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THANKSGIVING DAY

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SILVER LINING OF A CLOUDED YEAR

FOR THREE CENTURIES the breaking waves have dashed high on New England's rock-bound coast, since the day when the Pilgrim fathers shot the Indians away from their front door so they could eat turkey and cranberry sauce in peace—and thank the Almighty for another harvest.

They probably added to their Thanksgiving Day prayer their fervent gratitude that they were still unpierced by savage arrowheads, that their skulls were still uncracked by the tomahawk, and that they could comb their long hair without the scalp coming off.

Again today we celebrate Thanksgiving with much of the world either clouded with the black thunderhead of war, or ground under the heel of some grasping tyrant. The activities of the soldiery across the two blessed oceans make us wonder if we have progressed sensibly from arrowheads and tomahawks to tanks and bombers.

As our nation girds to keep our cities and countryside free from blood and destruction, we feel that this Thanksgiving we indeed have REAL reason to be grateful. Let us approach our celebration of this holiday in the courageous hope that we may be men and women enough to keep our country safe.

Let our motto be:

God Helps Those Who Help Themselves!

Howard D. Bridwell Passes Away On Stand Oil Ship

Mrs. S. L. Bridwell, who lives at Texhoma and is a long time resident of Sherman County received word last week of the death of her oldest son, Howard D. Bridwell. His death occurred in mid-ocean while aboard the Stand Oil ship on which he was employed as engineer. Services of the U. S. coast guard at Porto Rico was called upon to take the body ashore at San Juan. Burial was made at this place last Thursday. The many friends of "Mother Bridwell", as she is affectionately called by all who know her, extend to her sincere sympathy and regrets of her great loss.

There are more than 600 laws pertaining to wildlife on the Texas status.

CURRENT PROGRAM AT THE ROXY

Wednesday and Thursday, "Ghost Breakers," with Bob Hope and Paulette Goddard. Friday and Saturday, "Golden Gloves," with Richard Denning and Jean Cagney. Sunday and Monday, "I Love You Again," with William Powell and Myrna Loy. Tuesday, "Boy's Town," with Spencer Tracy and Mickey Rooney. Nov. 27-28, "Down Argentine Way," with Don Ameche and Betty Grable.

Stolen Cars Recovered; 1 Alleged Suspect Held For Trial

Sheriff J. W. Garoutte recently recovered stolen cars of Lew Flyr and M. J. Wolfrum. Lew Flyr's car was recovered where it was abandoned out of gasoline south of Panhandle. It was in good condition. With the assistance of the Moore County Sheriff a Sunray youth has been given a preliminary hearing and is imprisoned at Dumas for trial at the spring term of District Court.

Wolfrum's car was recovered Saturday at Enid, Oklahoma, where it had been abandoned near the depot. Clothing and other personal effects of the Wolfrum family were still in the car. No clues were found as to the identity of the person taking the car.

Uvalde Construction Company Pushing U. S. 54 Grade Work

The Uvalde Construction company is pushing the grade work northeast of Stratford on U. S. 54 for the construction of 10.5 miles of paving this week. Grade work and drainage structures will be completed this winter and the asphalt surface coating put on the road in the spring of 1941.

Mrs. W. S. Copeland, Amarillo, is here this week for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Joe Duby, Mr. Duby and Sheila.

Funeral Services For Mrs. D. D. Spurlock At Methodist Church This Afternoon At 2 O'clock

Funeral services for Mrs. D. D. Spurlock, aged 84 years and 23 days, early day pioneer mother who passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. P. Cummings, in Dalhart Tuesday morning, will be held at the Methodist Church at 2:00 P. M. this afternoon.

Mrs. Spurlock is pictured as she appeared at the home-coming held at the Methodist Church in Stratford last year. She was one of the three founders present for the occasion.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1935, with whom she moved to Sherman County with their children in 1900, braving the hardships of the territory at that time and made an active fight for the establishment of the Methodist Church which labeled Stratford one of the first Christian Cities of the Texas plains region where saloons and gambling houses were operated on a big scale. Mrs. Spurlock remained active until recently although she had been in failing health for about five years. Her frail condition continued to grow worse until the time of her passing Tuesday morning.

She is survived by three daughters and two sons, Mrs. J. G. Cum-

mings, Mrs. Arthur Mullins, Stratford; Mrs. W. P. Cummings, Dalhart; W. A. Spurlock and E. F. Spurlock, Stratford.

Mrs. W. D. Hale Is Searching For Historic Relics

Mrs. Winnie Davis Hale, a representative of the West Texas State College Historical Museum staff, is here making a search of the County for relics and is collecting historical facts pertaining to the history of the development of the county. She will appreciate the cooperation of any resident who may wish to contribute information.



Attend 2-Day AAA Meeting In Amarillo

R. C. Buckles, Mr. and Mrs. E. Goule and daughter, Miss Mabel Martin, Mrs. M. E. Cleavinger, Jr., and Mrs. Jerry Knowles attended the District AAA Meeting in Amarillo Monday and Tuesday. Principal speakers included Fred Rennels, District State Range Program Administrator; R. T. Price and Lester Young, State Administration Assistants; B. F. Vance, Assistant State Administrator; Parker D. Hanna, District Extension Agent; and C. L. Thomas, State AAA Committeeman.

Brannans Celebrate 19th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Lewie Brannan and Mr. and Mrs. Sigsbee Brannan celebrated their 19th wedding anniversary Sunday at the home of Lewie Brannan. A few relatives and friends joined them for dinner, and in the afternoon. The evening was spent in conversation and singing, hoping to have many more anniversaries together.

Rev. J. B. Thompson Returned For Third Year As Pastor

Rev. J. B. Thompson returned Tuesday evening from the annual Methodist conference at Pampa and announced he had been returned to Stratford to fill the Methodist pastorate for a third year. A complete account of the conference will be carried next week.

Santa Fe Buildings Get Coat of Paint

A paint crew of 9 workmen for the Panhandle & Santa Fe Railroad are here this week repainting and making light repairs on the company's buildings.

The total loss caused by cattle grubs, more commonly called "wolves", in the United States is estimated at more than \$50,000,000 yearly.

Miss Jeanette Wilson Becomes Bride Of Jerry D. Knowles

Miss Jeanette Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Wilson of Texhoma, became the bride of Jerry D. Knowles, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Knowles of Tulla, Texas Sunday.

The bride will remain with her work at the County AAA office. She is a graduate of the Texhoma High School, attended P. A. M. C. and received her secretarial course at Minnesota School of Business in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Mr. Knowles is a graduate of the Tulla High School and received his B. E. A. degree from West Texas State College at Canyon. He is employed with the Freeman Brothers Grain Company in Texhoma, where the bride and groom will make their home.

102 Questionnaires Mailed For County Classification

The Sherman County Selective Service Draft Board has mailed out 102 questionnaires to county men registering for selective military service training. The local board expects to meet during the latter part of the week to begin classification of those filing questionnaires.

To date, volunteers have more than filled the county's quota for selective military training.

Miss Ada Wre Handlin spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Baskin, Jr., at their country home.

