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By Kernel Gene, aPe

Comments on last week's "Hulls" have been very interesting. Some who are opposed to third terms seems to think that Shivers has a 2-1 edge over Yarborough. Discussions got pretty heated around the Progress office Saturday but with it all everyone had a good laugh too.

Last week I placed a Shivers Placard in the Progress window. Friday I noticed something odd and sure enough a saboteur had placed a sign over this placard, "I am votin agin" with an arrow pointing down. The sign had been printed in my shop but none of my angelic assistants knew anything about it. However, crime will out and while I have no direct proof, Oda Monroe was offering lots of alibis as to where he was last week.

If you would like to express your views, political or otherwise, through the columns of the Progress, I will be glad to publish them. The only requirement is that your convictions be signed.

"During a severe Kansas sandstorm a man seen driving a combine at a high rate of speed down the road, in response to a question, he explained, 'I planted that wheat and I'm going to harvest it if I have to chase it all the way to the Gulf of Mexico.'"

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God built a continent of glory, and filled it with treasures untold. He studded it with sweet flowing fountains, and traced it with long-winding streams. He carried it with soft-rolling prairies, and columned it with thundering mountains. He graced it with deep-shadowed forests, and filled them with song.

Then he called unto a thousand peoples, and summoned the bravest among them. They came from the ends of the earth, each bearing a gift and a hope. The glow of adventure was in their eyes, and in their hearts the glory of hope.

And out of the bounty of earth, and the labor of men; out of the longing of hearts, and the prayer of souls out of the memory of ages, and hopes of the world, God fashioned a nation in love, and blessed it with purpose sublime, and called it AMERICA!

It's nice to be remembered—and I appreciate the card from Mr. and Mrs. E. D. David of Lamesa who stated they saw Theresa and me on TV recently on the Humble show, "Texas In Review." We were attending the Texas Press Convention in Fort Worth.

Mr. David played a major role in the development and promotion of peanut production in this area. As I recall it was mainly through his efforts that peanut farmers were paid a nice bonus in 1945 or was it '46.

Mrs. Fannie Hunt visited the Progress office Tuesday morning and showed me a dozen luscious looking tomatoes. That is, the tomatoes looked good on one side. The opposite side of each tomato had been ruined by chickens pecking at them. This is the age-old problem of garden lovers and chicken raisers. I know it is difficult to keep chickens penned but it is also hard work raising flowers and a garden only to have your efforts ruined by neighbors chickens, or livestock.

Isn't there a quotation that goes, "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you."

It is truly said, we sometimes neglect those we think the most of. A letter from Mrs. Keith, Desdemona correspondent, states that I have been consistent in leaving out the Desdemona News. I hope my friends in Desdemona will forgive this negligence and I will

## Highlights and Sidelights

By VERN SANFORD

Texas' campaign trails are sizzling as figures in the quest for the state's top political job enter the speech-making home stretch.

Gov. Allan Shivers' bid for reelection was boosted by the announcement of State Senator A. M. Aikin that he would support the governor.

Aikin, champion of public education and co-author of the Gilmer-Aikin laws, said he has never doubted the sincerity, integrity, or ability of the governor.

In a string of campaign speeches broken by a brief personal visit to the Rio Grande flood area and a request to President Eisenhower to designate five hard-hit counties as disaster areas, Shivers:

1. Charged that opponent Ralph Yarborough does not have the interest of the state's old people at heart. The governor said that his opponent has "never lifted a finger to help increase old-age assistance," but has worked to boost pensions for retired judges.

2. Received support from an Austin union barber who said that charges made against the governor in a Corpus Christi labor convention were "unjust." G. O. Eddleman said that the governor had always been helpful to the laboring people and that the "anti-labor" accusation brought against Shivers was the work of labor's "would-be bosses."

3. Reiterated his stand against changes in segregation laws and hit out at Yarborough for "mud slinging."

4. Cited industrial gains and the fact that more people are working and making more money in Texas than ever before. "Is this what Yarborough wants to change?" Shivers inquired.

## Yarborough Busy

Candidate Yarborough continued his campaign, aided by a chartered airplane that shuttled him to more than 30 towns for brief speeches.

He promised to "clean out" the Texas Insurance Commission if elected.

He also demanded an audit of the books of John Van Cronkhite, a former Shivers campaign manager whose name came up in the bankruptcy case of Lloyd's of North America.

Yarborough declared against third terms, saying that "when politicians become fixtures their cronies become fixers."

The candidate promised an administration dedicated to quick aid for farmers and ranchers, better roads and highways, better schools, and expanded veterans land, health, and state welfare programs.

## Holmes Is Active

Covering the crossroads is J. J. Holmes of Austin. He is making a grassroots search for votes, spending little time in the big cities. It is his first for governor.

## State Court's

One state court has wound up business for a summer vacation and two more will soon follow suit.

The Court of Criminal Appeals finished its nine-month term and recessed until Oct. 1. Expected to shut up shop soon were the Supreme Court and the Third Court of Criminal Appeals.

A new associate justice for the Supreme Court is to be appointed by the governor before the court resumes business in the Fall. The new justice will replace the late Judge Graham B. Smedley.

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do my best to see they are not slighted anymore.

For the first time sponsors of the Indian Trail Festival are attempting to hold all activities at Frank A. Gray Memorial Park. All of the events this year are being sponsored by folk in the community.

The Pet Parade, sponsored by the Progress this year, will form in front of the Gorman Hotel and march to the King Theatre. There will be three main prizes — all others entered in the contest will receive a consolation prize. If you have a pet to enter please send your name to the Progress office. We want to know approximately how many will be in the Pet Parade.

## Henry Owen Files Passed Away June 30

Henry Owen Files passed away on Wednesday morning at 8:07, June 30, 1954 after several weeks of serious illness at the age of 70. The funeral services were conducted in the First Baptist Church of Gorman, Thursday at 3 p. m., with Bro. Frank and Willie Skaggs officiating. The interment was in the Oakland Cemetery.

