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The Editor's

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per this of the folks. he editor stayed at the dinner able too long, and indigestion or ookworm has him on the drag. ut our old pep will be back next eek—we will have cleaned up e Christmas litter around the op and will have a better paper. he candidates will be greeting ou in The Observer, and we will ave something else interesting, esides, in next week's paper.

A lot of today's wolves are old oats.

Coke county's old political pot as started to simmer, and we hear several prospective candidates. Watch The Observer's announcement column the first week in anuary.

Here's a New Year's trick in mathematics you might try: Multiply your age by 2 and add 5 to the result. Multiply by 50. Add the change in your pocket left over from Christmas, if less than a dollar. Subtract the number of days in the year, 365. Add 115 for good measure. And listen, brother, the two left hand figures will show your age. And believe it or not the two right hand figures will tell the change you have in your pocketbook.

The difference between a flea and a snake: The snake is more particular. It crawls on its own stomach.

Do you know who was governor of Texas when Coke county was organized? His name was Sui Ross. A native of Iowa, Ross was 43 years old when he was inaugurated governor in 1887.

And speaking of governors, it looks like there will be plenty of bidders for votes for governor in the coming campaign. Jerry Sandler wants to run, John Lee Smith, his lightning rod up, Bob Cal...ing Doctah Rainey is...receptive, Jimmie Allred is...turn to the last page

## The Mayor Of Edith Says



When my wife stares at me with that far-off look in her eyes, I wonder if she isn't thinking that perhaps she is the "early" they talk so much about.



## Freeze, Can or Cure Meat for Varied Farm Menus



Berniece Kaples, left, slices a round of partially thawed sausage for dinner. All seasonings except the salt were added before the meat was frozen. Berniece is a 4-H girl in Platte county, Nebr.



In preparation for storage in a freezer locker, this 1-meal piece of meat is wrapped in moisture-vapor-proof paper and inserted in an elastic stockinette which will be tied shut at both ends.



Cured salt pork can be sliced and fried, then combined with slices of apple and cooked sweet potato.

ALTHOUGH fall is still the popular season for butchering, freezer-locker facilities make it possible almost any month, according to Marjorie Griffin, Rural Home Editor of Capper's Farmer. "Farm homemakers like to use their home freezers and freezer lockers to hold beef, pork, lamb, veal or poultry at its fresh best until needed," she writes in the magazine read by 1,250,000 farm families. "However, the old standby methods of curing and canning meat continue to be used. "Many farm families find that preserving by all three methods gives greatest variety to the menus. "A plan often followed is to freeze tender cuts from rib and loin; can shoulders, shanks and other less tender cuts; cure sides and hams of pork and the inside round of beef. "Young chickens are frequently frozen; hens may be canned. Poultry should be well fattened for slaughter before freezing. "The length of time meat can be frozen successfully depends on the temperature at which it is stored, she points out. It should be kept at 0° F. or lower. In general sausage and ground meat can be kept for 6 months; fresh pork, veal and fish from 3 to 6 months; beef and lamb 6 to 12 months; and poultry 8 months.

## Partnership Is Dissolved

Ford Hallmark and Turney Casey have dissolved the H. & C. Motor Co. Mr. Hallmark takes over the gasoline and tractor business, while Turney takes over the Chevrolet and garage end. Each will operate independently. Both are live wires and will continue to enjoy a good business.

### List Your Rooms

Anticipating a demand for furnished rooms and rent houses, the Board of Community Development requests that those having quarters to rent list same with the Robert Lee Observer. Oil activities and road construction will cause a demand for rooms, and to assist in locating people in Robert Lee the Board is taking this enterprising step. No charges are made for this service.

Sgt. John D. Parker, having received his discharge from the army air corps at Langley Field, Va, arrived home last Friday. John saw a great deal of overseas service, and is glad to be home again.

Thanks to Mrs. R. S. Anderson, for subscription renewal.

## LAST CALL

Monday, Dec. 31, we will accept our LAST subscriptions for the San Angelo Standard-Times, daily and Sunday and The Robert Lee Observer for \$8.90. Or if you want only The Standard-Times, the price will be \$7.65. After next Monday this offer is no good.

