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This & That



Around Gruver

The biggest news of last week was the weather. We do not know what it was like in other places but in Gruver last Wednesday was plenty tough. It was a good day to stay home, and most everyone did. This is Tuesday morning and the country folk are still staying home, except early in the morning. Bob Greene told us that he had a parking place for his pick-up near the highway and from there he walks. His neighbour Arden Groom decided to try and make it home across the field this morning but changed his mind just in time to be able to back out and come back to town. Quite a few cattle were lost in this end of the county, but with the exception of Coy Holt and the Stavlo boys, the losses were small. We understand that Coy lost about one hundred and the Stavlo's lost fifty seven. Randolph McClellan lost a few, and so did T C Harvey Jr. There were probably a number of small losses. The conductor of the Rock Island train told of their first trip through Gruver, doing their own snow plowing. They turned up a number of dead cattle, but in one place they had a surprise. The plow turned up 2 cows, who immediately trotted off.

Before we leave the weather, we should like to give a snappy salute to J. D. Pike Cluck. He made the front page of the Amarillo Paper and deserved it too. It was a brave thing to do. We understand that two others started out with him, but Pike reached the truck first and rescued the little boy. We salute you Pike.

There is still a good deal of sickness around. Mrs Tom Jones is still confined to her home. Cy King, the tailor is ill at his home and so is Leonard Bacon. So far it has not been determined just what is wrong with them. Mr and Mrs George Ford carried both of their children to the hospital in Perryton suffering from pneumonia. Mrs Ted McClellan had a short siege of flu, but their little son Lynn is still not well. His parents took him to Perryton for treatment, but he seems to be slow about recovery.

We have been missing Mart Hart for some time, and the other day found out where he is. About three weeks ago he left San Antonio. But he arrived there just about the time bad weather did. Result, instead of enjoying balmy weather, he went along to bed with flu. Last information we have is that he is doing o. k.

Our good friend Dr Jones was very indignant the other day. We had recorded all of those who were falling around the icy weather. But also, we overlooked Doc. In fact we would not have believed it, if he had not admitted it. He went out to visit the sick at Squire Maupins and then fell flat. He broke both tail lights, damaged his chassis. But we think it was his pride that was hurt the most. Like everyone else, Doc was marooned during the storm. But he had some companions. He received his mail by air. That was something. Our Tilly Poston, who is one of the master minds at the airport, picked up his mail at the post office, and then flew over Doc's house and dropped it on the front porch. That is service.

Scarlet Fever Cases Reported In This County

The small son of Mr and Mrs Tommie Tudor of Spearman was carried to the Sanford Hospital at Perryton this week, and it was discovered the child had a case of scarlet fever.

The small son of Mr and Mrs Bernie Sparks is in the Berger Hospital and it is reported recovering from a case of scarlet fever.

Mrs A F Loftin of Estelline has been visiting in the home of her daughter Mr and Mrs Fred Holt for the past 3 weeks.

Mr and Mrs Vester Hill are visiting their daughter Betty Jean in Fort Worth, and the Co-op Convention in Dallas this week.

Lee M. Buchanan of Frederick Md., underwent another spinal operation at Union Memorial hospital last Wed. Monroe had this operation at this time a year ago, and was better for a time, but after a check up two weeks ago found it was necessary to have another operation. He will be in a cast for 12 weeks or longer; at last report he was improving, and his many friends are anxious to hear of his recovery.

Lions Present "Fun For You" March 4 and 5.

Rehearsals are under way for "Fun For You", the local talent show being sponsored by the Lions Club to be presented on March 4 and 5th at the High School auditorium for the benefit of crippled children. The play is under the personal direction of Betty Hobbs who has had much experience in this type of work. Miss Hobbs states that she is greatly pleased with the cast and anticipates one of the finest shows that she has ever directed.

The cast includes about 100 local people who are to emersonate famous radio, stage and screen stars. It is billed as the Atomic bomb of Amateur entertainment.

There are ten big scenes in this stage show, and the audience will have a chance to compete for silver dollars, orchid corsages, nylon and many other valuable gifts. Impersonations of the Quiz Kids, Breakfast in Hollywood with Tom Breneman Grand Old Opera and Barn Dance Dr I Q and many other outstanding entertainment features.

Further information about this Musical variety show will be carried from week to week in the local paper.

Gov. of Kansas Welcomes Earley Family

Mr and Mrs Earl Riley and Child Anne and Barton made a quick trip to Kansas City first of this week, but they covered quite a lot of ground. Carrying on a plan they have of visiting the capitol in any state they visit for a first time, they stopped visit for a short time. They stop in Topeka, Kans., and took the children to see that building. Of course they found the Governor at home and were given a cordial entry to the State Building. The Riley children told him this was the sixth state capitol they had visited, and the Governor presented each of them with an autographed photo of himself.

On the return trip the Rileys visited the Beachcraft Airplane factory in Wichita, the Dalton Home at Meade, Kansas.

Weather and Market Make Improvement

Cut Rate Grocery, Dumas and Sunray, Wednesday, announced completion of a deal that gives them the largest retail grocery outlet in Spearman.

F. G. Collins, active head of Cut Rate said his firm had purchased the large S. and G. Grocery of Spearman from Strickland and Glover. The store was opened in Spearman in 1941.

Pete Fisher, popular World War II veteran who has long been number two man with Cut Rate at Dumas, will have an active interest in the new store at Spearman and will manage it.

Possession of the new store was taken Monday, Feb. 15.

Mr and Mrs Fisher will of course reside in Spearman. Mr. Fisher, new manager of the Cut Rate Grocery, has been in the Grocery business all his life.

Spring Revival Services Will Begin At Gruver Methodist Sunday, Feb. 29

Rev. Alsie Carleton, pastor of Lubock's fast growing St. John's Methodist church, will preach in a Spring revival at Gruver Methodist church, beginning February 29th and continuing through March 7th.

Rev. Carleton has been pastor of the St. John's church slightly more than five years and in that time has received more than 500 persons into the church. The value of church property has increased from \$20,000 to \$100,000 and the congregation is now in a building and expansion program. Tech College students are served by this church.

Dr. Gower Must Remain In The Hospital For Several Weeks

Word from Mrs J E Gower Wednesday stated that Dr. Gower was suffering from a kidney ailment as result of the flu. He will be in the hospital at Shattuck for several weeks, according to the information from Mrs. Gower.

Everyone will certainly regret to learn that Dr. Gowers serious illness enforced him to stay in the hospital. The country editor suggests that his hundreds of patients of the past should write him a letter while he is in the hospital.

Floyd Mitts Made Deputy Sheriff

Announcement from Sheriff J. B. Cooke Tuesday of this week states that the Hansford Commissioners' court has employed Floyd Mitts as a deputy, to work out of the Spearman Sheriffs office. O. V. Walker will remain a deputy, maintaining his headquarters at Gruver.

Voting Strength Of Hansford County Reaches New High

According to a report from Sheriff J B Cooke, the voting strength of Hansford county as reflected in the poll taxes paid and exemptions registered, is the highest in the history of the county so far as records show, amounting to a little more than 1500 voting strength.

Mrs. Joe Reiswig and son of Morse was on business in Spearman Wednesday. They have just returned from Socorro N. M.

Sheriff Cooke Holds Two Men For Lubbock County Officials

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Mr and Mrs J D Hester, Jr., announce the arrival of little Jennifer, daughter born at the St Anthony's hospital in Amarillo Wednesday February 11th.

Barney, son of Mr and Mrs Roy Sparks has been ill in the Perryton Hospital for several days, but is reported better.

VFW Commander Roger Q. Evans Here March 3

Roger Q. Evans, U. S. District commander of the VFW and a Texas State Representative will be a guest of the Hansford VFW in Spearman Wednesday March 3. The distinguished visitor will make a public address at the High school auditorium at 2:00 p. m. March 3. The public is urged to attend this meeting, and all ex-service men have special invitations for the speaking. Commander Rogers will be a guest at a VFW luncheon at the noon hour. Due to lack of room, the guests at the luncheon will be limited to members of the local VFW and other ex-service-men.

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Fans Urged To Get Seats Early For Lynx Games

This is it. The winner of this tournament always rates No. 3 in the state of Texas at the worst, and, as usual, the winner of District 1-B this year is the favorite to go on to state.

At 8:00 P. M. Friday night the Lynx and Greyhounds tangle to see who will play against Stratford Saturday at 1:00 P. M. Around Spearman several authorities on basketball say if Spearman can get by Gruver, they will win the tournament. It seems that Lawrence Brotherton's Hounds are still feared, and could easily win the tournament. There's no use repeating it both Gruver and Spearman will have a bag full of tricks ready for Friday night. This will be strictly Hansford County night at Stratford, and it might pay the local fans to get a seat early.

Of course we wish I. T. Spivey and his girls all the luck in the world, and we hope they can repeat the victory they won last year.

J. W. Malone's boys team will see off in a different bracket from Gruver and Spearman, and might easily wind up in the finals. It would be mighty pleasing to have 3 Hansford Co. teams in the finals.

Market And Weather

Both the weather and the market has made outstanding improvements so far as the average Hansford county citizen is concerned as of Tuesday noon this week.

After the stormy weather of the past week, balmy sunshine has prevailed during Monday and Tuesday, with prospects for an even better weather in the offing.

Wheat growers have profited in the matter of moisture, unless the blowing snow has drifted to the extent that it will not give much moisture. February, normally a dry month in Hansford county has enjoyed 1.31 inches moisture up to and including the last snow fall of last week. If you remember last weeks report this newspaper quoted weather man F W Brandt as predicting the moisture for Feb. 12, as 20 inches. If you check the report below you will find that Fred is a pretty good guesser, he hit it exactly.

If you will check the rain chart published in this Prosperity issue of the paper you will find that this February has already recorded more moisture than any other years since 1880 except three years.

Betty Jean Hill On Feature Show At Fort Worth

Miss Betty Jean Hill of Spearman, a member of the 61 piece symphony orchestra of T C U, is one of 150 students and faculty members who are participating this week in the third annual Fine Arts Festival at Fort Worth. Miss Hill, a Junior at T C U, plays violin in the orchestra, which is directed by Dean T. Smith McCorkle.

HANSFORD CO. RAIN CHART

Year	1mo.	2mo.	3mo.	4mo.	5mo.	6mo.	7mo.	8mo.	9mo.	10m.	11m.	12m.	Total
1880	0.00	0.05	0.40	0.16	4.48	4.50	2.11	1.80	0.54	2.40	0.10	0.35	16.79
1881	0.47	0.74	0.00	1.26	5.27	1.54	3.28	0.49	3.19	0.69	0.42	0.26	16.16
1882	0.33	0.16	0.53	0.66	7.48	1.54	5.56	1.55	3.18	2.32	0.96	0.40	24.76
1883	0.00	0.53	0.04	0.82	4.56	1.66	2.87	6.56	4.97	5.32	0.04	0.84	28.21
1884	0.61	0.27	0.34	1.08	6.29	6.86	1.29	5.60	0.84	5.54	2.14	5.05	33.91
1885	0.45	0.87	1.86	4.67	7.23	9.82	3.62	4.94	0.65	0.60	0.25	2.11	37.07
1886	0.62	1.44	1.49	2.44	0.23	3.45	1.50	4.57	2.00	5.04	0.18	0.09	23.05
1887	0.01	0.06	0.19	6.06	7.01	2.39	0.92	3.52	1.67	0.69	0.23	0.08	22.83
1888	0.32	0.61	0.40	2.69	3.19	1.34	1.55	1.27	0.71	0.85	0.79	0.84	16.51
1889	1.63	0.89	1.28	4.86	0.72	1.64	0.88	1.83	1.94	2.99	0.74	0.00	19.40
1890	2.40	0.01	0.02	3.94	1.69	1.71	0.88	2.29	0.05	1.10	0.52	0.21	15.41
1891	0.92	0.00	0.49	0.82	0.82	2.00	3.50	1.25	2.00	2.25	0.10	1.00	17.15
1892	0.42	0.57	2.10	0.21	1.70	1.49	1.85	1.93	0.24	2.85	0.16	1.08	15.60
1893	0.09	2.03	0.00	0.16	2.19	2.03	2.05	2.67	5.27	0.03	0.28	0.43	17.23
1894	0.02	1.15	0.05	0.85	1.30	3.59	1.82	3.41	2.41	0.39	0.00	0.82	15.81
1895	1.06	1.02	0.16	1.31	1.78	6.84	2.88	3.87	0.57	2.26	0.81	0.79	24.79
1896	0.76	0.41	0.21	1.95	2.20	2.31	7.04	0.63	2.45	3.09	0.35	2.88	24.28
1897	2.26	0.65	0.47	1.08	4.44	2.32	2.16	2.71	0.73	1.03	0.08	0.63	19.16
1898	0.86	0.32	0.35	0.98	3.52	4.81	3.88	4.03	0.48	0.41	0.34	2.06	22.54
1899	0.29	0.07	0.17	0.23	3.12	4.45	6.96	0.51	6.09	1.15	3.24	1.11	27.39
1900	0.59	0.47	0.48	5.47	4.53	1.84	3.21	0.83	5.25	1.58	0.08	0.07	24.40
1901	0.02	0.48	0.02	4.90	5.99	0.92	1.56	0.03	2.19	3.26	2.00	0.04	23.42
1902	0.04	0.00	0.74	1.83	9.14	2.01	1.45	2.42	0.95	1.74	2.24	0.55	23.11
1903	0.12	2.93	0.26	0.90	1.79	2.83	3.88	4.07	0.82	2.58	0.00	0.00	20.28
1904	0.16	0.08	0.00	0.63	2.88	5.53	2.48	4.69	3.55	0.44	0.29	0.69	21.33
1905	1.00	1.52	2.62	4.52	6.16	2.19	3.76	0.63	3.08	0.30	5.08	1.45	32.23
1906	0.41	0.51	0.64	3.23	1.18	2.07	2.90	6.76	1.96	2.49	2.58	0.19	24.92
1907	1.11	0.24	0.02	1.25	0.99	1.97	1.49	0.20	0.91	1.79	0.69	1.46	18.09
1908	0.26	0.72	0.00	1.90	3.55	1.73	5.40	2.75	1.83	0.40	0.51	0.00	19.05
1909	0.07	0.28	1.28	0.50	1.08	4.72	3.63	0.87	2.19	1.18	3.25	0.54	19.59
1910	0.05	0.17	0.34	0.59	2.99	0.66	4.57	2.19	0.05	0.26	0.28	0.00	11.15
1911	0.13	2.88	0.50	2.76	5.88	0.20	3.85	2.97	0.83	0.84	0.84	0.95	22.73
1912	0.00	1.94	0.82	0.72	1.67	1.90	1.88	2.28	2.28	0.02	0.39	0.02	15.08
1913	0.11	0.55	0.59	1.76	1.41	2.32	3.07	2.97	1.07	4.46	0.00	1.17	19.27
1914	0.60	0.10	0.15	0.95	4.43	0.84	4.14	5.85	4.69	1.55	0.18	0.13	27.65
1915	0.72	1.60	1.00	5.05	1.70	1.04	0.94	3.82	1.76	2.90	0.40	0.88	16.43
1916	0.36	0.02	0.57	1.71	0.89	2.18	2.68	6.17	2.05	0.34	0.59	0.04	17.06
1917	0.69	0.22	0.25	0.71	2.49	0.83	2.23	2.36	0.64	2.47	1.16	2.76	22.01
1918	1.01	0.26	1.06	0.48	2.38	2.99	1.75	3.21	4.58	0.67	1.26	0.50	19.80
1919	0.00	0.73	1.73	2.56	2.08	2.94	1.58	5.52	3.04	1.87	1.33	0.74	21.92
1920	1.11	0.18	0.51	0.64	2.57	2.56	3.11	1.65	1.00	0.12	0.00	0.00	20.78
1921	1.78	1.00	0.36	1.36	1.82	8.58	1.00	0.27	0.90	0.35	1.18	0.20	20.07
1922	0.45	0.84	4.70	4.33	3.30	2.55	0.60	0.83	3.60	8.07	0.56	1.00	31.52
1923	0.00	0.96	2.58	2.60	4.31	6.32	3.67	3.27	1.05	1.00	0.50	0.20	15.60
1924	0.00	0.30	2.17	2.56	0.00	0.88	3.55	2.06	3.81	0.60	1.33	0.10	16.83
1925	0.40	0.20	1.41	1.95	1.22	3.55	3.23	2.98	3.50	0.15	0.00	1.31	27.54
1926	0.04	0.15	3.02	3.28	5.25	4.27	2.95	2.94	2.06	0.33	0.05	0.30	16.64
1927	0.15	0.45	0.56	1.55	1.25	4.06	1.22	3.12	1.21	2.29	4.38	0.55	26.90
1928	0.00	2.21	1.40	1.89	6.08	1.55	3.40	0.70	2.68	3.52	1.13	0.10	19.25
1929	0.58	0.30	2.30	0.90	1.83	1.80	1.50	0.20	1.55	0.87	0.12	0.30	7.86
1930	0.25	0.00	1.17	0.44	0.66	0.88	2.66	0.40	0.40	1.41	2.48	0.26	20.12
1931	0.30	1.53	1.50	1.55	2.70	2.73	1.36	1.09	1.04	0.40	0.15	1.06	19.89
1932	1.05	0.47	0.90	2.74	6.53	9.41	0.73	1.11	0.95	0.57	0.71	0.50	13.90
1933	0.00	0.01	0.11	0.96	2.86	0.00	0.00						

The Storm.

Of course we will not be able to check up on all the emergency cases that occurred Wednesday and Thursday of last week during the Blizzard, but since the storm we have been able to locate a few of the cases of interest.

Mr and Mrs Irvin Davis driving a new Pontiac sedan and Bill Russell Jr., driving a Buick car, accompanied by Guy Fuller and Joe Day were stranded on the highway 117 about 6 miles out of Spearman. Both the cars had been to the Phillips game Tues. night. They rushed out after the game, hoping to avoid the traffic, and did not learn, as many others did, that phone calls had warned all Spearman people to remain in Borger.

Russell was following the Davis car and followed it into the ditch where they remained embedded in a drift. Since there was not a heater in Bill Jrs. car all five people got into the new Pontiac car. Bill Jr. had on low quarter shoes and his feet and socks were wet, so he wisely pulled off shoes and socks and wrapped up his feet in his overcoat. The car heater burned out a fuse just before 2:00 a. m. The only flammable material in the car was the instruction book which came with the new car. The five people burned this book a page at the time from 2:00 a m to about 8:00 a. m. Wednesday morning Bill Jr. stated that they could all feel the warmth of the fire when a page of the book was burned, which reminds us to patent some sort of a package to be used in case of need for fire or heat during a storm. Near 9:00 a. m. two snow plows from Panhandle came plowing down the highway. The Spearmanites were unable to attract the attention of the plows, but did catch the foreman of the Highway crew, who followed the plow in a coupe car. All five piled into the car, but the wind was so bad that they could not see to drive, and when the snow

plows held up to learn about their foreman, the car was chained to one of the plows and the precious cargo was hauled into Spearman, arriving about 1:00 P M Wed.

Relatives of the Spearman people were frantic. They felt that the visitors to Phillips would have phoned them if they were not stuck in a snow drift, and of course they were right.

Mr and Mrs Deacon Clements decided that under the circumstances they should get to Borger, storm or no storm, as Mrs Clements was an expectant mother. Several cars were collected to make the trip and the Guy Fuller Jeep headed the parade of cars. The jeep left the highway and stuck in the ditch several miles out of Spearman, and all wisely decided to return to Spearman. Mr and Mrs. Clements were able to make the trip to Borger Friday morning.

Mrs Bob Hughes, whose husband is a driller on the Douglas construction crew, is an expectant mother. Mr Bob Hughes was stranded at the rig for 32 hours, and we understand that he did a lot of walking too and fro and smoking, and suffering. At that, we understand that his nervous strain was not more severe than that of his brother Bill Hughes, who was standing by with his sister-in-law at the family home. Fact is they say that Bill can match Bob step for step and cigarette for cigarette. Mrs Hughes seemed to be the only normal member of the trio.

