and a deficit of \$9,295,000 in the General Revenue Fund. Taking the three together, and without considering the Confederate Pension deficit, a cash balance of some \$100,000 is arrived at.

Mr. Redditt's figures indicate that the General Revenue Fund deficit can be reduced, if Legislative appropriations are not increased materially, by something more than \$3,500,000 during the next two years, leaving a deficit of about \$6,000,000. This is upon the assumption that no new appropriations or no new levies are made by the new Legislative session. The situation, as Mr. Redditt points out, is not alarming. He calls attention, too, to the pre-election statement of Governor Allred, which under the circumstances seems amply justified. Governor Allred said:

"There is no occasion for the dire predictions of disaster and demand for new and oppressive taxes. It is an old political trick in Texas to throw up a smoke screen of talk about 'deficits' as a basis for new and enormous tax burdens. No new taxes at all will be necessary for general purposes of government, for schools, or for highways."

It seems now pretty well agreed that Representative Sam Rayburn of Bonham will be elected majority leader of the next Congress, and thus another Texan will be catapulted into the National spotlight. Mr. Rayburn has the tacit support of President Roosevelt, and the outspoken aid of Vice President Garner in his campaign for the coveted post in the House of Representatives. His opponent is Representative O'Connor of New York.

Honors For Another Texan

Past activities in behalf of Administration legislation has put Mr. Rayburn in the favored position; opposition to the Administration during the past session has weakened Mr. O'Connor's chances. But the deciding factor which seems to assure Mr. Rayburn's selection came last week when the Pennsylvania delegation decided to vote as a unit in favor of the Texan for the post.

Of prime importance because it is recognized as the stepping stone to the Speakership — more important this year because ill health probably will cause the present Speaker to withdraw — there has been really only one issue in the campaign: whether another Texan should be so honored. With Vice President Garner representing Texas in the second highest position in the National administration, many representatives have taken the position that another Texan should not be placed in line for the Speakership. This position is more tenable when it is remembered that Texans hold most of the important house committee chairmanships.

As a matter of fact, Mr. Rayburn's home is further from Uvalde, home of the Vice President, than the distance between Detroit and Washington, as has been pointed out by his supporters. But a further important fact is that Mr. Rayburn has served this State and the Nation in the House of Representatives for a generation. To be sure, this service while able has not been of the spectacular nature that would place him in the public eye. This has been caused not through any lack of ability, but rather because he chose to support Mr. Garner and the other of his colleagues who occupied the more important places.

His intensive and apparently successful campaign for majority leader has served to cause a recognition of his ability and service, and cast added credit upon the State that has contributed so much to the cause of the present Administration. His majority leadership will add emphasis to this position.

For the first nine months of this year, the nation's estimated fire loss amounted to about \$220,000,000. This marked a \$30,000,000 advance over the loss sustained in the same period last year. We have become accustomed to thinking in vast figures these days, and we say a billion more easily than we used to say a million. But the fact remains that \$220,000,000 is a lot of money — as a little analysis will prove.

Suppose that instead of burning up that \$220,000,000 we had put it to productive use. What could it have done? We hear much of the housing shortage in this country. The money we gave to the god of fire in nine months could have built 55,000 homes at a cost of \$4,000 each — homes which would have comfortably housed 200,000 to 300,000 people.

There are millions of men in our country who lack steady jobs. Had we put that \$220,000,000 in productive enterprise, it would have given more than 300,000 men work for a solid year at the rate of \$90 a month.

Many parts of the country are still in need of good roads. If we had put that \$220,000,000 into road construction, it would have built 44,000 miles of highway costing \$5,000 per mile — a road long enough to go back and forth across the continent almost 15 times.

Finally, to give an idea of the magnitude of the sum destroyed by fire in less than a year, \$220,000,000 represents interest at 5 per cent for twelve months on the vast sum of \$4,400,000,000!

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson



Missing Mullin Girl Is Found Near Her Home On Monday. Era King, 29-year-old Mullin girl missing for four days, was discovered in an old barn near her home eleven miles south of Mullin Monday afternoon. The girl is under the care of a physician, and is suffering from exposure.

Who Wants To? Engineers have estimated that it would cost more than \$250,000,000 to duplicate the great wall of China.

SALESMAN SAM BY SMALL. (WELL, FER GOSH SAKES, KITTY! YOU'VE BEEN FIXIN' UP YER HAIR WITH ONE OF THOSE MARCEL IRONS, I SEE! AN' SO HAS DUNK, I SUPPOSE! THAT'S TH' WAY TA SHOW CUSTOMERS HOW THEY WORK.)