Owen Files was born February 26, 1884 in Arkansas, but came to Texas at an early age, settling near Gorman. In 1905 he was married to Pearl Couch and they have made their home near Gorman, rearing their family here.

Owen was converted in early life and united with the Baptist Church in 1907, later he was ordained as deacon of the Ellison Springs Baptist Church.

He was survived by his wife, four sons and one daughter, Elbert Files of Houston; Clarence Files of Kermit; Ira Files of Arlington; Harvey Files of Arlington; and Mrs. Edna Raney of Arlington. All were present at his death. He was also survived by 11 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, three brothers and three sisters.

The following acted as pallbearers: Marvin Jones, Albert Taylor, Orvil Battenfield, Duard Warren, Quincy Fuller and Johnny Claitor.

The Gorman Higginbotham Funeral Home had charge of the arrangements.

## Final Rites For D. W. Underwood; Carbon

D. W. Underwood, 75, died at the home of his son near Sipe Springs on Tuesday, June 8, 1954. Services were held at the Gorman Church of Christ Wednesday afternoon with Brother Leroy Cowan in charge. Interment was in the Oakland Cemetery.

## MASONIC LODGE WILL HAVE INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS JULY 13

Gorman Lodge No. 716 AF&AM will have Installation of Officers Tuesday night July 13 at 7:30 o'clock. Visitors welcome.

Alex Phillips, W. M.  
J. W. Ramsey, Sec'y.

## Free Diving Lessons At Park Next Week

Folks who stayed at home during the holidays and a number of out-of-town visitors spent several pleasant hours swimming and picnicking at Frank A. Gray Memorial Park.

Graydon Baze, pool manager, says the water continues to flow over the spillway and remain fresh in spite of the hot dry weather. For the benefit of folk who want to take an early swim the pool will begin opening at 8 o'clock Friday, July 10 and will remain open until 9 p. m. Sundays the hours will be from 1 o'clock to 6 p. m.

Graydon said to put a big WANTED sign in the paper this week—he wants thirty or more boys and girls who REALLY want to learn how to dive to be at the pool by 7:45 a. m. July 12. Graydon is going to give free diving lessons from 8 to 10 a. m., from July 12 through the 15. Regular admittance will be charged for entering the pool.

Graydon says some parents have been encouraging their children to enter deep water although they are not experienced swimmers. This is almost as bad as shoving your child in the middle of a heavy stream of traffic and telling him to get out the best he can. If you or your child cannot swim good you should not cross the wire which separates the shallow from the deep pool.

It will also be appreciated if all picnickers will put their scraps and old paper in the cans which are placed in convenient spots.

The welcome mat is out for all who will join us at the Indian Trail Festival to be held in Frank A. Gray Memorial Park July 16-17.

The Baconian theory maintains that Francis Bacon wrote the plays attributed to Shakespeare.

The word Rubaiyat means stanzas consisting of fo

## When Is A Sailor Not A Sailor



Herman Dukes who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Dukes in the Duster community, stopped by the Progress office Tuesday to look over our Rogues Gallery. A graduate of Gorman High in the twenties, Herman joined the U. S. Navy soon after graduation and has stayed with it.

When asked if he was going to make a career of the navy, Herman replied, "I am thinking about it because if I finish this new four year hitch I will have twenty years wrapped up."

Herman said an Air Corps sergeant asked him recently how much time he had in aboard ship. In answering, Herman stated he had less time aboard ship than he had flying time and-service on land. Raised on a farm, all I knew was farming. However, when I got into the navy I took advantage of their schooling and am now a Master Machinist, capable of operating most any type of tool the navy uses. Therefore my services are more valuable on land than on sea. Also, when I retire in a few years I will have a trade which will earn me a nice living plus my retirement.

Herman has returned to Corpus Christi where he is hoping to be stationed for the rest of his enlistment.

## BIRTHS

Loal Wayne Phipp, born to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Phipps of Ranger July 6, 1954 weighed eight and one-half pounds.

Rodger Lynn Rainey, born to Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Rainey of Desdemona June 28 weighed eight pounds and ten ounces.

## IT'S A BOY!

Now we have another reason for putting up flags and celebrating on July 4th. To most folks it means Independence Day but to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Atchison it means the end of their independence. Kenneth Wayne, their new boss, arrived that day at Wolfe hospital in Athens, Texas.

He weighed nine pounds and twelve ounces. He is the first grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Atchison. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lansing of Pittsburgh, Penn.



CAMP BILLY GIBBONS

FIRST ROW — Larry Barnett, Douglas Craig, Larry Poyner, Kenneth Welch, Jerry Warren, Johnny Watson, Roscoe Reeves, Lyndon Maynard.

SECOND ROW — Butch Eison, Troyat Underwood, Woodrow Browning, Kenneth Watson, Stanley Bell, Royce Clement, Joe Mehaffey, Eddie Browning, Scoutma Dea

## D. B. Warren Elected Director In The SWPGA

The Southwestern Peanut Growers Association held an election July 2, 1954 for the purpose of electing directors for District One and District Two of the State of Texas.

District One is comprised of twenty-two counties including Comanche and Erath. In this district 236 votes were cast. 224 by mail and 12 in person. Bedford Butler, present director, whose name appeared on the ballot, received 148 votes and was re-elected for another three years. O. D. Kirk, whose name was written on the ballot, received 88 votes.

E. H. Higginbotham, H. C. Dean and E. A. Walker were election judges for District One.

District Two comprised of thirty counties including Eastland, Callahan, Stephens and Palo Pinto, cast 154 votes. 136 by mail and 18 in person.

E. E. Blackwell, whose name appeared on the ballot, received 58 votes. Write-in candidates: D. B. Warren received 90 votes, which gave him a majority and a place on the SWPGA Board of Directors for three years; Virgil Young received 1 vote, and J. J. Brown 1 vote. 4 votes were mutilated.