GRUVER (Feb. 11)-Roads impassable to wheeled traffic today were mastered by a solitary horseman who plodded through deep snow and gales to rescue a little boy. Recovering here this afternoon from frostbite and exposure is Billy Seitz, 5-year old son of Mr and Mrs Roy Seitz of Spearman, and listening modestly to Billy's tale of gratitude is Pike Cluck of Gruver, who rode to the boy's rescue. Returning with a truck

load of hay from Lamar, Colorado, to Perryton, Billy and Chester Barnes of Perryton were stranded about 10 o'clock Tuesday night, when the Barnes truck broke down in snow drifts about 3 miles east of Gruver. Mr Barnes and the boy spent the night in the truck, warmed by an exhaust heater, and at noon Wed. Mr Barnes set out to walk to Gruver for help. Billy remained in the truck, with the engine running to operate the heater.

Mr Cluck set out on horse back to reach the truck as soon as he heard of the boy's plight, but icy gales and drifts slowed his progress to a crawl. He arrived at the truck just a little more than three hours after leaving Gruver.

He found a tearful, frightened and frostbitten youngster who explained the motor of the truck had stopped shortly after Mr Barnes left to walk to Gruver.

Billy was carried back to Gruver.

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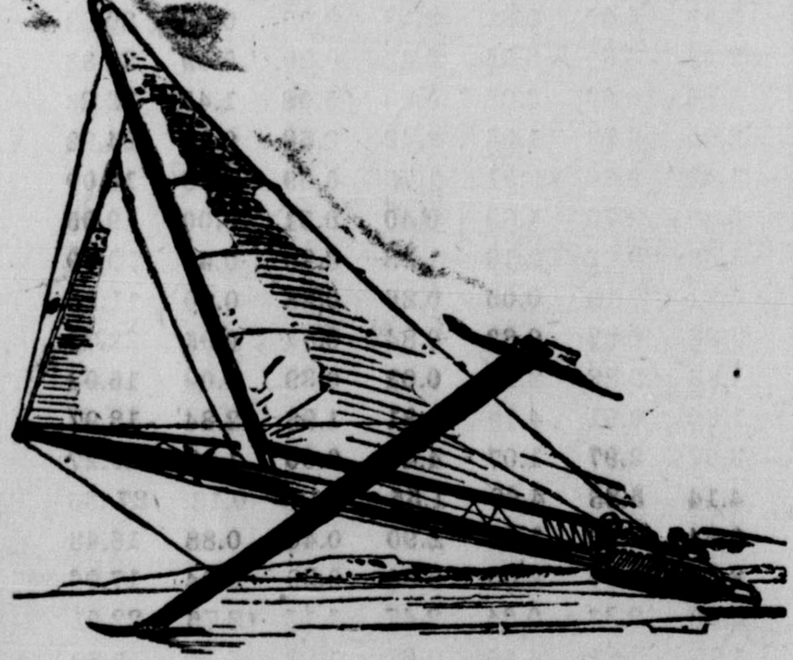
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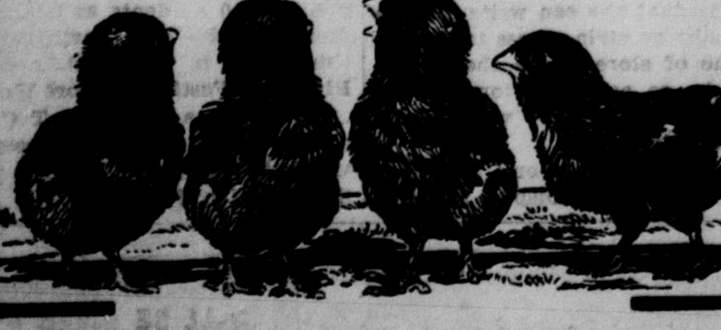
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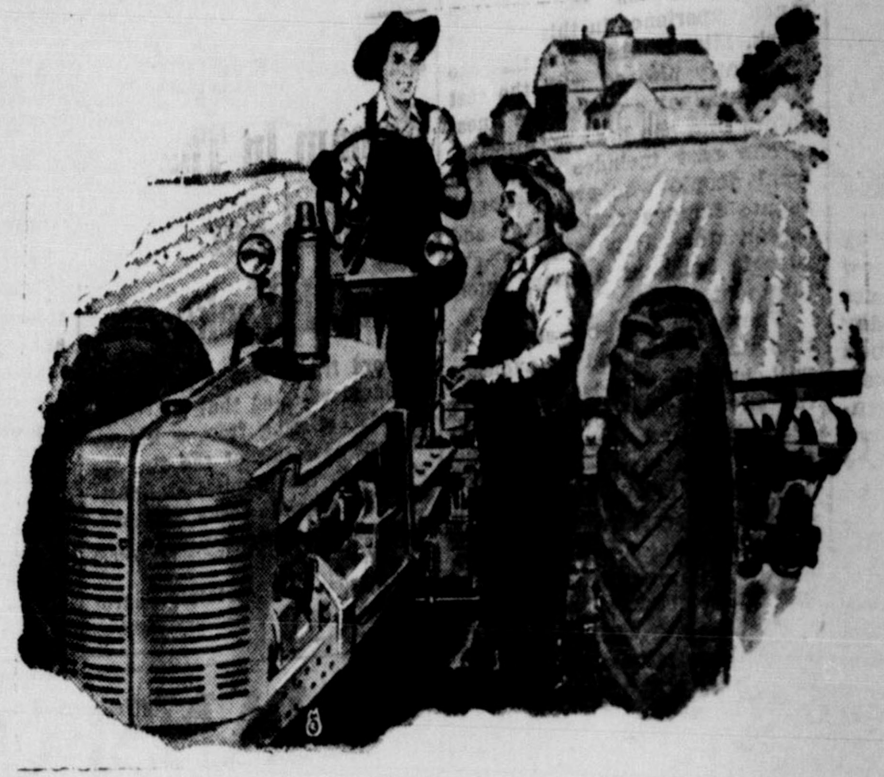


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IN OUR ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT

You will find that we have built up our stock to approach the efficient service we hope to give the fine people of this area.

While we do not have every item that is on your want list, we are receiving new merchandise each week.

RIGHT NOW WE HAVE AVAILABLE

- A? B? Electric Stove, apartment size
- UNIVERSAL WASHING MACHINE
- Universal Vacuum Cleaners
- Proctor Automatic Toaster
- Electric Steam Iron
- Electric Irons
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Editorial

This is the Prosperity Issue of the Spearman Reporter. For the benefit of new-comers we will state that the Prosperity issue of the Spearman Reporter was started way back when the dust storm and price of wheat and cattle made Prosperity look like an impossibility. Candidly, Simeon Caldwell hit the nail on the head when the country editor handed him a half page advertisement for the first Prosperity issue. Simeon said PROSPERITY, for the newspaper. That's right, and it sure helped then, and it helps now, even tho we do not have quite so many problems at the newspaper offices as we had back when wheat was bringing less than half dollar a bushel. The main thing was that Simeon felt like a brave front would help out and he took the half page advertisement. Others took larger advertisements, and right when we thought the bottom was about to fall out of our future the Spearman Reporter blossomed out with a representative issue of the paper, and everyone felt a little better.

The idea of a Prosperity issue has some merit. Reasoning that the Prosperity of Hansford county depended on wheat and cattle, and wheat and cattle depend on rainfall, the country editor dug up a rain chart that dated back to 1880. We printed the rain chart then, as we are printing it again in this issue of the Reporter. It gave wheat farmers and cattlemen an opportunity to look back into the past and study the prospects for the future. And we all lived thru the depression and low prices, and came the time for us to have something else to worry about. We learned that we must keep our books, and scheme about our income tax. Little did we dream back when the first Prosperity issue of the Reporter was published that a time would arrive when a large percent of the wheat farmers of Hansford county could not take advantage of the top price for wheat, because it would bring so much income into the bank for one year that they would not be in a very high bracket for income tax purposes and the government would get more money out of their labor than they would. However that has been the situation for the past year, and perhaps for several years. The highest market price for wheat of the 1947 crop was offered during 1947, and all but a few wheat farmers had to let the price follow the market because they had made so much money they could not afford to sell at top prices.

Now that the time has arrived for the annual issue of your home town paper, we could hardly select a less appropriate time to boost prosperity. Figuratively speaking, many of our people are a bit upset. The price of wheat is lower than in months,

Lyric Spearman

Thursday and Friday February 19 - 20
—George Raft, Randolph Scott, George Brent
Joan Blondell, Virginia Field, Doloras Moran
— In
"CHRISTMAS EVE"
Saturday February 20th Only
Ken Curtis - Joan Barton
— In
"LONE STAR MOONLIGHT"
Sunday - Monday, February 22 - 23
MGM Adventure - With Van Johnson
— In
"THE ROMANCE OF ROSY RIDGE"
Tuesday and Wednesday February 24 - 25
William Powell - Myrna Loy
— In
"SONG OF THE THIN MAN"

the price of cattle is sliding as this editorial is written. But, we still have the greatest resource of all in Hansford county, namely an ambitious hard working people who have the "know how" when it comes to farming and cattle raising. Markets reports, good times, bad times, and what not standing citizenship, ready and willing to work their own future, and well trained in their respective chosen occupations.

Of course, we do not face any situation like the dark days of the past, but what has more resources than the people as a whole have had in the past days. There is work available and there is a profitable price for wheat despite the fact that Hansford county has what our county attorney says is worth at near two million dollars in wheat prices alone.

There is not a single industry in Hansford county, so far as your county is concerned, and truly, we are in the market for wheat prices and stormy weather.

Let's see if we can summarize the situation enjoyed by Hansford county.

Back in 1933 when the first issue of the Reporter was printed there was only one bank in the county with total deposits of \$168,628. In the January issue of your Reporter we reported deposits above six million dollars in the county even at \$2.00 a bushel.

Back in the first prosperity issue we reported that we had a problem of homes for rent in the county. A lot of homes were sold out and moved away from Hansford county. We could use 150 new homes in the county for comfortable housing for the present.

We had fewer business hours in the county one was behind with taxes and relief, and a confusion of new laws and work into the prosperity issue.

do not have to worry about flat tires
your romance, Romeo, We
expertly in a jiffy, send you
to her.

Soulful swains take heed. We'll wash
and polish and spray your auto... give
it the "new look" the ladies admire.

PROSPERITY

Back in 1933 when the First issue was Published

WAS AIDED BY COOPERATION

PROSPERITY IN 1948

IS AIDED BY COOPERATION

Your own cooperative business, has a different view of Prosperity than many other people of this area.

OUR IDEA OF PROSPERITY is to improve our service and increase the efficiency and QUALITY of the merchandise we handle.

This policy has been responsible for the steady growth of your organization during the so-called depression years of the past. The prosperity for your cooperative personnel comes from the fact that hundreds of customers have the privilege of purchasing the leading quality merchandise of our line at the lowest possible prices, plus a customer dividend to stockholders.

Our aim in this area is to secure the patronage of many more citizens of this area who are interested in securing first merchandise, and benefiting from the savings of a cooperative organization of this type. An organization pays a dividend on purchases made by stockholders.

Palace Grand

Friday and Saturday February 19-20
In Trucolor, Roy Rogers and
— In
"SPRINGTIME IN THE SMOKE"
Sunday and Monday February 21-22
William Holden - Joan Caulfield
— In
"DEAR RUTH"
Tuesday - Wednesday - Thursday
MGM Adventure With
— In
"THE ROMANCE OF ROSY RIDGE"

Prices Good Friday - Saturday February 20-21

- PURE PINEAPPLE P...
One pound only
- VAN CAMP PORK AND BEANS
FOR ONLY 19c
- TALL CONTAINER
2 FOR ONLY 29c
- APPLES—ANY
PER POUND, 14c
- GREEN GAGE PLU
No. 2 1-2 Cans, Only
- LYNDIS HOT RO...
ONLY 25c
- BABY BEEF RO...
YOUR CHOICE 42c
- KRAFT CHEESE
IN BOX CONTAIN...
- ARMOURS STAR
CUDAHY PUN...
BACON For on...

Quality C...
FREE DELI...
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Town Teams Win 2

Undoubtedly the best congregation of basketball players ever to hit the hard woods are rapidly becoming a big attraction.

Walloping Stratford badly on Monday night, Cactus caught the Town Team on the re-bound and suffered even a greater agony, which could have been worse, had not coach Steinkoenig put in his second string the last 7 minutes allowing Cactus to come within 20 points of the League Leading Town Team.

Mean-while, the Town Team, without three main stringers, journeyed to Amarillo, and an alert Santa Fe team was too much for the crippled snow bound Independents, beating them 1 point, and eliminating them from the AAU tournament.

However in the North Plains AAU tournament, the win over Stratford and Cactus automatically puts the Spearman team ahead. According to the way the teams stand now: Spearman, 1. Stratford 2. Cactus 3. Morse 4. These four teams will get together and have a three game play off to determine the championship of the North Plains AAU.

In both games this week, the Spearman Independents started off slow in the first quarter, leading Stratford 1 point, and Cactus was ahead of the Independents at the end of the first quarter. However at half time, Spearman let Stratford 7 points and Cactus 21 points.

In the main event of the evening, Tuesday, The Spearman bathing beauties smothered the Cactus Bobbies 39 to 29.

Outstanding shots by Davis, Hurks and B. Davis were too much for the Cactus Bobbies. Spearman's guards handled the ball excellently. Strawberry McCauley has suggested that the Spearman Bathing Beauties change their name to the DOLLS. At press time we were unable to contact the girls to decide which name they like the best.

Box Scores

SPEARMAN			
	FG	FT	TP
Head	7	1	15
Steinkoenig	0	0	0
Wilson	2	3	5
Tucker A.	7	1	15
Tucker M.	1	0	2
Hazlewood	0	0	0
Allen	1	0	2
Sheets	3	0	6
Crawford	5	1	11
TOTAL POINTS			66

STRATFORD			
	FG	FT	TP
Ellison	4	2	10
G. French	1	1	3
Roach	1	1	3
Garrison	1	0	2
D. French	1	1	3
B. Gill	0	0	2
Turner	3	0	6
TOTAL POINTS			29

Special Services At Christian Church Sunday

An announcement from Bill Masters, pastor of the First Christian Church states that Peter Solomon, a native of India, who is a student at Phillips University Enid, Okla., will be the speaker at the morning services of the First Christian Church Sunday, Feb. 22. He will also bring a more informal lecture Sunday evening at 7:00 P. M.

Folk Stranded During Last Weeks Storms

In addition to others who were stranded during the bad weather last week the following were stranded in Amarillo at the Panhandle Hardware convention: Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McClellan, Mr. and Mrs. Rutledge Jones, Elmo McClellan of Gruver; J. D. Hester, Leonard Jameson and Russell Townsend.

George Peet of the Boxwell store wanted to see a picture show at Gruver Tuesday night of last week and had to remain in Gruver until Thursday afternoon. This left the Boxwell store short two men.

Turk and Don Hudson of Gruver were special guests of Hutchinson county —not in jail— They were enroute home from Amarillo Tuesday evening when the bad weather and blowing snow turned them back to Borger. They could not find rooms in Borger and came on to Stinnett. They parked their car on the lee side of a building and wrapped up in blankets until Wednesday morning, and then enjoyed the hospitality of the Hutchinson county jury quarters until they could make it home Thursday. Both boys declare the Hutchinson county officials entertained them royally.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the people of Spearman for the kindness and floral offerings during the illness of our loved one, Sharon Ann Caldwell of Amarillo.

Geo. E. Caldwell and family
Vernie W. Caldwell and family

Important Meeting

Commander Curtis Jones of the Hansford VFW urges attendance of all members at the next regular meeting of the organization to be held at the school old gym, Tuesday Feb. 24.

Training in military funeral drills will be on the program. A drill team from the Perryton VFW will be guests at the meeting.

Laymen's Day At Methodist Church

Laymen of the Methodist church will have charge of both the morning and evening services Sunday February 22. R. L. McClellan, chairman of the Board of Stewarts will be in charge of the programs to be presented at the 11:00 o'clock hour. At the evening services the Laymen will present an unusually impressive sound picture, THE POWER OF GOD.

The general public is invited to all services, and members of the organization are urged to attend the services Sunday.

Sunday has been designated as Laymen Day at the Church.

New Car License

Sheriff J B Cooke urges all citizens purchasing license for passenger cars and trucks to bring their title and last years license receipts to the office with them. New tags cannot be issued without the above information is given the collectors office.

Gene Kern was carried to the Sanford Hospital in Perryton Monday night with a bad case of Bronchitis. He was resting very well at last report.

J H Buchanan returned from California Sunday after a six weeks visit with relatives.

Mrs Sam Malone is still in the home of her daughter in Amarillo but is slowly improving. Her many friends are anxious for her return.

J M Miller of Morse was in Spearman Wednesday. Mr Miller reported that he was recovering nicely from his operation of three weeks ago.

FOUND: Spare tire and jack can have same by describing and paying for ad. See Ray Moore Rt A. No. 11-2t

Mr and Mrs J B Buchanan and Mrs Russell Wingo of Phillips were visiting with relatives in Spearman Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. V Cleave were shopping in Spearman Wednesday.

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AND their FARM PRODUCTS. PROSPERITY depends on GOOD Farming methods and standard FARMING EQUIPMENT!



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Men and women everywhere
Only one is No. 1—
first—in all-round value.

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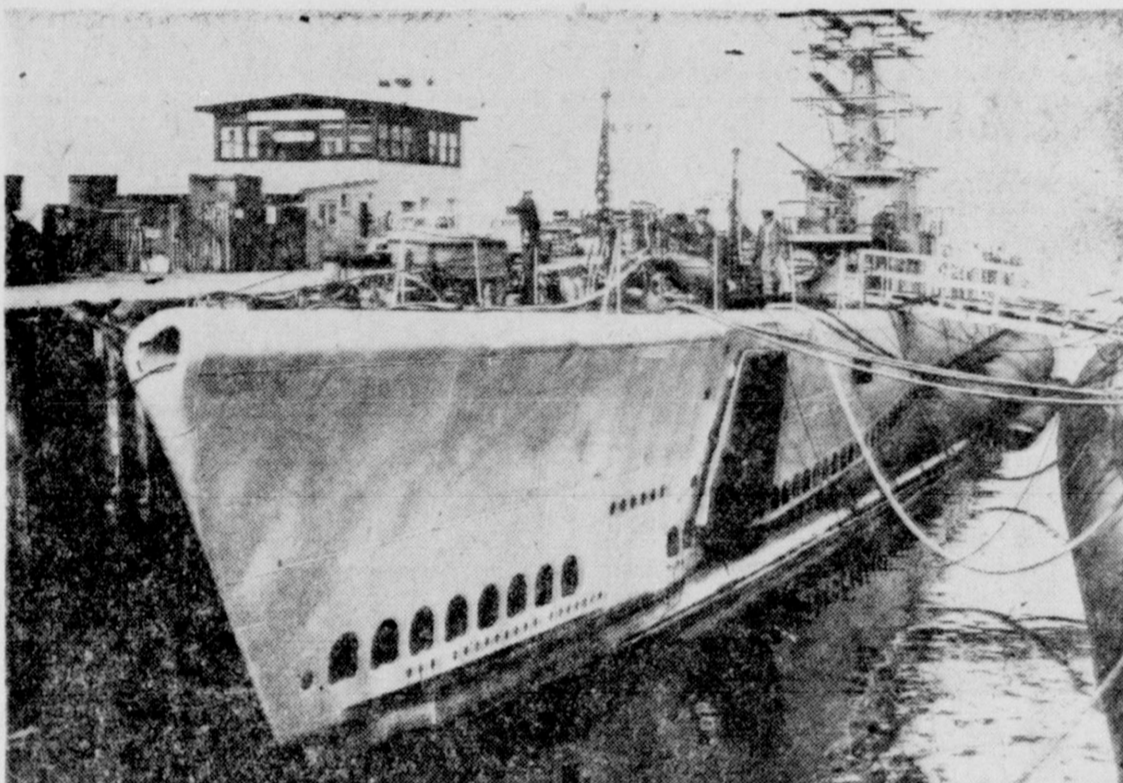
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NOTABLE NEWS EVENTS IN PICTURES



POLIO POSTER BOY VISITS PRESIDENT . . . Terry Tullos, 3, polio victim from Laurel, Miss., selected to be the 1948 "March of Dimes" poster boy, calls on President Truman at the White House.