THE DUSTER

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TO THE PATRONS OF THE STRATFORD SCHOOL

On Monday, November 25, the Parent Teachers Association will open a lunch room in the high school building. This lunch room is a cooperative, non-profit-making

enterprise with the sole purpose of furnishing nourishing hot lunches for school children at the lowest possible cost. Approximately one-half of the food for the lunch room is furnished by the Surplus Commodities

Distribution Project. The remainder must be supplied from a small charge for lunches or by an exchange of commodities for lunch tickets. For instance, any parent who has surplus milk, butter, eggs, or other needed commodities may exchange these for hot lunches for his child. If he has no surplus for exchange and cannot afford to pay the ten cents charge for each lunch, his child may receive a free lunch. This lunch room is for all children, but its successful operation requires the utmost cooperation on the part of all persons of the school.

The dishes, cooking utensils, etc. have been furnished by patrons in a recent shower. Cup towels are still needed, however, and each parent is asked to donate one cup towel.

If you wish your child to eat his lunch at school, please see Mrs. Robinson, lunch room supervisor, at the high school building, or Mrs. McAdams at the post office and make the necessary arrangements.

HERE'S OUR STORY—CAN YOU TELL ONE MORE TRUE?

Getting out this paper is no picnic. If we print jokes, people say we are too silly. If we don't they say we are too serious. If we clip things from other newspapers, we are too lazy to write them ourselves. If we don't, we are stuck on our own stuff.

If we stick to our studies all day, we ought to be out hunting news. If we do get out and hustle, we ought to be studying. If we don't print contributions, we don't appreciate true genius; and if we do print them, the paper is filled with junk.

If we make a change in the other fellow's write-up, we are too critical. If we don't, we are asleep. Now, like as not, some guy will say we swiped this from some other paper. Well, we did (Amarillo Sandstorm.)

YEA, TEAM!

The football season of S. H. S. is over, and it was a fairly successful season. The Elks won three games, lost three games, and tied one. The scores on games played were as follows:

- Texline 8, Stratford 7.
- Goodwell 0, Stratford 26.
- Texline 13, Stratford 32.
- Gruver 24, Stratford 12.
- Morse 0, Stratford 12.
- Darrouzett 6, Stratford 6.
- Booker 32, Stratford 0.

The letter men of the season are Pat Haynes, Leon Guthrie, Ira Guthrie, Edgar Brannan, Edward Brannan, Marvin Patterson, Eugene Farris, and Travis Blevins, the manager of the team. All of these boys played some swell games.

Basketball season is in full swing, and the players are getting better every day; the prophecy that I made some weeks ago that the S. H. S. Elks would "take some tournaments" still goes. The first game will be during the first week of December, but the exact date has not been set. Our teams should be really good by that time and should be able to win the game easily.

SCHOOL NOTES

Mr. Tabor spent last week-end in Canyon. He and Mrs. Tabor are planning to attend the annual meeting of the State Teachers Association in Fort Worth during the holidays.

The pupils of the fifth grade had a theater party Friday night. Donald Blake from Romero entered the fourth grade last week. His entry raises the enrollment to thirty-one.

Darless Ann Parker enjoyed a trip to New Mexico. Jackie Williams and Florence Alexander went to Dalhart Saturday.

Dean Brinkley is back in school after a week's absence because of a burned foot. Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. Bryant visited the third grade Friday afternoon.

Joe Cummings from Illinois is visiting school here for two weeks.

DUST AND DIRT

Yes, it is I again, and the news is having quite a time thawing out. I don't see why somebody doesn't do somethin' exciting—you know, or do you?

O, I've got a cute little joke about "your hootie." If your mama's your hootie, and your dad's the little man that wasn't there, what does that make you? Aha, "Nobody's Baby Now." Some people's hooties are regular guys, but mine is not. He's always sleepy, tired, or something. Just what remedy would you suggest for such?

Maybe I was wrong about the excitement. Warren Roberts gave one—a party, I mean—Saturday night. From all reports, everybody had a wonderful time. You know Warren is our Science Bug—not Jitter Bug—a regular senior fellow.

O Joy, O Bliss, holidays! Four days to just do as you please. Not a test, no term themes, no nothing, isn't life a dream (on holidays)?

The senior class presented a very good play in chapel Tuesday. It was called "Allowance Needed." My, my, poor Dick (played by Jim McCarthy) had an awful time between money and women! Little Junior (Gene Harrison was the victim) and Sue (Slats Billington) weren't a bit of help; neither were Mom and Pop, played by Mary Grace Foreman and Ira Guthrie. I believe everyone enjoyed the play.

Well, that's all. I'll be seein' you!

SO THEY SAY

Question: We are out of ideas! What would you suggest as a good question for this column?

"What do you think of organizing a Boy's Homemaking class in this school and calling it a 'Bachelor's Club'?" They could learn to cook, patch, etc." Jerry Kelp.

"Why do upper classmen—senior girls, for instance—like to go with sophomore or junior boys?" Bill Ross.

"Why do girls of today think that boys like to see them smoke and cut up as they do?" David

Steel. "Ask the students what their version of an ideal teacher is." Eugene McDaniel. "Do you think we should have two holidays for Thanksgiving?" Robert Lee. "What would you most enjoy doing at a party?"—William Friz-zell.

SENIOR DICTIONARY

Jim McCarthy
Description: Jim is the "golden-voiced" orator of S. H. S. and we are proud to have him in the senior class. He has an A+ rating on personality too. (P. S. The sign says, "Slow" girls). Ambition: To be an author. Hobby: Collecting stamps.

Grace Sutton
Description: Grace is a tall, slender blonde with a gay, but rather loud personality. Ambition: To be a bookkeeper. Hobby: Collecting ornamental pins.

Alma Dell Walsh
Description: Alma Dell is another red-head whose long fingernails speak for her when she is angry. Ambition: To be a stenographer. Hobby: Playing the piccolo.

Peggy Whetstone
Description: Peggy is a pleasingly plump but beautiful blonde (Ever heard before, boys?) Ambition: To be a musician. Hobby: Almost anything.

Geraldine (Jerry preferred) Kelp
Description: Jerry is a tall, fun-loving senior who wants what she wants when she wants it. Ambition: To be an orchestra leader, in Honolulu. Hobby: Playing the piano.

Johnny Joe Willey
Description: Johnny is one of our "crack" basketball players and is somewhat on the quiet order as boys go. Ambition: To be a doctor. Hobby: Playing basketball.

Christie Jo Roberts
Description: Christie is another tall pretty girl who has come from Canyon to graduate with us, having lived here two years ago. Ambition: To be a nurse. Hobby: Music.

Odus Elder
Description: Odus is a boy whose words and ideas sometimes puzzle his classmates. (Maybe we just don't get the "drift"). Ambition: To be an aeronautical engineer. Hobby: Collecting antiques.

Douglas Dettle
Description: Douglas is another of those witty, personality boys who seem always to have a good time. Ambition: To be a banker. Hobby: Spending money.

Nettie Beth Everett
Description: Last on the list is the editor of the Senior Dictionary (maybe I shouldn't have said that) and the public may draw its own conclusions. Ambition: (varied from time to time) To be a teacher. Hobby: Playing the harmonica and traveling.

