

Range Conservation Means Range Improvement

By D. C. O. Wilson

I have been requested to write my views on soil conservation on Rangelands—quite a task for one who is not a writer.

Conservation of rangelands is also a very difficult and complicated subject to write about and there are so many and varied ideas about the way to go about conserving our ranges that I hesitate to write an article about it.

I will just give an outline of what I have done, the results I have achieved and the observations I have made.

About fourteen years ago I defered about 1700 acres which were very badly overgrazed and in very poor condition. I let it rest for two years and the recovery was remarkable. Many grasses and weeds returned that had not been seen in the area for years. The bare spots made by spot grazing of sheep were fairly covered and had a good turf and litter. Then, I stocked it lightly for another three years and then moderately. During the three year drought of 1946-47-48 it supported a fair number of cows and sheep which were never fed and they stayed in good condition all the time. Calves weighed over five hundred every year and yearling lambs over one hundred pounds. I thought I had the right idea. Rest and only rest, was the way to bring back my grass. So last year I deferred my entire ranch. Luckily we had a wonderful year, after the three year drought. The results have been most gratifying. Many, many good grasses appeared which made a good seed crop and created a fine litter on the ground. We have had very little rain since November last year, but what we received did my range more good than you would imagine. It started the grass, and the litter held what little moisture that had fallen and kept the little grasses green. Now, with the rain we have had in the last two days it will come right up and make seed and by fall, with just a little rain, it should be in very good condition. Which will be much better than it has been in many years.

Rest, I believe is the best, cheapest, and quickest way to get our ranges back. Which we are going to have to do sooner or later, the sooner the better.

Just ride on any highway in West Texas and look at the right-of-way. It has the native grass growing in it and they are all good grasses; very little needle or undesirable grass. The weeds are also good blue bonnets, Engelman's daisies, Mexican sagewort, etc. Then look across the fence, in ninety percent of the pastures you will not see a weed nor a good grass going to seed, such as the gramas, Indian grasses, switch, love grass, or Canada wild rye. There will be some short mesquite and plenty of needle grass, but only the needle grass will make seed as soon as the grass greens up in the spring the ranchmen think it should be used immediately. With this in mind he buys more sheep or cattle to eat it up.

Consequently, the range in West Texas is fast becoming a desert and it is just a question of time before we reach the goat civilization that exists in Southern Asia and Northern Africa; there the country can only support a goat and not too many of them.

We have one of the finest countries in the world for ranching and it was put here for us to use, but not like most of us have used it and are still using it. If we keep on we will have just big pens to feed cattle—which is not economical. If you want to feed cattle, just get a feed lot close to a feed mill, and better results will be had as the cattle are confined to a small area and not walking themselves poor looking for a sprig of green grass. It will also save a lot of expense transporting feed and putting it out.

Lots of us are fooling ourselves and when you fool yourself that's bad. I have read many times in the "Top of the Windmill" where some one reports his range is in fine condition. Having occasion to ride by his ranch it might be green, but it's short and no better or good grass going to seed. In the bar-ditch next to this particular pasture you can see good vigorous plants seeding out with plenty of litter to help hold that moisture for forage production. That will not get the job done and it will be just a question of time before he has a big pen to feed his cattle. We shouldn't try to fool ourselves because it won't fool the old cow or ewe that has to make a living in the pasture.

If you only have a hundred acres rest fifty one year, the other fifty the next. In ten years you will find you can produce many more pounds

of wool and beef from a good and excellent pasture than you can from a poor and fair one.

There are many ideas and theories about conservation. All may have some merit, but rest and deferments I believe will prove the cheapest in the long run. Get the turf back and it will make your spreader dams, and it will let the native grasses reseed which have proven themselves they are adapted to our ranges and will keep the old cow fat and the old ewe covered with a good fleece. Don't fool yourself about your range being in good shape. I do not believe we have any range that is producing fifty percent of what it is capable of producing. If properly handled they can be made to do it. If we do not make improvement in our ranges the government is likely to take us over and we will just be custodians of the land. Resting is expensive but not as expensive as using mechanical, chemical, and other means—just add up what you have spent that way then figure the amount you could have received from a grass lease for a year's rest. Rest will be cheaper and you will have your little spreader dams, contours, and a reseeded job that an airplane could not do.

It is very possible I might be wrong, but I am trying it until I see something better.

A Day's Work Of A Soil Conservation Service Technician

The average day's work of a Soil Conservation Service technician usually begins at 8:00 a. m. unless he has an earlier date with some district cooperator. The job or jobs to be done on the cooperator's place may have been scheduled a week before for a particular day and sometimes hour.

On arrival at the office preparation is made for the day's work to be done if this has not been done the previous afternoon. The cooperator's well rounded soil and water conservation plan is reviewed to see what practices the cooperator needs assistance in other than the ones to be given assistance in on that day. If the farmer or rancher is not a cooperator with the district and he is being assisted in working up a well rounded soil and water conservation plan, the needed maps, conservation survey maps and other tools needed are made ready.

Before the technician leaves the office phone calls are made to cooperator who has asked to be called pertaining to a planned date scheduled with them at a later time. Dates are set with cooperators who call for assistance during the week or following weeks.

Before the technician leaves for the field the automotive equipment is checked to see that the oil, water and tires are okay. Care of the equipment is a must as well as the observation of all safety rules and regulations.

On arrival at the farm or ranch of the cooperator the technician assists in one or several of the following jobs: Make a range utilization check to determine how a pasture is being used and make needed recommendations, make range survey to determine condition of rangeland so livestock can be balanced with forage production, make soils survey to determine the condition class of the soil whereby needed conservation practices, as well as the use of every acre according to its needs, can be recommended; run terrace lines and contour lines, stake out diversion terraces, check terrace and diversion terraces for completing, assist in inoculating and planting legumes, assist in grass planting, and assist in the adjustment of combines for grass and legume seed harvest along with numerous other jobs.

The technician's schedule is so the best use can be made of his time. By assisting cooperators in one locality more jobs are accomplished as well as less travel and expense to do the jobs.

The duties of a technician in short are to assist the farmers and ranchers of the district to plan and apply a well rounded soil and water conservation plan on their place to conserve soil and water to increase or maintain the production of the land to keep it permanently productive.

POST OFFICE TO BE CLOSED SAT. AT NOON

In compliance with instructions from the Postoffice Department, the delivery windows of the local post office will be closed at 1:00 p. m. on Saturdays. This change will be effective Saturday, May 20, and each Saturday thereafter.

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E. W. Brooks, P. M.

What Farmers and Ranchers Say About The District Program and Conservation

John Williams said, "He didn't know of any better way to conserve our soil and moisture than by working together with and through Soil Conservation Districts. Conservation pays through increased yields and higher production. I noticed, through range improvement on my place, that my cows are in good flesh, having fed only very little during the winter." Technicians assisting the district in checking conditions with Mr. Williams found some of the better grasses seeding out in his pasture and that he is carrying out all of his planned conservation practices.

W. A. Schuller says, "With a growing population and a decrease in productive land conserving our soil is one of, if not the most important, job confronting America today. In doing this job I know of no better way than through the district program which is entirely in the hands of landowners. However, the district needs the support of everyone, but the administration and actual control of erosion and keeping the land productive is

GRADUATE WORK, REST, VACATION TRIPS PLANNED BY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Eldorado's school teachers have many and varied plans for the summer vacation period.

Miss Knowla Stewart, eighth grade home room teacher, has no definite plans, but she may attend college in Brownwood, her home town.

C. F. Jones, band instructor and science teacher, plans to take a trip to Kansas at the beginning of the summer to visit his wife's parents, and then he expects to go to Sul Ross to attend summer school.

Mrs. Ted Kirby, home economics teacher, will be here the first part of the summer directing work in summer projects, and will later join Mr. Kirby, football coach and history teacher, in Sul Ross where they both plan to attend summer school.

Miss Jewel Shelton, English and civics teacher, plans to visit with her father in Roscoe.

Mrs. Billy Green, English and speech teacher, will be at home this summer here.

H. C. Dupont, math teacher, and Mrs. Dupont, commercial teacher, will both attend summer school at Texas Tech in Lubbock.

Mrs. Martin, Spanish teacher and seventh grade home room teacher,

going to have to be done by farmers and ranchers through soil conservation districts. I have been cooperating with the Eldorado-Divide Soil Conservation District for about four years and my yields have increased due to the conservation practices I put on my land. I laid out my soil conservation program with the assistance and cooperation of technicians of the Soil Conservation Service who are assisting the district in carrying out a well rounded soil and water conservation program.

Will L. Isaacs has been cooperating with the Eldorado-Divide Soil Conservation District ever since it was organized about eight years ago. He said, "I think the Soil Conservation District program is all right. I don't know how it could be improved upon and as for conservation, it pays. By cutting my numbers down I have more feed for those I do have, produce more by their weighing heavier, and the sheep shear more wool. I am able to keep that money in my pocket instead of paying it out for feed."

will spend the summer in Gainesville with her husband.

Miss Ina Mae Lightsey, who teaches fifth grade, has no definite plans for the summer.

Mrs. C. A. Reynolds, first and second grade teacher, will spend the summer here and vacationing.

Miss Thelma Ellington, first grade teacher, has no definite plans outside of doing some vacationing.

Mrs. D. C. Royster, second grade teacher, will be at home here this summer and will also do some visiting.

Mrs. Bennie Watson, third grade teacher, expects to do some traveling this summer.