SUB READIED FOR SERVICE TO TURKEY . . . One of the four submarines which the United States will supply to Turkey is shown at the docks of the San Francisco Naval ship yard at Hunter's Point, California. The four submarines, now undergoing repairs, are being made ready for their journey into the Mediterranean. The Navy has announced the vessels will be fully armed, as on a wartime patrol, when they leave American waters for Turkey.



JERUSALEM HOTEL BOMBED . . . British Royal Engineers comb ruins of Semiramis Hotel in Jerusalem where 20 persons—19 of them Arabs—were killed by a bomb planted by the Hagana Jewish defense force. The Palestine government called the bombing a "dastardly and wholesale murder of innocent people."



MEDAL FOR "FAMILY DOCTOR OF YEAR"—Dr. Archer C. Sudan, Kremling, Colo., receives medal from hand of Oscar R. Ewing, Federal Security Administrator, as the "Family Doctor of the Year."



ICE-CHOKED HUDSON RIVER . . . Airview of an oil tanker plowing its way down the Hudson river through the ice-choked stream near Hastings, N. Y. The tanker was on its way to New York City. The Hudson was partly frozen over as below zero temperatures hit New York.



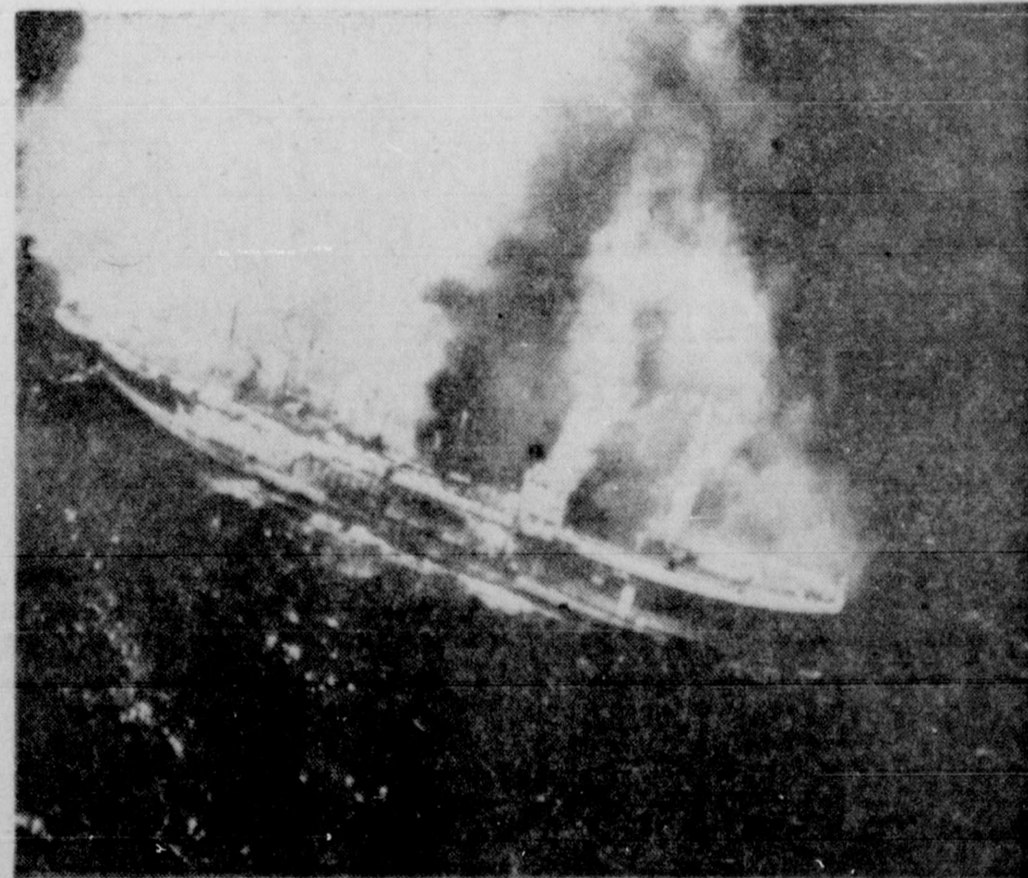
MARSHALL BACKS PLAN . . . Secretary of State Marshall testifying in favor of the Marshall plan before Senate Foreign Relations Committee.



WALKER HONORED . . . Southern Methodist University gridiron star, Doak Walker, receives Robert W. Maxwell memorial award as outstanding football player from Bert Bell, Commissioner of National Football League.



SMALL BUSINESSMEN VISIT CONGRESS . . . Five hundred delegates representing the National Small Businessmen's Association convened in Washington to pledge Congress their support in maintaining free enterprise. The group is interested in national welfare, not in special privileges.



FUNERAL SHIP BURNED AT SEA . . . Dramatic airview of burning Army transport Joseph V. Connolly, destroyed at sea while on its way to Europe with 5,000 coffins to bring back American war dead. All members of the crew took to lifeboats and were rescued. Airtight coffins kept the burned hulk afloat.

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Aim at BALKAN FEDERATION But Obstacles Hinder Russia's Plan

By C. L. SULZBERGER
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ONE OF THE basic European aspects of Russia's foreign policy seems to be the encouragement of a federation of the Balkan and Danubian States. How far Moscow would like to go in this direction can by no means be ascertained. The extent would depend to a considerable degree upon how far it would be possible to go with the highly independent and inflammable material at hand.

The idea of a Balkan and Danubian federation is an old one and on the whole it has met with little success. Today there certainly is a greater chance for such a federation than at any time since the Hapsburg and Ottoman Empires disintegrated and left independent peasant lands in their wake. Albania, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Rumania—truly Balkan States—and Hungary, their Danubian neighbor, have Communist dictatorial governments in common. Their economic systems are broadly alike—ever more closely modeled on the system of the Soviet Union.

With political and economic backgrounds becoming increasingly similar and controlled propaganda operating almost identically in all these countries, the federation idea is greatly facilitated. The Soviet Union already has a bilateral military alliance with Yugoslavia, and similar pacts are being drawn up with the four other countries. All depend on the Soviet Union for protection and for military equipment. Their armies are being standardized.

Tentative Moves

How extensive a federation may eventually be planned cannot be known. It is logical to anticipate that the Soviet Union would like a federation system extending from Poland on the Baltic Sea to Greece on the Aegean and including all intervening countries. Before the war there were occasional efforts by these lands themselves to work out closer economic ties, including the railway from Poland to Salon-

ika over the new Danubian bridge and canal links from the Danube through the Morava and Vardar River valleys.

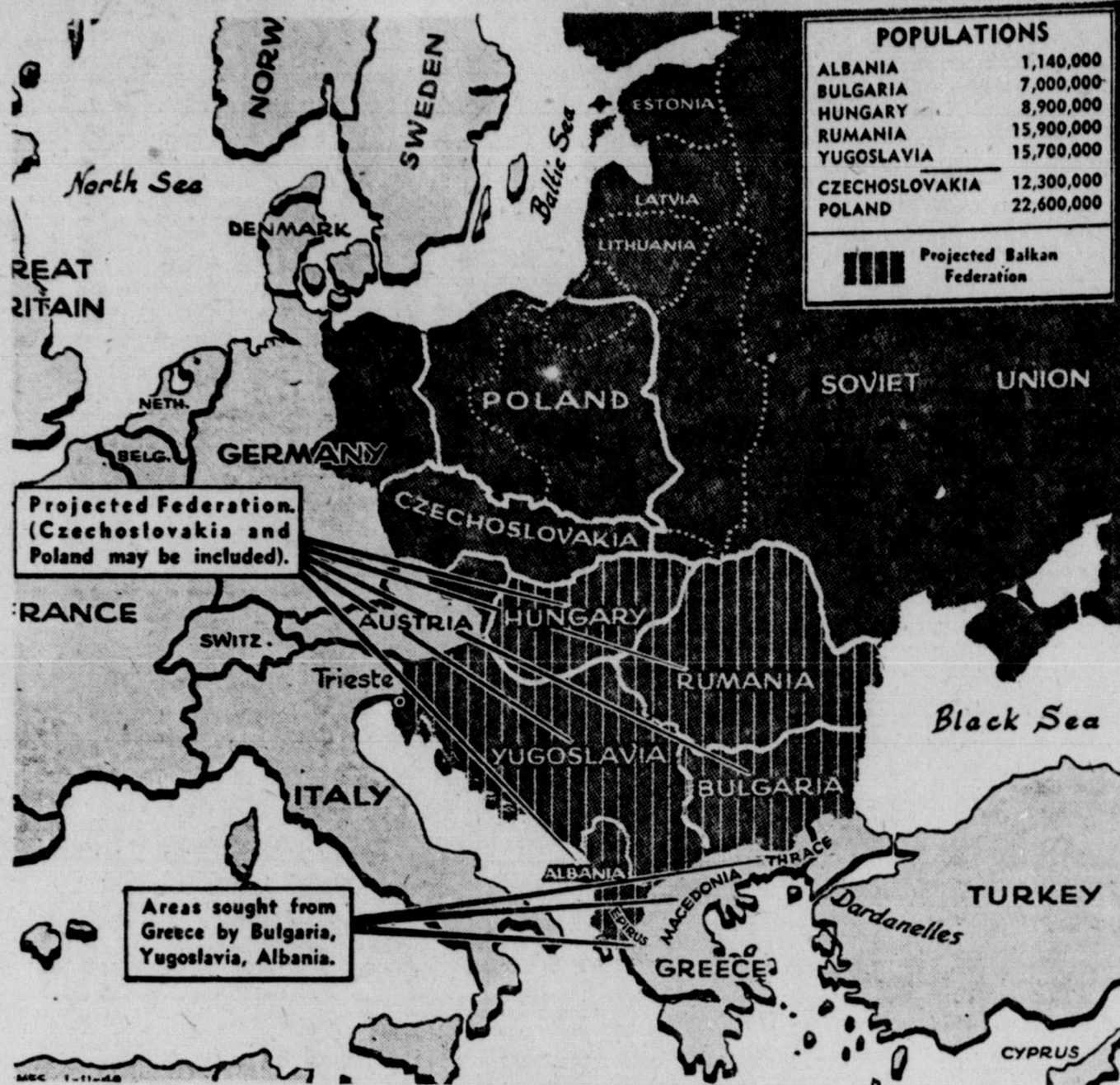
So far there have been nothing but tentative moves in the direction of a federation by the Balkan States alone and these have been necessarily limited. The Soviet Union has encouraged all eastern European countries to draw up bilateral pacts with one another. Such exist among the western Slav States—Poland, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia—as well as among Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Albania and Rumania.

Yugoslavia is the key to any Balkan federation. Her constitution is closely modeled on that of Soviet Union and the country is made up of several semi-autonomous republics—about as autonomous actually as those of the Soviet Union. Yugoslavia's Slovenian Republic has as much chance to secede as does the Ukraine, although under Soviet law the latter is possible.

Thus Yugoslav-

via could be used as a magnet to attract the dependence of other States, such as Bulgaria and Albania. Yugoslav Macedonia could serve as an area to which Greek Macedonia could be forcibly at-

ached. It is unlikely that this method will be employed, however, although even before the war many Yugoslavs and Bulgarians talked of a big South Slavic State stretching from the Black Sea to the Adriatic. Then dynastic questions stopped all possibility at the beginning.



FINDING OIL Under the Gulf of Mexico

By JOHN E. KING

LAKES of crude oil—billions of barrels like that which has enriched Texas—underlie the water of the Gulf of Mexico. Many times as much oil can be found under the seas as can be found under dry land, geologists believe.

Drillers have proved that oil exists under the ocean bed and can be recovered by man. Oil wells have been producing for a number of years in the Pacific ocean off the coast of California. An Oklahoma City drilling firm, headed by former Governor R. S. (Bob) Kerr of Oklahoma, has just brought in a thousand-barrel well in the Gulf out of sight of land off the Louisiana coast.

Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana oil companies are actively drilling all along the Louisiana coast as far out in the Gulf as thirty miles from land. Drilling has just been started along the Texas coast, but within a few months many drilling rigs will be boring down toward the black gold along the curving Texas coastline. These operations will be miles out in the Gulf in water ranging in depth up to thirty or more feet.

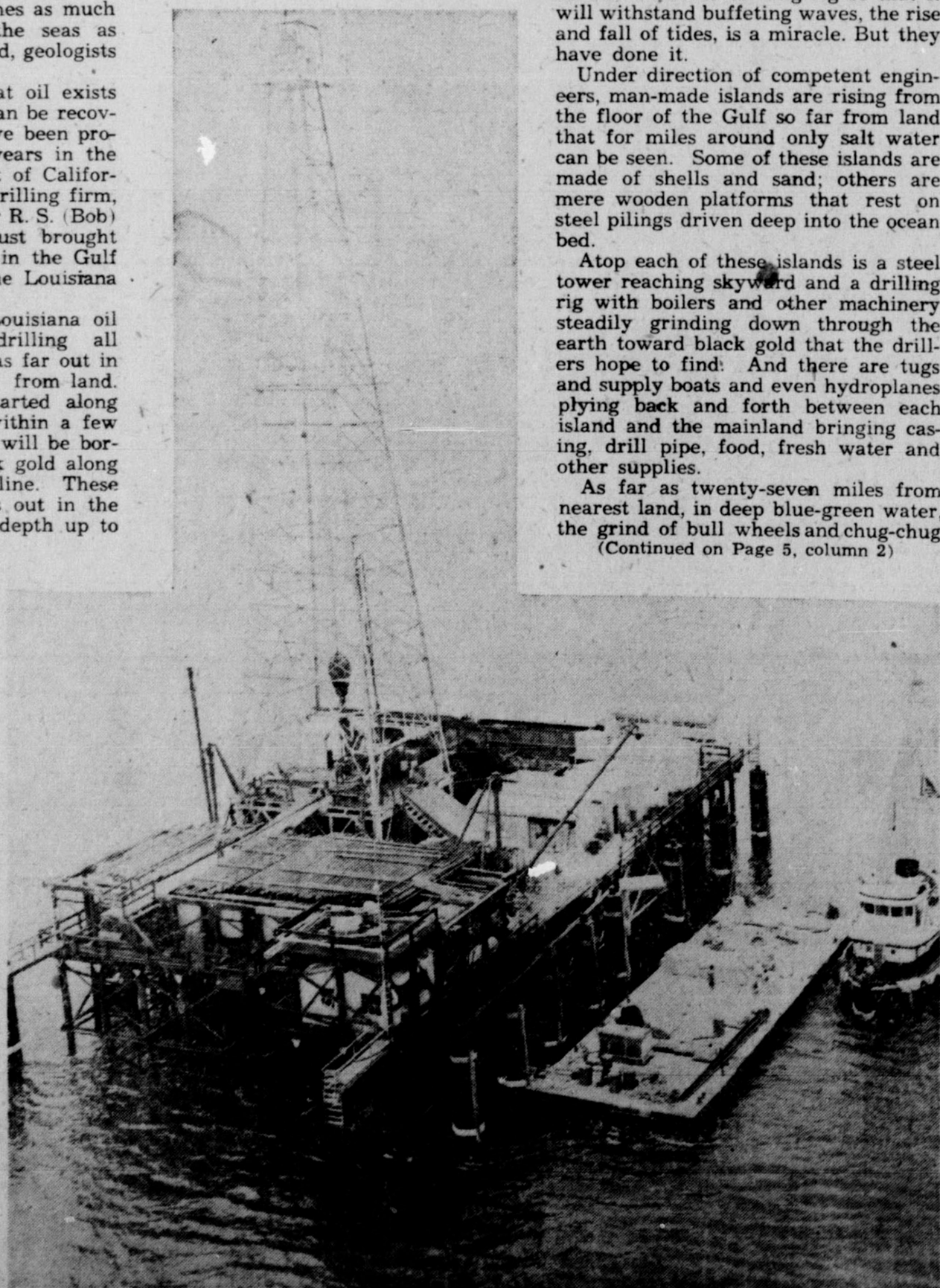
First Gulf Producer

It was the Kerr-McGee Oil Industries of Oklahoma City that brought in the first flowing oil well in the Gulf of Mexico. This well, south of Iberia Parish in Louisiana, was drilled in water about thirty feet deep. The location is surrounded by open water. No land in sight.

The well, known as Louisiana State Land No. 1, Block 27, was completed at 2760 feet, and flowed 897 barrels of oil in twenty-four hours. The Magnolia Petroleum Co. also drilled several wells in the Gulf off the Louisiana coast. Magnolia is credited with drilling a well farthest from land. This well, Magnolia No. 1, Louisiana State land, Block 94, is more than 27 miles from nearest shore. The well hit salt at 2610 feet and has been abandoned temporarily. Magnolia plans to drill deeper at a later date.

Kerr-McGee Oil Industries also will drill

a number of wells in developing the lease on which the company brought in its flowing well. Other



DRILLING FOR OIL IN GULF OF MEXICO. This oil well was drilled 27 miles from land, in the Gulf of Mexico, in water 26 feet deep, by the Magnolia Petroleum Co. Drilled to a depth of 12,374 feet, it was a dry hole.

companies also have acquired leases and are planning large operations all along the Gulf coast off Texas and Louisiana.

Man-Made Islands in Gulf

How engineers have devised ways and means for drilling wells out in the ocean many miles from shore is an interesting story. How they have been able to anchor a drilling rig so that it will withstand buffeting waves, the rise and fall of tides, is a miracle. But they have done it.

Under direction of competent engineers, man-made islands are rising from the floor of the Gulf so far from land that for miles around only salt water can be seen. Some of these islands are made of shells and sand; others are mere wooden platforms that rest on steel pilings driven deep into the ocean bed.

Atop each of these islands is a steel tower reaching skyward and a drilling rig with boilers and other machinery steadily grinding down through the earth toward black gold that the drillers hope to find. And there are tugs and supply boats and even hydroplanes plying back and forth between each island and the mainland bringing casing, drill pipe, food, fresh water and other supplies.

As far as twenty-seven miles from nearest land, in deep blue-green water, the grind of bull wheels and chug-chug

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It is more probable that a looser form of federation would be encouraged. It

TEXAS Cotton Mills Weave Novelty Fabrics

By STAFF EDITOR

CHANCES are one to three the cotton in that shirt or cotton dress you bought was grown in Texas, but the chances are better than one to fifty that the cloth out of which the garment was made was not woven in Texas.

Texas leads the world in cotton production. The crop of more than three million bales last year is more than one-third of all the cotton produced in the United States.

Yet the Lone Star State is far behind in the manufacture of cotton into cloth. Less than 8 per cent of the cotton grown in Texas is made into cloth in Texas textile mills. Ninety per cent or more of the Texas cotton crop each year is shipped out of the State: some is exported to foreign countries, but the bulk of it moves to textile mills in the East or North.

Far-sighted Texans many years ago saw the wisdom of manufacturing Texas cotton into cloth in Texas-owned mills, and then manufacturing garments out of this cloth in Texas factories. There were cotton mills in Texas even before the War Between the States, but they were relatively small. The output of cloth from these mills was limited to one or two kinds of fabrics, and the quantity insignificant.

Early Texas Mills

Cotton mills had been established at Bastrop, Hempstead, Waco and New Braunfels prior to 1861.

The war and the period of reconstruction caused some of these mills to halt operation. Work at the others was interfered with, and the cotton textile industry in the State was at a standstill until the early '90's. As business recovered after the reconstruction, the old cotton mills in Texas resumed operation and several others were built from 1890 to 1900.

But not until after World War I was there any big development in cotton mill construction in Texas.

World War I did much to erase the Mason and Dixon line that had separated the North from the South. The United States became a unified country; sectional lines were blotted out.