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PEEP SHOW — For Ladies Only — BY MIGNON

Peepshow — kSBE dVpD 6..

Did you read how the lady Had velvet lined her tub How swell... but kinda ritzy— And then, here is the rub— If tubs were made for bathing And velvet made for skirts Then all this bath-tub-fining Is driving me plum Nertz!

Everyone has thing-a-bobs; here's mine for this week: If you brood over your troubles you will have a perfect hatch. "Early to bed and early to rise, and your girl goes out with other guys."

Another Oklahoma Dramatist. The Frederick B. Ingram Co., who have just published Eugenia White's (Oklahoma City) "Ship's Destination," and "His Miracle," have this to say about the latter play: "... The most perfect and easiest to produce Christmas play that's been written. Christmas won't be complete in your community without at least one performance of 'His Miracle'."

Swell words to listen to, but a "swell gal" wrote the plays. If you could know Eugenia like we do then you'd know that anything she had anything to do with, would naturally be lovely. Three cheers for Frederick Ingram and Co. They must be discerning editors to realize the real worth of our Eugenia White's plays.

Kaleidograph comes in a merry red cover but holding the real beauty inside this month. Daisy Lemon Coldiron of Perry, has a beautiful poem called "Give Us Their God." Author of "Songs of Oklahoma," Mrs. Coldiron seems to never pause for lack of beauty in which to dip her jeweled pen. A true artist who uses Oklahoma as the background for all her pen pictures.

Then our own Jennie Harris Oliver has one appearing in the same issue. "The Slave" those of you who have heard why she wrote it and how, will enjoy it even more than the casual reader. However, how could a poor columnist describe Jennie's descriptive powers... "and I would speak again of yesterday... Oh let me watch the purple evening fill again with stars..."

Gals, get on your toes... Contests are ending this month. There's the State Poets ending December 30th... Oklahoma Federated clubs ending their poetry contest December 30th... Many, many more before the February meetings.

Christmas cards are coming in. Such delightful ones... Helen McMahan always has an original one that expresses just what she wants it to so cleverly and in such an amusing manner that I give up... What's the use of any of the rest of us trying to be original? How can that gal with all her busy hours so filled and crammed full of everything, find time to do "tailored-to-fit" Christmas cards? You guessed it... She's a genius.

Here's hoping old Santa puts your stocking full of nice things and that in case... just in case... you have charged the gift you bought for the man of the house... well, that he doesn't find it out until after Christmas. I want all of your time to be spent having a grand and good time.

Here's wishing you and yours a very Happy Christmas. May it be a day of peace and love. May saddened hearts find consolation in the old story of how one mother's heart gave her only son that we might have everlasting life. May it be a day of family ties, grown tighter because love is the light of the world... May our hearts be filled with tenderness toward those less fortunate than ourselves. May joy and happiness be your guests and may they warm their hearts at your hearthfire which is kindled with the fagots of kindness and thoughtfulness.

Relics of Vanished Nation. Sensational finds of gold ornaments and other relics of a vanished nation and race have been made in Africa on the Hill of Mystery, at Northern Transvaal. The people were shown as the rhinoceros men.

Closeup and Comedy by ERSKINE JOHNSON—GEORGE SCARBO



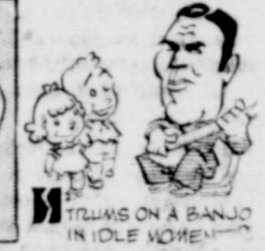
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MASON—Income from cowpeas grazed by hogs exceeded cotton income on his farm this year, Clyde Bode, Mason county farmer, reported to Frank N. Newsom, county agricultural agent.

Bode grazed 53 head of hogs on 32.3 acres of cowpeas. The gain made by the animals at 9 cents per pound gave a \$409 return from the 32.3 acres. The 12 acres of cotton on this farm made one 175 pound bale that grossed \$53. After deducting the tinning and picking costs, the profit was \$34.50, or \$2.87 per acre.

BALLINGER—"It is difficult to estimate the value of the terraces on my home place of 532 acres," says G. H. Dierschke of Ruessels county. "They held all through the recent floods, held the soil and water and prevented washing up of crops."