Miss Woodrow Rice Hays, third grade, will work this summer.

Miss Lucille Farmer, music teacher, has no definite plans for this summer, but will probably be at home.

Mrs. Payne Robinson, fourth grade teacher, will spend the summer at home here and vacationing.

Coach Herman Hopkins plans to attend summer school at North Texas.

Mrs. Troy Erwin, physical education instructor, will be at home in Denton with her husband and will attend summer school there.

OIL ACTIVITY PICKS UP; NEW WILDCAT STARTS

A wildcat and a Jackson test are in the news, as Schleicher County oil activity takes another spurt and interest is renewed in development of oil in this locality.

As one interested onlooker puts it: "There is only one way the oil activity could go and that is up," referring to the fact that for several months there has been no drilling at all in Schleicher County.

Campbell is drilling surface hole on a wildcat, located on the Linthicum ranch. The test is to go to 7800 feet, and is to be known as Robert D. Mebane No. 1 E. H. Linthicum and C. Linthicum. Location is 660 feet from north, 1980 feet from east lines section 40A-GC&SF, abstract 1,511 and 1617, certificate 4-1256. The test is on Linthicum land 15 miles southeast of Mertzon, in Schleicher Co.

It is six miles northwest of Abercrombie No. 1 W. F. Meador, abandoned March 1, and eight miles southwest of Frankel Bros. No. 3 Tankersley, also a dry hole.

Rotary is drilling ahead on the new Jackson test, Ice & Ice taking over after Campbell completed surface hole.

CITY CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN CLOSES

The city officials who have been directing Eldorado's clean-up campaign, report a successful clean-up of the city.

Mayor J. C. Ratliff reports that citizens who were missed by the city hall and a truck would be sent out to pick up the trash.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Kurowski and daughter Suzanne have returned to their home in Chicago, after a two weeks visit with Mrs. Kurowski's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Jones. Mr. Kurowski is employed in a factory in Chicago, and he and his family spend their vacation here each summer. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Jones, the Jones' son and daughter-in-law, of McCamey, also visited here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Z. Padgett, former Eldorado residents, are here for a few days visit with friends. They expect to leave Eldorado Friday, Mrs. Padgett to visit in Blooming Grove, and Mr. Padgett to make a business trip to Colorado.

McKavett Residents Take Extended Trip

Mrs. Camilla B. Raggio and son, H. Leslie Jones, returned last week to their C-B Ranch in Schleicher County near Fort McKavett after an extensive automobile trip through the southern and eastern parts of the United States. They were gone three weeks, leaving here April 21 and returning home May 12.

Mrs. Raggio and Mr. Jones first visited friends in Houston several days, then went on to New Orleans where they visited relatives. Mrs. Raggio's parents, Col. and Mrs. William H. Black, were both born and reared in New Orleans.

They continued across the southern states to Georgia, where they visited in Atlanta and in Athens with friends, and were met in Washington, D. C. by friends from New York City for a visit.

After a beautiful ride through the Shenandoah National Park in Virginia and the mountain drives through West Virginia, they stopped in Kokomo, Indiana, where they visited Mrs. Raggio's youngest brother, Alex G. Black, his wife and daughter. In Bloomfield, Indiana, they also visited relatives, and came back to Texas through Missouri and Oklahoma. They stopped in Dallas and Fort Worth to visit friends before returning to Schleicher county.

True Wealth Of Our Country Comes From Top Soil Of Land

By W. G. Godwin
Schleicher County Agent

I have long realized that the true wealth of our county comes from the top few inches of the soil. To maintain that wealth, soil and water must be conserved.

It takes from 100 to 500 years to make one inch of top soil and this thin layer from which all of our wealth comes, can be destroyed by poor soil management in a few years. Food is no better than the soil from which it comes. Poor soil produces poor plants, which in turn produce undernourished animals and people. Poor soils make poor people, physically, mentally and financially.

Soil conservation and improvement is sound business. It will pay off in increased yields, lower cost of production, greater efficiency of operation and in other ways, all of which add up to a better farm or ranch living. When we see soil conservation and improved practices put to use on a farm or ranch, we see a home that shows more income and a better living than one where the soil is carelessly handled.

Each of us has a sacred obligation where our soils are concerned. God created the earth, our farms and ranches. The soils are sacred and irreplaceable. It has been said that "The soil is God's means of supporting all life on earth. The soil is a trust—it must be maintained for life, to exist."

The aim of the Texas A&M College Extension Service, through the County Agent, is to deliver in an educational manner to farm and ranch people the latest proven recommended practices, developed and evaluated by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Stations and cooperating agencies.

These proven principles and practices are of vital importance in improving and maintaining the soil and conserving water resources. Extension service workers want people to realize that the relationship between county agents and farm and ranch people is not one of teacher and pupil, nor of follower-leader. It is desired that the demonstrator retain the position of host rather than as pupil in class. The technicians and operators introduced by County Agents meet at demonstrations and share experience with mutual respect. All must learn and serve together.

No nation has ever prospered or survived if soil and water has become depleted. There are many ways to conserve and rebuild the soil we now have and to conserve the rainfall received annually. So let's venture together into new and proven methods of soil and water conservation on which our livelihood depends.

Mrs. Edens Reviews Book For Junior Club

Mrs. Joe Edens reviewed the book, "The Peaceable Kingdom" whom the Junior Womens Club met at the club room last Thursday night.

During the business session, the group voted to buy equipment for the youth room in the memorial building, and voted to give a donation to the Schleicher County Welfare Board.

Mrs. Joe Wagley served punch and cake to about fifteen members,

Law Passed In 1939 Enabled Formation Of SC Districts

Realization of the damage and destruction caused by both wind and water led the Legislature of Texas to pass a law enabling farmers and ranchers to form Soil Conservation Districts for the purpose of combatting erosion. This law was passed by the Legislature in May 1939. On June 23, 1941 the Certificate of Organization of District by the Secretary of State was issued to the Eldorado Divide Soil Conservation District. The Eldorado Divide Soil Conservation District No. 212 includes all of Schleicher County and a part of Tom Green County. The district contains approximately 1,127,280 acres.

Actual work was started in the district about March 1, 1942. The value of the district is simply this: It gives you an opportunity to study your land and your stock farm or ranch business in the light of all the recent improvements in agriculture. Specifically the Eldorado Divide Soil Conservation District will aid you in the following types of work:

1. Take an inventory of the soils by making maps showing the kinds and depths of soils, slope, and amount of erosion.
2. Make a soils group and range condition class map of the range or pasture lands to show the relative production of the soil.
3. Recommendations for land use, range vegetation use, and related practices to control erosion and maintain soil fertility.
4. Engineering assistance in planning and laying out mechanical measures like contour lines, diversions, and terraces.

At the present time the district has 168 cooperators, with a total acreage of 338,530 acres. Of the 168 cooperators 90 have completed all jobs planned and are maintaining all conservation practices.

The district is a non-profit organization which is controlled and operated by the five local landowners (Supervisors) who serve without pay. Soil Conservation Services are available to any farmer or rancher, and are his to use for the asking. The services offered are absolutely free of any charge or cost. No Federal or State agency has any voice in the program or policies of the district, unless asked for their opinions or assistance. Decisions made by the board are final. Ranchers and farmers using services of the district cooperate directly with the board of Supervisors and with no other party or parties. Any farmer or rancher who, with the technical help of the men assigned to the district, works out a plan for his place, will receive enough technical assistance and supervision to make, build, or lay out and put all his plans into effect.

The fact that landowners themselves have the responsibility for petitioning for and voting in a district, formulating its program and work plans, administering to its business and entering into cooperative agreements with their fellow landowners and operators, makes soil conservation districts "Democracy in Action."

'35-'36-'37 EHS Grads Plan June Reunion

Graduating classes of the Eldorado high school for the years 1935, 1936 and 1937 are planning a reunion to be held at the memorial building on June 24. All members of these classes are urged to bring their families and attend the gathering.

Plans for the day include registration at 2:00 p. m., a barbecue supper at 6:00, and an evening of dancing, table games, and other entertainment.

Invitations are being mailed out this week for the event. Chairmen of the invitation committees for the three classes are: Mrs. Morris Whitten, 1935; Mrs. Howard Belcher, 1936; and Mrs. Johnny Luedicke, 1937.

Football Season Closes With Barbecue

The squad wound up spring football training on the 10th, with a game between the Seniors and next year's Eagles. The two teams played a tie 6-6. That night, there was a barbecue in the Memorial building for the boys and their dads. Les Galbraith donated five yearling goats, Charlie Trigg secured the SMU-Kentucky game film, for showing that evening, Jack Hext donated toward the barbecue and also gave generously of his time, as did others. Orland Harris prepared the barbecue. About 80 attended the barbecue.

The boys and their instructors are grateful to the community for all favors shown them during the season.

A More Prosperous Agriculture

By J. Forrest Runge, Chairman, Board of Supervisors
In order to impress upon the non-farming public the great importance of maintaining a thriving agricultural community, the days of May 16 through 21 have been declared "Soil Conservation District Week."

Considerable progress has been made in this district by the farmers and ranchers themselves toward understanding what it is all about. Unfortunately, the general

public has been too apathetic toward the subject.