D. B. Warren, active in community affairs, could be classed as a successful farmer. He is familiar with the work of the peanut farmer and should be of value to the association in helping work out its many complex problems.

John Love, J. C. Rodgers, and E. F. Harrison were election judges for District Two.

## Kokomo Plans Full Week End

With the County Singing Convention meeting at Kokomo Saturday night and Sunday, July 11 and 12, folk in this community will be in for a big treat according to Joe McNeely.

Joe states that after Church Sunday, dinner will be spread on the ground and from then on the high and low notes will be meeting the middle notes. You are invited to join in the harmony.

## Bride-To-Be Honored At Coffee Here

Miss Jean Reynolds was hostess at a coffee, given in the home of her sister, Mrs. Tom Hallmark, honoring Miss Nell Grimshaw in announcing her approaching marriage to Mr. Elwood Ragland.

Miss Nell Grimshaw a graduate of Desdemona High School taught in Gorman last year and was elected to teach this coming year. Elwood, also a graduate of Desdemona High, is employed at the Texas Electric Company.

Presidential electors meet on the Monday following the second Wednesday in December.

Only two U. S. Presidents, Taylor and Roosevelt, died while congress was in session.

## PEANUTS ARE STILL BASIC COMMODITY IN THIS AREA

The following telegram was received by S. E. Cloninger from Omar Burleson.

House just voted on proposition removing peanuts as basic commodity. We defeated the amendment by a vote of 121 to 159. Now debating compromise flexible support amendment.

OMAR BURLESON

## Congressman Burleson Fights for Peanut Growers

Remarks made by Congressman Burleson taken from Congressional Record in recent debate on peanut program:

Mr. Burleson. Mr. Chairman, the effort being made on the floor today to remove peanuts as a basic commodity program is in response to a pressure group who have no regard for anyone except themselves.

The big candy manufacturers and the confectioners have been putting on a campaign of pure propaganda. In their shortsightedness, they want to put hundreds of small peanut farmers out of business, and make the business of raising peanuts so unprofitable that there would no longer be an adequate supply. That is exactly what would happen should peanuts be removed as a basic commodity.

The peanut farmers in my area are now operating on a very small margin. It is an expensive operation. Though they are generally small farmers, a peanut farm is not now operated as it once was—with one mule and one plow. It is a much more technical and expensive operation than it was a few years ago.

What will become of the small farmer who must depend on peanuts as a cash money crop when he can no longer operate with some profit? I can tell you. He will leave the farm and seek employment elsewhere.

This same farmer was asked during the war to increase his peanut yield by every possible means. Peanut oil particularly was needed in the national defense effort. He expanded his production. He purchased new equipment. He met his responsibilities. Likewise, the peanut sheller, who is an integral part of the peanut industry, expanded his operation to meet war needs. He installed expensive equipment and cooperated with the peanut producer in response to the needs of the time.

Since the war years, the peanut farmer has reduced his production by approximately 57 per cent. He did so willingly, but not without great sacrifice.

What is he doing at this time to show his further willingness to bring supply in line with demand? Last week, through representatives of the Peanut Growers, the farmers have offered to reduce their acreage by 5 per cent each year until supply is brought in line with demand. This means that 805,000 acres will be taken out of production next year below the minimum now fixed by law, and that provision is a part of the bill we are now debating.

Also bear in mind in your consideration of this issue that under the new adjusted parity formula, (Continued On Back Page)

## Little League All Stars To Play B'wood Here Sat.

A picked group from the Gorman Little League Teams will take on a Little League Colored team from Brownwood Saturday night, July 11 at Sportsman Park.

Stub Poyner stated that in conversation with the manager of the Brownwood team, said manager promised to have his team on hand for the game.

## Hospital Team Wins First Half Baseball Season

Backed by superb fielding, Kenny Welch and Gerald Hammond pitched a shut-out game for the hospital team to cinch the first half of the season games. The Peanut boys just couldn't get started and lost 10-0.

## Pony Teams Play Here Friday Nite

Eastland and Gorman Pony teams, consisting of boys from 14 to 16 will play at Sportsman Park, Friday night, July 10. Game is scheduled to start at 7:30.

## BV Baseball News

Hico, Iredell and Glen Rose were the winners in Sunday, July 4th games. Hico won in a hard contested game at Gorman by a score of 3 to 1, while Dublin suffered its second defeat at Glen Rose by a score of 12 to 4. Iredell won over Alexander 18 to 8. Next Sunday finds Alexander at Dublin, Hico at Iredell, Gorman at Glen Rose go see these games. They are drawing large crowds with a lot of enthusiasm.

Standings	gp	w	l	pct.
Dublin	13	11	2	.847
Hico	13	9	4	.669
Glen Rose	13	8	5	.616
Iredell	12	7	5	.581
Alexander	12	2	10	.157
Gorman	13	1	12	.077

## QUEEN RACE COUNT

Ernestine Todd	24.59
Janey Thompson	6.58
Jeanette Bunting	6.07
Irma Lilly	4.94
Betty Sue Rodgers	1.86

## AMERICAN LEGION TO HAVE MEETING JULY 8

American Legion will meet Thursday night, July 8, at Fire Hall, 7:30 p. m. This is a very important meeting, Post Officers for year 1955 will be elected.