Natural advantages of the South for industrial development, particularly for the establishment of textile mills, were recognized. As a result, textile mills that had operated for many years in the New England States and other sections of the North, looked to the South for new locations. Some of these

is also probable that such possibilities were discussed by Premier Marshal Tito with Premier Georgi Dimitrov of Bulgaria and Premier Petru Groza of Rumania, as well as with Premier Enver Hoxha of Albania.

It does not appear that anything major is yet imminent. So far these maneuvers have continually sought merely to strengthen the scheme of bilateral alliances and encourage trade pacts and customs unions among these countries.

The lands affected already have common foreign policies, and all of them are coordinated by Moscow. Their economies will be linked entirely to the ruble bloc when that is possible—which is not the case yet. As a military bloc everything east of the Stettin-Trieste line except for Greece is now attached to the Soviet Union.

Certainly such an eventual federation scheme would take time to work out. If properly fostered it might be a good thing for the Balkans in the long run, but the present conceptions of a proletarian dictatorship are unlikely to bring especial happiness to the Balkan peoples, who loved freedom before the Moscow radio began to stress that word.

National Ambitions

To round out such a federation scheme properly Moscow would wish to include Greece and European Turkey—Thrace. As things now stand that would be impossible without war. Therefore the final version of the East European federation is a long way off.

Some persons have speculated on the difficulty of achieving such an aim because of political rivalries—such as between Marshal Tito and Premier Dimitrov. That is naive. In the world of communism men are selected for tasks and other aspirants know when it is time to step down.

There are far greater difficulties involved in the differing national ambitions such as the Serbo-Bulgarian rivalry and in the varying languages. While a Serb can speak as an equal with a Croat and make himself understood to a Bulgarian or a Slovene, the Rumanian language is very different, and the Hungarian and Albanian are as tough as strange tongues can be.

But, even this is not an essential barrier. The Russians, Uzbeks, Kazaks and Mongols exist together in the vast Soviet Empire now. Certainly if a federation ever were accomplished in the future it would be logical to expect at a still later date that it would be in-

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Cabbage Sprout The X-ray and me verified this story:

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By JOE G.

THE PRETTY DA and December f into thinking: th mild winter. But suc ing was in vain w weather, accompanied sunny Southwest. O late in taking off, la howling blizzard. Snow fell in Texas, counties as far south as the Gulf Coast.

Beaumont had its first snowfall in seven years and it snarled traffic on streets and blocked highways. Snow is a nuisance in cities, where traffic churns it into slush, but out on the prairies and in the woods it weaves white garlands of mystic beauty. Snow also is the farmer's friend. It provides moisture for the soil in the form of phosphate.

The land never was for a snowfall. We far pleted plowing by Decer wheat and oats had be snow helped the tender and healthier growth *

This could be a bound The Lord was on our s the war and maybe on c ning the peace if we ca grain to feed ourselves ; millions of Europe.

Sometimes I wonder aid to Europe, such a plan, will be a success.

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Vet Entitled to 39 Months Study

THE average veteran in training under the G.I. Bill of Rights is just past 26 years of age, he was an enlisted man in the Army, had previously completed 3.7 years of high school and is entitled to 39 months of training under the terms of the bill. These facts represent the average of the most recent census of all G.I. students now in school. More veterans are studying liberal arts than any other branch, while the favorite work for those taking on-the-job training is mechanic.

Advice to Income Taxpayers

Do not file an estimate of income tax to be paid on your income for 1948 until just before the deadline, March 15.

This is the advice of experts in the Internal Revenue Bureau. Reason for this advice is that Congress is expected to revise the personal income tax levy early this year, making such revisions effective for the 1948 incomes. Personal exemptions may be increased by such revisions.

Nation-Wide Teacher Shortage

In spite of a slight improvement within the last year in the supply of teachers, a serious nationwide shortage still exists. This is shown by a recent survey conducted in all parts of the country.

The recent increase in pay for teachers that was general throughout the country was not sufficient to attract able teachers. Already this pay increase has been more than offset by the increase in cost of living.

The survey disclosed that 110,000 teachers, or about one in eight now employed, are serving on sub-standard or emergency certificates. This means that the 3,000,000 children they teach may not be receiving adequate educational instruction.

Scratching His Head

A Nebraska farmer is scratching his head and wondering if he was wise in making two deals with a neighbor.

The farmer owned an acre of wasteland. A neighbor suggested that the wasteland should be cleared and put to use, and offered to do the clearing. The farmer accepted the offer. After the land had been cleared the neighbor wanted to buy it and offered the farmer \$150 in cash. The acre of land was sold.

A few days after this transaction had been made, the farmer received a bill from the neighbor for \$150 to pay for the labor of clearing the acre of land.

Cabbage Sprouted in His Eye

The X-ray and medical science have verified this story:

A warehouseman in Lincolnshire, England, cultivated a cabbage patch at his home. As he was reading his newspaper, he found his sight becoming blurred.

His wife persuaded him to see a doctor. Before he went to the doctor the following day, he had lost the sight of his right eye.

The doctor put the man in the hospital where specialists subjected him to tests and examinations of all kinds. Finally decision was reached to operate, since the X-ray disclosed a growth back of the eyes.

The operation showed a sprouting cabbage seed with sprout one inch long lodged behind the man's eye. The cabbage seed had lodged in the man's eye probably as he planted his garden and the heat and moisture of the body caused it to sprout.

The man recovered the sight of his eye.

Food Costs Doubled Since 1939

Cost of food for a family of three for one year has reached \$670, compared with an average of \$340.47 during each of the five years from 1935 to 1939, inclusive. These are the figures reached by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

Each month for more than 40 years the BAE has figured the cost of feeding an average family of three. The BAE further estimates that out of the \$670 which the average family of three spent for food in one year, the farmer would get \$366.92, or 55 cents out of each dollar. During the five years 1935-1939 the farmer got only 41 cents out of each dollar spent for food.

Problem of Shortages

The problem of shortages is closely connected to the declining value of the dollar. Because the average citizen has more disposable income than he had in 1939, he wants more goods. The production plant is not able to supply them. For example, petroleum refineries, electrical generating stations, steel factories, coke and cement plants operated in 1947 at capacity levels. But their production was not sufficient to supply the needs. Besides, the requirements of foreign nations—particularly under the European Recovery Program—increase the demands.

Stockmen Oppose Price Controls

The cattle raisers and other livestock men of the Nation do not want to see a return of Federal price controls. They declared so in emphatic terms in resolutions adopted at the annual convention of the American National Livestock Association at Boise, Idaho.

The convention went on record in a memorial to Congress with a declaration that "maximum production coupled with sound fiscal and monetary

policy on the part of the Government will prove the most effective remedy for inflation."

The stockmen also struck out at Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson by adopting a resolution urging him and other agriculture officials to "stop playing politics."

Tidelands Bill in Senate

The new "Tidelands Bill" to confirm title and ownership of tidelands to the various States has been introduced in the Senate by eighteen Senators, among whom are Senators Connally and O'Daniel of Texas and Senator Ed Moore of Oklahoma. The bill was drafted by the Attorneys General of nine States, one of which was Texas. Governor Jester has been very active in supporting this legislation.

The bill bestows on the States the right and power of control and of de-

as we can not buy an alarm clock anywhere.

"P. S. My husband says 'not too loud a toot,' but I say 'blow like blazes.'"

Railroad officials said the request is being considered.

Cold Here—But Not Cold in Alaska

As the entire United States shivered in temperatures below freezing in the recent cold wave, the Army reported that its "Exercise Yukon," for training men and testing equipment under Arctic conditions, had run into a weather handicap. It hasn't been cold enough for the tests to be of real value, either as to men or equipment.

The temperature at Big Delta was only 10 degrees above zero. It was colder than that in some parts of Texas. At Galena, Alaska, scene of the third phase of the maneuvers, about 275 miles west of Fairbanks, the weather was comfortable at 21. Galena is in the interior where temperatures normally at this time of the year range from 25 to 35 degrees below zero.

TB Death Rate Slashed

The latest picture of the battle against tuberculosis in the United States shows:

A 68 per cent reduction in the death rate in the last 25 years.

Cautious promise that streptomycin to treat the disease and BCG, a vaccine, may speed the progress.

There is still a long way to go.

Back in 1910, when TB had gotten its name, the "white plague," it was the leading killer disease in the United States. It now ranks seventh.

Just 25 years ago the death rate was 96 per 100,000 population; last year it was 36, says Godias J. Drolet, statistician of the New York Tuberculosis and Health Association. TB took 105,478 lives in 1922 and 50,285 last year. At the 1922 rate, 134,298 persons would have died last year.

Strikes

Strikes cost the U. S. 35,000,000 man-days of labor in 1947, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. It was the third highest total on record. Compared with 1946's loss of 11,600,000 man-days, last year's total was small, but it was just under the next highest total—38,000,000 in 1945. In number, strikes dropped from 4,985 in 1946 to 3,600 in 1947. Far fewer workers also were involved—2,200,000 in 1947 as against 4,600,000 in 1946. Three major walkouts—the strikes of telephone workers, East Coast shipyard employes, and soft coal miners, accounted for almost half the idleness in 1947.

Pioneer Locomotive to Tour 50 Cities

Midwesterners this summer will be treated to the sight of the first locomotive to operate out of Chicago. Chicago was then, in 1848, a swampy village of not more than 4,000 inhabitants. The ten-ton, ten-wheeled wood-burner has been moved from the Museum of Science and Industry to the shops of the Chicago and North Western Railway to be put into condition for its 1948 run through 50 key cities of the Middle West. The occasion is the hundredth anniversary of its first use.

Named The Pioneer, it was one of the first engines built by the Baldwin Locomotive Works in 1848. It is 37 feet 10 1/2 inches long and carries enough wood for a trip of 25 miles.

New Diesel locomotives of the company are 140 feet 8 inches long, weigh 287 tons, have 24 wheels and carry oil enough to travel 500 miles.

New Testing Site for Atomic Bomb

Once again the thunder of atomic warfare will shake the Pacific islands area. Posting a "danger, keep out" notice to the world, the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission announced that secret tests of weapons will begin at Eniwetok atoll around Jan. 31. A 30,000-mile area surrounding the proving grounds has been declared dangerous to trespassers of any nation after that date and "throughout the calendar year of 1948." An even wider area of the Western Pacific may have to be closed off as the experiments continue, the commission warned.

Battleships Laid Up

Because of a shortage of manpower, the Navy has laid up the 45,000-ton battleships New Jersey and Wisconsin. They are in the reserve fleet. Only two 45,000-tonners remain on active duty. They are the Iowa and Missouri.

Enlisted strength of the Navy now is 362,000, with a drop to 320,000 expected by April. More than half the Navy's enlistments expire this winter, but recruiting will make up part of the decline in strength. By July the Navy hopes to have 357,000 men.

The total of laid up battleships now is 13. Each requires a crew of 2,700 officers and men to operate it.

President's Message to Congress

President Truman has sent two messages to Congress that were unusual in bulk and wordage and crammed full of facts and figures.

One message was "The Budget of the United States Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1949." It was the balance sheet of the world's largest enterprise — \$39,700,000,000 (billion) outgo, \$44,700,000,000 (billion) income in a single year.

The second message was the "Economic Report of the President." It was an analysis of the greatest national production machine in history—with an annual output of \$221,000,000,000 (billions).

To the layman both messages were dry stuff. Even the astronomical figures, which would have made the average citizen gasp in pre-war years, have lost their shock.

Nevertheless the messages have tremendous importance for the American economy and — because of America's predominant role in the world today — for the whole world. They detail the steps, as the President sees them, if the United States is to maintain the domestic stability and thus fulfill its world role.

The Balkans

Developments in Greece and Turkey make it plain that American moves in the United Nations, interpreted by some as being conciliatory toward Moscow, are not to be taken as signs of weakness or retreat.

A contingent of 1,000 Marines, including veterans of the Pacific, sailed for the Mediterranean, aboard two Navy transports. They were accompanied by a full complement of tanks, field guns and other combat equipment. An official announcement said they were being sent to reinforce warship personnel in Italian and Grecian waters. Later Admiral Chester W. Nimitz said they were sent to the Mediterranean to give visible evidence of strong support to United States troops at Trieste, the new international port city at the head of the Adriatic between Italy and Communist-dominated Yugoslavia. The United States also was reported pouring food into the British-American zone of Trieste at the rate of \$20,000,000 worth a year.

Further aid is being sent to both Greece and Turkey, the Navy announced, in the form of four fleet-type submarines for the Turks and six gunboats for the Greeks. Turkey also is to get eight motor mine sweepers, a net-laying vessel and a repair vessel.

Fighting in Palestine

Ever since the United Nations General Assembly made its fateful decision last November 29 to split Palestine into two separate Jewish and Arab States a "war of partition" has been going on in the Holy Land. Fighting between the Arabs, who want to keep all Palestine for their country, and the Jews, who want Palestine divided so that they may have a part and the Arabs a part, has reached its most violent stage.

Haifa, Palestine's chief seaport, has been a paralyzed city of fear. Day and night the crack and whine of snipers' bullets echo in the deserted streets. Jewish fighters recently took the offensive in Haifa and claim that they killed 82 Arabs. In Jerusalem a two-week-old Arab siege kept about 1,500 Jews trapped behind the walls of the Old City. Throughout Palestine the death toll since the partition vote is near 1,000.

Allied-Soviet Trouble in Berlin

In Berlin, deep within the Soviet zone of occupation, the once proud capital of the Reich is ruled by the four-power Kommandatura. Each power—Russia, the United States, Britain and France—garrisons and guards a sector of the city. Berlin has become a symbol not only of Germany's defeat but of the rivalry that has split Germany's conquerors. Berlin is the meeting place of the Allied Council, composed of commanders of the four occupation zones of Germany, which is supposed to deal with problems of Germany as a whole.

The Russians have made it plain that they want the Western Powers to get out of Berlin. The Soviet Army newspaper in Berlin, Taegliche Rundschau, published an editorial which said: "There is not space in Berlin for the supporters of German partition." Other attacks on American and British occupation have continued in this newspaper.

Reaction to these attacks was sharp. In Berlin, General Clay, in command of the American occupation zone, said: "We sit here as representatives of a country with immeasurable power. As such we have no fears and no nerves. I am here and intend to stay here as long as the decisions are in my hands." In Washington Under-Secretary of State Robert A. Lovett said that it was American policy to stay in Berlin. In London officials said that British occupation forces would stay in Berlin, too.



"Interested Observers"

velopment of such tidelands. All rights, title and interest of the United States in these lands, as ruled by the Supreme Court, are quit-claimed by the bill.

The Federal Government is given preference right to purchase or use of such lands in accordance with due process of law.

Engineer, Toot That Whistle

Now that the British railways have been nationalized and are being operated by the Government, the British public demands that extra bit of service. The latest request, addressed to the engineer of the 6:20 a. m. Hastings-Ashford trains, is:

"Would you be so good as to hoot as you go over the iron bridge just out of Rye station, as we rely on you to get my husband up for work?"

"When you don't hoot, we are, in fix,

Grass Root Reveries

By JOE GANDY

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THE PRETTY DAYS of November and December fooled everybody into thinking there would be a mild winter. But such wishful thinking was in vain when sub-freezing weather, accompanied by snow, hit the sunny Southwest. Old Man Winter, late in taking off, landed safely in a howling blizzard. Snow fell in Texas counties as far south as the Gulf Coast. Beaumont had its first snowfall in seven years and it snarled traffic on streets and blocked highways.

Snow is a nuisance in cities, where traffic churns it into slush, but out on the prairies and in the woods it weaves white garlands of mystic beauty. Snow also is the farmer's friend. It provides moisture and fertilizes the soil in the form of nitrogen and phosphate.

The land never was in better shape for a snowfall. We farmers had completed plowing by December and where wheat and oats had been planted the snow helped the tender roots to a firmer and healthier growth.

This could be a bountiful crop year. The Lord was on our side in winning the war and maybe on our side in winning the peace if we can raise enough grain to feed ourselves and the hungry millions of Europe.

Sometimes I wonder if large scale aid to Europe, such as the Marshall plan, will be a success. It is generally

agreed that some kind of aid should be extended—a kind that will help the Europeans to help themselves. Just handing over to them gobs of money will not get results. But if we hand over to them tools to work with, seeds to plant with, and food to eat while working, it may get us somewhere. Uncle Sam has tried playing Santa Claus (not only in Europe but in America) and it failed ingloriously. What we don't earn by the sweat of our brow we don't appreciate.



Seeds from American school children sent to France, England and Italy.

So far the most practical aid to Europe is sponsored by the All-American Friendship League, with headquarters at 118 W. Fifty-Seventh Street, New York City. This league solicits seed gifts from American school children to send to France, England and Italy. Mrs. Edmund H. Cahill, president of the League, says: "Two pounds of seed produce 350 pounds of food. Seeds from America not only serve to alleviate human misery but encourages friendship and understanding among those nations with a 'will to peace.'"

FBI Director John Edgar Hoover is urging Americans to "return to God and the practice of daily family prayer in the home," if they want to save their children from lives of crime. "More and more children are being led toward crime as parents throw away responsibility," he said in a recent radio address. "God, in many instances, is not recognized in the home, and concepts of morality have been relegated to the junk heap." At the end of the war, 17-year-olds led all other age groups in

arrests for serious crimes.

An old country doctor, who had many patients, once told me that the greatest killer of human life is neglect. He said: "Neglect a cold and it may bring on pneumonia; neglect a cough and it may bring on tuberculosis; neglect a lump or sore that will not heal and it may bring on cancer; neglect indigestion and it may bring on stomach ulcers; neglect eating and it may lower resistance; neglect sleep and it may weaken the heart; neglect a wound and it may bring on infection."

According to the latest census figures there are 5,700,000 widows in the United States. The census figures do not reveal how many of these 5,700,000 widows are grass widows and, incidentally, it is nobody's business, because a grass widow is seldom different from any other widow except in name. A school boy in the 3d grade turned in this essay on widows: "A widow is a female who has done lost her mate. Some widows are cute and some just think they are cute. My sister's pal is a widow and she ain't cute; she is temperamental and gits mad when I teas her. There is three kinds of widows—plain widows, grass widows and black spider widows. The black spider widow is the most dangerous for her bite is fatal and she eats her mate."

At the Census Bureau, in Washington, officials are getting ready for a gigantic task in 1950. They will take a census of the United States, the first since 1940. Men and women will gather the actual figures, as they always do. But the mountains of figures and the complicated reports that grow out of the census will be compiled by robots—machines that will add, multiply, divide and subtract. So, be prepared to answer a lot of questions—wise and otherwise — when the census taker comes around.

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TEXAS BRIEF NEWS ---from Over the State

BEAN KILLS BABY

The 20-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Phillips, who live near West Union, Hall county, choked to death on an uncooked bean it had tried to swallow. The bean lodged in the child's throat and it died before the aid of a doctor could be had.

AMNESIA VICTIM A TEXAN

Police at Ardmore, Okla., after much investigation, finally identified a woman amnesia victim there as Mrs. Inez Outlaw, from Waco. Papers found in a bus depot locker in Dallas, placed there by the woman who took the locker key with her as she went on to Ardmore, provided the identification.

EYESIGHT RETURNS AFTER 29 YEARS

Mrs. Martelia Gardner, 58, of Cleburne, who had been blind for 29 years, was able to see the sun rise on Christmas Day. This unusual Christmas gift came to her after a series of operations performed in a Dallas hospital. She became blind when 38 from a combination of cataracts and degeneration of the retina.

GETS BUCK DEER WITH ROCK

George Herndon, Uvalde county ranchman, stunned a five-point buck deer with a rock and then captured it. While driving his car near his ranch, a few miles from Uvalde, he saw a large buck in the road. The deer did not run as he approached, so he got out of his car, picked up a large rock and hurled it at the animal. The rock hit the buck squarely between the eyes and knocked it unconscious. Herndon hogtied the buck and drove with it to Uvalde.

PUPS TO MANILA BY PLANE

Nice work to raise German Shepherd puppies as a hobby and then ship them by plane to the Philippines at \$100 a head. That's what Bill Swearer of Houston is doing. Bill works in the tin plate plant of the American Can Company and raises his favorite dogs as a hobby. When a Manila attorney learned of Swearer's dogs through a friend in Houston, he wanted to buy two puppies. The buyer paid \$200 for the two pups, and had Swearer load them on a plane at Houston bound for Manila via Airway Express International.