There is a lack of realization hereabouts that this is an agricultural area and that the very life of everyone in the county depends upon agriculture, successful agriculture. Naturally, the more prosperous that base, the rest of the citizenry prosper accordingly. Because some oil and gas production has been developed there evoked the misconception that there was no need to give any thought to the drudgery of farm and ranch operations for all would soon be overburdened with easy money. If they would not get it that way there was the other possibility of inheriting fabulous ranch property. Even the school system joined in considering it a waste of effort to devote any thought to teaching of agriculture and instead went all out for athletics.

Now the oil fever has subsided the prospects for ranch acquisition by inheritance have dwindled and no one was impressed by the school's athletic prowess and it is time to buckle down and look the situation square in the face and start doing something about it.

It is heartening to say that the town fathers have made a start in the right direction by reviving interest in the boys' 4-H club activities. Here is hoping that the bug catches and that that is the push that starts the ball rolling for a better agriculture and a better and more active community. Because as the land and those upon it improve so does the business of the entire neighborhood.

Mrs. J. F. Jeffrey had as Mother's Day guests Claude Jeffrey of New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Way Joe Jeffrey and family of Mason, Mrs. Pearl Jeffrey, Leo Jeffrey, Bethel Jeffrey and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Simpson. W. E. Jeffrey and family of Dallas were unable to be present.

Gardner McCormick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Van McCormick, was in Eldorado during the week end visiting his parents. He receives his law degree and license to practice this week, and is now looking for a location to practice law.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Christian are visiting his three brothers in Hamilton this week.

Katharine Davis of Sonora spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Ora Davis.

Ray Boyer and family spent Saturday night and Sunday in Eden with relatives.

Mrs. Berle McKee of San Angelo, former Eldorado resident, was in this city Monday visiting friends.

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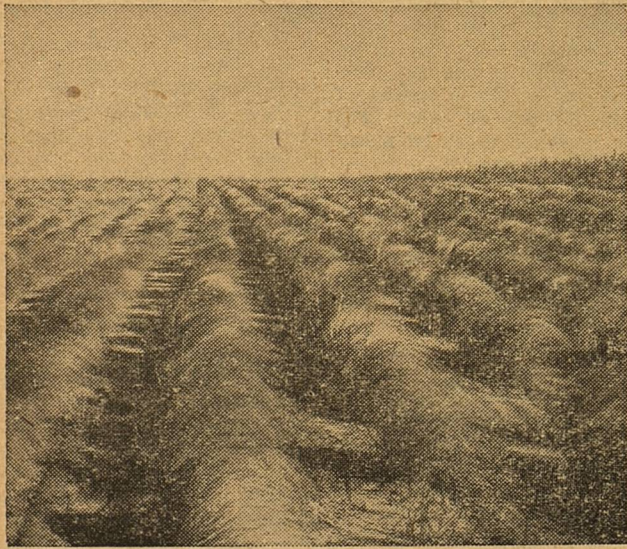
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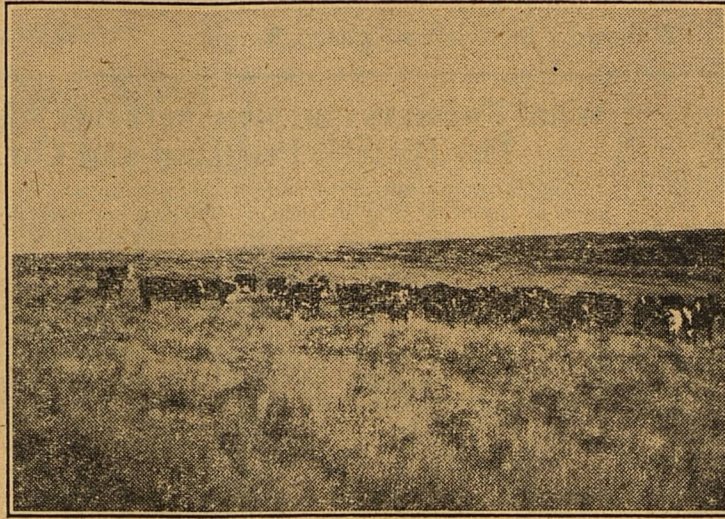
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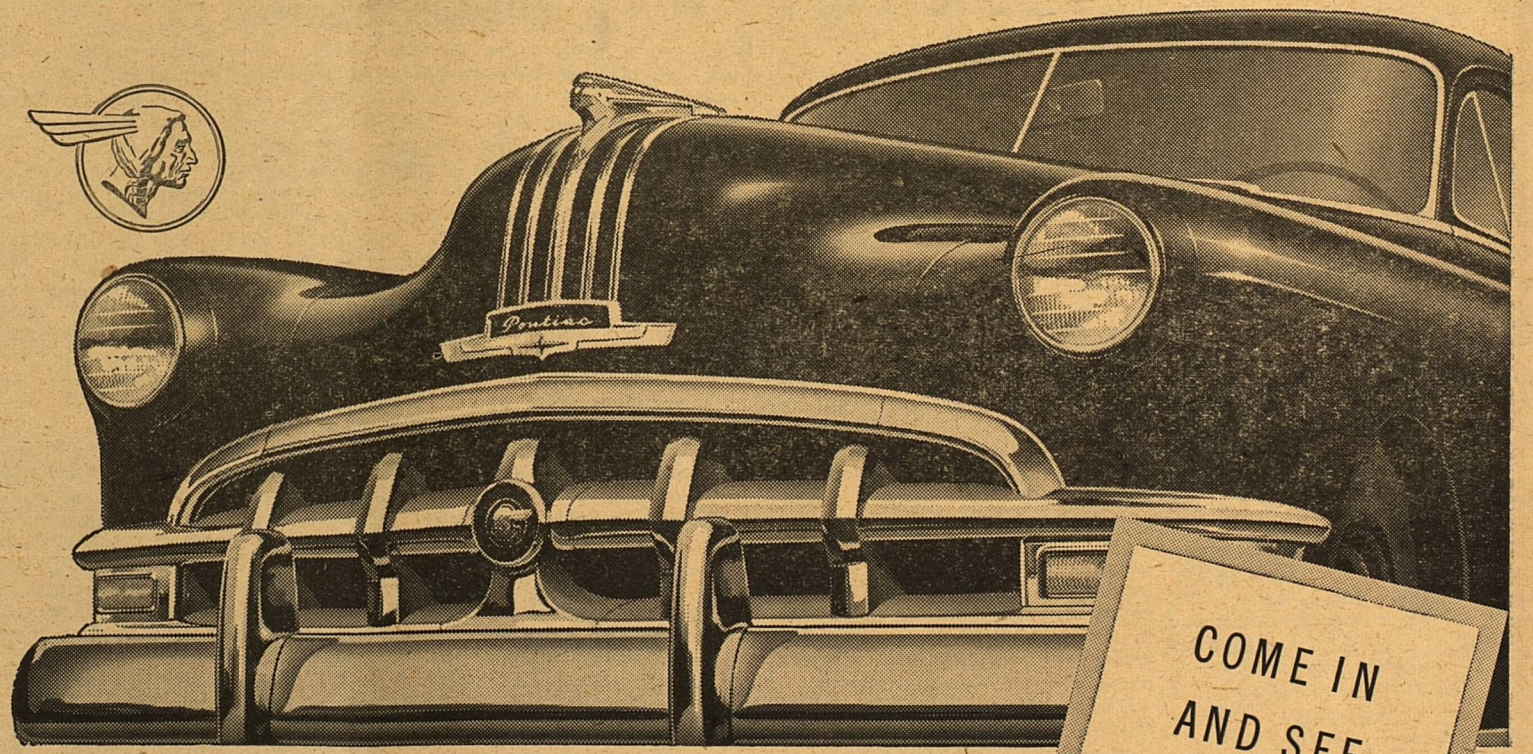
BALANCE YOUR PASTURE BUDGET

If you find your pasture runs out of grass in critical periods, chances are your forage budget is out of balance. Drop in and discuss a grass conservation plan at the Eldorado-Divide Soil Conservation District headquarters or see your local SCS technicians. It's cheaper to grow good grass than poor

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Cotton Program News

Details of the 1950 Smith-Doxey cotton classing program for cotton farmers were announced recently by H. J. Matejowsky, in charge of the Abilene office of the cotton branch, Production and Marketing Adm., U. S. Dept. of Agriculture. "Farmers will follow the same procedure as they did last year in signing up for this program," Matejowsky said. Under it, he continued, they receive without cost cotton classing and market news from the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture. Any group of farmers organized to promote the improvement of cotton is eligible for these services. Matejowsky urges all cotton far-

mers interested in Smith-Doxey benefits to organize community groups immediately and submit applications. Applications and more details about the program can be secured at the cotton office, 1407 South 1st Street, Abilene, from County Agricultural Agents, County PMA offices and ginners.

Capt. Paul Davis and family of San Angelo spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Doyle. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wayne Sudduth of Brady and Mrs. Edwin Childers visited over the week end with their grandfather and father, A. C. Anderson and other relatives in Clovis, N. M.

What Grass Is This?

Do you know the grasses growing on your rangeland? They have different identifying characteristics just like everything else. Ranchers are realizing more every day that there is a difference in the kinds of grasses they should be growing. Growing grass is their business. They raise the stock to harvest the grass. Let's quit looking at the stock for awhile and start looking at the grass.

If you are interested in learning more about grass come by the grass display plot between the bank and the Red and White Grocery between 1:00 p. m. and 5:00 p. m. Friday, May 19th. There will be two range conservationists on hand to discuss grass, condition classes, forage production, palatability, weeds, invading plants, annuals, and perennials.