## KING THEATRE

Thursday and Friday  
Dorothy McGuire  
Stephen McNally

in  
"MAKE HASTE TO LIVE"  
Also  
Color Cartoon

Saturday  
Roy Rogers - Dale Evans

In  
"BELLS OF ROSARITA"  
and  
Bud Duncan - Edgar Kennedy

In  
"Private Snuffy Smith"  
Also  
Also Popeye Cartoon

Sunday - Monday  
Anthony Quinn-Peggie Castle  
Mickey Spillane's

in  
"THE LONG WAIT"  
Also  
Bugs Bunny Cartoon

Tuesday - Wednesday  
Victor Mature - Jean Simmons

in  
"AFFAIR WITH A STRANGER"  
Also  
Color Cartoon

Thursday - Friday  
Charlton Heston-Nicole Maurey

in  
"SECRET OF THE INCAS"  
Also  
Screen Novelty

### Desdemona News

Reporter, Mrs. Ethel Keith

Mrs. Casey Meazelle has been a patient in the Gorman hospital for several days.

The Tom Martins of Wink was visitors the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Griffith left Saturday for Forsan, Kermit and other parts of West Texas, to visit with their children.

The H. N. Williams spent the holiday week end in Kermit with their son, Mr. Debert Williams and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stewart and daughters, Reita Ann and Sandra Lynn of Penwell are here on a vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilcoxson.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Guthery left Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Rob

Guthery and children of Ranger to visit a son, Mr. and Mrs. Pug Guthery in Kermit.

Leroy Jones and family of Dallas was July 4th visitors with his father, Mr. Will Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Voorhies and children of Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Key and Debbie of Brady and Mrs. Halmark and Woodrow. were visitors here.

Mrs. Maggie Pool visited Sunday in the Dud Cook home.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Moore spent the week end in Lamesa with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Branham and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Richards of Eastland visited awhile Monday with her aunt, Mrs. Eula Northcutt and family.

Mrs. Ollie Feins guests for the 4th was her son, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Fien of Fort Worth.

Joe Quinn who has been in Temple by the bedside of his wife Mrs. Quinn for several weeks was home for the week end but left again Monday for Temple to be with Mrs. Quinn. Mr. Quinn reports his wife to be slightly improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Clark who were recently transferred to Electra by Magnolia Petroleum Company were here for the week end.

### DUSTER ROCK BLUFF NEWS

Several from here enjoyed the celebration at Hodges Park the 5th.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. La Gow and children and Wayne Iley from Fort Worth visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Iley over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Stanley and daughter visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Stanley in Comanche Sunday.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Seal Smith over the week end were: Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rountree from San Angelo, James Cadenhead and friend Charles Smith from Fort Worth and Butch Gott from Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Cadenhead from Fort Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Cadenhead Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jorden of Fort Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Gray Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Johnson from College Station visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Johnson a few days.

Mrs. Lola McDaniel and Mrs. Price from Comanche visited Mrs. Irene Heathington Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Heathington from Kansas spent a few days with parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Heathington.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Gray Monday were: Mrs. Grady Henderson and daughter, Mrs. Margie Hale and son from Mexico and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Jamer of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Coan from Downing visited Mr. and Mrs. Abb Coan Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rye Coan visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson of Gorman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crow from Houston visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Haynes July 5.

Sue and Dickie Weekes had spent several days in the Freeman home.

brothers Larry and Johnnie, children of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Marine of Strawn spent a few days this week in the Northcutt home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lewis of Grand Prairie spent the 4th in the Tony Ash home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Key carried their baby Debbie to Baylor hospital Tuesday to a heart specialist.

### CHEANEY NEWS

Mrs. Bill Tucker, Reporter

The candidate speaking and pie supper at Cheaney on Monday night has been called off, due to the July 12 Baptist revival starting on that date.

We are taking this means of letting the public know of the postponement.

The 4-County Encampment for the home demonstration club women of Eastland, Brown, Comanche and Mills Counties is being held this week, July 8-9, at Lake Brownwood at the Baptist Camp grounds. Some 12 or 15 of the club members at Eastland are planning on attending.

Main speaker for the occasion will be Mrs. Eloise T. Johnson, family life specialist at A. & M. College.

Crafts will include glass etchings, velour painting, a millinery course, and basket weaving.

Swimming and a program of recreation to include games, skits and talent show from each county will round out the camp activities for the two-day period.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rogers and Lougene and Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Rogers and children of Sinton, Texas, left this morning (Tues.) for an extended trip to the Carlsbad Caverns and up in the mountains of New Mexico. The three women are sisters, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. William Melton, at Cheaney.

Mrs. J. P. Strickler has had as her guest her sister, Mrs. Emily Strickler of Grand Prairie, Ark., whom she had not seen for 8

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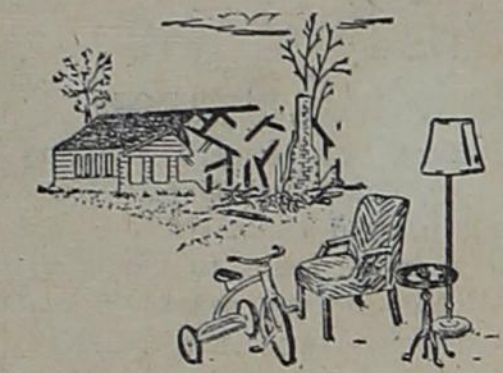
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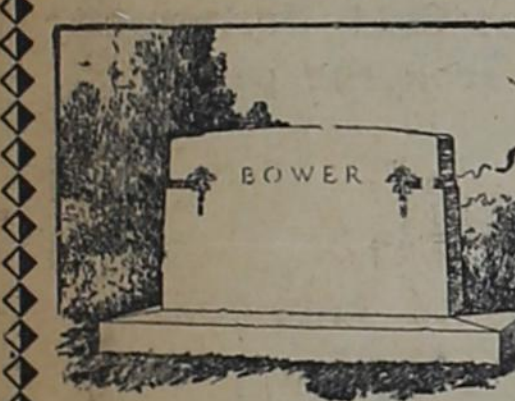
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- 8:30 P. M. 'Till—Home Carnival