Dierschke went on to say that his terraces cost him around \$1.50 per acre, and that he received his money back in one year after terracing and a handsome dividend each year since his land was terraced. He has five farms and all are under the agricultural soil conservation program.

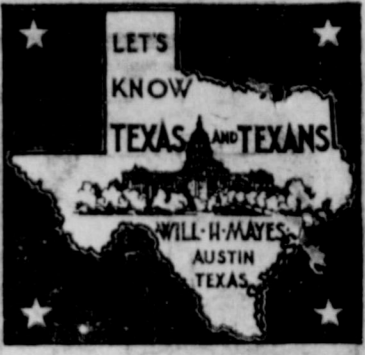
SAN ANGELO—A profit of \$1,155.13 was realized this year by 16 Tom Green County 4-H club boys on 24 calves, or an average net profit of \$48.14 per calf, W. I. Marshall, county agricultural agent, has reported. The calves were fed for 241 days at a cost of \$18.09 per calf. The calves were valued at \$21 apiece at the beginning of the feeding period. The sale of the calves brought \$2,078.04 and they won premiums of \$263.50.

BALLINGER—Native plants such as leaf sumac, prickly ash and redbud have been recently set out by Mrs. Lester Bryson of Runnels county as a screen planting for her wash place, according to Miss Myra Tanversley, county home demonstration agent.

As a part of her yard improvement plan, the wash place was first moved to a more convenient location. Mrs. Bryson has also put out 53 shrubs in her yard which have been grown from cuttings.

FORT STOCKTON—For a cost of \$25.38, Mrs. R. L. Custer, of Pecos county has clothed herself for the past year, as shown by the clothing accounts kept by her under the supervision of Mrs. Mary Sue Gesell, home demonstration agent.

Mrs. Custer made her own dresses by a foundation pattern and supplemented with needed articles purchased with care. During the year she made three silk dresses and five cotton dresses, and bought one coat and two hats. MASON—To keep a supply of fresh vegetables growing all during the winter months, Vera Bolt, 14, Mason county 4-H club girl, has a cold frame 3 by 12 feet. To protect the plants from injury caused by cold wind and standstoms, a wire cover, to which is attached a light weight covering of tobacco cloth, is used over the cold frame when



In this column answers will be given to inquiries as to Texas history and other matters pertaining to the State and its people. Address inquiries to Will H. Mayes, Austin, Texas.

Q. What troops constituted Fanning's forces at La Bahia? T. R. E. A. The New Orleans Grays, the Tennesseans, Capt. Shackelford's Alabamians (Red Rovers), Major Mitchell's Georgians, Major Wallace's LaFayette Battalion and the Kentucky Mustangs.

Q. Why were the Kentuckians, who had just reached Texas, called the "Mustangs"? T. R. E. A. They were so named by Mexicans at La Bahia because they were hard to restrain and to become submissive to drill tactics, reminding the natives of the wild horses of Texas.

Q. What induced Lamothe Cadillac, French governor of Louisiana, to send St. Denis to the Nueva Filipinas (Texas) country? Y. K. A. Father Hidalgo, disappointed at Spanish procrastination in establishing missions and reconquering Texas, wrote letters in 1711 to the French governor calling attention to the opportunities for profitable trading in that country. In 1714, Crozat, the Mobile merchant who held the Louisiana trading privileges, sent St. Denis with five boat loads of goods to the head of navigation on Red River to establish a trading point and to find Father Hidalgo.

Q. What was the "black bean lottery"? H. L. A. En route as prisoners after surrender at Mier, the Texans escaped at Hacienda Salado, Mexico, Feb. 13, 1835. Most of them were recaptured, Feb. 15, and returned to Salado, where Santa Anna ordered every tenth one shot, the victims to be determined by a drawing of black beans from a jar in which every tenth bean was black. Of the 173 then held as prisoners, the 17 who drew the black tokens of death were shot March 24, 1835, the rest being taken to Perote prison.

Q. How many Texans were killed and wounded before the surrender at Goliad, and why did the Texans surrender? S. E. C. A. Reports vary. But approximately 10 were killed and 60 wounded. At the close of the first day's fight, the Mexicans had sustained heavy losses, but the Texans were without water even for the wounded, food supplies were short, ammunition was running low, and Urrea received reinforcements during the night, and it was thought best to surrender to avoid further losses.

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News of Brown County Communities

Gap Creek

The bright, sunny weather is fine on the farmers who are moving and those who are trying to finish sowing their grain.