The above mentioned plot displays the native grasses of the district in four condition classes, introduced grasses, and Madrid Clover which is being introduced into the district as a soil building crop, grazing crop, hay crop, and a cash crop.

It is time to get grass conscious for this can mean more in dollars and cents to you.

Week end guests in the home of Mrs. Rutha Boyer were her daughters, Mrs. Geneva Johnson of Abilene, Mrs. F. E. Davis and son Jerry of Ballinger, and Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Stephenson and son Mack of Menard. Other guests on Saturday were her granddaughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. James Weddell of Christoval.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Neill of Sonora visited Friday with his mother, Mrs. G. A. Neill, and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Waldron and Robbie and Mr. and Mrs. Grover Lee Johnson fished at Ft. McKavett overnight Saturday.

Miss Lucille Farmer visited her parents in Weatherford over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Houston Thigpen have moved to the Robert Milligan rent house.

MOTHER'S DAY HONOREES

Honoring Mrs. P. W. Hazelwood and Mrs. J. C. Whiteley on Mother's Day, a group had a dinner at Christoval Park Sunday. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Carroll and children, Mr. and Mrs. Houston Thigpen and children, Judy Young, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Edsall, Mr. and Mrs. Laymon Hazelwood, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hazelwood, Mr. and

Mrs. P. W. Hazelwood, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Whiteley, and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Estes. Dinner was served at noon in the park, and the group spent the afternoon there.

Olge Halbert, who is working at Snyder, returned to that city Sunday after spending the week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Halbert.

Mothers Day guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Anderson were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kerr of Marlin, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Kerr and girls of San Angelo, and Mrs. Happy Kerr and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Farris spent the day Sunday in San Angelo with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Holland and Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Farris, at the Holland home.



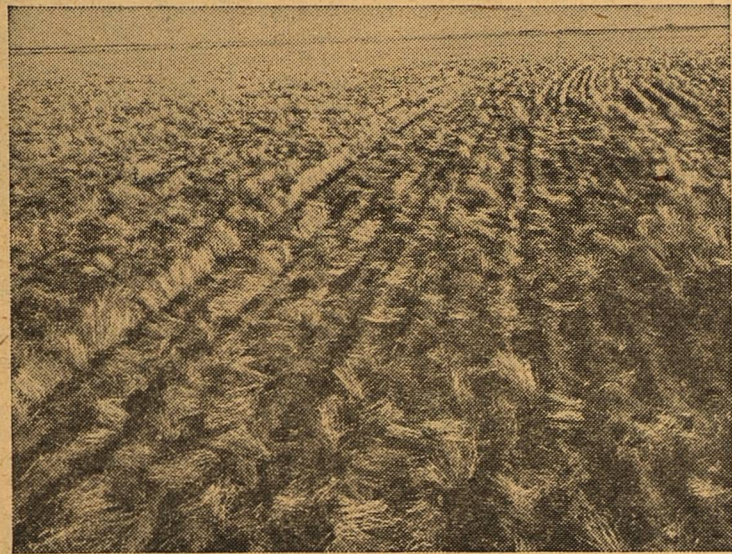
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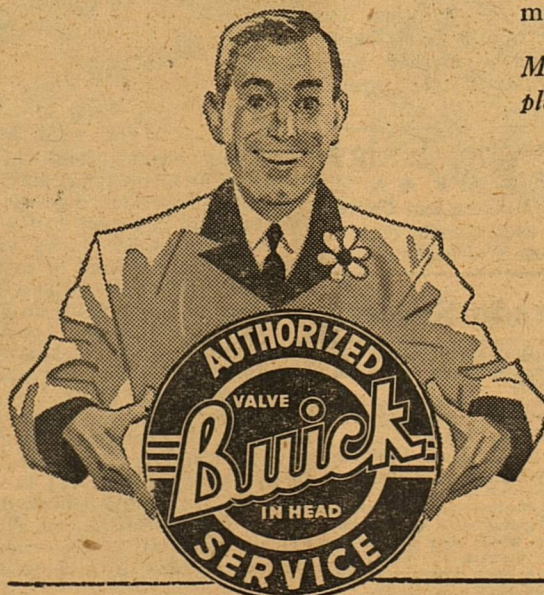
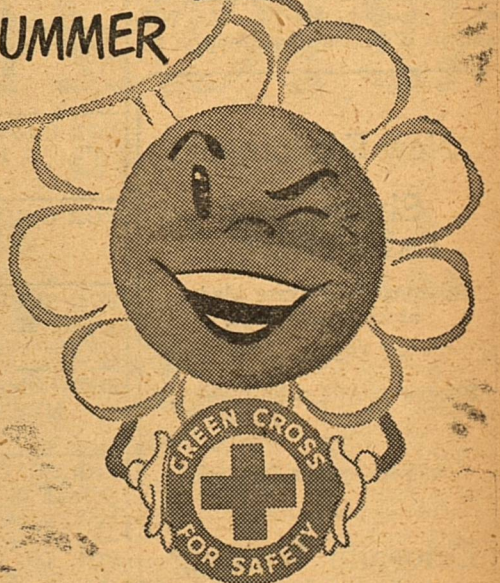
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Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Williamson of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williamson and son and Bob Williamson of Texarkana were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. McAlpine. Bob Williamson is an uncle of the McAlpines and the others are cousins.

According to a card received from Mrs. Pete Ringle, her husband, who was badly burned in a fire here at one of the oil fields, is doing as well as could be expected after having undergone several skin-grafting operations. She wants to thank all of their friends who have remembered them.

Mrs. Gene St. Clair of Biloxi, Miss., is here to attend the Craig twins graduation, and visit her mother, Mrs. Lillian Crosby.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Hunnicutt of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Sproul and Mr. and Mrs. Don Farrington and Billy were Sunday guests in the Robert Sproul home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Tuemy and children and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bule of San Angelo spent the week end with Mrs. Dora Oliver.

Mrs. W. T. Mills and children of Big Lake visited the Gene Parker's over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Bailey and children from Ozona spent Saturday with the A. J. Roaches. Father Ronnie Einhaus was also a guest in the home for dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Peel, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sudduth, Mr. and Mrs. Vernal Sudduth, Mrs. Lizzie McAngus, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Johnson, Bro. Cunningham, Mrs. J. H. Rogers and Ann, Betty Doyle, Mimi and Peggie McAngus, and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Rogers had a Mothers Day dinner out at the Roadside Park last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Peel were in San Angelo last Friday night attending a dance recital at the Bingham Studio in which their grand daughter, Jean Peel, participated.

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of thanking each one for the many cards, flowers and other expressions of kindness shown my family and I during my illness in the Clinic. And especially do I wish to thank the doctors and nurses who helped make it possible for a speedy recovery. Here's a big boost for the Eldorado clinic, and may God bless each and every one is my prayer.

—Bill Allen and family.

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank each and every one for their visits and flowers, while I stayed in the hospital, and I especially thank the Doctors Holcomb and nurses, and Mrs. Geo. Williams for all their kindness. May God bless each one. — Arch Wootton & family. 1*

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DORSEY HARDEMAN
For Re-Election

For State Representative, 86th Dist
H. J. ANTOINE
of Kerrville

FOR COUNTY JUDGE
C. L. MEADOR, JR.
For Re-Election

FOR COUNTY JUDGE
E. W. CRAIG
For First Term

FOR SHERIFF
E. H. (Greasy) SWEATT
For Re-Election

FOR CO. TREASURER
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FOR COMMISSIONER
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CARROL WHITE
For Re-Election

FOR COMMISSIONER
(Precinct No. 4)
H. A. BELK
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AWARDS MADE AT JUNIOR HIGH COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Several scholarship awards were made to Junior High and Grade School pupils Wednesday night at the commencement exercises of the 8th grade.

Those receiving scholarship awards were: 5th grade; Herman Phillips, with a 95.1 average, and Mary Tisdale, with an average of 95.6th grade, Illa Jean Boyer, with an average of 95.3 and Joe Burns, with a 93.2 average. 7th grade; Wilma Jean Kuykendall with a 94.2 average, and Jerry Pennington, with an average of 91.5. 8th grade; Trudy Gaynor, with a 94.4 average, and Myrl Sudduth, with an average of 96.2.

Lions Club Scholarship awards were given to Myrl Sudduth and Illa Jean Boyer, runner-up.

Those receiving perfect attendance awards were: 1st grade, Patricia Phillips, Shirley Carroll; 2nd grade, Frankie Jeffrey; 3rd grade, Lexie Jane Wilson, Ollie Neill Sudduth; 4th grade, Katie B. Bauguess, Alberts Munoz; 5th grade, John L. Dickens, Doris Dickens, Tony Cheatham; 6th grade, Bernell Doyle; 7th grade, Clara Munoz, Juanita Phillips; and 8th grade, Jimmie Doyle.

Receive Diplomas

The following 44 received their diplomas at the 8th grade graduation Wednesday night:

Jerry Donaldson, Melvin Owens, Alfred Fore, Lynn Griffin, Jack Stanford, Mickey McCown, May Runge, Wanda McAngus, Trudy Gaynor, Ann Williams, Josephine Pena, Oretta Powell, Esther Jones, Fay Davis, Myrl Sudduth, Landon Turnbow, Billy Jean Lindsey, Robert Townzend, Ramero Minor, Jimmie Doyle, Frances Bauguess, Georgia Lagow, Shirley Sofge, Nell Williams, Naomi McCoy, Carolyn Ratliff, Jerry Johnson, Jack Steward, Frieda Yardley, Gayle Mittel, Jerry Perry, Billy Etheredge, Raymond Mittel, Corrinne Wilson, Clarice Dannheim, Ann Rodgers, Glenna Edmondson, Wilma Jean Lloyd, Wayne Dickens, Herbert Tree, Carol Lynn Dickens, Billy Edmiston, Alva Harris, Alice Isaacs.