Army recruits will be in Robert Lee every Thursday. The recruiting office in San Angelo has moved to the second floor of the St. Angelus Hotel. Enlistments are opened to men between the ages of 17 and 34. The army offers four years of college for three years of service. Many other benefits are offered to young men. Contact your nearest recruiting office in San Angelo.



## Says The Senator From Sanco

Many a fellow in love can't eat, can't sleep, and can't drink. He's broke.

## Sgt. W. E. Casey Graduates

Headquarters Seventh Army, Heidelberg, Germany.—Sgt. Wm. E. Casey of Robert Lee, Texas, recently was graduated from the United States Seventh Army's Military Police School conducted at Heidelberg University, Heidelberg, Germany. The two week course consisted of Military Law, Criminal Investigation, Military Police Duties, Traffic control, and Judo.

He is a member of the 504th MP Battalion. His father, J. M. Casey, resides in Robert Lee.

### Finest Gift Ever

As a Christmas gift, Mrs. Raymond McCutchen orders The Observer sent to W. F. Olsen at Odessa and to Jim McCutchen in Robert Lee. And Foy Askin sends The Observer as a Christmas gift to his father, F. A. Askin in Monterey, Calif.

R. T. Smith, having completed his naval service and received an honorable discharge, arrived home last week.

Wanted—To buy a second hand saddle.—K. F. Shropshire.

## Dam Prospects Brightening

In a meeting at Austin Thursday of last week the LRCA pledged its full co-operation towards the Robert Lee irrigation project, G. C. Allen, secretary of the UCRA reports. L. T. Youngblood, president of the latter organization, also attended this important meeting.

This pledge means that the LCRA and the UCRA forces will work in unison for pending projects. Robert Lee dam prospects were never brighter, all of which is due to the splendid work of our UCRA officials.

### Bids To Be Called For

Judge McNeil Wylie returned from Austin last Friday where he had been conferring with the state highway commission on matters concerning highways in Coke county. He was informed that bids for the highway to the Mitchell county line would be called for on Dec. 29. This is good news. Judge Wylie and the commissioners have worked hard for this project, and their labors are now bringing results.

Tire rationing comes to an end Jan. 1. Glory be! Arise and sing!

Thanks to J. C. Cobb for subscription renewal to The Observer.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hughes of Atlanta, Ga., and Mrs. H. C. Gibbens of Lubbock were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ell Hatley.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Smith were called to Houston last week by the serious illness of Mr. Smith's mother.

Bobbie Lee Davis is among the new readers of the rabbit twisters official journal.

A toothsome 40-pound ham was the fine Christmas gift Carlos Rabb sent to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rabb.

Christmas visitors in the Grant Davis home were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Vowell and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Kinsey of Ozona, Elmo Bell and family, Amarillo, and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Zoet of San Antonio.

J. B. Robertson was in to see us last Friday, renewing his subscription to The Observer. Forty-four years ago Mr. Robertson subscribed for this paper when it was The Coke County Rustler, and he has stood by the county paper ever since. We appreciate our substantial pioneer subscribers—it is because of their patronage through lean and good years this paper has weathered the storms of business life.

## Says The Wildcat Apostle



The only man who can tell a woman where to get off and get away with it bud, is the elevator operator.

**IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson**

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

**Lesson for December 30**

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**WORLD FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIANS**

LESSON TEXT—Acts 10:34-43. GOLDEN TEXT—The same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him.—Romans 10:12.

Fellowship is impossible where there is prejudice and intolerance. The world is full of it even now, after we have fought a global war to stop such inhumanity of man to man.

It would be a surprise even to some Christian people to learn that "God is no respecter of persons," that with Him a man is not received because he is of a particular race, color, education or social position.

The church of Christ has its greatest opportunity now to show that the things it professes to believe actually work in the relationship of man to man. They will work if we will only let them! Our lesson presents:

**I. Principle—God Is No Respector of Persons (vv. 34, 35).**

Peter had learned about God's love for the Gentiles by the vision given him concerning Cornelius. (Read Acts 10:1-33.)

Peter was a Jew, and God now used this vision to teach him a much needed lesson about the carrying of the gospel to the Gentiles. The Jews were (and still are—let us remember it) God's chosen people. However, they were not chosen for their own comfort, convenience or glory, but that they might be channels for the outflowing of God's blessing to all nations.