Mr. Sid Potter has moved from out community. We regret losing those fine neighbors and welcome the ones who take their place.

Mr. J. P. Alexander has also moved down in the Salt Creek community. We hope them the best of luck. They will be greatly missed.

Ed Faulkner from Glendale, Arizona has been spending quite a while here and at Blanket with his mother, Mrs. G. W. Faulkner.

Mrs. Sally Faulkner who has been sick for a long while, seems to be slowly recovering.

Mrs. Alman of Dallas spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Ray Faulkner.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Porter and Miss Odessa Porter from near May came down here Friday to visit the lady's sister, Mrs. Sally Faulkner and returned home Sunday.

Mr. Em Routh of Blanket was in this community recently.

Mr. Bill Patterson of Blanket was here one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Stewart were calling on the lady's mother, Mrs. Annie Adkisson Sunday evening.

Mrs. Inez Englet and baby of Brownwood spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Dikes.

Mrs. Higginbotham has returned home after a month's visit near De Leon. We are glad she is back with us again.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Heptinstall have moved on his mother's home place.

Mr. Jerry Barton of Rising Star was visiting his children here Sunday.

Mrs. G. G. Heptinstall who is teaching at Woodland Heights spent the week-end at home.

Mrs. Mary Chambers and children Veda and Loyd, were Christmas shopping in Brownwood Saturday.

Blanket

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Sadler of San Antonio were here last week to attend the funeral of Mrs. Sadler's mother, Mrs. Joe Mallow.

Miss Josephine Milner left last Tuesday for Houston where she will visit relatives for several days before returning.

Rev. Frank O'Hearn of Brownwood filled the Methodist pulpit last Sunday morning in the absence of the pastor, Rev. C. A. Wilkerson. He was accompanied by his two daughters. They were the dinner guests of Madames Williams and Easterling while here.

Mr. Mark Reeves of Fort Worth is here this week visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Simpson of Houston were here last week visiting relatives.

Mr. George Easterling returned last week from Snyder, Okla., where he had been to visit a sick sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Morris and family moved to their farm north of town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cline Archer of Austin were here last week visiting relatives.

Mr. William La Grove of Hasse is spending a few days here the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Reynolds Hobson and family.

Miss Velma Lindsay is spending the holidays in Big Springs visiting relatives.

Funeral services for Mrs. Josephine Mallow, who passed away Thursday, December 19, 1936 were held Friday afternoon from the family residence at 1 p. m. with Rev. Ollie Cantwell officiating. "Aunt Joe" as she was known to all her friends, was for 56 years a resident of this community. She was born March 25, 1847. She was the widow of W. A. Mallow, who preceded her in death 26 years ago. She leaves to mourn her loss two daughters, Mrs. J. F. Milner, of Blanket and Mrs. L. C. Sadler of San Antonio; twelve grand children and six great-grandchildren. Aunt Joe's going away creates a sad vacancy here but fills an important place in a better world.

Oscar Sumner, who at one time was a resident of this community was born in Comanche County Oct. 21, 1886, passed away at his home near Brownwood Tuesday afternoon at 2:15 as the result of a heart attack. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 3 p. m. at the Blanket Baptist church with the Rev. W. I. Newton officiating, assisted by Rev. Karl H. Moore of Brownwood. Interment was in the Blanket cemetery. He was married to Miss Roanna Ellen Archer of our city Dec. 10, 1913 who survives him; as do two daughters, Katherine Sumner, Miles, and Allene Sumner of Groevener. Other survivors include one sister, Mrs. J. E. Deely, Brownwood and two brothers, E. L. Sumner, Blanket, and W. C. Sumner of Socorro, New Mexico. Mrs. Sumner numbered his friends by the score in this community who wish to extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

Madames Easterling, Frankie and Miss Lydia Bonicko very delightfully entertained the adult members of the Methodist Sunday School at the Franklin home Thursday night. Games suitable for the occasion were enjoyed after which dainty refreshments were served.

Mr. Lem Vaughn of Niles, Mich., was here last week transacting business and visiting old friends.

Your eyes should have the best. See Dr. R. A. Ellis, Optometrist.

Zephyr

Mr. Olen Cornelius returned to his work at Burkett Sunday after spending the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Jessie Cornelius.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Johnston and daughter, Norma Ruth of Brownwood were the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Lake Sunday.