Seniors Honored

The senior class was honored with a supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lloyd Saturday night.

Chicken and dressing were served, and the class and their dates danced afterward in the Reynolds school house.

Honoring her daughter, Mrs. Lilburn Hazelwood, Mrs. R. C. Morgan entertained with a birthday dinner Sunday. Assisting her with the celebration, in addition to members of the family living here, were Mrs. Morgan's mother and her sister of Lubbock, who spent the week end here.

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Arts And Hobbies Exhibit Sunday

Plans are being carried out by the committee in charge of the Fine Arts and Hobby Exhibit to be presented by the Woman's Club at the memorial building Sunday, May 21, from three to six o'clock.

The public is invited to attend and it is felt that everyone will enjoy the exhibit which will feature art, ceramics, leather work, bronze, plastic, and aluminum craft, as well as war trophies brought back from overseas by boys from our community. Hobby collections will also be shown.

A musical program has been arranged for the afternoon and refreshments will be served. There is no charge for admission and everyone, whether in this community or in the surrounding towns, is invited to attend.

All those who have something they would like to exhibit are asked to contact either Mrs. Carl Stevens or Mrs. John Stigler.

PATSY JONES ENTERTAINS

Patsy Jones gave a party at her house Wednesday night, with the following guests: Euda B. Isaacs, Estella Beadle, Nancy Posey, Fern Parrent, Margaret Faull, Glenn Hewlett, Elizabeth Faull, Patsy Kinser, Frances Bauguess, Roy Helm, Chick Wilkerson, Rita Ann Elder, Virgil Chadwick, Verna Dell Owens and Glen Stanley.

She served refreshments and the group played games and danced.

Patsy, a 1950 graduate, is planning to go to Abilene after the class comes back from the senior trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Doyle and children visited Sunday in Rock-springs with Mrs. Mammie Draper. While there, they attended church services at the Church of Christ and heard Bro. V. W. Hayhurst preach. He is well known by many Eldorado people.

Billy Ray Daniels of Houston spent Wednesday night with mother, Mrs. W. O. Faull.

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Rev. and Mrs. Frank L. Turner visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hext Monday night on their way to Albuquerque, N. M., to a Methodist Conference. Rev. Turner is Mrs. Hext's brother.

"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel!"—Mark 16:16.

Worship With
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Come, let us reason together. . ."

The Contribution

1 Cor. 16:2

Every organization whether political, literary, religious or whatever it may be, must have financial assistance in order to continue operating and functioning that it might fulfill its purpose. The ways of collecting these funds vary in nature; usually according to the kind of organization. Let us now go to the Bible and contrast its method of obtaining its financial funds with the present day way.

In 1 Cor. 16:2 the Apostle Paul told us, "Upon the first day of the week, let every one of you lay by him in store, as God has prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come." Again in 2 Cor. 9:7, "Every man according as he purposed in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver." Let me outline these points, briefly. (1) It should be done on Sunday, (2) We should contribute as we purpose in our heart, (3) it must be as we have been prospered, (4) we must not give grudgingly or of necessity, and (5) we must give cheerfully.

Today people have wandered far, far away from this way, which is the Lord's way, of collecting finances for the church. Denominations pass the hat almost every night of revivals, but the Bible says to do this "upon the FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK." Many of them demand of each member to give so much, yet the Bible says for each to give as they purpose in THEIR HEART. When somebody tells you how much to give to the church, they purpose in

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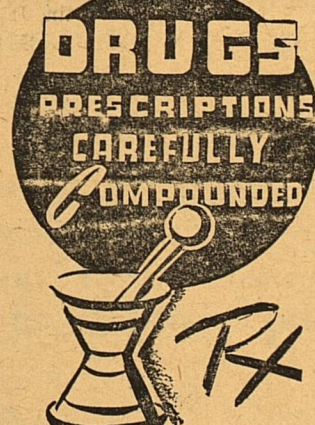
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THEIR heart what YOU shall give, hence you have noting to do with the contribution except to "shell out with it" as the saying goes. It is a disgrace and a shame for people who claim to be religious and children of God to do such a thing and those who do such are serving their own lustful bellies; not God! The next time you are demanded to give a certain amount of your income, you quote 2 Cor. 9:7 which states that we should give as we purpose in our hearts, and not what the preacher tells you to give. I might even venture to say that you will loose favor in the sight of that preacher because you don't give as much as you were told.

The Word of God instructs us to give cheerfully, not grudgingly or of necessity. To pass the hat every night, demand that members give a certain amount, and fall out with members because they won't give it isn't keeping with New Testament teaching and causes people to give because it is necessary, thus give in a grudging way. Why not return to the "old paths" and follow God's plan. It is up to each of us to give as we feel in our own heart he has been prospered, and thus give cheerfully that our finances might be acceptable to God.

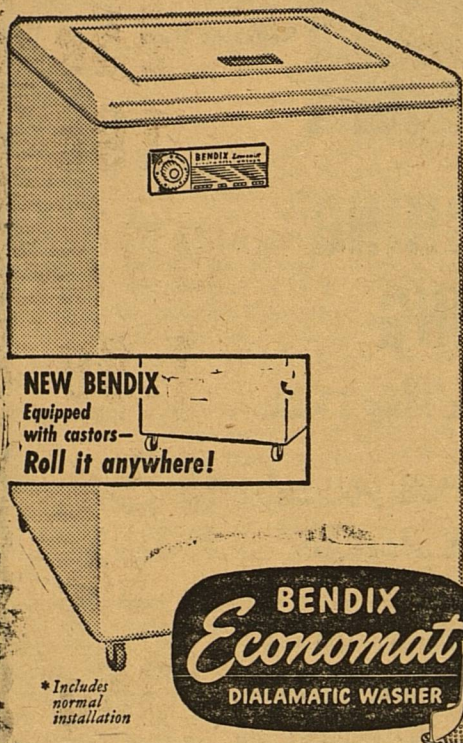
We of the Churches of Christ believe in being liberal without help, but we at no time demand that our members, or others give a certain amount of their income, or pass the hat each time some good people come to hear the word of God. We stay with the Bible plan!

Next week: "Belief in Christ."
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Mr. and Mrs. Billy Edmiston and Joe Bailey Montgomery are visiting with the J. B. Montgomery's this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Nichols from Winters visited with the Jerome Mitchell's and Mrs. Jack Clark Sunday.

Mrs. Joe Christian and Mrs. Carroll Ratliff honored Mrs. Ratliff's daughter, Carolyn, at a party after graduation exercises Wednesday night in Mrs. Christian's home. Games were played and refreshments were served to members of the class and room mothers.

A community sing will be held in the Memorial Hall basement this next Sunday. Several singers from San Angelo are expected. The hours are from two to four.

Mrs. J. H. Etheridge is spending the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Martin, Jr.

Mrs. L. S. Hill, Jr., of Wichita Falls has returned home after spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Martin, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Ditmore from Tennyson visited the Elton McGinnes' over the week end.

C. C. McLaughlin and son, Charles, visited in Ft. Stockton over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Max Henry and son.

Kyle Neill from Odessa visited with the J. A. Neill's Tuesday.

Mrs. J. A. Neill and daughter visited in Ozona last week with Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Cox. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Whiteley have moved to Eldorado from Junction and have rented one of the Roach houses, in the south part of town.

Gift Tea Honors Miss Gunstead

Miss Mary Lee Gunstead, bride-elect of William P. Sauer, was honored at a gift tea Wednesday afternoon in the reception room of the Methodist church. Members of the Methodist WSCS were hostesses.

Bouquets of spring flowers were used as decorations. An arrangement of pink and white roses, surrounded by miniature brides and grooms, centered the refreshment table from which cake, punch, nuts and mints were served. The cake was in the shape of an open book, iced in white and decorated with flowers and the words "Mary Lee and William."

Mrs. Milton Faught and Mrs. W. A. Schuller served cake, and Mrs. Billy Jack Reynolds and Mrs. E. H. Topliffe poured punch. Mrs. Grover Lee Johnson and Mrs. Victor Sauer registered the guests.

Mrs. James Page played piano music during the afternoon, and Mrs. Wilson Page, Miss Lucille Farmer and Miss Katharine Davis sang.

HONOR ROLL ANNOUNCED

Honor students for the fourth, fifth and sixth grades have been announced as follows for the fifth six-weeks period:

Fourth grade (Mrs. Robinson): Mary Ruth Young, Christobel Sauer, Becky Mund, Monetta Bradshaw, Wilma Nixon, Bobby Williams, Cecil Walston, David Steen, Dick Runge, Clyde Wilkinson, Daniel Villarreal.