EX-SLAVE NEGRO DIES AT 99

Bob Lemmons, 99-year-old Negro, probably the last man who could remember the settling of Carrizo Springs, died there recently. Bob came to that community in the early 1860's as a 14-year-old slave boy owned by Bud English and cleared the spot where the Carrizo Springs postoffice now stands as the site for the original English camp. When English was killed by Indians in a fight at Brundage, the homeless Negro boy was taken in by Bob Lemmons. He had lived at Carrizo Springs all his life and owned considerable property at the time of his death.

AMARILLO PIONEER, 102, DIES

Robertson Immel, Potter county's oldest citizen, died there at the age of 102 years. He had been ill for about six weeks. Generally known as Uncle Bob, the centenarian was born in Indiana, and remembered seeing the wartime President, Abe Lincoln. In 1869 he moved West, settling in the disputed land of Greer county, claimed by both Texas and Oklahoma. He farmed and traded with the Indians, married and settled near Headwick, Okla. Later he moved to East Texas and farmed near Greenville. In a few years he went back to Oklahoma, and in 1914 moved to Kress, on the North Plains.

PET COON LIVES SODA POP

Bobby Keese of Pampa has a pet coon given him by his brother, Ike Keese of Memphis, that drinks soda pop from a bottle, extinguishes the fire in smoldering cigarette stubs and does many other tricks. Known as Timbo, the pet coon is a familiar sight on Pampa streets. Last summer, Ike and Homer Bell of Estelline found the baby coon in the breaks while hunting along Red River. The coon gets into trouble now and then with his natural enemy, the dog. He will retreat up a tree when chased by a dog and will lie in wait until the dog gets under the tree. Then he will hurl himself on the dog's back and a grim fight follows.

LIVED THROUGH FOUR WARS

Mrs. Mary Wall, Route 4, Greenville, who celebrated her 100th birthday on Dec. 12, has seen Texas change from the ox-cart and horse-drawn buggies and wagons, the two-cylinder "Tin Lizzie" days, to the latest model auto and airplane. When her family moved from Tennessee to Texas, they were on the road six months in a covered wagon caravan. She has seen four great wars. She remembers well the days of the War Between the States, when her husband had to go from Fannin county to Jefferson on the Texas-Louisiana line, for all their supplies, a round trip which took six weeks. Mrs. Wall also remembers the Spanish-American War and the two World Wars.

DIES PLAYING POLO

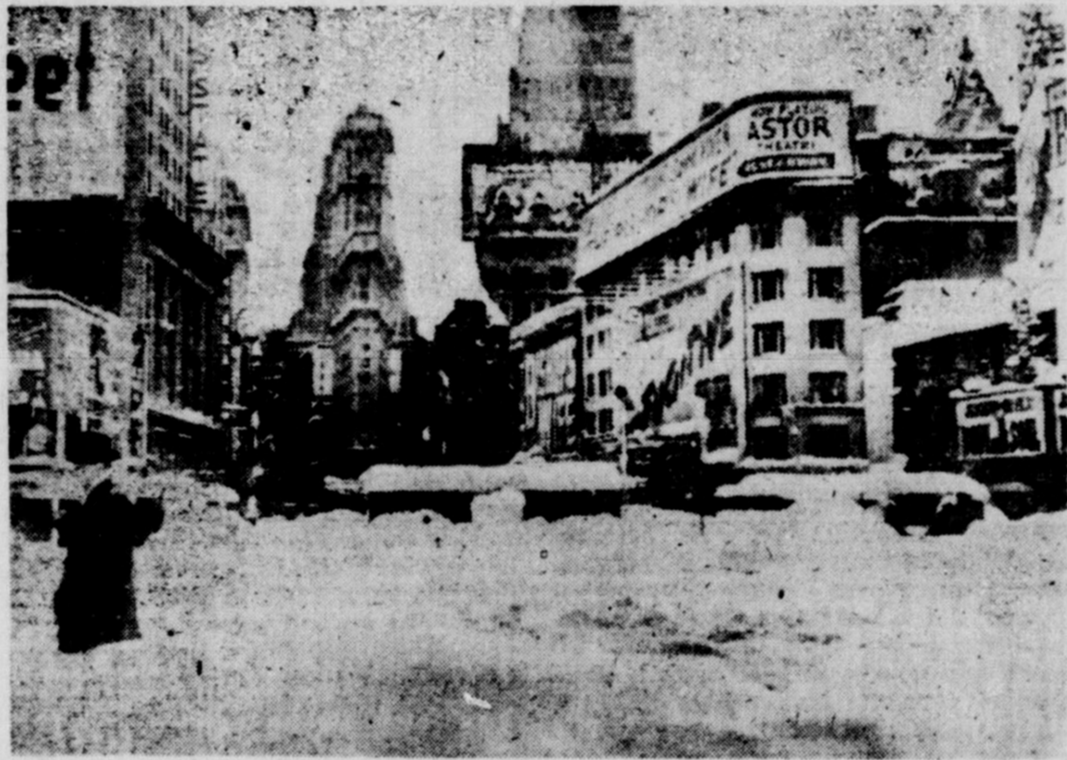
George Prendergast, well known Dallas sportsman and polo player, died the way he had said he always wanted to die—on a polo pony. A polo player since 1925, Prendergast had developed heart disease, but he kept playing polo. He was stricken during the fourth period of a game in which he was playing and fell from his horse. Two fellows reached him quickly and administered first aid, but it was no use—Prendergast was dead.

"DEAD" FOR THIRD TIME

David F. Parker, 84, died in Dallas Jan. 6. Like Mark Twain, Parker often told how two earlier reports of his death had been "greatly exaggerated." Parker was pronounced dead for the first time in Dallas in 1915 after he had been hit by a truck and removed to a funeral home. He revived as the funeral director prepared to embalm his body. Six years later Parker was pulled unconscious from a lake. A doctor pronounced him dead, but a Scoutmaster and his troop of scouts went to work with first aid. After more than an hour Parker was revived.

COWPOKES TO HOGTIE PRICES

High cost of living has hit the West Texas cowboys. They gathered in Amarillo to see what they could do about it. Result was formation of the Cowboys Protective Association, an independent labor union, to look after their collective interests. Sam Elliott, former Matador Ranch hand, is president; Don Gillespie of the Cross Bar Ranch is secretary-treasurer, and Eldon (Cloud) McCloud of the Matador Ranch is business manager. "Bluejean cowboys haven't had a living out of ranch work in ten years," Elliott declared. Higher pay is the aim of the association.



DEEP SNOW ON BUSY TIMES SQUARE. . . A lone pedestrian braves deep snow drifts on Times Square, New York, normally the busiest corner in the world. The above view, taken after New York City's record 25-inch snow fall, is looking south on Broadway with the Times building in center of background.

NEW HOME FOR EVICTED COUPLE

Sulphur Springs recently conducted a rat-killing campaign to rid the city of these destructive pests. The Sulphur Springs Feed Mill took the prize for showing the largest number of rats killed. A display rack was erected by the mill on which were shown 163 rats of various sizes killed in one application of poison.

KILLED BY BACKING ENGINE

J. W. Vidler, 43, Southern Pacific brakeman, who rode an S. P. train from Lafayette, La., to Houston, died in the company hospital a few hours after he was struck by the locomotive in which he had ridden from Louisiana. He was struck after the engine had been uncoupled from the train and was backing into the round house.

BEAR CUB AS CHRISTMAS GIFT

What would you do if you received a live bear cub as a Christmas gift? Jake Sandefer of Breckenridge had to solve that problem. A friend in Montana sent him a bear cub, a cute little fellow, but Sandefer did not like the idea of a pet bear. The Parks Board of Abilene, where Sandefer formerly lived, didn't want the bear, neither did Sandefer's friends, so the Breckenridge Fire Department solved the problem by adopting the bear as its mascot.

MOBILE TELEPHONE IS HANDY

L. G. Pelzer, manager of a transfer company in New Orleans, has a mobile telephone unit in his automobile. Driving to Dallas from New Orleans, Pelzer received a call from his Natchez, Miss., office as he neared Dallas. He was asked to go to Houston immediately. Using his mobile telephone unit, he called the Braniff Airways and made reservation on the next plane out of Dallas for Houston, which was due to leave in less than an hour. Pelzer reached the airport in time to take the plane.

NEW YEAR BORN BABY GETS MANY GIFTS

The first baby born in Stamford after midnight of Dec. 31 received many valuable gifts from merchants of that West Texas city. The rules were simple: The baby had to be born on New Year's Day in the hospital at Stamford after midnight, Dec. 31. Hospital records were taken as the deciding factor. Gifts included a baby bathinette, satin-bound baby blanket, baby dress, pair of shoes, wool shawl, one dozen diapers, and many other articles for baby's comfort.

BAGWELL SEEKS COYOTE HUNTERS

Coyotes and gray timber wolves have become so numerous in northern Red River county that residents in the Bagwell community are inviting hunters to bring their dogs and enjoy old-fashioned wolf hunts as often as they wish. Long time residents say wolves have done more damage to livestock and poultry during the last year than at any time within their memory. H. C. Somerville keeps a lantern burning in his henhouse to scare the coyotes away.

BRITISH WOMAN LIKES TEXAS

Miss Theresa Wallach, British woman who once crossed the Sahara on a motorcycle, and then came to the United States to continue her tour of the world on a motorcycle, has found what she likes best. She has halted her tour to become a resident of El Paso, where she has settled down and got a job as an airplane mechanic. Later she says she will learn to fly. It took her and another British woman nearly eight months to cross the Sahara Desert by motorcycle in 1943.

ECHO OF KATY WRECK FIFTY YEARS AGO

Charles E. Stanton, 82, MKT railway engineer who drove one of the two Katy locomotives that met head-on near West, in McLennan county, in a staged wreck fifty years ago, died recently in St. Paul, Minn. Many old-timers remember the head-on collision of two Katy locomotives, staged by the railroad company as a publicity stunt, just north of Waco. Boilers of the engines exploded and parts of the machinery were found in fields for miles around many years after the wreck. Both engineers jumped before the engines collided.

LABORER GIVES SAVINGS TO HUNGRY

Antonio Cardenas, day laborer of Austin, saved \$500 from his pay. Deeply moved by thoughts of the thousands of ill-fed children in Europe, Cardenas sought the Red Cross and gave his \$500 with request that it be used to buy food for the hungry children in Europe. This was his Christmas gift, he told the Red Cross.

WON PRIZE BUT DIDN'T KNOW IT

A Wichita Falls negro won a check as a prize in a contest. He saw some figures on the check and thought the check was good for only \$35. He wanted to do some shopping and tendered the check in payment for some purchases. The store manager said he didn't have enough money to cash the check. "You don't have \$35?" the negro asked in amazement. The negro looked at the check again. It was for \$3500 instead of \$35.

BATTLE OF THE BEES

Several swarms of bees escaped from a transport truck as it halted for a traffic light in front of an elementary school in Belton. It was recess, and the bees, in squadron formation, attacked the children at play in the school yard. The youngsters ran screaming into the school building, the bees in hot pursuit. Teachers joined in fighting the bees clinging to and stinging the children. At least 300 children were so badly stung they had to be sent home for treatment. Others were treated at the school.

FOSSILS MAY REVEAL ORIGIN OF PETROLEUM DEPOSITS

Fossil remains recovered deep under the West Texas plains by oil drillers may lead to the discovery of the origin of petroleum deposits. Dr. Norman D. Newell, noted geologist of Columbia University, New York, told the Geological Society of America that more than 1,000,000 fossils of the Permian Age have been collected, principally from the Permian Basin of West Texas. "These fossils," Dr. Newell said, "give a surprisingly accurate picture of sea life during the Permian Age." The fossils include thousands of shell-clad animal forms, fish, sharks and other forms of animal life in that far-off time. Study of these fossils is expected to reveal many heretofore unexplained things and may even disclose the source of petroleum now trapped in the rocks and reefs deposited on the bottom of the great Permian Sea that covered most of the South Plains area.

THE FLOP FAMILY



TRAFFIC COP IS A PREACHER

Traffic Investigator C. E. Lewis of the Houston Police Department is an efficient policeman during the week, and on Sunday he is a Baptist preacher. He says he had rather perform a marriage ceremony than make an arrest for traffic violation, yet he admits that he makes a hundred times more arrests than he performs marriage ceremonies.

PARIS WOMAN IS 102

Mrs. C. C. Braden, oldest member of the American Legion Auxiliary in Texas, celebrated her 102nd birthday on Jan. 5. That day also marked the golden wedding anniversary of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. T. Baird, with whom she makes her home. Mrs. Braden was born near Georgetown on Jan. 5, 1846, and was married to C. C. Braden at Bairdstown, Texas, on Dec. 5, 1867.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT STUNT

Mrs. Lizzie Dowell, 80, of Malakoff, performed a "Believe It or Not" stunt during the holidays. She caught a chicken hawk bare-handed and single-handed when she found it eating one of her chickens. Hearing a commotion among her chickens, she crept up and saw the hawk, grabbed it with both hands and held it so it could not claw her.

PLANE KILLS STEER

An airplane pilot took a low dive over the ranch of J. Ray White near Keller in Tarrant county and the whirling propeller struck and killed a steer belonging to White. Deputy Sheriff John Roberts has been given the job of locating the pilot who will be charged with violation of low-flying regulations. The plane narrowly missed a number of cattle on the ranch.

TALLEST WINDMILL IN TEXAS

The world's tallest windmill tower—136 feet—is not on a West Texas ranch. It is in Oak Cliff, western suburb of Dallas, and pumps water from a creek bed to irrigate flower gardens on the creek bank, fifty-seven feet above the flowing stream. The windmill belongs to Robert A. Gilliam, well known lover of flowers. It was erected in 1937 and has withstood many severe windstorms. Until it was built, the Yellowhouse Ranch in Lamb County claimed the tallest windmill in Texas, with a tower 125 feet high.

TWELVE YEARS WITHOUT A NOSE

Howard Turner, 16, who lives at Boys Ranch near Amarillo, lived twelve years without a nose. But Howard left Baylor Hospital in Dallas just after the New Year wearing a new nose, a Christmas gift from business men of Amarillo. His face bright and smiling, under bandages, Howard said a mule kicked him in the face when he was a child of four living near Lexington, Lee county. The mule's hoof smashed his nose and almost killed him. But he recovered and for twelve years wore the print of the mule's hoof in place of a nose.

HOW THE COLORADO RIVER RAFT STARTED

Howard Kenyon, veteran dredging contractor, who cleared the Colorado River of the great timber raft that had formed at the mouth of the stream, barring river traffic and causing severe floods of coastal lands, explains how the raft started. This log jam that extended for thirty miles along the Colorado River from Bay City to a point near the Gulf, and was a quarter of a mile wide, had accumulated over a period of 30 years. Cottonwood trees a foot thick grew out of this floating mass of rotting wood and drift. Kenyon says back about 1870 a rice farmer had a pumping plant on the river for flooding his rice field. Salt water came up the river and into his pump basin. This farmer drove a barrier of sheet piling across the river to keep the salt water back. Timber and drift brought down the river lodged against this barrier, and the great raft grew until work of removing it was started about twenty years ago. It took four years to remove the raft at a cost of \$840,000.

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(Continued from Page 2) vited to join the already sprawling Soviet Union. That Soviet policy is slowly but steadily working toward this aim is reasonable to expect. But it is likely that it will take a long time to bring about even the basic fundamental steps.

If and when such a federation materialized it would radically alter the European balance of power. First of all, even a Balkan federation would create a strong well knit bloc extending from the Carpathians toward the Mediterranean. An over-all East European federation would link together more than 100,000,000 hard-working, brave persons and might make them the most important bloc in non-Russian Europe.

And in the end—if such a bloc were to join the Soviet Union—it would project that country's actual (not political) border into the heart of Europe. But the probability that this will occur speedily is very remote.

FINDING OIL

(Continued from Page 2) of engine exhausts go day and night to disturb only fishes in the sea and sea gulls that swarm about. The quietness and serenity of the Gulf waters now resound with industrial activity. There is a thrill in watching an oil derrick rise from the blue-green waters of the Gulf. Sight-seers are amazed as the smoke and the crown block of a derrick slowly emerge from the ocean's depth. It all seems strange and fantastic.

The Continental Shelf You may wonder why there is such oil activity in the Gulf off Texas and Louisiana coast, and comparatively little activity elsewhere.

Reason is that Texas and Louisiana have asserted title to the submerged lands along their coasts and will contest the claim of the Federal Government to these lands. Texas reserved all its public land when admitted as a State to the Union. Louisiana did the same. The public land of these States, it is claimed, not only means the actual land that is not under water, but also the submerged lands along the coast as far out in the Gulf as the continental shelf extends. A recent survey off the Texas coast disclosed that the continental shelf extends into the Gulf about 51 miles off the mouth of the Rio Grande and about 130 miles off the mouth of the Neches River at Port Sabine, south of Beaumont and Port Arthur, Texas. The distance varies between these two extremes and averages almost 100 miles. It is estimated that there are 18,349,514 acres of submerged land on the continental shelf off the Texas coast to which Texas has asserted title. State Land Commissioner Bascom Giles recently directed that this land be added (Continued on Page 7, column 4)

A LITTLE FUN Jokes to Make You Laugh

Make-Believe-Elephants The children were so quiet in the playroom that their mother decided to investigate. She found them crawling around on their hands and knees, swinging their heads and grunting like so many little pigs.

"We're pretending we are elephants in the zoo, Mother," Tommy explained between grunts. "Why don't you play with us?" "All right, children," she agreed. "What do you want me to be?" "You," the child decided with a bright smile, "can be the lady that feeds candy and peanuts to the elephants."

Speaker Overwhelmed It was a dinner commemorating the 25th anniversary of a college organization, and the toastmaster introduced the speaker with great fervor, stressing her years of faithful service to the club and eulogizing her ability and charm. Somewhat overwhelmed, the speaker faced the audience. "After such an introduction," she said smilingly, "I can hardly wait to hear what I am going to say."

The Fort Surrendered A man was watching his little nephew play a war game with some other little boys and finally called to him: "Stevie, if you take those other fellows' fort in the next 15 minutes, I'll give you a quarter!" About three minutes later the little boy ran up to his uncle with the news that the other boys in the fort had surrendered.

"Here's your quarter," said the uncle, "but how did you manage it so quickly?" "I offered the enemy 10 cents and they surrendered," was the answer.

"Quick" Judgment A new business executive was proud of his "quick judgment" and when he saw a boy in the stockroom leaning against a box and loafing he called out, "What do you make a week?" "\$17.50," the boy replied. "All right, here you are—here's your \$17.50. You're through. Get out. I don't want anyone like you around."

After the boy had pocketed the money and gone, the executive turned to a subordinate and demanded stiffly: "How long was that kid with us?" "He's not with us," came the reply. "He's a messenger from down the street."

Good Reason A policeman in Cambridge, Mass., tore up a ticket for speeding after the clergyman he had stopped explained: "You have to be fast these days if you want to save souls."

"Half Nuts" Coming home from kindergarten recently, George informed me he had a new girl friend named Barbara. "Gosh, Mom," he enthused, "she's pretty smart. I call her my 'beautiful maiden'." "Really," I exclaimed. "And what does she call you?" "Oh, she calls me 'Half-Nuts,'" was the startling reply.

Despite the many hours he spent at his work, Thomas A. Edison found time to court a young girl, who unfortunately lived in a boarding house. Whenever young Tom visited her it seemed that all the other boarders found business in the parlor. On his way to visit her one night, Tom decided to propose if he got a moment alone with the girl. But the other boarders wouldn't let them be alone for a single moment. She and Edison sat side by side, saying nothing. Finally Edison took a coin from his pocket and started tapping on his fingernail. The girl, who knew the Morse telegraph code, listened, then, smiling sweetly, took a coin from her own purse, and started tapping back. The boarders looked in wonder at this strange pair tapping on their fingernails and smiling. And when the girl kissed Edison they were shocked, until she told them that he had asked her to marry him, and that she had happily tapped out "y-e-s."