Mr. Burl Gist returned home from Idaho last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Timmins and son, Franklin are the proud owners of a 1937 Chevrolet.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hunter and daughter, Helen of Brooksmith spent last Sunday week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ware and family of Sweetwater visited here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Locks, Sr. and Mrs. Hubert Locks, Jr., and daughter, Betty Sue were shopping in Brownwood Saturday.

Messrs. Volney Grimes, Price Hanks, Harold Cirtsginger of the CCC camp at Dublin spent the week-end with their parents, Messrs. Franklin Timmins, Delmar Keeler, Gerald Bowden and Melvin Bowden were visiting in Brownwood Saturday night.

Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Clark returned home from Grandbury last week where they have been visiting their son, Mr. Grady Clark and family for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Renard Vanzandt of El Paso are visiting his mother, Mrs. Nora Vanzandt.

Mrs. Mary Forsythe returned to Calallen Monday after a few days here on business.

Mr. Clayton Coffey of A. & M. College of Collette Station, arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Mollie Coffey.

Mr. M. N. Cobb and Mr. Chris Renfro were shopping in Brownwood Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Skipping, Mrs. Ellie Skipping and Mr. W. R. Shelton went to Brownwood Monday.

Mrs. R. A. Scott has gone to Willis Point to visit relatives.

Messrs. Marlen Reasoner, Lyn Coffey, Franklin Timmins and Early Reasoner attended the show in Brownwood Sunday night.

Mr. George Bowden made a business trip to Brownwood Monday.

Mrs. George Peety and children and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Nesmith were shopping in Brownwood Monday.

Mrs. G. W. Adams made a business trip to Santa Anna last Friday.

Mr. Pete Weston of Mullen was here Monday on business.

Mr. Forrest Weston was shopping in Brownwood Monday.

Mr. Carson Ball was a Brownwood visitor Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Joe Galloway, Mr. Ed Couch and J. O. McDaniel were Mullin visitors Sunday afternoon.

Miss Emogene and Anita Couch, Lucille and Cleo Priest were Christmas shopping in Brownwood Saturday.

Mrs. Mae Williams and daughter Miss Mary Helen Little were visiting in Brownwood Saturday.

Mr. Darrell Shelton has arrived to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Shelton.

Miss Jewel Smythe of Brownwood was the guest of Miss Vivian McDaniel Sunday.

Mr. A. B. Driskill was visiting in Mullin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Baker and little son, James Andy from Bakerville, California, came in Monday night to spend the holidays with relatives.

Early High

Wedding bells have rung again for one of our community boys, Cecil Faulkner and Miss George Marie Owens, daughter of H. R. Owens, formerly of Silver Valley. Miss Owens was a 1936 graduate of Irann High School. They were married in Coleman on Tuesday of last week by Rev. Popper, Cecil is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Orie Faulkner and is a high school graduate of Early High. The writer has known Cecil all his life and wishes for him and his life companion much happiness and prosperity. They are living in Brownwood at present.

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Mrs. Doek Chrene visited Monday in Brownwood with her brother Cecil and wife and sister, Mrs. Benton.

Ebony

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Mrs. Doek Chrene visited Monday in Brownwood with her brother Cecil and wife and sister, Mrs. Benton.

it is "John Dewayne." If this should not be right, we'll keep on until we do get it right.

Tom Hobbs, son of Grandma Hobbs, and brother of Mrs. George Jones and Mrs. Bob Egger, died at his home, Fort Stanton, New Mexico last week. He was employed at the U. S. Marine Hospital there. He had been in bad health for some time. His mother and Mrs. George Jones went to Fort Stanton to attend the funeral. Tom grew to manhood in this community. Though he has been away for a long time, he still has friends here who remember him very kindly.

Miss Lucille Wilmett, a student of Abilene Christian College, came in Friday night to spend Christmas at home.

Alvin Mashburn of Port Arthur visited his mother, Mrs. W. M. Clements last week. He was accompanied by his aunt, Mrs. Paul Forsythe and children, also of Port Arthur.

Clarence Beles of Gordon is visiting at the Wilmett home.

Mrs. Janie Hanna of Oakland attended church here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Briley and Mrs. Nellie Malone had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Dwyer Sunday after church.

Lilhard Wilmett of A. & M. College came in Sunday to spend the holidays with homefolks.

Roy Reynolds and his aunt, Miss Dolly Reynolds, made a trip to Brownwood Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crowder and children of Oakland visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Crowder at Ridge Sunday.