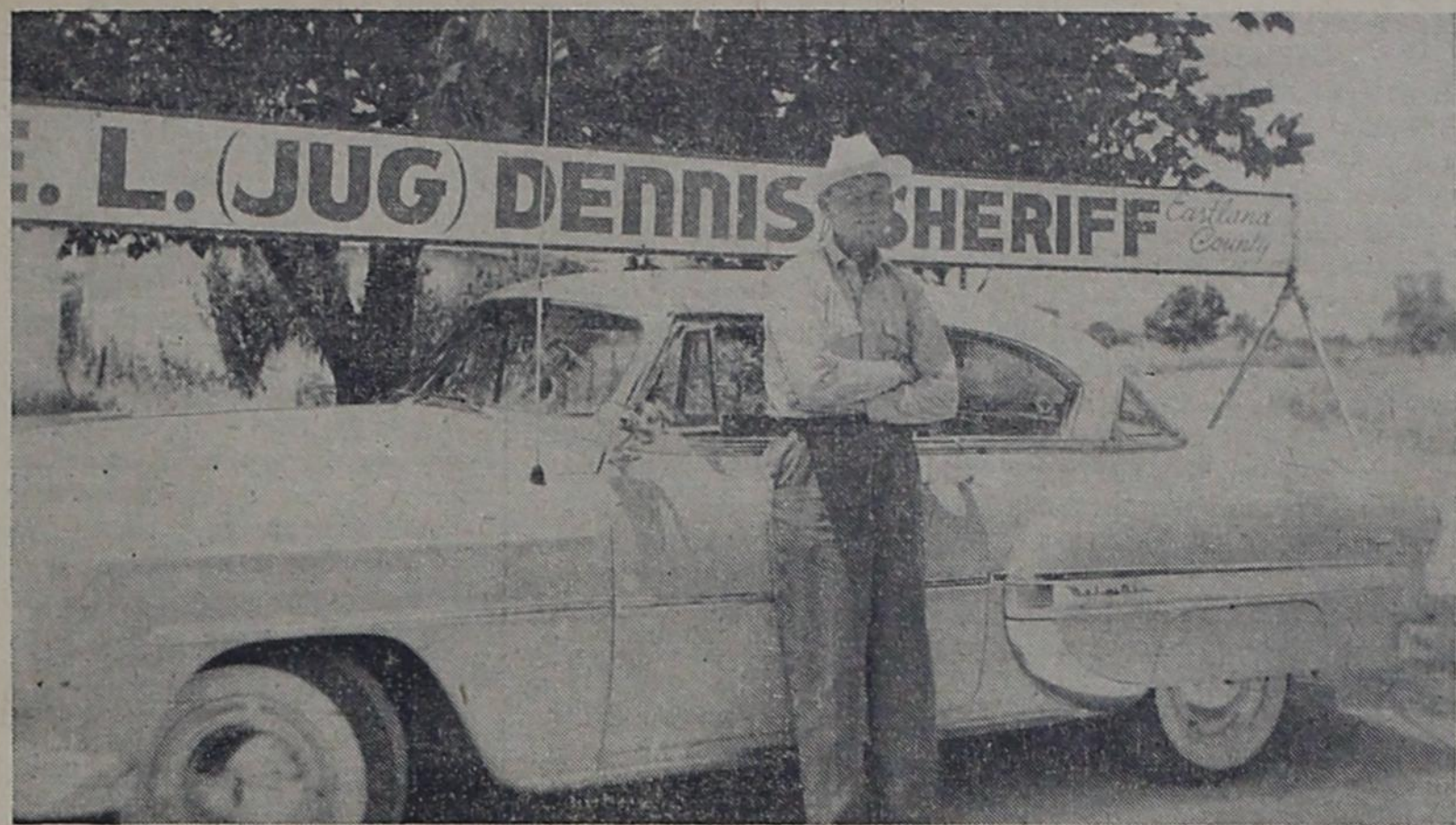
SATURDAY JULY 17, 1954

- 9:30 A. M.—Pet Parade
- 8:30 P. M.—Bathing Beauty Revue and Groups of Professional Models from Hollywood
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**W. T. Shells Extend Business Trip With Flight to Cuba**

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Shell and daughter, Mary, took advantage of a Farr flight to Havana, Cuba last week.

The Shells were in Miami, Fla., attending the Southeast Peanut Growers and Shellers Convention when they found they could sandwich in a couple of days for a trip to Cuba before returning to Texas to attend the Mineral Wells meeting of peanut men.

They were flown over the horseshoe shaped harbor of Cuba and carried by limousine to the 800-room National Hotel where they had their rooms.

Their tour took them to St. Mary's Cathedral, the leather factory, linen factory, rum factory, cigar factory and the capitol. It was necessary for them to return to Miami before they could go to the famous Moro Castle.

Mrs. Shell stated that the Cuban code of sanitation was very high. There were neither flies nor mosquitoes. All buildings were of brick, white stucco or blue stucco. Frame buildings are not permitted. Apparently the Cubans do not wear hats despite the high temperature. Everything is ultra modern in New Havana. They found shopping reasonable which Mrs. Shell attributed to the fact that summer is not tourist season.

Mr. W. H. Miller and son were Gorman visitors Wednesday.

**Mrs. Frazee Will Preach Here Sunday**

Mrs. May Frazee in company of her sister, Mrs. Myrtle Downing is expected in Gorman by the week end. A letter from Mrs. Frazee states that she will preach at the Church of God Sunday.

Taking advantage of a trip to visit a sister who has been seriously ill, Mrs. Frazee attended the largest camp meeting in the world. She has gathered interesting data on missionary work in Mexico and among the Indians.

Mrs. Frazee extends you an invitation to attend the services of the Church of God and to take part in their worship.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to express our appreciation for the many deeds of kindness, flowers, food and expressions of sympathy during the illness and death of my husband and the children's father.

Mrs. H. O. Files  
And Children

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Rodgers left Sunday for an overnight stay in San Antonio and a vacation trip to the Davis Mountains. Mr. Rodgers works at the Haydite plant and Mrs. Rodgers works at the garment factory in Eastland.