JUNIOR REPORT

Well, folks, I am back again. Ev-

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everyone, even the Juniors, has to take six weeks tests. Just think—four tests! But, well, anyway, it will all be over by the time "The Duster" is issued. Then we can all say, "Them days is gone forever" until the next six weeks. Some of our fellow classmates have been keeping late hours, writing term themes. I think it would be very nice if we could have two Thanksgiving holidays. Don't you agree with me?

No one seems to know any scandals about anyone else, so I will sign off until the next time.

FRESHMAN REPORT

My! Home time does fly. Six weeks tests are coming up once more. They won't be very thrill-

ing, but maybe they will break the monotony of the past week. Let's hope they do anyway.

SIXTH GRADE

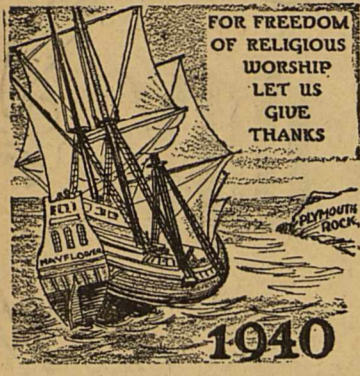
The sixth graders have been working for their six weeks tests the last few days.

We are looking forward to the holidays this week-end. We hope everybody has a good time.

SENIOR B. Y. P. U.

- Part 1: Ira Guthrie.
- Part 2: Leon Guthrie.
- Part 3: Dale Blazier.
- Part 4: Mrs. Brown.
- Part 5: Velma Chisum.
- Part 6: Christi Jo Roberts.

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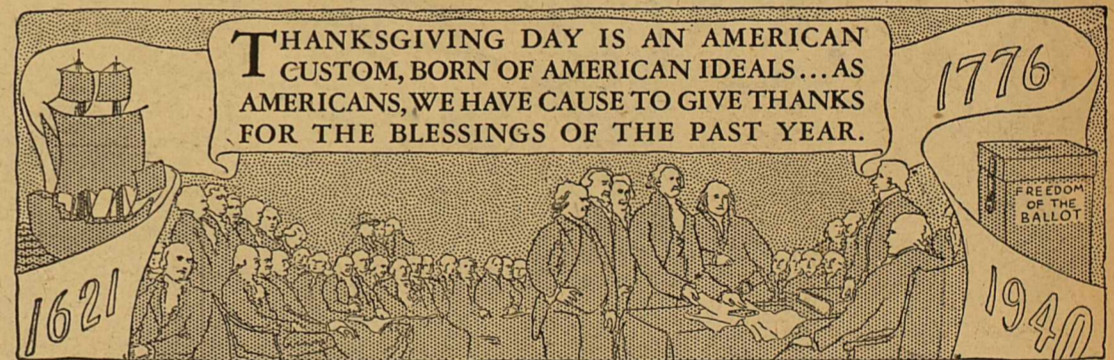
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Father, mother, brother and sister joined the parade of the marines down Constitution avenue, Washington, D. C., as the Fifth battalion, marine corps reserves, marched to the Union station. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith, Elizabeth, 18, and Robert, 8, tramp alongside their own Henry Smith, who is one of the contingent departing for a year's training.

Nazi Bombers Overhead



A scene repeated night after night throughout England as Nazi bombers, taking advantage of darkness, stage raids meaning death and destruction. A 4.5 anti-aircraft battery of the western command goes into action. An elongated flash from the gun in the background knives through the blackness. In the foreground are the predictor and range-finder.

Hi-Jinks in Gotham



The big town "went to town" in a big way to celebrate election night. Here is a joyous scene at Times square in the heart of New York's white light district.

Panamanian Consul



Miss Josefita Arias, sister of President Arnulfo Arias of Panama, shown as she arrived in New York to take over the post of Panamanian consul general.



RECENTLY there has been a large turmoil over the Ogden Miller, of Yale, interview and the conflict between the purists and the proselyters in football's happy or unhappy family.

Nothing new was either uncovered or discovered. It was merely the revamping of an age old argument and conflict. If you felt like walking that far we could take you back 30 years or more through the same old argument. And let you finish where you started.

The only difference is that in the last few years the line has been much more sharply drawn—and in the future it may even reach a razor edge.

There isn't any questioning the fact that too many colleges overdo their football collecting. There isn't any questioning the fact that colleges with stricter entrance requirements and higher scholastic standards are at a disadvantage in meeting opponents who have no such barriers to face.

There are, of course, always exceptions. Cornell and Pennsylvania are Ivy institutions and yet they manage to hit the jackpot with regularity.

Badly Tangled

On a general scale there is entirely too much proselyting, recruiting and paying for good players, in what should be the greatest of all amateur games.

But it is a tangled, intricate scheme when you come to locating the true answer. I don't believe there is one, in a game that has such a direct appeal to so many millions.

Many ask, "Why shouldn't a poor boy who can play football have his way paid through college, with some thing in the side, when he is playing before gate receipts that range from \$100,000 to \$400,000 per game? Doesn't he at least earn an education?"

The answer is O. K., if the college feels that way about it, but let those colleges play among themselves. They have too great an edge on those who happen to feel otherwise. It isn't fair competition.

How Can You Stop It?

I know of more than one strong college outfit where the students get no help through college. But wealthy and influential alumni get summer jobs for the leading players that net from \$200 to \$400 a month, plus board, no working experience required.

I know of others who play before big-time crowds, where each player is given from 5 to 10 tickets per game which net from \$25 to \$50 per contest. The ticket request is made for the family.

This isn't much money. Possibly \$300 a year plus a scholarship and all other expenses paid. But it still isn't alfalfa.

After talking with a large number of football coaches my guess is that at least 75 per cent of the better players belong to the proselyted, or paid for group, one way or another.

But when an enthusiastic group of alumni get to work I can't see any way you can stop them. For this work may not even reach the notice of the college or the football coach. The deal may be made with the boy's father, who isn't likely to talk about it.

Part of the Answer

The main trouble, of course, is the demand for a winning team. But, unfortunately, not every team can win. So the problem is shoved along to the coach. The coach doesn't want to lose his job. The chances are he also has a family to look after. If the alumni won't get him players, he must do his part—or get fired.

College football in two months draws far more spectators than big league baseball draws in six months—far more. It has grown into big time. Big league teams can lose a flock of games and still draw. College teams can't afford to lose many in a season, especially where there is no traditional rivalry to help lure out the crowds.

Part of the answer is working its way out through conference schedules. The Ivy league now rarely leaves its own borders. The Big Ten wanders more, but not too much. There are now supervisors in the Big Ten, the Pacific Coast and the South, where in certain colleges too many have come from far-off places to play.

Teams with about the same scholastic ranking and the same methods of ethics should play among themselves.

We'll take the Southwest. They help their athletes. But in the main they are all Texas players.

"At S. M. U.," Matty Bell told me, "we have 35 men on the squad. Thirty-three are from Texas. The other two from Oklahoma and Missouri, just across the borderline."

The new director on the West coast has already thrown out a flock of budding stars who were improperly brought in.



Washington, D. C.

BURYING THE HATCHET

I have been deluged by telephone calls asking if I am ready, as I promised, to eat my column of several weeks ago saying that Dr. Gallup's poll predicting this Roosevelt landslide was grossly in error. If it will please anybody, I am willing to eat that column. It would hardly give me indigestion. It is only 600 words.