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New Ball League Formed Tuesday Evening At May

A basketball league for commercial teams was formed at a meeting held at May Tuesday night, December 15. The following towns will compose the league: May, Cross Cut, Cottonwood, Atwell, Burkett, Carbon, Coleman and Blanket. The following men were elected as an executive committee: H. E. White, May, chairman; Wade Gholson, Burkett; Leo Varner, Atwell; and Laffin Brazz, Carbon.

A regular schedule is to be played, each team playing another team two games. Most of the games are to be played on Saturday nights. Any team in this vicinity not listed wishing to join the league is requested to notify H. E.

White of May. All teams must post a list of players within two weeks of the executive committee, and no player can play with more than one team.

The schedule of games for January 2 is as follows:
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Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Allen and children of Woodland Heights spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ludlow Allen.

Rev. L. D. Ball preached at the Baptist church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Pierce and son Elbert of Bangs, attended church here Sunday morning then ate dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Grayson.

Miss Dorothy Cremer and Delbert Mapies of Coleman have been visiting Mrs. Alton Dixon.

The school will close Thursday for the holidays. There will be a Christmas tree at the school house Thursday afternoon.

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Sulphur Dips For the Control of Goat Lice

By O. G. BARCOCK, Assistant Entomologist, Division of Insects Affecting Man and Animals

The Angora goat industry in the United States has developed to such importance since its inception in 1849 that anything seriously affecting its material welfare should receive the attention of everyone interested in this industry, which totals in excess of ten million dollars per annum.

It is of economic importance that the goats be kept free from lice, as the depreciation in value on account of lousy and tangled mohair runs at least from 5 to 15 percent. The loss in body weight of undipped animals during the development of the kid crop is considerable. The loss of kid hair, which has a higher commercial value than hair from the adult goat is very heavy. Usually flocks of kids are slightly to grossly infested with lice. It has been observed that about 50 percent of the kids in the average lousy flock are stunted in growth and handicapped in their struggle for life. Infested goats are constantly irritated by the lice. In heavy infestations the skin thickens and becomes rough, coarse and often scaly.

Species of Lice

In the United States there are at least five species of goat lice, all of which have been collected from Angora and milk goats. Two of these are blood suckers and are known as blue goat lice. The other three species have biting mouth parts and chew their food. The largest of the latter is known as the yellow or hairy goat louse. The other two species are the red goat lice.

Control Measure

For many years the arsenical dip has been largely used for control of goat lice. Coal-tar-cresote dips and tobacco or nicotine dips have also been used. All of these, however, have objectionable features. The arsenical dip contains water-soluble arsenic and there is more or less danger of poisoning the animals when using it. The writer's experience with coal-tar cresote dips has been that there is difficulty in getting a proper mixture with hard water, and the mohair is frequently stained and left in bad condition. In using nicotine dips he has not found them percent nicotine and considers a higher nicotine content distinctly dangerous. The hot dip containing 0.97 percent nicotine is especially dangerous.

In an attempt to develop a safe and effective dip without the objectionable features of the older dips, the writer has tested many chemicals at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station No. 14 at Sonora during a period of several years. The insecticides which gave the best results in these trials have also been tested on a larger scale under ranch conditions.

Sulphur

During recent years so much improvement has been made in the grinding of sulphur that it was advisable to carry on further investigations of its insecticidal value. The coarsely ground sulphur of

80 to 100 mesh screen test did not give satisfactory results. Finely ground sulphur, i. e., 98 to 100 percent passing a 325-mesh screen, gave excellent results and is recommended for goat louse control. Likewise flotation sulphur, prepared by the liquid purification process, when further purified of the traces of iron and arsenic sulphide left by its manufacture, gave equally good results and is likewise recommended.

Finely ground sulphur with a wetting material added can now be obtained on the market in powdered form known as "wetable sulphur." This product is much more satisfactory for dipping purposes than those forms of sulphur which do not mix readily with water. Wetable flotation sulphur is also on the market.

The recommended formula for effective control, using either of the above sulphurs, is:

Sulphur.....10 pounds
Trisodium phosphate..... 19
25 ounces, depending upon the hardness of the water used.

Water.....100 gallons
In very soft water the trisodium phosphate may be left out. In strong alkaline waters containing sodium or magnesium the trisodium phosphate is indispensable.