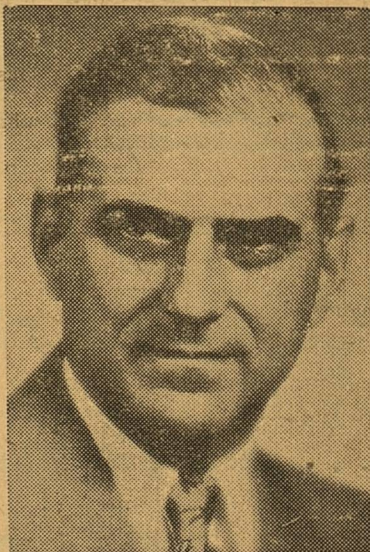
Fifth grade (Miss Lightsey): James Lee Swain, Charles Griffin, Herma B. Whitten, Jimmie Carroll, Shannon Barclay, Shirlene Goode, Mike Vianueba, Ann Ballew, Jimmie Whitten, Herman Phillips, Mary Tisdale.

Fifth grade (Mrs. Burns): Hortensia Vasquez, Joanne Walston, Bobby Jeffrey, George Sofge, John L. Dickens, Avelino Burrola, Jimmie Dell Williams, Noel Dannheim, Charlene Logan.

Sixth grade (Mrs. Griggs): Gay Nell Belk, Ila Jean Boyer, Joe Burns, Pablo Burrola, Bernell Doyle, Nancy Jo Elder, Bill Gaynor, Frances Musgrove, Sandra Nixon, Wanda Jo Owens, Frances Parker, Frank Otto Prochaska, Bob Ratliff, Bernay Sheffield, Barbara Spencer, Ralph Taylor, Roxa Jean Tinning, H. L. Turnbow, Evelyn Walston, Melba June Wilkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Shaw and Mrs. Dee Love and son spent the week end with relatives in Temple.

RAMSEY ANNOUNCES FOR LT. GOVERNOR



Ben Ramsey of San Augustine, backed by a long record of outstanding service in both the Texas House and Senate, has announced for Lieutenant Governor.

Ramsey resigned as secretary of state Feb. 9 to prepare for the state race, convinced that the thinking people of Texas must take a more active interest in the actual operation of their state government.

Ramsey has been a leader in advancing rural electrification in the state and in the farm-to-market road program.

News From Our Neighbors

Oil For Eden?

Few things ever connected with Eden and its civic affairs have ever drawn as much interest as is the oil test now nearing completion on the Wilson estate, 12 miles southwest of town. This interest is at fever pitch this mid-week, with the well nearing completion and the well-confirmed report that as of yesterday a highly promising showing of oil was encountered at 3830 feet.

Information at hand is to the effect that core and drill stem tests taken at that depth show a good saturation, and that the operators are going to run pipe, perforate it and acidize there to test the formation.—Eden Echo.

New Methodist Church

L. F. Guenther, building contractor of San Angelo, is making good progress on the Methodist Church building that was started about three weeks ago. The new building will be located on the same lots of the old building just off the main highway.—Mertzon Weekly Star.

New Reagan Hospital

In recognition of the completion of the Reagan County Memorial Hospital, open house will be held Sunday afternoon from two until five in the new building. The hospital will be open for business on Monday with a full staff.

Costing \$165,000, for building and equipment, the hospital has 16 beds, operating room, delivery room, and its laboratory is equipped to do all kinds of work except tissue. The latest model equipment includes a resuscitator, diathermy machine, basal metabolism machine, incubator, equipment for oxygen therapy, and x-ray. The kitchen boasts a double oven range, electric dish-washer and a 60 cu. ft. electric refrigerator.—Big Lake Wildcat.

Luke Thompson is receiving his BS in animal husbandry at Texas Tech, May 22.

Virge Tisdale has been very ill following a heart attack, and is undergoing treatment in San Angelo.

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Jimmy O'Hara was brought home from the hospital Friday. He is reported to be doing fine.

L. T. Wilson, W. G. McAlpine and Pat McAlpine have just returned from the Rio Grande river on a fishing trip and report good luck.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Wilson last week were her nephew and niece, Melvin Baker and Mrs. George Kelly, all of LaPryor. Mrs. Annie Eaker of O'Donnell is also here now for an extended visit.

Mrs. Vernon Carroll and Shirley with her brother, Jack Whiteley at Voca Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Phillips visited over the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sawyer of Tankersly. Others visiting with the Sawyer's were Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hare of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Elbridge Hobbs of Tankersly, and Lynn Griffin of Eldorado.

According to a letter received by relatives here, Mrs. Bill Mund, who was recently in a car accident, is able to walk a little. Mr. Mund has recovered sufficiently to go back to work. They are making their home in Goodrich.

Dr. and Mrs. Mickey Holcomb and Sandra are at home after a week's trip to California from which they returned via the Carlsbad Caverns. They made the trip to the coast in two days.

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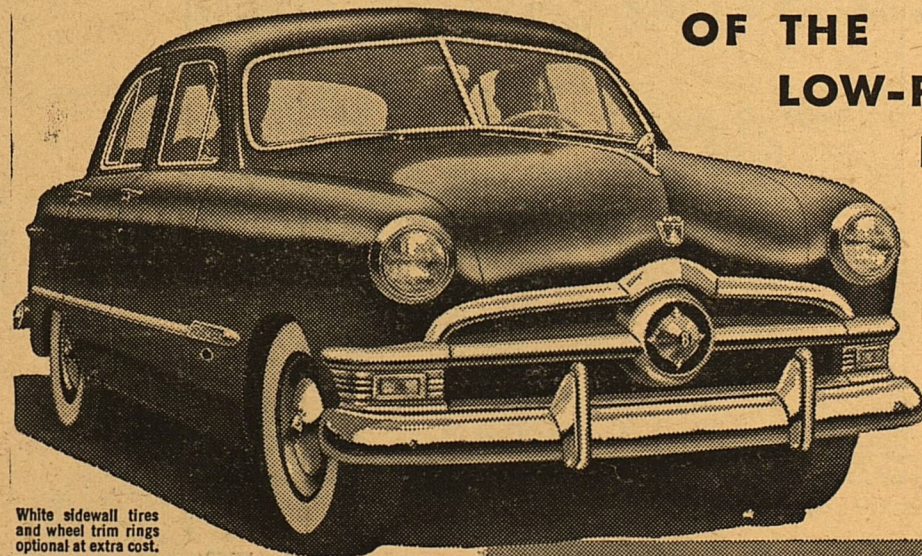
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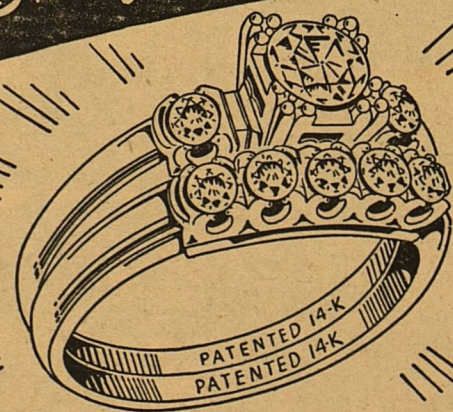
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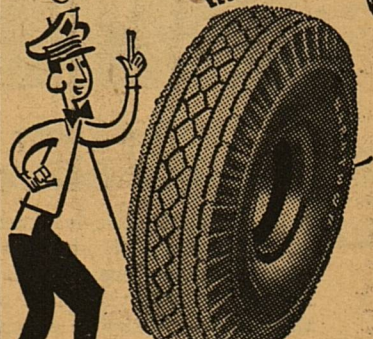
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Mr. and Mrs. James Cook of Sonora spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Clark, Mrs. Henry Mercer is visiting her son, Dial Mercer, in Sonora this week.

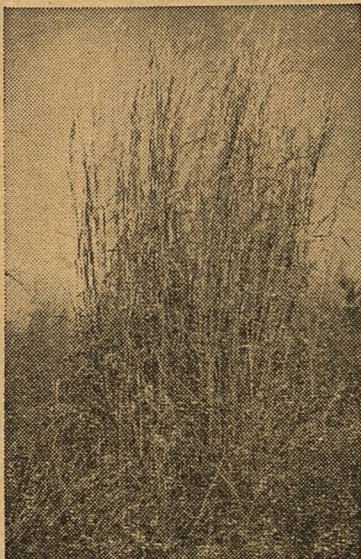
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Something Different has been brewing!



You farmers and ranchmen have been getting together to handle your own conservation problems. We think that is the American way to get a needed job done; working with the soil conservation district you've set up.

Soil Conservation Week May 15-21.

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Eldorado, Texas

I Believe In Soil Conservation Because

By J. E. Hill

While we most often think of American strength in terms of our unsurpassed industrial skill and our tremendous mass production ability, both of which are without parallel in the world, the very foundation of those factors and our well-being is land—the soil and the water.

When the way of American life was designed by our forefathers, they believed that among our imperishable and inexhaustible assets were the unlimited acres of fertile land and our great supply of water to make them productive. The freedom and independence they planned for us—the present generation—was then generously supported by a profusion of nature's undissipated resources.

But, that simple pioneer life is no longer ours and those two basic elements—the soil and the water—are found not to be so imperishable as our forefathers thought. They had no means of anticipating the extent of human waste and heedless exploitation of those vast resources.

Undeniably, we of today may be complacently overlooking the fact that there'll never be any more land. Scientists can mix up some things in a test tube and make something else—synthetic. Not so with land; it can only be saved—by conservation.

Presently, a penalty we Americans are paying for the abuse of those basic elements of independence and security is a shrinking productivity of millions of acres of land and a self-imposed deterioration of those natural resources with which we were originally so abundantly blessed. It goes without saying that unproductive and unprofitable farms and ranches constitute one of the notorious modern evils which force us to take refuge under government supports with resultant loss and abandonment of self-reliance and individual initiative.