But I doubt the obligation. Dr. Gallup ate it before I did. He got so jittery that he covered himself on every side and finally said that the election was so close that a breath could swing it either way. Some breath!

I am disappointed but not downhearted. After all, it was an American election. It expresses what our people think. I believe it was wrong. But I am eager to give the result all that I have to give. So must everybody. The President didn't have a more earnest supporter in 1932 and 1936. He didn't have a more earnest opponent than in 1940. But now we are on the brink of war. He is my President and yours. He could ask me for nothing that I would not give.

For the result, we couldn't have gotten a bad man, no matter who was the final choice. I know both of these men—know them as well as you know a college chum or the man next to whom you work or the guy who drops in to sit on the cracker barrel in your store, which is a figure of speech because we no longer have cracker barrels. But the simile is still the same.

I don't call Mr. Roosevelt "Franklin" any more because, somehow, you can't do that to the President of the United States. But I think he wishes people would, and I am very sure that Mr. Willkie doesn't like to be called anything but Wendell. The point is that both of these men are plain Americans. It has never seemed to me that either of them went very far astray—except as to his advisers. Maybe that was because I wasn't one of them.

There is a classic army yarn about a young lieutenant or "shave-tail" just out of West Point. He reported to his captain at a western station in those days when captains were old, gruff and apt to be very wise. This one treated him so kindly that he became over-enthusiastic and said: "Oh, Captain, I can see that we are going to get along in complete co-operation."

"Yes," said the wrinkled old veteran, "and in this man's army you'll do all the co-operating."

A situation something like that surrounds the late opponents of President Roosevelt. I don't know one who, because of the danger in the world, isn't perfectly willing to forget the late and bitter political fight and join up with recent political adversaries in anything that will advance the interests of the country and cement its strength. But it takes at least two for any true co-operation.

The tremendous vote for Mr. Willkie measures the mass of protest and skepticism on some of Mr. Roosevelt's acts and policies. Any hostility or roughshod riding by this administration over contrary opinions might destroy the President's great opportunity to usher in the healthiest "era of good-feeling" and national unity that has occurred—at least in my lifetime.

I thought that kind of era would come in 1937, but some of Mr. Roosevelt's closest advisers and strongest henchmen were vindictive scalp hunters. They said they had a mandate and started out to keelhaul and purge even their own party. It didn't work so well and may be with this much smaller majority, there won't be so much reprisal.

Old Andy Jackson was like that. He thought he had been cheated out of one election and the assaults on him had been very hateful and highly personal. It was said that he retired to the Hermitage "after having rewarded all his friends and punished all his enemies." That may be a great personal satisfaction, but it is just what the country does not need at a time like this.

Thomas Jefferson is as great a titular deity of the Democratic party. He didn't do that. In his first inaugural, he even offended his own party by telling the people that with the election over, they were all Democrats and Republicans—or the equivalent labels of that day—Republicans and Federalists.

Abraham Lincoln didn't do it either. He appointed to his cabinet some of the strongest personal opponents in his own newly formed and hodge-podge party.

Any man who has to fight as has Mr. Roosevelt is bound to support his friends without too much consideration for his opponents. Everybody expects that. What is now needed is good will and mutual confidence among all Americans, and that is exactly what is within Mr. Roosevelt's grasp today.

But the 22,000,000 people who voted for Mr. Willkie, representing the views of almost half the population of a great nation, can't, like the young army shavetail, "do all the co-operating." Their opinions must be respected.

Strange Facts

Jap Bride's Pledge
'Buries' Characters
Gigantic Sun Trap

Almost every Japanese bride wears, at her wedding, a silk sash over her forehead called a tsuno kakushi, or horn concealer, which is a symbol of her pledge to refrain forevermore from jealousy, animosity and disobedience.

A writer of detective, gangster and wild-west stories maintains a unique cemetery on his ranch near Oceanside, Calif. It contains the "graves," with appropriate tombstones, of the scores of characters whom he has killed in his novels.

The Chinese tell fortunes by the lines in the feet, impose and collect taxes 10 years in advance, have five directions—north, south, east, west and center—and make losers of games pay for their bad luck by taking a drink of liquor.

Still standing in a high pass of the Peruvian Andes is a monument to one of man's oldest and most incredible beliefs. It consists of two towers, built on opposite peaks, between which, many centuries ago, a primitive tribe hung a gigantic net and tried to catch the sun.—Collier's.

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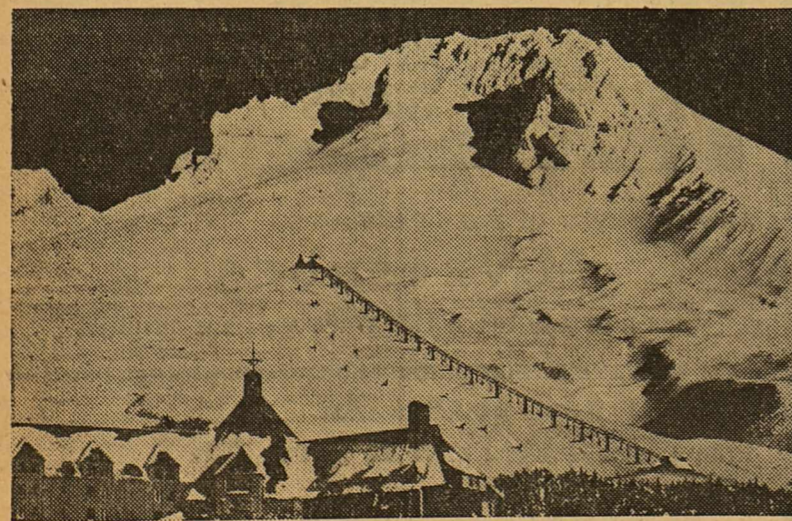
Two children look hopefully at the 1940 Christmas Seal which will help protect them against tuberculosis. The annual sale will begin November 25. As shown in the above chart, tuberculosis still leads as the greatest killer of persons between the ages of five and twenty. The 1940 Christmas Seal was designed by Felix L. Martini (upper right).

Woman's Progress



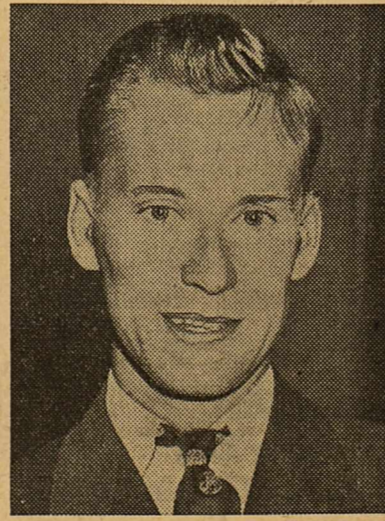
Mrs. Carrie C. Catt, who will preside at the Woman's Centennial congress to be held in New York November 26-27. The congress will plan to extend feminine rights.

First Ski Tournament of Season



Mount Hood will have the first ski tournament of the winter in the United States—the Arnold Lunn downhill race, on November 24. Pictured here is the world's longest single unit chair-type ski lift, costing \$80,000, which was built this year at Timberline Lodge, Ore., by the WPA and U. S. forest service. Mt. Hood's peak appears in background.