Juke Box Joke Brought into court in Columbus, Ohio, on charges of having destroyed a juke box, William Oliver of that city told the judge that every time he inserted a nickel and tried to play, "I Wonder What's Become of Sally," the juke box insisted on playing "Somebody Else Is Taking My Place."

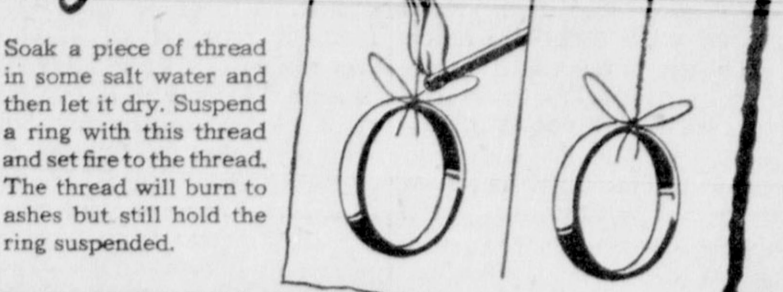
Too Bad Bill Bowers, a writer at Universal-International, went to dinner one night with a bad case of sniffles. "What's the matter, Mr. Bowers," asked a sympathetic waiter, "you fighting a cold?" "Yeah," said Bill. The waiter shook his head. "Too bad you don't have pneumonia," he said. "The doctors can cure pneumonia."

Tall Tale At a "World Champion Liar" contest this tall story won second prize. It was told by E. Woodruff, of Napa, California: "I was cutting through a huge pine tree in Michigan back in 1900. The tree wouldn't fall, so I gave up. Last year, returning to Michigan, I found the pine tree still was standing, but the stump had rotted away."

More Gas to Guess With Two planes of the same airline were bucking thick weather in the vicinity of Philadelphia, bound for New York. One ship was a four-engine DC-4, known and liked for its large gas-carrying capacity. The other was a thirsty little twin engine plane with the opposite reputation. Ceilings and visibility were low and variable throughout the North, and the young captain of the twin-engine plane checked his gas and decided to ask the advice of the seasoned skipper of the DC-4 as to what the weather was likely to do. The old captain replied, "Your guess is as good as mine."

The radio was silent for a minute or more. Then came the young pilot's reply. "Yeah, but you got a hell of a lot more gas to guess with than I have!"

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CAT RINGS DOORBELL Benton Grill who lives in Memphis, Tenn., doesn't let the cat out at night. The reason is that she'd disturb the household when she wanted to come in by ringing the doorbell. Grill's daughter Joy, now 15, found a kitten in the street three years ago. The cat has grown smarter every year. Now when she is outdoors and wants to come into the house, she doesn't scratch or meow as most cats do. She gets on tiptoe and cranks the handle of the old-fashioned doorbell, which she can barely reach with her paws.

Poultry News

1948 Poultry Outlook Poultry raising during 1948 promises to be of increasing importance in the national welfare. In the face of sharply decreased meat supplies, the American people will be forced to eat more poultry and eggs. The export demand for these products also will be larger. Yet the poultry and egg goals for 1948 as asked by the United States Department of Agriculture are drastically lower than in 1947; eggs, 8 per cent less; hens on farms, 8 per cent less; chickens raised on farms, 7 per cent less; turkeys raised on farms, 12 per cent less.

One lot of fertile eggs was gathered during a 10-day period, placed in a refrigerator at 53 degrees F., held for 10 days then put in a standard forced draft incubator. Another lot of 100 fertile eggs was gathered during 10 days, and held 10 days at room temperature ranging from 95 to 100 degrees F., then incubated the same as the first lot. The cold-storage eggs hatched 68 strong, vigorous chicks, while the eggs held at room temperature hatched only 20 desirable chicks. Only 5 per cent of the cold-storage eggs showed clear to a candle, while high room temperature caused 35 per cent of the embryos in the second lot of eggs to die before they were large enough to be seen with a candle.

Boys Raise Poultry Glen Schmidt of Rock House and Robert Lee Lin of Industry are two 4-H boys of Austin county who are making a reputation in raising poultry. Both boys have made good records in raising a couple of flocks of baby chicks. Robert Lee Lin started out with 300 chicks last May and lost only 16 in raising the hens to become good layers. He now has 122 laying White Leghorns and is getting about 60 eggs a day. The stunt that Robert Lee considers worthwhile, and he is backed up in this by his county agent, is the way he got his hens into egg production. He was able to do this when the pullets were five months old. Just extra good care and proper feeding did the job, says County Agent Meinscher. Glen Schmidt's poultry record is much the same. He lost only twelve chicks out of the 303 baby chicks he started with. He sold 157 fryers at a nice profit and now has 130 laying hens giving him from 60 to 65 eggs a day. He gives a lot of credit for his success to his henhouse, which has a trick floor in it that makes sanitation easy. The floor has 1 x 1 1/2 inch wooden strips, with spaces between, which makes it necessary to clean the house only once a year, yet the entire layout is kept sanitary the year round. In the winter with the accumulated fertilizer under the floor, the rotting fertilizer gives off enough heat to maintain a warm hen house.

Keep Eggs in Cold Storage Eggs intended for hatching should be kept in cold storage before incubation with the temperature between 45 degrees and 65 degrees F., according to R. M. Sherwood, research poultry husbandman for the Texas A. and M. College. The Department of Poultry Husbandry recently completed an experiment in which two lots of hatching eggs were handled to test the importance of pre-incubation temperature.

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Texas Farm News

A new use has been found for sweet potatoes. The postage stamps you licked for mailing your Christmas and New Year greetings were covered with mucilage made from sweet potatoes. The government reports that the sweet potato flavored mucilage has proved popular and no plan to change it has been considered. Because cock roaches are very fond of this mucilage, postage stamps must be kept in roach proof vaults.

Texas has completed 2,218 miles of farm-to-market roads during the last thirteen months. Work was done on more than 300 projects in 172 of the 254 counties. A total of 3,586 miles of farm-to-market roads in 219 counties, all designed to get the farmer out of the mud and open a way for him to haul his produce to market, have been put under contract by the State Highway Department.

Miss Josie Slaughter, 1947 Gold Star 4-H Club girl, won the title after four years of hard work in 4-H Clubs. At fifteen, this daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Slaughter of Karnack, in East Texas, has won many local and State prizes for her club activities. In 1946 she ranked third in the State in the annual garden contest. Her garden that year produced 900 cans of canned and preserved food, plus \$45 in bonds and cash won as prizes. She won \$15 and first place in the 1947 poultry contest, and also won a trip to the 4-H Round-Up at Texas A. & M. College in September.

Farmers of Maverick county will plant more than 2,000 acres to cover crops, according to W. M. Sellers, county agent, who terms this a wise move. Only a few acres were planted to cover crops a few years ago when Sellers launched his campaign. Sellers says the principal cover crop for this county is hubam clover, but that farmers are experimenting with vetch and Canadian field peas. The crops will be plowed under to supply humus to the soil. Sellers recommends application of 200 to 400 pounds of 20 per cent phosphate fertilizer to the acre before plant-

ing the crop. He also recommends that all seed be inoculated.

Farm income of Texas farmers reached an all-time record high of \$1,446,219,000 (billion), according to the Bureau of Economics of the United States Department of Agriculture. This is 55 per cent larger, or almost double, the 1946 Texas farm income, which was \$932,248,000. Texas cotton crop was worth \$631,000,000; wheat \$279,608,000.



The Beltsville white turkey now being developed at the Lone Star Turkey Farm, Coleman, Texas. Average weight about 15 pounds.

Texas cotton crop for 1947 will be just about double the 1946 crop, taking ginnings reported by the United States Census Bureau as the measure. The Census Bureau reported 2,826,143 bales ginned prior to Dec. 1, 1947, compared with 1,495,356 bales ginned prior to Dec. 1 from the 1946 crop. Lubbock county leads the State in the number of bales ginned, with 135,155 bales ginned to Dec. 1. Cameron county ranks second with 111,188 bales.

Francis A. Kutish, Iowa State College farm expert and agricultural writer, after a visit to Texas, predicts another good year for Texas farmers. There is little prospect for a depression or farm price break in the immediate future, he says. "No immediate signs of a break in the present boom are in sight," he writes. "Home demand is running at full steam. Only a sharp business break, which is possible, but not expected, could cause a big drop in domestic demand for farm products. Foreign shipments in 1948 will be larger." Kutish advises farmers to cut costs wherever possible. Use roughage, pasture and high protein feeds in place of grain. Pick and cull all livestock carefully. Use more labor-saving equipment. Step up rat, insect and disease control. Use improved seed varieties and sufficient fertilizer.

Louis P. Merrill of Fort Worth, regional conservator for the U. S. Conservation Service, has been named by the Progressive Farmer as the "Man of the Year" in Texas agriculture. Merrill was chosen because of the conservation work done under his direction in the Southwest.

C. H. Bowers of San Saba planted turnips on August 19, gave them plenty of water by irrigating his garden, and then let the rich soil of San Saba county do the rest. He recently exhibited a turnip that he said was one of the average size grown in his garden. The turnip weighed 2 3/4 pounds and measured 19 inches around. The larger turnips weigh up to four pounds and are considerably larger, he said.

Richard Luersmann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Luersmann, living on the Guadalupe-Bexar county line, is ranked as one of the top hog raisers in that section of Texas. Interested in hog raising since he was 10, Richard, now 18, started with one pig in 1939. Last year he had 93 pigs in his demonstrations. He raises Durocs and Poland Chinas. Luersmann has grossed more than \$12,000 during the years of his club work.

McClennan County Soil Conservation District will harvest Bermuda grass sprigs with a roto-tiller for planting by district conservators. Information about the source and charge for the sprigs may be obtained by contacting the district supervisors of the Soil Conservation Service. From now until the middle of April is a good time to obtain and plant sprigs of Bermuda grass on hillsides to prevent erosion.

Tomatoes are the leading vegetable crop in Texas. Texas has a larger acreage and a larger production of tomatoes than any other State. Plant pathologists and horticulturists of the Texas A. & M. College have recently outlined a tomato improvement program. Varieties with greater disease resisting qualities and better eating and canning qualities will be developed. A variety that will set and bear fruit during the summer will be sought. Nineteen trained scientists are at work on the program.

County Agent Joe Combs of Jefferson county says an unfertilized rice field in its off year is worth in pasture from 25 to 50 pounds of beef an acre during the year. By spending \$8 to \$10 an acre for fertilizer, and seeding, an improved pasture could be had worth about 200 pounds of beef per acre.

Austrian winter peas is a new crop now being tried by Fort Bend county farmers. County Agent R. I. Worthington reports the peas are coming along in fine shape and that within thirty to sixty days there will be plenty of tall stories about how these peas are growing. Most of the peas in that county were planted on seed beds, since it has been found that they do not do so well with "wet feet."

County Agent W. A. Ruhmann of Tarrant county reports farmers improving crop yields by using improved varieties of seed. Ruhmann sees a strong trend toward special hybrid corn and improved varieties of cotton and oats. Farmers also are planting only tested seeds.

Texas A. & M. Agricultural Experiment Station will have available a large quantity of improved hybrid corn seed for planting this spring, Director R. D. Lewis says. Farmers cooperating with the station produced hybrid corn on approximately 7,000 acres. Only certified hybrid corn seed was planted and the harvested corn likewise is certified as hybrid for planting purposes. Tests conducted during 1947 show that hybrid corn will outyield other varieties.

Harris county dairymen are experimenting with oats and other cold weather growing crops in trying to develop winter grazing for their dairy herds. George Thomas has sixty acres of winter oats on his dairy farm. Leo Kaufman, who has long advocated winter grazing for dairy herds, says that a patch of oats will be worth more than a ton of hay a day to Thomas' herds. Kaufman says winter oats as grazing will increase milk production far more than hay, measured pound for pound.

In the Grit Community in Mason county, Mrs. W. L. Landry and Mrs. Eric Bogush make good fruit cakes. Their friends said so and told others about it. From this beginning these two Texas farm women have built a business and the sales of fruit cake have averaged more than 5,000 pounds a year for the last several years. During the war they specialized in cakes baked in cans to be sent overseas. Now the demand is for pan-baked cakes.

Crops were harvested in Texas in 1947 from a total of 28,696,000 acres, compared with 26,937,000 acres in 1946. Cotton was picked from 8,237,000 acres which produced 3,360,000 bales. The yield was an average of 195 pounds of lint cotton per acre. Wheat was harvested from 7,310,000 acres with a total yield of 124,270,000 bushels. Wheat was planted on 7,587,000 acres. Corn was planted on 2,973,000 acres and harvested from 2,945,000 acres. The crop gathered amounted to 48,592,000 bushels. Oats were planted on 1,758,000 acres and harvested from 1,488,000 acres, with a total yield of 31,248,000 bushels. The Lower Rio Grande Valley produced 5,800,000 boxes of grapefruit. Texas produced 5,800,000 boxes of oranges and 24,000,000 boxes of grapefruit. Texas produced 1,696,000 bushels of peaches, 402,000 bushels of pears and 1,300,000 tons of grapes. The pecan yield of all varieties was 21,000,000 pounds. Peanut growers picked and threshed 372,725,000 pounds of peanuts. Other crops harvested were: barley, 2,520,000 bushels; rye, 350,000 bushels; popcorn, 5,200,000 pounds; grain sorghums, 66,313,000 bushels; silage sorghums, 270,000 tons.

COTTON MILLS

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In later years the mill developed several other novelty fabrics, and these, too, were popular with consumers. But the depression struck in 1929, and by 1932 the Itasca cotton mill was faced with a serious problem. There was little demand for regular fabrics manufactured by the mill and the retail demand for novelty fabrics had not developed.

Manager Has An Idea

About this time Sidney J. Files, manager of the mill since 1914, had an idea. This idea has almost revolutionized the output of this mill and has proved most profitable. While selling the mill's output at wholesale, it had been necessary to weave many samples for customers and salesmen. Considerable yardage remained from these samples. Files offered this leftover yardage for sale to local women of Itasca and to farm

women of that part of Hill county. The local women liked the fresh fabrics and returned to the mill for additional purchases; their friends also came to the mill and bought. Soon women from more distant points were asking about the new fabrics, and letters of inquiry began to arrive from other States. These fabrics consisted of ratines, os-naburgs, crases and other plain weaves, but they could be used in the home for slip covers, bed spreads, window curtains, drapes, etc. Home Demonstration Agents of Hill and other Texas counties took great interest in these fabrics, and the Farm Women Clubs all over the State began to learn about the many uses to which these novelty fabrics could be put. The first thing that Files knew his surplus yardage had been sold, and there were many unfilled orders on hand. Something had to be done.

Itasca Weavers Guild

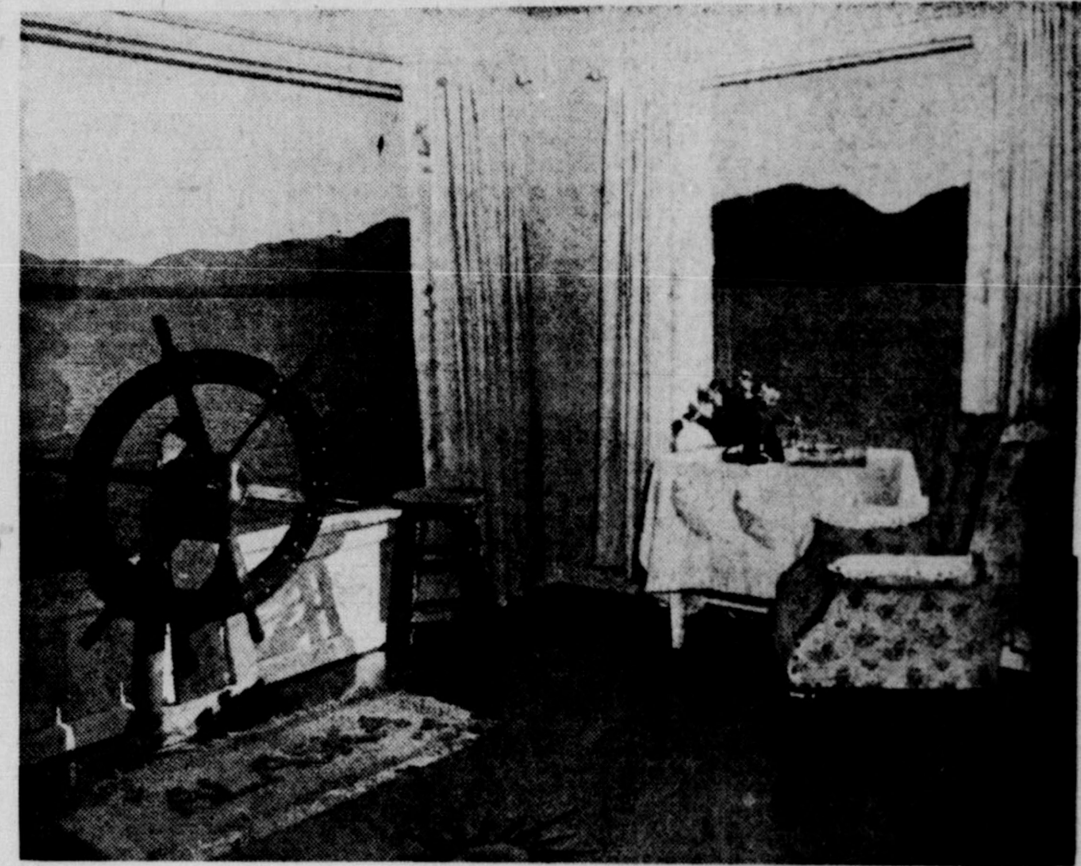
And so in 1936, Files organized the Itasca Weavers Guild, put his mill to work in weaving

novelty fabrics to fill the orders on hand and other orders coming in. He went farther, and put the textile experts in his organization to work in developing other novelty fabrics suitable for slip covers, curtains, draperies, bed spreads, luncheon cloths, napkins, and other uses as devised by progressive farm women.

Files then decided he would devote a substantial part of his mill to the manufacture of these novelty fabrics, that he would set up a retail department to sell the fabrics direct to consumers, and that he would go the full limit in developing other novelty fabrics. He brought Miss Ella Mae Pierce, a business woman of experience, from Corpus Christi to Itasca to become manager of the Itasca Weavers Guild, a name given to the organization within the cotton mill corporation charged with developing and selling at retail the novelty fabrics.

Advertising Campaign

At the same time, Files launched a national advertising (Continued on Page 7, column 3)



USE TEXAS FABRICS IN ALASKA . . . When the Itasca Weavers Guild conducted a nationwide contest for attractive homes decorated with fabrics woven by the Itasca cotton mill, this picture was submitted by a housewife in Alaska. Her window curtains, draperies, chair upholstery, table cover and shag rug are products of the Itasca Weavers Guild, Itasca, Texas.

Camellia oats is a crop that is doing well in Jefferson county. Farmers and stockmen of this county are using this crop as a winter growing forage to fill the gap between wild grasses and early spring grazing crops. By using camellia oats as a grazing crop it has been possible to provide year around grazing for their stock.

Mrs. George F. Bishop, Route 1, Temple, Bell county, has turned a hobby into a profitable business. Back in 1932 Mrs. Bishop started selling canned chicken to a few friends who insisted on buying a few cans because it was so good. The demand for her canned chicken grew and she tried to meet the demand. For the first ten years she sold an average of 2,000 cans of chicken a year. At first she raised all the chickens she used in canning but her business grew until she had to go into the markets and buy chickens. She could not raise enough to meet the demand. She now has centered her interests on the canning and does not try to raise chickens. Mrs. Bishop says that 3,500 cans of her chicken were shipped overseas.

Probably you had difficulty in finding some blackeyed peas for that New Year good luck lunch or dinner. Reports indicate that the traditional good luck item for New Year dinner was scarce and hard to find. Elmore Torn of Taylor, well known for his agricultural work with the East Texas Chamber of Commerce, comes up with an explanation. He knows his blackeyes for he worked with them for years in the East Texas Chamber. Torn says blackeyes are scarce now because East Texas farmers have learned that other varieties are more profitable. Purple hull peas of the same family tree are grown a lot now because they are harder and bear more prolifically.