Two dippings with an 11-day interval are recommended. It must be borne in mind, however, that no dip can be depended upon to eradicate lice from a flock of goats unless every goat in the flock is carefully and thoroughly dipped. For this reason, whenever dipping is undertaken, it is absolutely necessary that one pasture be cleared of all goats before dipping starts. The freshly dipped goats should be turned into this pasture and all other pastures should be searched regularly for strays until time for the second dipping. Following the second dipping the same precautions should be taken. All undipped goats found should be dipped as soon as possible. A single lousy goat or a stray that has passed through the fence line may, in 6 to 9 months, reinfest the entire flock. Reinfestation may also take place along the fence line. This is especially likely to happen during the goat-breeding season.

It can be seen that a county or statewide clean-up would be beset with difficulties, but it is believed while and is not beyond the possibility of success if sufficient diligence is exercised.

Dipping Vats

The long-type dipping vats are already installed on many ranches where they have been used for dipping sheep and cattle. In such cases a change is not advised. However, the writer has found that a round vat, with an inclined exit, a draining pen, and a vat gate, has proved very satisfactory and in many respects superior to the long type for dipping goats or sheep. When the gate is located at the exit the animals swim in circles and cross-wise in the vat, never piling up and drowning an animal, as may hap-

President Roosevelt Endorses 30th Christmas Seal Sale



Below is a facsimile of a statement issued by Franklin D. Roosevelt urging the people of the country to do their part in supporting the nationwide campaign to raise funds for the control of tuberculosis. President Roosevelt is Honorary Vice-President of the National Tuberculosis Association which with its two thousand affiliated tuberculosis associations is conducting the thirtieth annual Christmas Seal sale from Thanksgiving through Christmas.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 12, 1936

Thanksgiving Day this year marks an important milestone in our country's conquest of an age old enemy. On that day will be launched throughout the country the thirtieth Christmas Seal sale of the National Tuberculosis Association and its 2000 affiliated state and local associations. For thirty years funds for these penny Christmas Seals have been used in an organized educational campaign to control tuberculosis.

It is tremendously encouraging to know that tuberculosis is no longer the leading cause of death and that the fight against this scourge is continuing without respite. However, the fine progress that has been made should not be permitted to arouse a false sense of security. Quite on the contrary there is need for continued and intensified activity. Especially should these efforts be directed to the elimination of the disease as it prevails among children, as well as among men and women, in which groups an unnecessarily high toll is exacted. There still exists too the necessity for the early discovery of tuberculous patients and their prompt hospitalization. When these obvious steps have been taken the complete and final victory over this disease will be brought nearer.

On the eve of the thirtieth Christmas Seal sale I urge all to do their part in supporting the nation-wide campaign. It is the duty of each local community to raise funds for its own protection against this enemy of homes and health.

Franklin D. Roosevelt



and losses are likely to occur when pen in a long vat. Such difficulties kids and nannies are dipped together in a long vat. The round vat is designed primarily for the average flock of goats, ranging from 500 to 2,000. A round vat 5 feet deep and 5 feet in diameter with an inclined exit 24 inches wide and 100 inches long, will hold a little over 1,000 gallons of dip. Several of these vats are now in use in Texas and some are being built in New Mexico.

If a long type vat is used, a gate should be placed near the exit so that all animals can be held in the dip for a sufficient length of time to assure having their heads as well as their bodies thoroughly soaked.

Dipping

Fill the vat to the top if it is of the round type with concrete sloping dipping pen, and within 6 to 10 inches of the top if it does not have a concrete sloping pen draining into the vat. Stir the dip from the bottom just before starting the animals into the vat. Regardless of the type of vat used each animal should be entirely submerged at least four times either by the use of dipping hooks or by hand. All animals should be left in the vat not less than one-half minute after the one has been dipping of goats for louse control

ducked the fourth time. Usually from 3 to 8 animals may be dipped at the same time. The ordinary long type vat will hold many more goats than this, but it is not advisable to fill it to capacity on account of the danger incident to the crowding together of the goats at the exit. If dipping is discontinued even for a short time before the entire flock is dipped, the dip should be stirred again before dipping is resumed.

Care should be taken that the dip does not become too low in the vat because of the amount carried out by the animals. Fresh dip should be added when the height of the liquid becomes materially lowered. After all the goats are dipped the vat should be emptied and cleaned out so that fresh dip may be used for the second dipping.

Animals suffering from heavy infestations of internal parasites or in very poor condition from other causes should not be dipped. Such animals should be isolated, put in strong condition, and treated for worms before being dipped, if losses are to be avoided.