AAU Championship



Don Lash, national A. A. U. senior cross-country champ, who will again compete at the A. A. U. national senior cross-country championship to be held in Detroit November 28.

PERSONAL

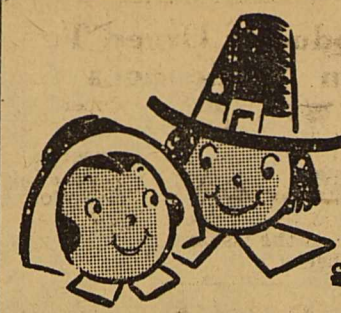
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Leonard Crutchfield, Amarillo, visited with his parents last week. W. G. and J. C. O'Brien left Tuesday for Artesia, N. M., on business. Miss Bonnie Mae Pendleton, Lubbock, was a week end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Pendleton.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Donelson, Mr. and Mrs. Shuler Donelson and son, and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wherry spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Cone Donelson in Skellytown. Mrs. J. E. Crabtree and son, Dalhart, were the guests of her par-

ents, Judge and Mrs. J. W. Elliott the first of the week. C. R. and Newton Foster were business visitors in Amarillo Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lemke, moved to Amarillo Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Grant Woodward

and daughter, Beaver, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Harold Roberts and baby were week end guests of Mrs. J. P. Roberts. Harold has been transferred to Brownwood, Texas. J. C. O'Brien returned Tuesday from a business trip to Kansas City, Missouri. Alex Wertheim, San Antonio, Texas and Miss Margaret Ritchie, Canyon, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Ritchie.



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MY PRAYER

(By Mrs. Arthur Folsom) I thank thee Lord, for this new day For folks that live along my way. For folks that live afar and near. These are the things that I hold dear. I thank thee Lord for the beautiful sky For eyes that see the birds that fly. For ears that hear the rains down

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**LIGHT RAINS
FALLING OVER
PLAINS REGION**

Light rains similar to those falling in Sherman County Tuesday were reported over the plains region. Although the moisture at press time was estimated at less than 1-4 of an inch, it had stilled winds threatening the Panhandle with howling dust storms.

**George Skillin Turns
Steeple Jack**

George Skillin repaired the sheet iron coverings on the sides of the Stratford Grain Company elevator this week. He scaled the walls on a swinging platform on which a rope with a pulley was fixed to Raymond Keener's car. Lee Grimes controlled his position on the sides of the walls with another rope for a guide line.

**Die Cutters Wreck
Car Near Stevens**

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Saturday morning. They escaped without injury, left their car with the Davis Motor Co., and continued to Los Angeles where they were reporting for work.

**Producers Urged To
Sign Applications**

Sherman County producers who have been sent notice that their applications for 1940 conservation payments are ready for their signature should call at the County AAA office immediately to avoid delay in the issuance of their benefit checks.

**Gex Coons Accepts
Position In California**

Gex Coons, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Coons, and a graduate engineer of Texas Tech, has accepted a position with the Lockheed Airplane factory in Burbank, California, and after an 8 weeks training course will have an opportunity to enter employment with the firm's engineering staff.

**Influenza Reported
Increasing In Texas**

AUSTIN, Nov. 20.—Prevalence of influenza in Texas increased 39 per cent in the four-weeks ending November 9 over the previous month's total cases, according to Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

Doctor Cox pointed out that the present prevalence of colds and more serious affections of the upper respiratory tract places a de-

"IF YOU BELIEVE IN AMERICA"

Many years ago the townspeople of a small village in the Old Country held a great celebration in the public square. For years there had been no war and they had worked hard to raise good crops. Their children had grown strong and healthy. And for this they were thankful. What better way, the mayor had asked, could they express their thankfulness than by celebrating together? So he proclaimed a holiday, asking each person to pour a bottle of wine into the cavernous cask that stood near the village fountain. This they would share together.

When this great day arrived, there was a man who filled his bottle with water. There would be so much wine, he thought, a little water would not be noticed. He was a good man and he meant no harm. So he stood in line with the others and poured his bottle of water into the cask. When it came time for the ceremony, the mayor stood next to the cask and spoke fine words of their happiness and what a great thing it was to share this great happiness. But when he turned to the heavy wood-

en spigot to drink is toast, nothing but water ran into his cup. Everyone had thought a "little water" would not be noticed. This parable, of course, has an obvious moral. Today we say "let George do it." It is the attitude that "someone else" will do something that should be done. Today the Red Cross is doing a big job for the America in which you and I live. They are not doing it alone, nor can they continue without the support of every American who believes in their great work.

If you believe in giving food, clothing and shelter to the thousands plunged into suffering and despair each year by natural disaster, then you believe in the Red Cross. Or, if you believe in an organization which works hand-in-hand with our growing military forces in maintaining nation-wide reserve of nurses and medical technicians, and which helps keep the morale of service men where it should be, then you believe in the Red Cross. If you believe it is a good thing to train hundreds of thousands each year to intelligently give First Aid to accident victims, then you believe in the Red Cross. And if you believe in an organization whose volunteers give their life's blood that others may live, then you believe in the Red Cross.

These are the reasons why more than 7,000,000 American men and women last year believed in, and joined the Red Cross. In a few days the 1940 Red Cross Roll Call for memberships will come to a close. Every American who is able to do so should have his name on this roll. It is not compulsory. You really don't have to join the Red Cross. You can shrug your shoulders like the man who poured a bottle of water into the wine cask. But if you believe in America, you believe in the Red Cross, and you will want to join. That is the way we do things in this country.

JUNIOR ENDEAVOR
Song: No. 180, There Shall Be Showers of Blessings.
Song: No. 113, Be a Light for Jesus.

Scripture Reading: Lena Faye Cowdrey
Leader's talk: Nan
Topics: Alice Lowe, Jackie Williams, Donna Jean, Paul Chaffin, Peggy Jo, Georgia Lowe, Richard, Opal, Patsy Ruth, Ila Fern, Ula

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
THE STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF SHERMAN)

TO THOSE indebted to, or holding claims against the Estate of H. C. King, deceased:
The undersigned having been duly appointed Executor of the Estate of H. C. King, deceased, late of Sherman County, Texas, by F. B. Mullins, Judge of the County Court of said County on the 18th day of November A. D. 1940, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement and those having claims against said estate to present them to him within the time prescribed by law at his residence at Stratford, Sherman County, Texas, where he receives his mail, this 18th day of November A. D. 1940.

A. L. KING,
Independent Executor of the Estate of H. C. King, Deceased.
Nov. 21, 28; Dec. 5, 12.

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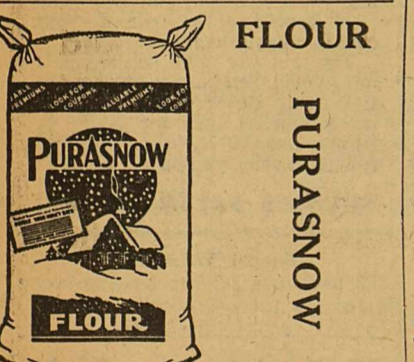
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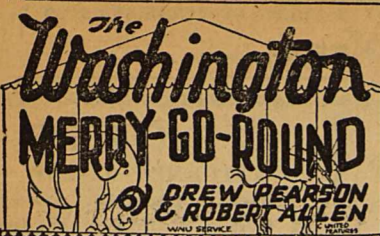


Symbols of Thanksgiving...