Mrs. T. L. Ernst of Atascosa county has built a sizeable turkey business. This is the fourth year she has been selling turkeys on a large scale. This year she raised 630 broad breasted turkeys for the market. When Mrs. Ernst started her turkey business four years ago, she sold only to individuals and the local produce house. Now her business has expanded. A San Antonio dealer buys fifty birds each year to be given as Christmas presents to his employees, and two other customers have standing orders for forty turkeys each Christmas.

Dr. R. G. Garvin, who owns and operates farms in Portuguese East Africa and Rhodesia, has been spending considerable time in Texas studying the methods of Texas farmers in raising grain sorghums. On his farms in Africa Dr. Garvin has introduced many new crops, and he intends to introduce grain sorghums. He will use methods of planting and cultivation he has learned in his tour of Texas. Dr. Garvin spent some time with Dr. R. E. Karper of the Texas Experiment Station near Lubbock. He bought a quantity of seed of the new short stalk varieties of grain sorghums that have been developed in the Texas Plains country. Sorghums in Africa grow ten feet tall.

Texas farm crops in 1947 rose to record high levels. The 142,500,000-bushel wheat crop was the big item, with wheat selling at \$2 a bushel.

But the record cotton crop of nearly 3,360,000 bales was also an important development with cotton selling at better than 30 cents a pound. Texas recovered some of its foreign export trade in cotton. South Texas produced a record crop of short varieties of milo maize and other grain sorghums, the kind that can be harvested by combine. The growing market for threshed grain from these sorghums means an increase in this type of farming in Texas. Sweet potatoes, flax and peatons have become major money-making crops in Texas.

A campaign to increase interest in fruit trees in Lamar county conducted by the Paris News has resulted in sale of 7,638 fruit trees. Special field day demonstrations were held with J. S. Rosborough, Texas A. & M. extension horticulturist, explaining details as to proper planting and care of fruit trees. Orders were taken through the newspaper for trees at cost. Deliveries are to be made in January.

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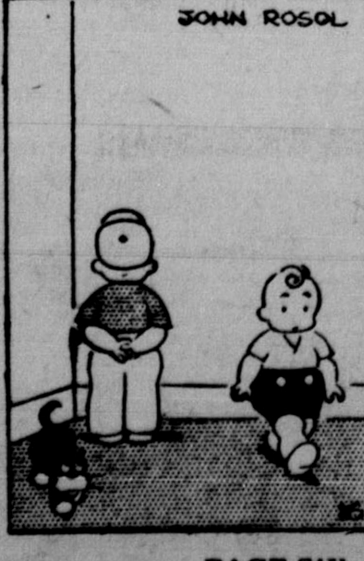
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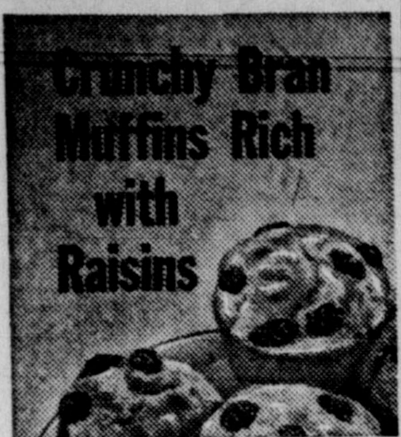
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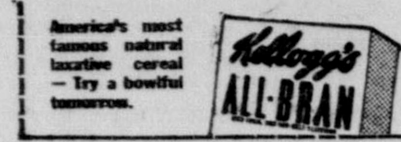
Branched Bran Muffins Rich with Raisins

Tasty Kellogg's All-Bran and luscious raisins... m-m-m, there's a mouth-watering flavor combination!

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2 tablespoons shortening
1/2 cup sugar
1 egg
1 cup Kellogg's All-Bran
1/2 cup milk
1 cup sifted flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 cup raisins

Blend shortening and sugar thoroughly; add egg and beat well. Stir in Kellogg's All-Bran and milk. Let soak until most of moisture is taken up. Sift flour with salt and baking powder; stir in raisins. Add to first mixture and stir only until flour disappears. Fill greased muffin pans two-thirds full. Bake in a moderately hot oven (400° F.) 25 to 30 minutes. Makes 9 marvelous muffins.

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Workers at the \$20,000,000 atomic energy plant at Canada's national research council, located at Chalk River, Ontario, can be seen walking to their jobs. Experiments there have opened many new avenues into atomic research, according to Canadian authorities. The plant is closely guarded by soldiers at all times.

Americans are putting much of their savings into government bonds. Series E bonds held by the public hit a new record high total of around \$31,000,000,000 as the new year came in. January—always the biggest bond-buying month—is sure to put the total higher.

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BE INTERESTED IN CHILD'S SCHOOL LIFE

(Condensed from Detroit Free-Press)
Examine yourself. As parent, do you take a genuine interest in your child's school life? Be interested in his teachers and the school activities that absorb so much of your child's time and interest.

Visit your child's school whenever special events are planned for parents. If you are interested in school plays, your child will be interested too. And remember that when he performs before audiences, he is acquiring poise and confidence in himself. Take an interest in your child's studies. If he is failing in a certain subject, discover what the reason might be. Teach your child to give a little extra time to the subjects that give him a bad time. Also, it might be well to talk over the situation with his teacher. Together you may be able to overcome the difficulty. Help your child to select a course of study that is suited to his nature. If he has exceptional creative ability, see that he is given an opportunity to be trained along those lines. But be sure his course is a well-rounded one. Supervise your child's home study and protect him from interruptions during study hours.



"Take an interest in your child's studies."

VITAMIN A AND CAROTINE IN HUMAN FOODS

G. S. FRAPS, Collaborating Chemist, A. & M. College of Texas.

It is now well recognized that an adequate human diet must contain carbohydrates, fats, proteins, minerals and vitamins in certain amount. The carbohydrates, fats, and proteins supply energy (calories), which is usually expressed in terms of metabolic energy although it may also be expressed as productive energy. The energy is used for carrying on vital activities, keeping the body warm, in materials for growth, for work and gain in weight. In addition to their use for energy, the proteins are used for growth and replacement of the muscles, organs, blood and other parts of the animal body. The minerals calcium and phosphorus are used to form and repair bones and other tissues. Other minerals, including sodium, chlorine (salt), iodine, iron, magnesium, manganese and copper are needed for various purposes of the body.

Vitamins are organic compounds which are required in very small quantities for the maintenance and normal growth of animals, including man.

The failure of vision in dim light, referred to as night-blindness, was known to the ancient Egyptians, and corrective treatment is now known to be justified.

PROBLEM OF BAD BOYS

You think that the boy who gets into trouble comes from the wrong side of the railroad tracks?

That he's a boy who hates school? A boy who is embittered with his parents? Well, you're nearly all wrong!

A survey just completed by William W. Wattenberg, associate professor of educational psychology at Wayne University, Detroit, proves it.

Working with material collected by the Crime Prevention Bureau of the Detroit Police Department, Wattenberg has found that more than 80 per cent of the boys who get into trouble come from homes "with adequate incomes."

What's more, the majority of them like their parents and have no aversion to school.

In checking a wider group of statistics which included cases which had not got into court, Wattenberg found that only 15 per cent of the boys came from "substandard buildings."

The largest group of boys came from "average neighborhoods."
"It makes boys in trouble a problem of the whole city and not of slum districts alone," Wattenberg said.

But, despite their attitude toward their parents, the boys had suffered from neglect. In one-third of the cases, the boys reported that their parents were absent during the day. And in half the cases, the parents were away most of the night.

This neglect was reflected even more strikingly in the fact that in barely one-twelfth of the cases did parents regularly take part in any of their son's activities.

The "bad boys" usually came from fairly large families, having both brothers and sisters. Fewer than one boy in 11 was an only child.

That broken homes result in juvenile offenders was strikingly reaffirmed by the study.

Fathers serve to keep their boys in line better. Among the boys in trouble, deaths of fathers were reported twice as often as deaths of mothers.

Wattenberg added, "Religious leaders probably will note with satisfaction that the boys who attend church regularly form a minority of the boys who get into trouble. However, less than one-third of the boys reported that they seldom or never went to church."

TESTED RECIPES

Frankfurters Are Economical

Keeping a close watch on nutrition and variety, with an occasional glance at your food budget is a problem which confronts all meal planners these days. In the meal suggested moderately priced foods are used in a little different way. Frankfurters and potato salad are both favorites at any time of the year, and here is the recipe to serve four.

Three-fourths pound frankfurters; 1 egg; 4 cups mashed potatoes; 2 tablespoons prepared mustard; 2 tablespoons vinegar; 4 tablespoons melted butter or margarine; 1/2 cup chopped celery; 1/4 cup chopped onion; salt and pepper to taste.

Beat egg and add to potatoes. Add remaining ingredients and mix thoroughly. Place in a shallow casserole and bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Take from oven, arrange frankfurters on top and bake another 10 minutes to heat up the frankfurters and give them a slight brownish cast to their skins.

The bread for the meal can take the form of muffins. This makes eight large muffins.

Three-fourths cup enriched flour; 2 1/2 teaspoons baking powder; 1/2 teaspoon salt; 2 tablespoons sugar; 1 egg, well beaten; 1/4 cup milk; 3 tablespoons melted shortening; 1 1/2 cups 40 per cent bran flakes cereal.

Sift flour once, measure and sift again with baking powder, salt and sugar. Combine milk and eggs. Add the liquid ingredients to the combined dry ingredients. Add melted shortening and mix only enough to dampen the flour. Fold in the bran flakes. Fill greased muffin tins two-thirds full and bake in hot oven, 425 degrees, for 15 to 20 minutes, depending on the size of the muffins.

Plate for Food Conservation

This Peace Plate suggestion lines up with the food conservation program in two ways. It makes appetizing use of mature fowl (one of those taken off the grain-feeding line) and dumplings made with ever so little flour.

5 pound fowl, cut up; 1/2 teaspoon pepper; Few stalks or leaves of celery (optional); 2 teaspoons salt; 1 1/2 quarts of hot water.

Combine all ingredients and simmer gently, covered, three or four hours or until tender. Be careful to cook the chicken slowly! Thicken stock to make nice rich gravy if desired.

Rhubarb Salad

1 package cherry gelatine; 1/2 cup chopped celery; 1 1/2 cups hot rhubarb; 1/2 cup orange sauce; 1/2 cup chopped pecans; 1/2 cup thinly sliced green onion; Dash of Tabasco sauce.

Use fresh or frozen rhubarb to make a sauce, and sweeten it to taste. Pour hot rhubarb over gelatine and stir until thoroughly dissolved. Add vinegar and To-

The eating of liver was prescribed 4,000 years ago. Not until 1917 was it recognized that the cure for certain types of night-blindness depended on the newly-recognized fat-soluble vitamin A, which is present in liver.

Vitamin A is also sometimes called fat-soluble A. Its presence in sufficient amounts promotes appetite, digestion, growth and long life, maintains health and vigor, prevents certain infections especially of the eyes and lungs, and is essential for normal reproduction, lactation and rearing of the young. When deficient or when absent from the diet, human beings and young animals may suffer from retardation of growth. Older animals, when the bodily stores of vitamin A are exhausted, and when receiving insufficient vitamin A or carotene, may suffer from loss of appetite, night-blindness, infections of the eyes, kidneys, bladder and alimentary canals. Vitamin A occurs in livers, milk, butter and eggs. Some fish liver oils contain high amounts of vitamin A.

Carotenes occur in vegetables and fruits, especially in green or yellow parts of them. They can be converted to vitamin A in the animal body. Carotenes are yellow in color, while vitamin A is colorless.

OLD-TIME WAGON YARDS

Many old-timers in Texas and Oklahoma can recall with distinct nostalgia the wagon yards of 40 to 50 years ago. These historical landmarks, the forerunners of our first hotels, did much toward creating communities as well as paving the way for our modern highway system.

Prior to the beginning of this century, man transported his goods and his family by horse, ass or ox. With his coming, an increasing need for places to spend the night became evident. The wagon yards provided that answer.

The wagon yard of long ago usually required at least a quarter of a block, and often an entire block. Generally, they were enclosed. Inside the yard were many smaller pens and stalls. Some had a large shed enclosed on the sides, with a roof overhead, so that loaded wagons could be driven in out of the weather. Most of them had camp houses and room for their customers to make down their beds. It was here that they cooked their coffee, bacon and beans by their wagons and bed rolls.

The wagon yard owner provided feed and water for the animals, usually charging a fee of 25c per team and the cost of the feed. He also provided wood for their camp fires.

Back in the '80s, when cattle sold for less than \$10 a head, much of Texas and Oklahoma was undeveloped and trips to town by the farmers and ranchers were made only once or twice a year. Many of the old-timers liked the wagon yards so well that they patronized them long after the early hotels were established.

Around the camp fires in the evening farmers, freighters and travelers swapped news about their sections. Weather signs and crops were real news, just as fresh and savory to them as the latest radio news reports today are to us.

As railroads began to extend their lines and highways came into being, wagon yards began a slow fadeout. By 1912, automobile buying began in earnest and there was little necessity for these landmarks of a bygone era.

The night is fast spent, the day is at hand; let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Ro. 13:12.

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Quick Oatmeal Cookies

1 cup sifted flour
2 cups uncooked rolled oats
1 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup chopped dates
1 cup brown sugar
2 eggs
1/2 cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 cup soft fat
1/2 cup chopped pecans

Sift flour, salt and baking powder. Add softened fat, sugar, eggs, vanilla and half the milk. Beat 2 minutes either by hand or using medium speed on electric mixer. Fold in remaining milk, rolled oats, dates and pecans. Drop from a teaspoon onto greased baking sheet and bake at 375 degrees Fahrenheit for 12 to 15 minutes. (Makes about four dozen cookies.)

NEW OAT RESISTS BLIGHT

Midwestern farmers have been promised a new Victoria blight-resistant oat variety by 1949.

Experimental stations in Nebraska, Iowa and Kansas worked with the United States Department of Agriculture in developing the new variety. It was christened Nemaha, since Nemaha counties in Kansas and Nebraska are in its area of use.

About 2,500 bushels were produced last year, but no seed will be available for general distribution until next year, it was said.

Dr. R. J. Havens, reports from Washington that the latest word about temperatures up yonder is that atmospheric temperatures probably rise to about 1,830 degrees above zero at 150 miles altitude.

LIGHTER FREIGHT CARS

Freight car designers are seeking lighter constructions to reduce "dead weights." S. M. Felton, president of the American Railway Car Institute, believes present weights can be reduced by as much as seven tons, saving railroads \$150,000,000 a year.

CO-EDS PREFER BRAINS

Penn State College students have decided it might be easy to waltz your way to college popularity, but the average co-eds much prefer the brainy type. A poll by students showed the most popular men with women are intelligent, honest, loyal and dependable. The survey also showed that the most unpopular students were lazy, boastful and tardy.

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**STATE OF TEXAS
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W. B. COCKE'S Sale
WHEREAS, on the 12th day of November, 1947, in Cause No. 111 of the District court of Hansford County, Texas, wherein the Spearman Rural High School District of the City of Spearman, were plaintiffs, and Impleaded Party Defendants, recovered judgement against W. B. Cocke; Richard H. Cocke; T. B. Tomlinson, a widow; T. B. Tomlinson and H. H. Tomlinson, known heirs of T. B. Tomlinson, deceased; and the unknown heirs, their heirs and legal representatives of said T. B. Tomlinson, deceased, and the Realty Trust Company, a corporation, defendants for taxes, penalty, interest, and cost against the defendant described property; the total sum of \$1941.20, the costs in sum of \$32.50, no value being proven; on the 15th day of January, 1948, by virtue of said judgement and the mandates thereof of the Clerk of the above mentioned District Court of said county to issue an order of sale commanding me as Sheriff of said county to seize, upon, and sell in the manner provided by law the hereinafter described property; WHEREAS, by virtue of said judgement and said Order of Sale and the mandates thereof I did on the 15th day of Jan., 1948, seize and levy upon as the property of the above defendants the hereinafter described property, situated in Hansford County, Texas:

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DATED at Spearman, Texas, this 15th day of January, 1948.
J. B. Cooke Sheriff Hansford County, Texas.

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HANSFORD**
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WHEREAS, on the 12th day of November, 1947, in Cause No. 110 of the District court of Hansford County, Texas, wherein the Spearman Rural High School District of the City of Spearman, were plaintiffs, and Impleaded Party Defendants, recovered judgement against Rogers, and husband, J. W. ...
ants for taxes, penalty, interest, and cost against the defendant described property; the total sum of \$28.53; the value being proven: \$11.75; on the 15th day of January, 1948, by virtue of said judgement and the mandates thereof of the Clerk of the above mentioned District Court of said county to issue an order of sale commanding me as Sheriff of said county to seize, upon, and sell in the manner provided by law the hereinafter described property; WHEREAS, by virtue of said judgement and said Order of Sale and the mandates thereof I did on the 15th day of Jan., 1948, seize and levy upon as the property of the above defendants the hereinafter described property, situated in Hansford County, Texas:

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Beginning at a point in the South line, 390 feet west from the S E corner of Out lot No 35; thence north 165 feet; thence west 100 feet; thence south 165 feet; thence east to the place of beginning 100 feet; also being described as Tract "C" of Out Lot No 35, lying adjacent to the City of Spearman, Texas.
And I will on the first Tuesday in the month of March, 1948, the same being the 2nd day of said month, proceed to sell all the right, title, and interest of the Defendants in and to said property at the Court House door of said county in the city or town of Spearman between the hours of 2:00 p. m. and 4:00 p. m. to the highest bidder for cash, provided, however, that none of said property shall be sold to the owner of said property directly or indirectly or to anyone having an interest therein or to any party other than a taxing unit which is a party to this suit for less than the amount of the adjudged value of said property or the aggregate amount of judgements against said property in said suit, whichever is lower, subject also to the right of the Defendants to redeem same in the time and manner provided by law and subject also to the right of the Defendants to have said property divided and sold in less divisions than the whole.
DATED at Spearman, Texas, this 15th day of January, 1948.
J. B. Cooke Sheriff Hansford County, Texas.

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
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NOTICE TO LAND OWNERS
To: J. E. Gerber, non-resident of Hansford County, Texas:
You are hereby notified that the undersigned Jury of Freeholders, acting under and by virtue of an order of the Commissioners' Court of Hansford County, Texas, will on the first day of March A. D. 1948, proceed to lay out and survey a road of the first class, 60 feet in width, beginning at a point where State Highway No. 117 crosses the section line between Sections No. 14 and 15, in Block No. 3, S. A. and M. G. Ry. Co. in Hansford County, Texas, and running thence south on section lines to the south line of Hansford County, and which may run through or along the section line of certain lands owned by you, and will at the same time assess the damages incidental to the opening of said road, when you may present to us a statement, in writing, of the damages if any claimed by you.
Witness our hands this 27th day of January A. D. 1948.
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L. E. Morrison
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To May Wilkes Crowe; James B. Langston, Joe L. Wilkes, Sterling P. Jackson, Kent K. Jackson, Mrs. Mary Brandvik, Arthur Bernstein, C. W. Laird, Gladys Shapley Alexander and husband - Alexander; F. A. Shapley, Grover Y. Wilson, Lillie May Wilson, Mrs. Mary A. B. Ducorron, Mary Lillian ...
H. and G. N. Ry. Co., and terminating at said point.
The petition as presented in this connection is for the purpose of widening the existing 60 foot road to an 80 foot road following the above described route; and (2) Beginning on the section line between Sections No. 15 and 16, in Block No. "P", grantee H. and G. N. Ry. Co., and at the north line of the Cooper Addition to the town of Gruver, and running thence north on section lines and with the said present road to the Southeast corner of section No. 4, in said Block "P", grantee H. and G. N. Ry. Co. and terminating at said point.
The petition as presented in this connection is for the purpose of widening the existing 60 foot road to an 80 foot road following the route above described; and which roads as now existing as 60 foot roads and to be widened to 80 foot roads, may run through or along the section lines of certain lands owned by you, and will at the same time assess the damages incidental to the opening of said road, when you may present to us a statement, in writing, of the damages if any claimed by you.
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February 20
J R Collard
February 21
Mrs Marion Close

OSLO NEWS
Sunday school and church services at the Oslo Lutheran church next Sunday weater permitting. Announcements about the Luther League meeting and church building meeting will be made after services at the services Sunday.
The snow drifts from last weeks severe snow storm are still with us. Tractors and jeeps are still the most popular means of transportation. Each day of sunshine is greatly appreciated.
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Remick and son, Jerry are here visiting relatives and friends. They are not unfamiliar with our present weather conditions since they are from Dundas, Minnesota. Mrs. Remick is the former Lilyn Hiersche of Fairbault, Minnesota.
Mrs. Emil Knutson and David Knutson returned Tuesday evening from Lindsborg, Kansas. They have been visiting Amy Knutson who is a student at Bethany College in Lindsborg. We did not have services at the church last Sunday because of the road conditions. May the weather be such that all can come Sunday.