The small fry came in for their share of the spot light, Charlene Blackwell visited Jessie Underwood, likewise Helen Blackwell visited Loresta Love, Sunday.

**Keeping Up With Our Friends - -**

Recent visitors in the home of Mrs. Mae Jones were: Capt. and Mrs. Dalton White and Donal of Savannah, Ga.; Maj. and Mrs. Morris White and Douglas of Albuquerque, N. M.; Mrs. Homer White of Eastland; Mrs. Paul Jones Howard and Gary of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Mayhew of Cisco; Mrs. Mae Jones attended the Cox-Roebuck wedding at Rising Star. The wedding was held at the First Baptist Church Saturday afternoon and visited in the homes of the Claud Cox, Horton Morrison and Alice Jones over the week end.

Mrs. Odell Kirk, and Janette of Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Kirk of Sweetwater spent the holidays in Gorman with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Kirk.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Noell are visiting his sister, Mrs. Joe McNeely and family of Kokomo this week.

**NOTICE!**

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**Illness In Gorman**

Mrs. Edward Clark underwent surgery at Blackwell Hospital Tuesday, July 13.

Mrs. R. V. Underwood is a patient at the hospital.

Mrs. Elmer Maupin underwent surgery at Blackwell hospital.

Mrs. J. L. Turner is recuperating from a case of pneumonia at Blackwell's.

Mrs. Walter Wyatt and Mrs. J. B. Wyatt of Carbon are medical cases.

Mrs. Electra Hattox continues to recuperate at the hospital.

Thurman Jay is improving but the No Visitor sign is still on his door.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Hodge of Midland arrived Friday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wyatt. Mr. Hodge returned Tuesday and Mrs. Hodge will remain for two weeks.

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**Political Announcements**

The Gorman Progress is authorized to make the following political announcements, subject to action of the Democratic Primaries July 24 and Aug. 28, 1954.

**For County Superintendent**  
H. R. (Pop) GARRETT

**For Sheriff:**  
J. F. (Frank) TUCKER  
For re-election  
J. B. WILLIAMS  
E. L. (Jug) DENNIS

**For District Clerk**  
ROY L. LANE  
(re-election)  
JOHN C. NICHOLAS

**For Tax Assessor-Collector:**  
STANLEY WEBB  
(re-election)

**For County Treasurer:**  
RICHARD C. COX  
(For Second Term)

**For County Clerk:**  
JOHNSON SMITH  
(Re-election - Second Term)

**For County Judge:**  
JOHN S. HART  
(Re-election)  
C. S. (Clabe) ELDRIDGE  
**For Commissioner Prec. Two**  
B. M. BENNETT  
(Re-election 2nd term)

**For Constable, Precinct 5**  
CONNIE A. YARBROUGH  
ARTHUR R. YARBROUGH  
TOM GREER  
V. E. OVERSTREET  
**Justice of Peace, Precinct**  
W. D. (Dave) HARPER  
J. R. TODD

**For State Representative**  
PAUL BRASHEAR  
OMAR BURKETT  
(Re-Election)

**Dr. Fehrman H. Lund**

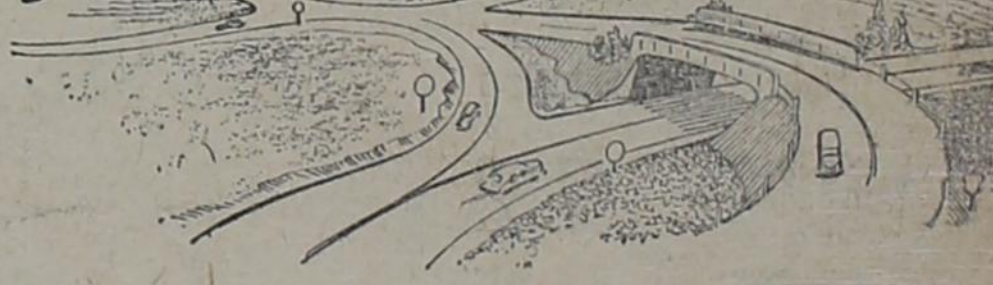
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## PEANUTS -

the per ton support price of peanuts will be reduced from about \$272 per ton to about \$218 per ton, or approximately a cut of 20 per cent.

In this discussion a number of speakers have alluded to the fact that peanuts were less than 1/2 of 1 per cent of the national farm income, and have attempted to show that the losses sustained under the support program justify removing peanuts as a basic commodity. Well, let me remind you again that when the need existed during the war, and the need which will exist again, no one raised the question that peanuts were not a basic commodity. Rather, peanut oil was considered by everyone as a strategic commodity and exceedingly important to the war effort.

There are two things involved in this action at the moment. Those who are fundamentally against any farm program will support this amendment; those who are under the pressure of the big candy and confection manufacturers will also support the amendment. Those who believe in a sound farm program and who are cognizant of the importance of this segment of the farm industry, and those who will not yield to this pressure group will vote against this amendment.

Do not forget that those who make their living the hard way—those engaged in raising and shelling peanuts—are voluntarily meeting conditions which they believe need correcting. They want to be on a sound basis and are willing to reduce acreage even in the face of a change in the parity formula, in order that they will meet the conditions which prevail at the time in connection with the cost to the government resulting from the present program.

## HIGHLIGHTS

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### Lyerly Leaves

Hugh Lyerly, executive assistant attorney general, resigned July 1 to enter the private practice of law in Dallas.

He joined the firm of Coke and Coke.

"Mr. Lyerly set an outstanding record as a trial and appellate attorney during his three years of service with our office," said Attorney General John Ben Sheperd in announcing Lyerly's resignation.

### Insurance Business

Texas insurance companies' charter amendment applications are receiving close examination before being approved, says Attorney General John Ben Sheperd.