SHOCKS of grain in a moonlit field... Pumpkins... Turkey... Fruit. These are the symbols of Thanksgiving, handed down by our ancestors. Today, though, we can be thankful for much besides a bountiful harvest... thankful for the American way of living that has grown out of private initiative and enterprise... thankful for the Freedom which has been inherited from those ancestors through reverence for the Constitution.

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Washington, D. C.
NO CABINET POST FOR WILLKIE
 Rumors that Wendell Willkie will be offered a cabinet post or chairmanship of the defense commission are just rumors and no more. Roosevelt has no intention of unifying along such lines.

After the 1936 campaign, the President and Alf Landon went out of their way to be friendly. The mellow Kansan called at the White House when he went to the Capitol in December for a Gridiron club dinner, and a year later Roosevelt appointed him a member of the U. S. delegation to the Pan-American conference in Lima. But with Willkie the situation is entirely different.

Roosevelt deeply dislikes and distrusts him—a feeling, incidentally, that is strongly reciprocated by Willkie.

Privately, the President believes that the G. O. P standard bearer's campaign was motivated chiefly by personal malice and went far out of bounds of legitimate political warring in deliberate misrepresentation and distortion.

On his side, Willkie feels just as hotly regarding Roosevelt.

EUROPEAN APEASEMENT

The story of imminent European peace deals which floated around London, Berlin and Washington just before election was no myth.

Since November 5 these ideas are dead.

Ever since Hitler's proposed invasion of England was frustrated last September, Nazi diplomats have sent out feelers to the effect that Germany now had almost the entire continent of Europe and might be satisfied to drop the war, leaving England to stick to its own islands.

Such a peace, of course, meets no response from the great majority of the British people, nor the government, and absolutely none from Winston Churchill. However, it has been received favorably by the little group of "City" men (London's Wall Street).

Diplomatic reports indicate that had Willkie been elected, this group would have launched a strong drive for appeasement. This does not necessarily mean they would have had Willkie's blessing. But it means that Wall Street groups in the United States which think along exactly the same lines as London's "City" were all ready to co-operate in this drive and expected to get support from Willkie.

Latin American governments, whose weather vane is the United States and who study us with a microscope, actually were getting ready to warm up to Hitler. But since November 5, the effect is just the opposite.

PERSHING AS ENVOY TO VICHY
 The situation inside France is such that there is more and more sentiment among administration advisers to draft venerable John J. Pershing as American ambassador to France.

It is believed General Pershing could do a good job because of his old friendship with Marshal Petain, now No. 1 man in the Vichy government. The two were comrades in arms during the World war, and never do they meet without an affectionate embrace on both cheeks.

Should the French North African army become active on behalf of England, it would mean much not only to the British but to the United States, whose biggest worry concerning the Monroe Doctrine is that a combination of German-Italian forces might use Dakar, French naval base on the bulge of Africa, for operations against Brazil and South America.

That is why "Papa" Pershing is considered so important to influence his old friend "Papa" Petain.

EXIT FANNY

Miss Frances Perkins, idealistic secretary of labor, will not be in the third Roosevelt cabinet.

She will be replaced as part of the President's plan to put an end to A. F. of L.-C. I. O. warring and to bring about unification of the two organizations. No. 1 on the President's list for Miss Perkins' successor is George Harrison, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks and a vigorous advocate of labor peace.

MERRY GO ROUND

Probably the best campaigning among the Roosevelt children was done by Franklin Jr., whose wife is Ethel duPont, daughter of Eugene duPont. The far-flung duPont family contributed around \$50,000 to the Willkie campaign, but Ethel remained loyal to her in-laws.

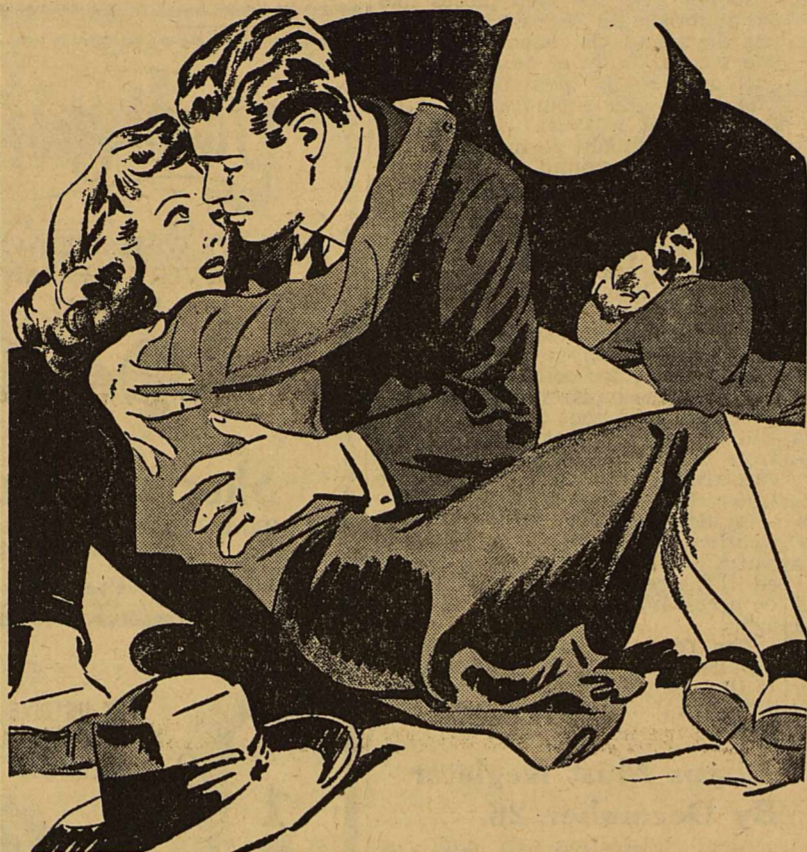
Franklin's speeches were of a rather naive, amateurish nature, but they endeared him tremendously to his father. Franklin would start his speeches in most formal vein, carefully referring to his father as "the President." But when heckled from the side, he usually forgot his dignity and sometimes shouted, "my old man's a great guy," which always brought down the house.

Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles listened to election returns until 4:15 a. m. but was down at his desk reading a telegram from Greece by 9:30 a. m.

Kathleen Norris Says:

Smugness in a Husband Is Hard to Bear

(Bell Syndicate—WNU Service.)



When I was about 18 we used to go up to a little cabin in the mountains, we girls cooking the dinner, and all of us taking tramps, swimming, and having fun. Mabel and Bud were lovers and Chester and I, very much in love, were not long in following suit.

By **KATHLEEN NORRIS**

SMUGNESS is a terrible thing, in husband or wife. It is one of those marital faults that are much more trying, in the daily encounter of matrimony, than much more serious failings. Smugness is disagreeable in anyone, but when a wife knows that it is always lying in wait for her, and when she also knows that there is some justification for the holier-than-thou attitude in her spouse, then her path is hard indeed.

Ruth, whose letter reaches me this week, is suffering from the smugness of the man she married some ten years ago, and I don't know that there's any cure for it. For it is the very essence of smugness that it rises above correction and criticism and only feels sorry for the person stupid enough to find fault with perfection.