The answer undoubtedly is—conservation. Save the land and you save all.

YOU can always find Samson tables and chairs handy—they're good sewing and children's tables, built to last. At nationally advertised prices at Ratliff Furniture Co.

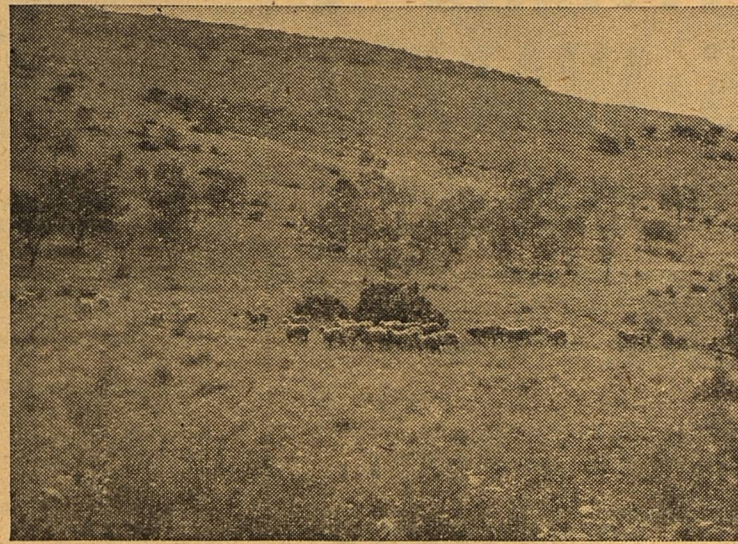
Nancy Jo Elder is ill with mumps Mr. and Mrs. Lum Davis and Jan and Mr and Mrs. Rance McDonald are visiting this week at LaFeria with Mrs Davis' and Mr. McDonald's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. McDonald, who are celebrating their golden wedding anniversary this week.

ELECTRIC lawn mowers; fine reports have been coming in on those we have been selling. Come and get yours. Complete with 100 foot cord at \$55.90. Ratliff Furniture Co.

Mr and Mrs. J. D Ashmore had as week end guests their son-in-law and daughter, Mr and Mrs. W. E. Terry of Seymour.

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Mrs. S. D. Stephens of Abilene spent several days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Calcote. Mr. Stephens came for her Tuesday.



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Ranching Pays

CONSERVATION RANCHING JUST THE RIGHT THING

Soil Conservation Week May 15-21.

Conservation ranching lets you raise more pounds of beef on your acreage.

Balance your forage production with the grass consumption of your cattle. That's what your range conservation plan helps you do. Your conservation district technicians can aid you in conserving your grass.

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Our firm wants to see the conservation district progress. It's in our interest to do so.

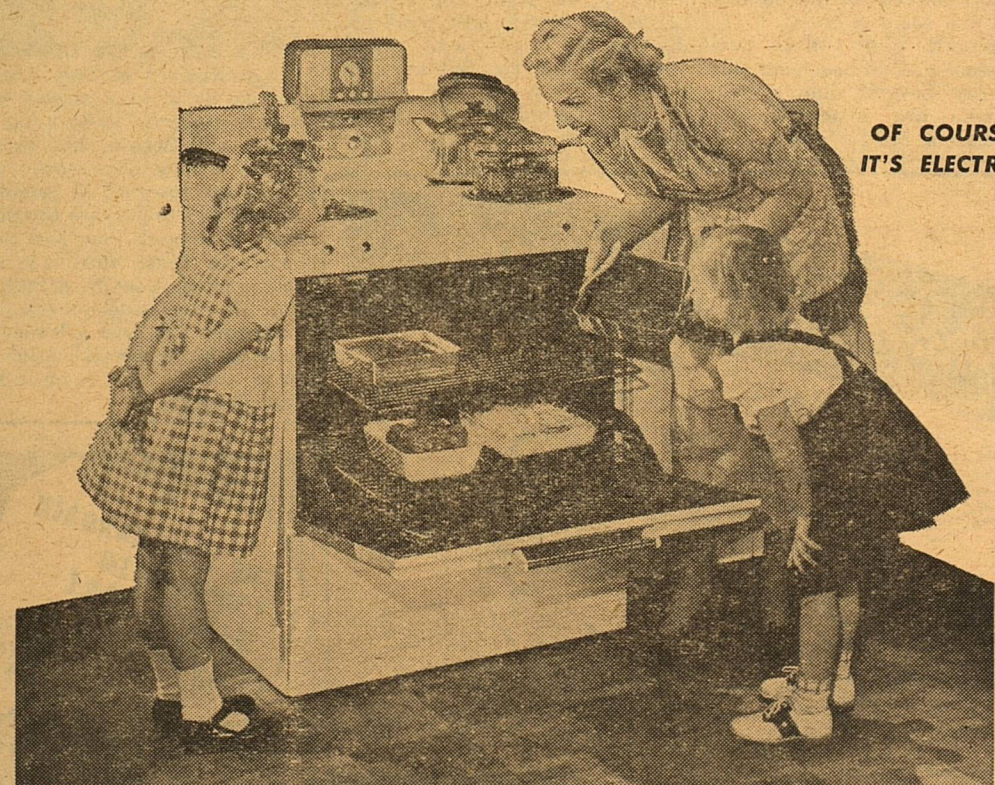
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Farmers and Ranchers Run Soil Conservation Districts To Increase Farm and Ranch Productivity

Supervisors of Soil Conservation Districts have assumed an enduring responsibility to the land and to the people who live by the land.

That responsibility is to maintain an agriculture that will keep our nation strong and our agricultural economy sound.

Supervisors of some 165 operating soil conservation districts of Texas, as well as all the others throughout the country, are fulfilling that responsibility. Under State laws giving them the authority to carry out their responsibilities, they are contributing to a permanent American agriculture by working toward control of erosion and the restoration and maintenance of the productiveness of our farm and ranch land.

This job can be achieved through a coordinated soil conservation program that treats the land according to its needs and uses it according to its capabilities or what it is able to produce best and most safely over the years.

The appealing feature of soil conservation districts is that they are run by farmers and ranchers themselves. The districts are not managed by experts reared in city apartments whose knowledge of farming and ranching is limited to text books. No program formulated by outsiders is imposed upon the farmers and ranchers whether they like it or not.

Five supervisors are elected by the farmers and ranchers of the district to represent them in administering the district business. The supervisors must actually be engaged in farming or ranching themselves within the district they serve.

As in all other conservation districts, the supervisors of the Eldorado-Divide Soil Conservation District are active farmers and ranchers. Supervisors of this district include: J. Forrest Runge, Christoval, chairman; Archie Mittel, Eldorado; vice chairman; Ernest Foster, Knickerbocker, secretary; and Ford Boulware, Christoval, member.

Eldorado Work Unit Assists in Dist. Conservation Work
The Soil Conservation Service work unit in Eldorado is assisting

the Eldorado Divide Soil Conservation District. The work unit staff is composed of:

William M. Rountree, work unit conservationist. He is responsible for coordinating the work of the staff. He spends the majority of his time in the field assisting farmers and ranchers in preparing coordinated soil and water conservation plans for their land and in establishing these soil conservation practices. He has been with the soil conservation service for almost four years as a range and work unit conservationist. (Approx. 4 years in U. S. Marine Corps.)

Gerald B. Hartgraves, has been in training at the local work unit as a range conservationist for the past year. He is to be moved to another district in the near future to assist conservation work.

Lloyd B. Johnson, conservation aid, has been assisting this district for the past several years. He carries his share of the work load of the unit. He effectively trains personnel of a lower grade in the application and maintenance of Soil Conservation practices. Johnson has been with the Soil Conservation Service for the past 8 years. (2 years in the Army Air Corps in World War II.)

Harry C. Lawson Jr., reported to the local work unit February 6, 1950 as a Range Management Assistant. He will be in training for about a year before he assumes the full responsibility of a Range Conservationist.

Vernon L. Hazelwood, clerk-typist began working in the local work unit June 1, 1949. He understands the basic organization of the Soil Conservation Service and Soil Conservation Districts. He takes care of office callers in a courteous manner, takes dictation, and other secretarial duties, and spends about forty percent of his time in the field assisting in application work.

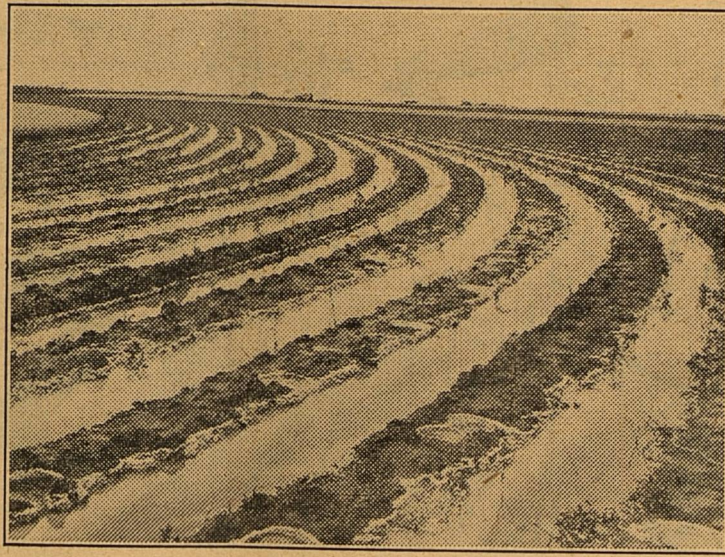
All of the above mentioned personnel are employed to assist the district in getting conservation of the land. The biggest percentage of their time is spent in the field assisting cooperators of the district in establishing their planned conservation practices.