He announced that his office has returned 10 of 27 applications

in the last two months because of failure to meet insurance law requirements.

### Draft Call

Letters calling for 2,416 Texans to be examined in August for military duty have gone out to state draft boards, according to Brigadier General Paul L. Wakefield, state selective service director.

Texas boards will induct 1,092 during the month who have received previous examinations. Wakefield said that draft calls for both July and August are running above previous months. The August call asked for men 20 or older, but authorized boards to call men below 20 if necessary to fill quotas.

### Texas Navy

Now non-existent, the Texas Navy will be honored Sept. 1-7, designated as "Texas Navy Week."

Gov. Allan Shivers credited the one-time Republic's small fleet as playing a big part in winning in-

### BIRTHDAY PARTY GIVEN

#### BILLY TAYLOR RECENTLY

Billy Ferrell Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Taylor celebrated his fifth birthday with a party at his home last Friday afternoon, July 2.

Those present at his party were: Vicki Frossard, Terry Dawn Gilmore, Burl Nelson Harper, Quish and Terry Slone, Tony Hallmark, Joyce and Sherry Shipman, Glenda Shipman, Sherron Nimsger, Margaret Ann, Michel and Roy Don Porter, Tommy Simmons, Sunny and Bennie Gail Pevetto, Teddy Higginbotham, Glen and Linda Warren, Wesley Warren, Eugene Battenfield, Daryl Wayne Hirst, Russell Fuller, Rebecca Dean and Palma Kay Foster, Connie Parks, Becky Bennett, Christi Anne Fuller, Carol Clark, Jean Munn, E. C. Bramlett, Jr., Carol Hatcher, Larry and Jana Pullin, Dewey Earls, Royal, Jr., Jimmie Don and Marylan Hampton.

### Begins Second Year With Local Church

Returning this week from a vacation trip to Oklahoma, Leroy Cowan, minister of the Gorman Church of Christ, told this reporter that last Sunday was the beginning of his second year in Gorman.

During the past year the Church of Christ has been strengthened by a steady growth. Last Sunday's attendance was the second largest since Brother Cowan moved to Gorman and all members of the church are looking forward to a steady growth. The first Vacation Bible School was very successful and plans are already in the making for next year's school.

Dates for the gospel meeting will be announced next week.

The radio program over KERC, Eastland at 9:00 o'clock each Sunday morning continues to enjoy a good number of listeners in this area. The subject of Sunday's radio program will be, "Hypocrites."

Sunday morning worship will begin at 10:50. Minister Leroy Cowan will speak on, "Stand Still—Go Forward."

At the evening worship, which begins at 8 o'clock, the subject will be, "Why the Church of Christ does not use mechanical instruments of music in worship."

#### CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank each and everyone for being so kind to me while in the hospital, for all who sent flowers, cards and for the prayers, especially do I thank the hospital staff for being so nice to me. May God bless each of you.  
Mrs. Nell Dollberry

Radio Repair Service and Radio Tubes. E. E. Todd. tn

### Betty Joann Botelho Presented In Recital

Betty Joann Botelho, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Botelho, of Warren, R. I., appeared in a dance recital, June 5.

The program, "Musical Calendar Revue," was presented by instructors, Miss Doris and Miss Pat.

Betty Joann was presented in a ballet number, "Skaters Waltz," in a tap number, "Winter Wonderland," and in a military, baton and tap solo. She also had assisted Miss Doris in instruction of some other numbers on the program. Betty is ten years old.

The Botelhos young son, Joe, is six. He is quite a fisherman we hear.

### Reunion Held At Nabors Lake

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Laughlin had the pleasure of having all four of their children and grandchildren at a reunion held at the Nabors Lake, near De Leon.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Laughlin of Gorman; Mrs. Charlie Carrigan of Dublin, mother of Mrs. LeRoy Laughlin, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Laughlin and Randy of Kermit; Mr. and Mrs. Zöllie Skaggs, Steve and Terry of near De Leon; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Laughlin and Toni of Stephenville; and Donald Rae Laughlin, Stephenville.

A very enjoyable get-together was had and all members would like to make this an annual affair.

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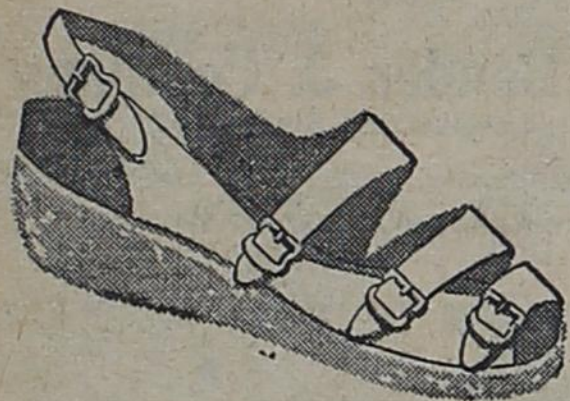
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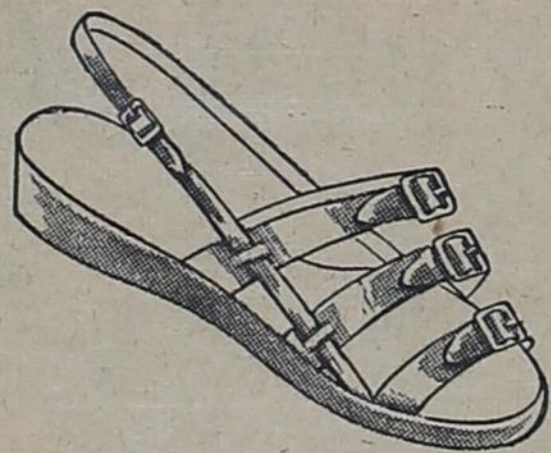
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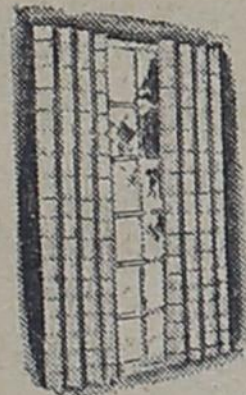
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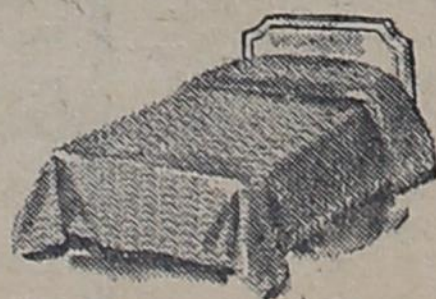