This is a part of Ruth's letter: "Dear Mrs. Norris: My father was a factory hand and my mother kept boarders. After three years of high school I went into a box factory, helping to support three small half-brothers. My father had died and my mother married again. When I was about 18 I had a girl chum named Mabel, and her brother and her sweetheart and I used to go around together for two years. Chester, the brother, was a fascinating sort of fellow; we used to go up to a little cabin in the mountains, we girls cooking the dinner, and all of us taking tramps, swimming, and having fun. Mabel and Bud were lovers and Chester and I, very much in love, were not long in following suit.

Enters College at 28.

"After about a year of this he went away, and a fall invalidated my mother, who lingered completely helpless for seven years. I took over the boarding-house, and was presently offered a hotel in town, to which we all moved. At 28, when my brothers were pretty well launched, an aunt of theirs left us some money to complete our education, and I was delighted to take coaching, and to enter college with girls 10 years younger.

"This was a happy time for me. I met my husband, who was, and is, a professor of English, and the year we were married I sold three short stories—for very small sums, but it was a great thrill to me. Of late years I have had little time to write, as we have three children and I do all my own work, but I have always hoped that the time would come when I could go on.

"Some months ago I noticed a change in Phil, my husband, that I could not understand. He is 13 years older than I, which makes him 51. He grew excitable, moody, explosive, silent. He has always been a serene man, a church-goer, idealistic and really faultless. His devotion to the children is remarkable, and he has always seen that they help me as much as small children can.

Husband's Suspicions Aroused.

"One day I had a call from Chester's brother, who as a young boy had sometimes been with us on our expeditions. I had not heard of any of them for years and believe me he was an unwelcome reminder of what I would have been glad to forget. He said that he was worried because he had met my husband and made some reference to me, as a girl. He said that he had had no idea that I had left the box factory days behind me and was married

SMUGNESS
 The "holier than thou" attitude adopted by some husbands or wives can make married life almost unbearable. Kathleen Norris is approached by a woman whose loving husband adopted a smug attitude when he learned of a minor love affair she had had when a young girl. Miss Norris states that unfortunately there is no solution to this problem; her only hope is to develop other interests.

to Phil, and that he was afraid he had spoken in a way that roused my husband's suspicions. The conversation was perfectly insufferable to me, and I was glad to see the last of this odious boy.

"This explained the change in my husband, and wisely or unwisely, when he burst out one day with questions I told him the whole truth. It stunned him, and he left me without comment. For days he hardly spoke, and then one evening with the greatest kindness and gentleness he told me that he had talked the matter over with our minister, and that affairs at home must go on just as they were; for his sake, the children's, mine, and that of society, he had finally decided against divorce.

Cast in Humiliating Role.

"I knew that in a few days the stiffness would wear off the situation, so I accepted this decision. The alternative of losing my children was too terrible. And presently everything was going along just as before, except for moments when Philip saw fit to take the attitude of a mentor, and ask me what I had been doing, to whom my letters were addressed. It was stupid and humiliating to me, but I thought it would wear off.

"But even now there are occasional reminders that I am a sinner and must be guided. Philip wishes I would cultivate the lovely Mrs. Brown, who has always been such a dignified, discreet woman. Last night when I was working with the typewriter he asked what I was doing. I said writing the story of a girl's struggle to better herself. A faint smile came over his face and he said 'I don't know that I'd make it TOO biographical.'

"How long should I bear this sort of thing? In actual campus popularity I've long ago outstripped Philip. I am president of two clubs; people love my Sunday garden lunches; my children are wonderful. Am I to go on forever being made ashamed?"

Rise Above Handicap.

The answer, Ruth, is that the fault lies with Philip, and apparently there's no reaching him. He will continue with this small-boy smugness to the end. Even if he committed a fault far more serious than yours he would go right on feeling that you were the sinner, and that he was fully justified in whatever he did.

But don't despair. You have great consolations. The cultural atmosphere, the dramatics and discussions and opportunities of a campus are real advantages, and the mothering of three lovely children a great privilege. Beside that, you show a genuine gift for writing, and if someday you write the college stories, or the college novel for which all the publishers and magazines are waiting, you will be able to ignore Philip's miserable little taunts. There is an old saying that the sins of youth are the masters of age. But there are other sayings, too, and other truths, about what we gain through the humiliation, the bitter lesson of having sinned, and sometimes the woman who rises above such a handicap is actually wiser and stronger in the end than the self-righteous woman who never knew temptation.

Ask Me Another

A General Quiz

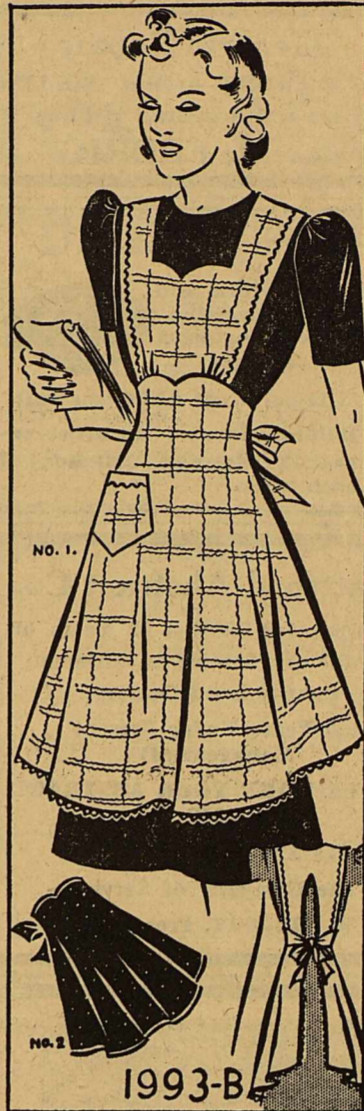
The Questions

1. Is it incorrect to refer to our flag as the "American" flag?
2. Is the Diesel engine a comparatively new invention?
3. What common name is given to thea Sinensis?
4. When does a newly elected President take office?
5. A man dressed sans souci would be dressed how?
6. What is verdigris?
7. Was India paper so named because it was first made in India?
8. What is an Igorot?
9. What was the largest ballot ever printed in the United States?
10. What is the meaning of the word "soviet"?

The Answers

1. According to the United States Flag association, it is not. However the official title is the "Flag of the United States."
2. No. It was invented by Dr. Rudolph Diesel of Munich, Germany, and put in operation in 1898.
3. Tea.
4. January 20.
5. Carelessly.
6. Green rust on copper.
7. No. It originally came from China.
8. A member of a wild Philippine tribe.
9. The largest ballot ever printed in America was used by the Twenty-third assembly district of New York state at the primary election of March 26, 1902. Designed by Tammany politicians to express their dislike for this kind of election, which had just superseded the caucus, the ballot was 16 inches wide and 14 feet long.
10. It is the Russian word for council; a soviet is a council of workers and soldiers who rule a local area. The soviet is the political unit of the Communist government of Russia, the official title of which is the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, shortened for general use to U. S. S. R.