Quita Cheatham and Myrle King of San Angelo were guests last week in the home of the former's parents, Mr and Mrs. Richard Cheatham.

VIRTUE Brothers chrome dinette suites for the best the market affords, and we have the best prices to be found. —Ratliff Furniture Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bruton and two children spent Mothers Day in Brady with her mother, Mrs. B. L. Hughes. Mrs. Bruton's brother was home from college also

Mary Lillian Ellington arrived here Wednesday to attend the graduation exercises for her sister, Lilla Jean, and will return to the state university Sunday.



Terracing—
A good Conservation Practice

Local District Observes Soil Conservation Week

HOW WELL YOU LIVE DEPENDS ON TOP-SOIL. WHEN YOU CONSERVE YOUR SOIL YOU CONSERVE YOUR FUTURE.



Consult supervisors of your soil conservation district or local soil conservation service technicians—now!

Our Co-Op wants to see the Conservation district progress—practically all of our members belong to it.

Southwest Texas Electric Co-Op, Inc.

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Soil conservation properly practiced gives Schleicher county's fine grasses a chance to grow.

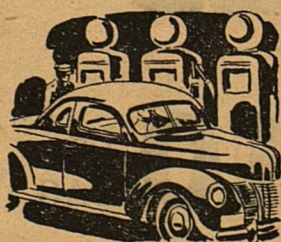
Congratulations to the Eldorado-Divide Soil Conservation District on the fine work they have done in teaching farmers and ranchers the proper care of land—especially as related to the district's million dollar crop—GRASS!

It's the life of the district—let's give it a chance!

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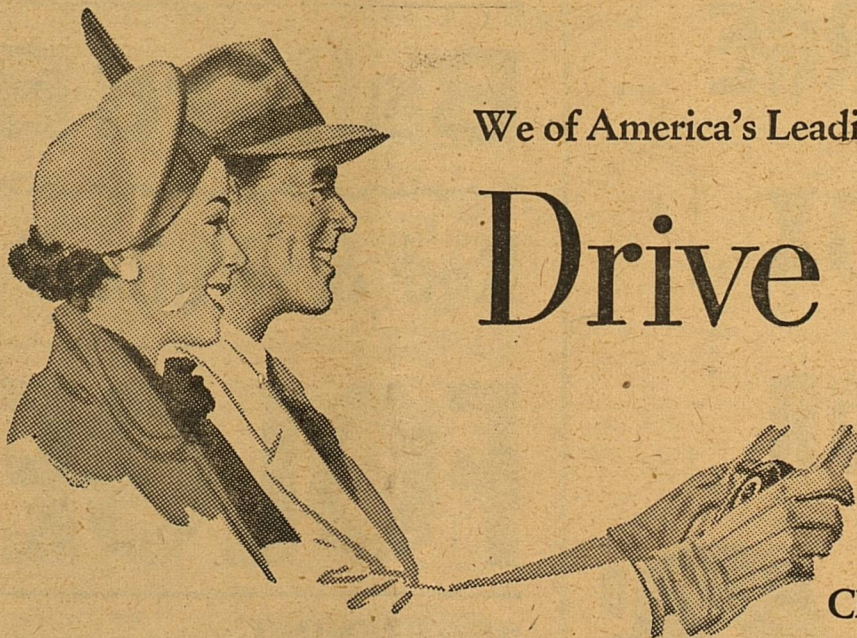
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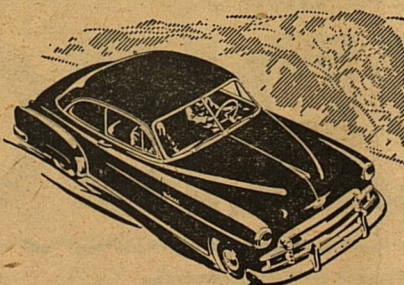
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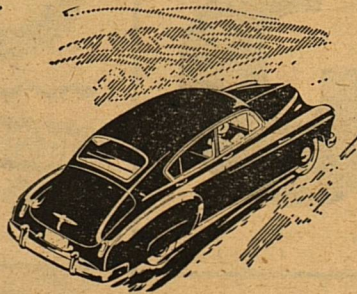
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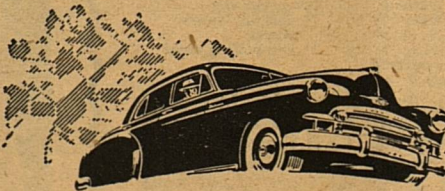
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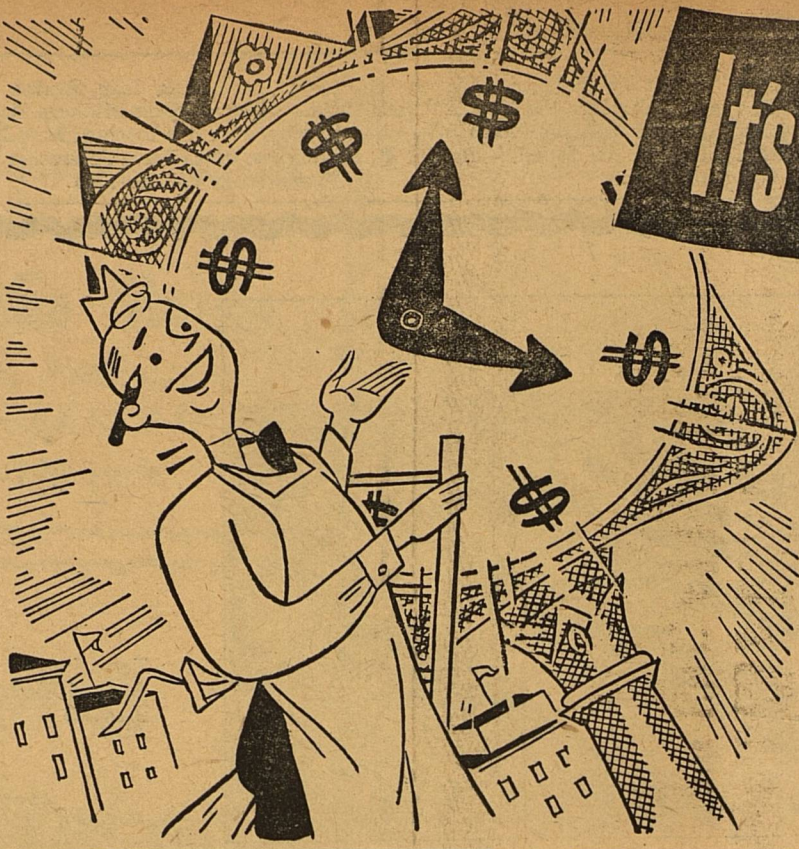
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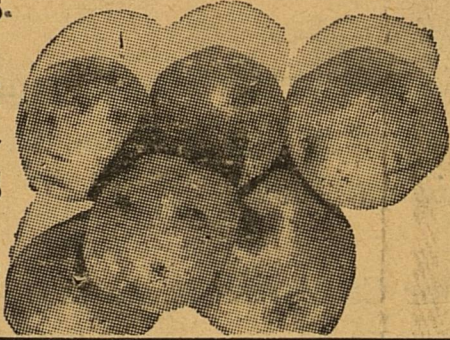


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HARDY HINTS
By Mary Lee Taylor



To Control the Juice—
For rhubarb or any
berry pie that is juicy,
beat one egg white stiff
and mix with sugar re-
quired. Add one table-
spoon flour then mix
thoroughly with fruit.
Juice will then be in the
pie instead of oven
bottom.

**SOIL CONSERVATION
WEEK
MAY 15—21**

Save The Soil
and You Save All

Congratulations on
the fine work you
are doing in this
county.



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59c

SHORT RIBS ARMOURS Lb. 39c

Armours—Cut just right for broiling

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POUND 45c

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Pound

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2 Lb. Box

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Ballard Biscuits 2 for 25c

Red & White Peaches, No. 2½ Can 25c

FOLGERS Lb. 73c

SHORTENING

3 POUND TIN

CRISCO 79c

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

By Mary Lee Taylor

Fruit Marlow

6 tablespoons Fat Milk
½ cup crushed pineapple,
undrained
3 tablespoons sugar
6 marshmallows,
quartered

1½ teaspoons lemon
juice
few grains salt
½ package lemon
gelatin
¼ cup boiling water

Chill milk until ice cold. Mix pine-
apple, sugar, marshmallows, lemon
juice and salt. Chill thoroughly, stir-
ring now and then. Dissolve lemon
gelatin in boiling water. Chill until
slightly thicker than unbeaten egg
whites. Fold in fruit mixture. Whip
chilled milk with cold rotary beater,
or electric beater, until stiff. Fold into
gelatin mixture. Pile into 4 dessert
dishes. Chill until firm. Makes 4
servings.

*Canned apricots, pressed through
a sieve can also be used.

You will need:

**Pet Milk, Crushed Pine-
apple, Marshmallows,
Lemon-flavored Gelatin,
Sugar and Lemons.**



25 Pound **179**
Sack

10 LB. **89c**
BAG

5 LB. **49c**
BAG