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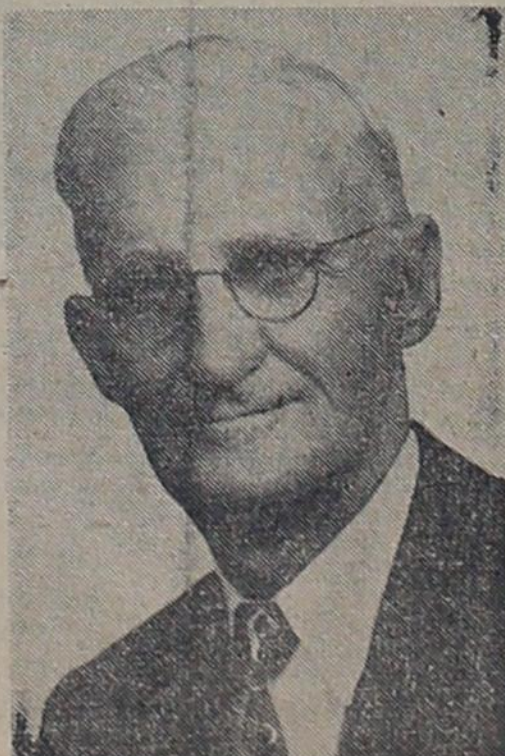
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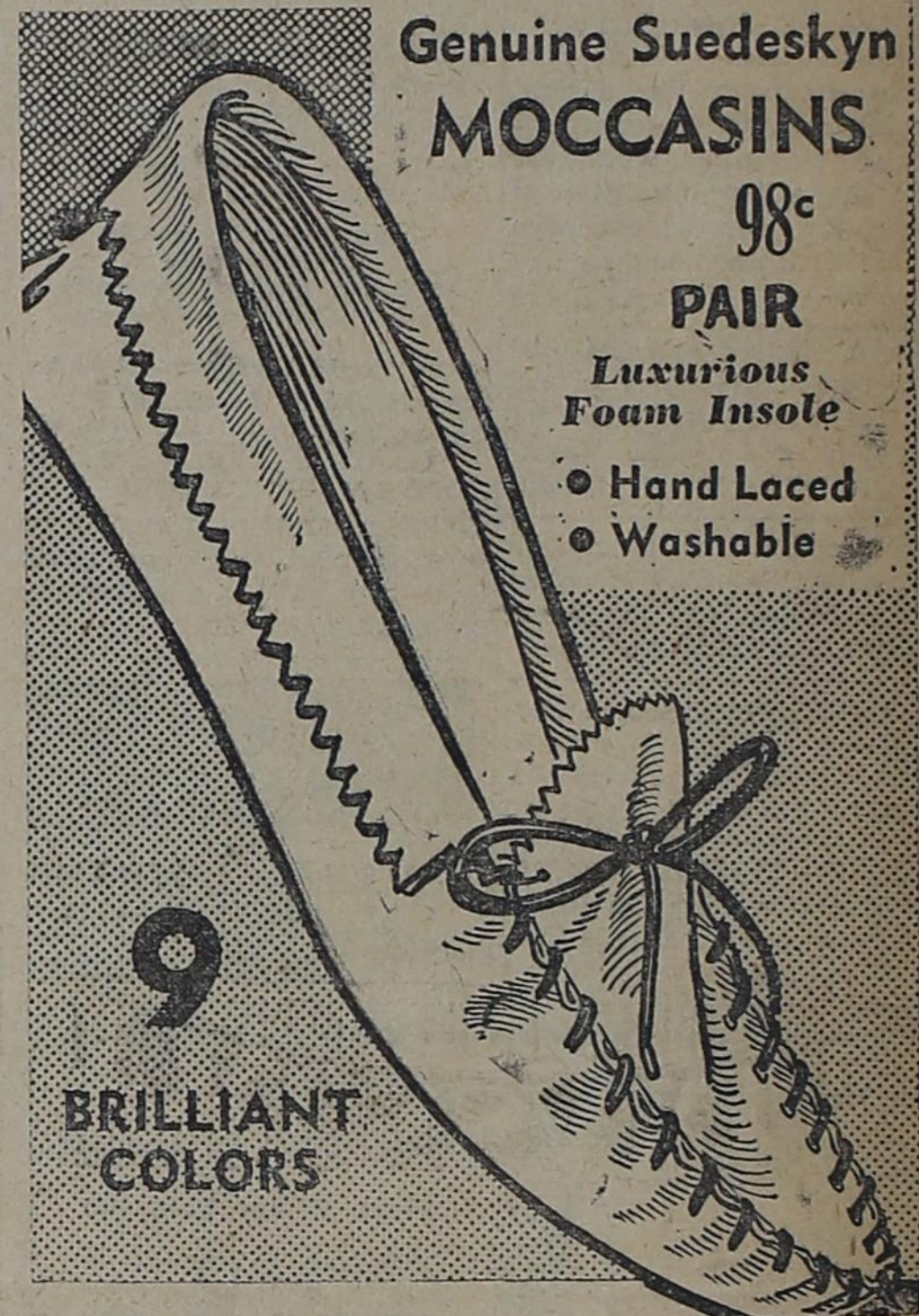
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