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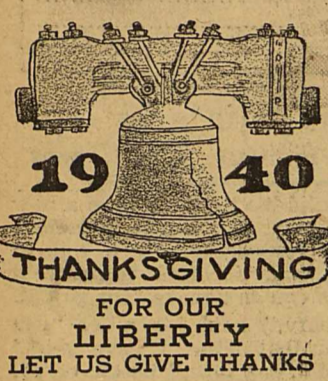
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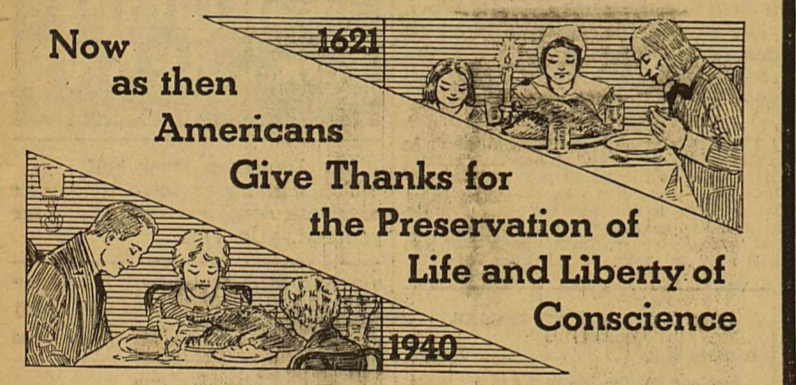


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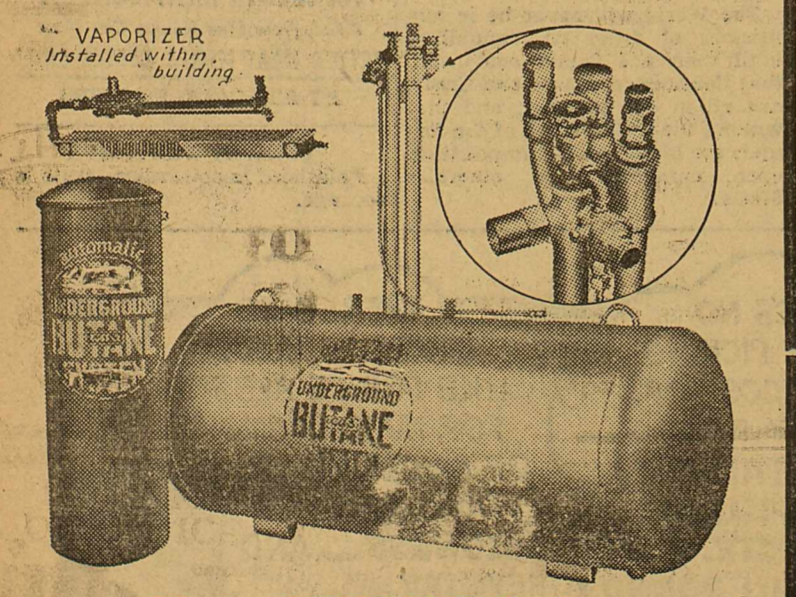


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ity meetings December 13 or 14 to elect the men to administer the AAA program locally during the coming year.
At each of these meetings of AAA cooperators, three men will be elected to serve as community committeemen during the coming year. At the same time, delegates will be selected to attend a county convention to be held the following day.

Delegates to the county conventions will elect three committeemen to administer the program in the county. In addition, two alternate committeemen will be elected.
"The committee set-up is the most important phase of the entire program," George Slaughter, chairman of the state AAA committee declared. "These men are chosen because of their administrative abilities, and on them depends the success or failure of the farm program in their counties."
Farmer-control of the program is an actuality, not just an idea, the chairman continued. He cited the cotton marketing quota referendum to be held December 7 as one example of the "economic democracy" practiced by the farmers and committee elections as another example.

All members of the county Agricultural Conservation Associations, composed of all producers cooperating with the AAA, are eligible to participate in the committee elections, Slaughter said. He urged producers to remember that the committeemen would administer a program which is of vital concern to all of them, and that, therefore, great care should be taken in getting the best men available for the positions.

Methods For Curing Pork At Home

COLLEGE STATION, Nov. 20. — Curing pork for home consumption is so simple the layman may practice it with assurance of success, says Roy W. Snyder, originally meat specialist of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service.
The recipe is very simple. A mixture of salt, sugar and saltpeter in the ratio of 8 pounds of salt, 3 pounds of sugar, and three ounces of saltpeter. The quantity would provide for 100 pounds of meat. Anticipating inquiries regarding the possible superiority of brown sugar, Snyder says he used commercial white granulated and "just a little more than one half of the mixture in the first rubbing of the

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Answer: Canned vegetables have about the same food value that fresh vegetables have after they are cooked. But be sure to use the liquid from your canned vegetables. Serve it with the vegetables or use it in making soups, stews, and gravies. This liquid contains minerals and some vitamins, which you won't want to waste if you're trying to make your food money go as far as possible. If you don't use fresh vegetables your diet may be low in vitamin C, so be sure to use generous amounts of citrus fruits and fresh or canned tomatoes.
It's always a good plan also to have some raw fruits or vegetables in your meals each day. They furnish vitamins, and they give you variety in texture and flavor so your meals are more interesting.
New England sailors, during the

meat." A week later he rubbed the hams, bacon, and shoulders a second time. The carcass was thoroughly chilled in cold storage before cutting for treatment. The small, thin pieces, such as loins which had been boned, the top end of the shoulders, or boston butts, and jowls, were not treated again as they had received enough salt in the first rubbing to cure them sufficiently.
Snyder says the thin pieces like the loins should be cured within ten days and the bacon in about two weeks, allowing one and one-half days to the pound per piece. The hams and shoulders to keep through hot weather without refrigeration should be in cure three days for each pound, or specifically, a 15-pound ham should cure 45 days.

To make ham or bacon milder in salt flavor, Snyder says soaking thin pieces one hour and thicker pieces like hams three hours in cold well water is helpful. After soaking the pieces should be hung to dry, preferably over night and then smoked for color and taste. Usually fires built on two consecutive days, and "not too much fire," will make the meat a bright luscious brown. Hams and shoulders can always stand a little more smoke than bacon and loins.
Snyder cautions that if the weather this winter gets quite warm before the salt has penetrated to the center of the meat it may be necessary to put it in cold storage.
The Texas Extension Service has a bulletin on curing pork available at the county agricultural or home demonstration agent's office.

Aliens Must Register By December 26

Alien registration will end on December 26 and all non-citizens who have not yet registered are warned that severe penalties will follow failure to comply with this Federal law.
All aliens, 14 years of age and older, must register in person and be fingerprinted.
Alien children, under 14, must be registered by their parents or guardians.
Registration takes place at the post offices.
There is no charge of any kind connected with alien registration.
The Department of Justice warns aliens to beware of racketeers.
The Post Office Department and the Department of Justice will willingly assist the alien in every possible way.
Earl G. Harrison, Director of Alien Registration of the Department, suggests that those aliens who have not yet registered do so as soon as possible and avoid the Christmas rush at the post offices.
All aliens are also warned that, having registered, they are required to report any change in their permanent residence address within five days to the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the Department of Justice in Washington. Forms for this purpose are obtainable at all post offices.
No alien need be unprepared for the questions he will be asked. Sample registration forms which show him exactly what information he will need at registration are available in all post offices.

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New England sailors, during the

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