Goat Scab and Sheep Lice
Preliminary experiments indicate that goat scab mites can be killed satisfactorily by following the foregoing directions. While systematic

FARMERS' FLOCKS ARE SOMEWHAT LARGER, BUT PRODUCTION IS LOWER

The size of the laying flocks of farm poultry is about three to four per cent larger than a year ago, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today in its December summary of poultry and egg production. Hens are laying slightly fewer eggs, however, so the total egg production at the beginning of December was about the same as a year ago.

Poultrymen obviously had intended to increase their flocks this year and hatched a 12 per cent larger number of chicks last spring. But drought and high feed prices so upset these plans that flocks are going into winter only slightly larger. There are, however, about 5 per cent more pullets on hand than a year ago.

The gain in the number of laying hens was largest (about 6 percent) in the South Central and far Western States. It was about 3 percent in the Atlantic States and in the East North Central States. There was a slight increase even in the Mississippi where the drought was extreme this year. Small gains in Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska were all but offset by losses in Missouri, Kansas and the Dakotas. The Pacific Coast states showed an increase of more than 15 percent in the number of pullets.

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The large proportion of pullets in the flocks this fall will tend to maintain a relatively high production of eggs per hen. On the other hand, the low price of eggs in comparison with feed may possibly force producers to sell off more laying stock than usual.

The price of an average farm poultry ration in mid-November was \$1.74 a hundred pounds, compared with \$1.15 in November last year. The average farm price of eggs this November was 32 1-2 cents a dozen compared with 30 cents a year ago. Prices of chickens were 13.2 cents a pound compared with 15.9 cents a year ago.

Sheep lice are controlled by following the foregoing directions.

FARMERS FEAR BUMPER CROPS WILL CAUSE MARKET CRASH ON PRODUCTS IN '37

Short 1936 crops resulting in high farm prices are causing fear among farmers that overproduction in 1937 may result in a crash of prices.

Only another drought could prevent a bumper 1937 crop. Department of Agriculture officials believe, with acreage limitations taken off all crops except corn in ten of the states where the soil conservation act is being carried out.

Normal yields were reduced 20 per cent this year as a result of extensive droughts, but prices increased bringing the total farm income to \$9,530,000,000, the highest since 1929. This total was an increase of \$1,022,000,000 over the 1935 figure, and nearly double the 1932 depression low.

Wheat production increased the comparatively small amount of 117,000 bushels, but income from that source went up \$103,106,000 to \$624,238,000. December wheat prices at \$1.37 are the highest since 1929. Production in 1935 totaled 616,314,000, and 626,561,000 in 1936. The corn crop was hardest hit by the drought, but a rise of 50 cents a bushel in the past 12 months increased its farm value from \$1,505,396,000 in 1935 to \$1,514,203,000 in 1936. The December Chicago Exchange price of \$1.09 was the highest since 1928.

Corn production this year was the lowest, with the exception of 1934, since 1901. An average yield of 16.5 bushels per acre for a total of 1,523,317,000 bushels compared with a yield of 24.1 bushels per acre last year for a total of 2,296,659,000

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Even though cotton prices remain almost identically the same as those of a year ago, farmers in the south will realize \$760,386,000 from this year's crop of 12,407,000 bales, compared with \$590,136,000 from last year's crop of 10,628,000 bales.

Farm value of other crops, announced by the Federal Crop Reporting Board, and increases over 1935 included: Hay, \$775,213,000—an increase of \$11,609,000; potatoes, \$367,000,000, an increase of \$136,832,000; oats, \$348,510,000, an increase of \$34,020,000.

The 1936 gross income of \$9,530,000,000 comprised \$3,870,000,000 from livestock products, and \$480,000,000 from benefit payments for compliance in 1935 with the AAA.

Payments for compliance this year with the soil conservation act are being made at the rate of 1,000,000 a day, but the bulk of the \$500,000,000 appropriated for that purpose will be paid in 1937.

Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace, earlier this week, estimated total 1936 income at \$9,209,000,000 in his annual report to President Roosevelt.

Four years of below normal crop

production have reduced surpluses of most crops to the lowest point in many years. Wallace said that food supplies will be only about three per cent below last year, although prices to consumers this winter will be up 10 per cent.

The new soil conservation act provides virtually no control over crop production. The 1937 program for the corn belt Wallace will attempt to limit acreage to approximately that of this year.

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