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ED NOTES e

Many homemakers have had trouble in keeping house plants in good condition, through the winter months.

A good potted cyclamen will bloom for several months if kept at a temperature of 65 to 68 degrees where it can get morning light. Never allow the soil to dry out completely while it is blooming, but when it starts to lose leaves, let the soil dry and then store the plant in a cool, dark damp place to carry it over a second season.

A begonia needs full light from windows during the entire year, even in the warm rooms with dry air. Primroses need much light in winter and do best at about 65 degrees. The Jerusalem cherry and ornamental pepper like cool temperatures too, as well as moist air and plenty of sunshine.

Plants last much longer in a cool moist air

during the day, and thrive best at a temperature of 50 to 60 degrees.

African violets need a sunny window during the middle of winter, but can be put in the shade about the last of February. Let the soil dry before watering, then use water several degrees warmer than room temperature.

WHEAT RUST

The stage is all set for a severe epidemic of stem-rust or black-rust in the wheat country next spring.

It all depends on the principle actors—the rust spores and the right weather. The combination of wheat germinating so late on the High Plains, together with the large acreage of earlier wheat in the rolling plain areas east of the caprock, makes a favorable situation for the development of stem rust on late wheat if the spores develop sufficiently on the early planted wheat.

Nothing can be done about the weather, of course, but the situation can be greatly aggravated by the planting of stem rust susceptible varieties of spring wheat and barley, the specialists say, as such varieties would make prolific sources of a stem rust spore, which in turn might affect wheat farther north, as none of the hard red winter wheat varieties are immune to stem rust.

Agronomists recommend the planting of oats in place of spring wheat or barley. They say the yields of spring planted oats are much more certain in Texas than either spring wheat or barley and stem rust of oats does not affect wheat. Varieties of oats such as Fultex Kanota, New Nortex or Ferguson 922 are good selections.

The specialists point out that in view of the great need for a bumper crop in

'48, every possible precaution should be taken to reduce the possibility of stem rust epidemic.

More than 59,588 girls were enrolled in 1947 in 2,701 girls 4-H clubs in Texas. And each one of them worked on a demonstration which would be a progressive, practical example of homemaking.

Demonstrations selected by the girls varied according to their individual choices, and included such projects as clothing; production, preparation and preservation of foods; beautification of home grounds; furnishings and room improvement; health; child care, home industry, arts and crafts, and junior leadership.

More than 26,000 girls conserved 1,261,000 quarts of food; 38,528 made and re-made more than 150,000 garments; 29,436 prepared

and served 1,855,000 meals and 10,042 were interested in home industry, arts and crafts. Gardening, poultry and home improvement demonstrations ranked next in number of girls enrolled.

More than 290 camps were held during the summer months and 9,075 boys and their leaders attended. Much of the credit for the growth and strength of the 4-H clubs in Texas can be given to the local leaders.

HELEN FISHER SAYS THE WILMETH BOYS GET NERVOUS WHEN STRANDED

Mrs. Helen Fisher declares that Walter, Roy and Ernest Wilmeth were as bad as expectant fathers when it comes to being stranded away from home.

Mr and Mrs Walter Wilmeth, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wilmeth, and Mr and Mrs Roy Wilmeth and families were all at Phillips for the basketball game, and re-

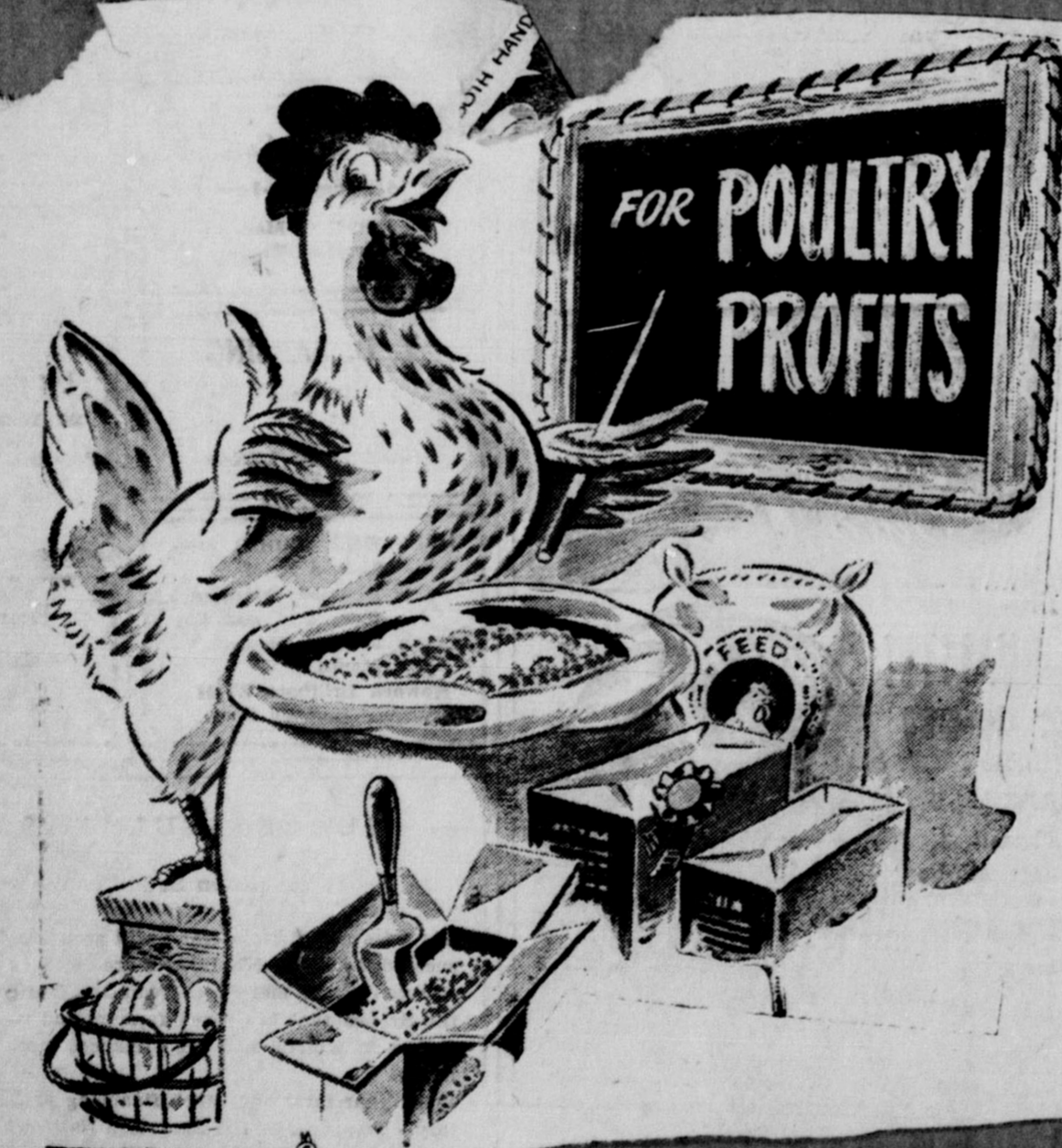
mained until Thursday afternoon. Finally Thursday afternoon Walter phoned Mrs Fisher and instructed her to get some one to break the road, as he felt he had to get to Spearman. Helen realized that the three Wilmeths, plus one of the top hands, Tom Tiley, bus driver for the basketball players, did leave the family in a bad shape with them all away from home, and no one to check on the cattle. She persuaded Herman Mitchell to drive up with his big house moving truck with a crane attached and break the road. Fortunately none of the cars returning Thursday afternoon were stuck.

Others who remained at Phillips and Berger until the highway cleared the road included: Mr and Mrs Sam Patterson, P A Lyon, Jr, L M Womble, Mrs Gwinifred Lackey, Mr and Mrs Grady Pearson.

Cacao From Venezuela Venezuelan cacao production is divided into two types, the criollo, which is sweet and the forastero or foreign type. Today cacao is grown in the states of Miranda, Carabobo and Yaracuy along the coast and near the towns of El Pilar, Irapa and Guris as well as in the Amacuro delta. The principal criollo plantations are those near Maracaibo in Aragua, Carabobo and Yaracuy. According to Venezuelan authorities the criollo type is more subject to disease and produces a larger but less numerous pod. Fermented pods are processed to induce fermentation. Cacao harvests are in June and December. After the fruit is removed from the pod with machetes the beans are fermented—criollo is fermented only one day—then it is washed and dried in the sun. Although the crop's importance has declined in recent years, Venezuela at one time furnished one-eighth of all the world's cacao.

Calcium Helps Apples Experiments at New York State agricultural experiment station, Geneva, have shown that calcium helps retain the original firmness of apples during canning and freezing. Food scientists also have found that calcium-treated apples retain their shape better in pies than do apples which were not treated. When apples are soft due to advanced ripening, the calcium treatment is very useful in making the tissue firmer before canning or freezing. Apples should be treated before they are packed into the container in which they are preserved. For canning, the scientists found that adding 0.1 per cent calcium chloride to the salt water in which the apples usually are soaked before steam blanching will do the job. The treatment was successful when 0.5 per cent calcium chloride was simply added to the water in which the apples were blanched before freezing.

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Mrs. Henry Harrison, 80 year... mother of Bert and Russell...

The Womens Society of Chris... tian Service met Wednesday...

Mack Dortch has been ill with...

Dinner guests in the home of...

Grace Miller Adams left Mon... day to return to her home in...

Were you one of the ones who... did not find the Morse - Pringle...

The community has been miss... ing the efficient, friendly...

Work on three roads out of... Morse is scheduled to bring...

Hungry? Come on to the Par... ent Teachers association...

Something-for-envy: That new... bedroom suite in solid pecan...

Patricia Henderson and Eve... lyn Kelly are home from the...

Members of the young people... were invited to a youth confer...

A February birthday we miss... ed is Joe Lynn Copeland for...

Mrs. Forrester has been ill...

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hankins... have been planning a trip to...

They tell me the moons d... are so wonderful you...

storm is over and the South gets...

Amarillo visitors Monday we... re Merle and Pat Bentley, Pearl...

Weather not-with-standing... invitations have been issued...

Here's a little story that's... been blowing around since...

Moody Womble went to Way... land College at Plainview to...

Drifts and drifts of snow. Fro... zen windmills and pipes. Stalled...

Many of us knew the Robert... Reynolds family who lived on...

Of course you have read the... story of the deaths in the...

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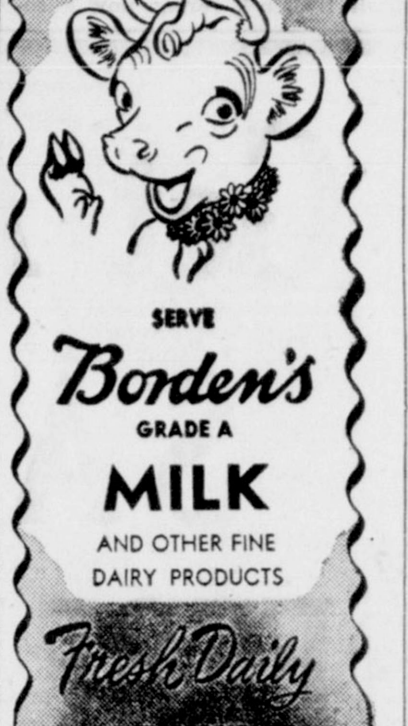
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benefits. 2. Your social security card should be safeguarded. Keep the bottom half in a safe place...

3. If you change your name your local office can issue you another card...

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SOCIETY NEWS

Clubs Parties Socials

Ceremony Read Saturday In St. John's Church

In a double ring wedding ceremony read Saturday at one o'clock Miss Merrilyn Snider daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Snider of Lubbock and Jack E. Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Walker of Memphis, Tex., were married. Rev. Cecil R. Mathews read the ceremony before an altar decorated with white glad-oll and white tapers.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Mrs. Robert Pezzoli, sister of the bride, was Matron of Honor.

Mrs. Walker graduated from Spearman High School and Texas Tech College. The bridegroom is also a graduate of Texas Tech.

For the past several months the bride has been a stewardess for American airlines, flying from Dallas to Chicago, New York, Mexico City, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

The couple will be at home in Dallas, Texas.

Delphinium Flower Club

The Delphinium Flower Club opened the 1948 club year with a meeting in the home of Mrs. Frank Allen February 16th.

Mrs. Allen President, read the Club Constitution and By-Laws. The money won by the Club on their floats during the Spearman Celebration, held in 1946 and 1947, was agreed to be given to Mr. Richardson. This is in addition to the amount already contributed to the play ground fund for the purchase of a park fountain.

Mrs. E. N. Richardson gave a detailed and informative discourse on the subject "A Gardener's Story of the Soil."

A delightful salad and dessert course was served to Mesdames C. A. Gibner, Freeman Barkley, Robert Meek, Turner Shirley, C. W. Smith, Ray Phelps, R. B. Archer Jr., John Bishop, Walter Wilmeth, Sid Clark, John R. Collard Jr., and the hostess.

Senior Girl Scout News

Senior Girl Scouts met Monday evening in the home of Helen Fisher, they went from there to visit the Antique Shop of Mrs. W. E. McClellan.

Mrs. McClellan discussed in an interesting manner various antiques and their history. The Scouts derived rich benefit from the discussion and exhibition. They returned to Mrs. Fisher for a business meeting and refreshments. Plans were made to begin the folk dancing practice for the Fun For YOU program, and for the Celebration April 24 and 25.

At their last regular meeting, they had a skating practice at the Spearman Rink and from there to Mrs. Sam Henry's for a chill supper and meeting.

The next regular meeting will be held the first Monday in March in the home of Martha Cayton.

Hansford H D Club

Met Feb. 10

The Hansford H D Club met on Feb. 10 with Mrs. Ted Rosenbaum. Miss Vance gave a very interesting demonstration on the healthful sleeping made easy.

The next meeting will be Feb. 24 with Mrs. Harry Shedeck.

The Club was very glad to have Mrs. Archa Morse and her mother as new members.

Members present were Mesdames: Maize, Shedeck, Braton, Floyd, Miss Vance and the hostess, Mrs. Rosenbaum.

Birthday Dinner At Glover Home

Not all great men were born in February, but we have Lincoln, Washington and eighty year old J. M. Glover, father of W. M. Glover of Spearman. The father was guest of his son for a big birthday dinner and entertainment on the occasion of his 80th birthday February 10th. Living up to his age, the elder Glover was the life of the party after the big dinner and cake had been consumed. The group played dominoes, visited and listened to Miss Wilson sing, following the meal.

In addition to Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Glover the following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. Ira Pearson, Gwendolyn and Mary; Mr. and Mrs. Matt H. Sines, Phillip and David; Miss Johnnie Wilson.

The Womens Society of Christian service met with Mrs. H. P. Bailey Feb. 13, 1948 with the following members present: Mesdames Marvin Chambers, P. A. Lyon, Pope Gibner, C. A. Gibner, and E. N. Richardson.

Mrs. Lyon conducted the Bible Study, assisted by Mrs. P. A. Lyon, C. A. Gibner and Richardson.

Mrs. Don Tipton returned to Spearman this morning after several weeks of being confined to her room. She has been under the care of a heart specialist in Houston, and will be convalescing for several weeks yet.

Picture Show Is Feature Of Lion Club Meet Tues.

A Lion Club program arranged by County Agent Zack Jaggers, and introduced by Lion Tom Eitter, proved very instructive to members, when representatives of the Sherwin Williams Paint Co. presented a 23 minute film showing the new methods of eliminating weeds with the famous 2-4-D mixture.

The show was an outstanding show, before and after pictures, and proving conclusively the statement made by Sherwin Williams Paint Co., that losses approximately nine billion dollars were suffered by producers as result of weed growth.

Truly those witnessing the picture show cannot see why the weed will not eventually be eliminated entirely. The representatives explained that one gallon of the 2-4-D mixture will kill all the weeds on an acre of land, even when heavily infested. Even smaller amounts will eliminate weeds under more favorable conditions.

Guests at the club included P.

Morse News

Bell and Braden, contractors who are working on the highway west, north and south of Morse have already started to open the east and west roads leading to civilization. They began work Friday by running an RD Bulldozer pushing the snow off the side, and two maintainers dragged the caterpillars to open part of the east and west roads two miles south of Morse. Places in the road were so deep that the bulldozer and maintainers were sidetracked and the bulldozer pushed the snow into piles, some of them ten feet high. People of Morse and Pringle Communities appreciate Bell and Bradens men very much for opening their roads so that stockman can get feed to their cattle, and see how their livestock fared; now gaso-

line and butane trucks can reach their destinations and many homes were almost without butane etc. A route is provided to the grocery store and the post office, although there isn't any mail yet because trains and the automobile delivery service has been completely stalled. Yes, thanks to the road workers. We do appreciate it very much. Most of us have been completely closed since the storm Tuesday night. But how much more we will appreciate Bell and Braden when they have the 100 feet of right of way graded and black-topped. The blacktop will probably not be put on before May 1. The gang working now is the bridge gang.

Now that stockmen are able to get around again, everyone who has strays in their herds are asked to care for them and report it to this column. Likewise, anyone who has lost cattle. Many cattle are drifted during the storm, and a few losses are reported. Most of the losses were due to calving or the new calves themselves. R. C. Womble has lost 3 head branded W on the left hip. Anyone knowing their whereabouts, please notify Mr. Womble or contact your Reporter.

During the aftermath of this blizzard, people do not know what roads are, and it reminds us of the old days when people chartered unknown courses and traveled by the north star to learn directions they wanted to go. Thus now they travel through all fields and over fences where necessary, re-fastening them temporarily. Snow blew into the barns, drifting in front of and behind sheds until some were as

high as the buildings themselves. Open faced sheds were drifted completely full. Puzzling shapes were laid out in the snow. People also are reporting their gauges on butane and propane tanks are in the red. We urge every butane dealer serving this area to give special and immediate attention to their customers. The situation is critical. More fuel was required for heating purposes during the storm, and according to radio reports, more may be needed again. A few of the cattlemen in the community who do not already have sufficient roughness of some sort are shipping in feed. What may prove to be the worst months, March and April, are just ahead. One winter a rancher who had several hundred head of cattle, caked them thru the winter until April and ten lost nearly every one of them in a late storm. Yes, we appreciate good roads. South of Morse, Paul Jones, county commissioner, has also had his crew working long hours on the road.

Saturday the roads were open and our people went to town. Actually not literally. Off hand I know that Mr. and Mrs. Sid Board were Berger visitors as were mesdames Ella V. Parks, an Charles Thompson, Lex Board, and A. C. Womble.

Here is something none of us had thought about until now that it's thawing. Houses that had snow seep through walls and the wainscoting are beginning to leak. The snow was so powdery and the wind so strong, it seemed to go through solid walls.

People who have empty buildings in the country had better investigate them, before floors bu-

ckle and ceilings sag. They tell me that a house unlined in, will deteriorate twice as quickly as one which is inhabited. At any

rate, houses without insulation, or double walls accumulated an amazing amount of snow in the inside.

Saturday the railroads got a train through. The first since the storm. Tracks were drifted high with the snow and ice.

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