Cornelius was typical of those in every nation who are ready for the preaching of the gospel. He was a God-fearing, righteous man, but nonetheless in need of redemption.

Whatever it may be that keeps us from carrying the gospel to all nations, we ought to recognize as unchristian, and put it aside. It may be race prejudice, or it still persists; but it may be an equally deadly indifference to the needs of others. Let us, like Peter, go to them and open our mouths (v. 34) to proclaim Christ.

**II. Practice—Jesus Did Good to All (vv. 36-41).**

The attributes of God are always active. He not only is good, He does good. So the principle, "no respecter of persons," is perfectly exemplified in our Lord Jesus who "went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the devil," and we may well place the emphasis on the word "all."

The death of Christ for their sins (v. 39), His resurrection from the dead for their justification (v. 40), the coming judgment for sin (v. 42), and the remission of sins in His name—these are the essentials of Peter's message.

Note how plain is the truth. Jesus has come and has wrought redemption for all who will believe. Now we must choose whether we want Him to be our Judge or our Redeemer. Either He is your Saviour, or He will be your judge. (John 3:17, 18.)

The proclamation of this message of redemption was never completed, even "while Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon them all" (v. 44). Blessed interruption! Would that we might have more like it in our churches and Bible schools!

**III. Privilege—We Are to Preach to All People (vv. 42, 43).**

Yes, it is a command (Matt. 28:19, 20), but it is also an unestimable privilege to be called of God to tell all nations about the One in whom they have "remission of sins."

Let us preach that message. Book reviews, political addresses, discussion of civic or social problems will not bring the result. Forums, clubs, discussion groups, unless they have for their subject the Word of God, need not expect anything like this to happen.

Preaching of the Word of God concerning the person and work of Christ, whether it be in a home (like that of Cornelius) or in a great cathedral (and thank God, some of them do have such preaching), will result in some soul finding Christ and receiving the Holy Spirit.

It is worthy of note that these believers gave evidence of their new-found spiritual life by magnifying God, obeying His word, and testifying to others. It is to the credit of Peter and his companions that they recognized the workings of God's grace in the lives of these Gentiles.

May we also be quick to see, appreciate and encourage every true gospel work.

**4-H Girls Win Scholarships Through Skill With Needle**

**College Education Assured For a Dozen Lucky Ladies**

Using needle and thread, ingenuity and perseverance, 12 girls from as many states each won \$200 scholarships at the National 4-H clothing achievement contest held at Chicago in connection with the 24th National 4-H club congress. The scholarships were awarded by the Spool Cotton company of New York.

The winners were Dixie Lee Nuttall, Dragoon, Cochise Co., Ariz.; Mae Cagle, Canton, Cherokee Co., Ga.; Meta Marie Keller, Streator,

Sewing isn't difficult if you have patience, says Rhua Slavens, who has made numerous hats and bags, a winter coat, and a coat and suit. She admits, however, that she started sewing by making a tea towel!

Ruth Erb thinks it is a crime to let good material go to waste, so she takes out-of-date clothing and, using her style sense, creates many fashion sensations. Ruth thinks everyone should go through the rag bag or the pile of discarded clothing from time to time to get material for skirts, shorts, jerkin, blouse and other garments.

Special occasions do not bother Kathryn Johnson, for she makes any outfit she wants. Her father's old silk shirts, discarded 20 years ago, provided her with a blouse. She reshapes old hats into stylish modes

the 4-H club, Mae Cagle progressed from making doll dresses to slips, dresses, house coats and other items of apparel. If she likes a dress shown in a newspaper or magazine, she makes one like it for herself.

Eleanor Zaharis has won many prizes for her exceptional sewing. She starts first with good material, tests it for wrinkles, chooses a pattern carefully and sets to work. She refuses to rush through the sewing, but takes extra care to assure an attractive and satisfying result.

Before she became an expert at sewing, Marie Weisheit made many mistakes, but you would never guess it now. Along with making her own clothes, Marie does most of the mending and darning for her family of six people.

Another who started sewing by



SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS . . . First row, left to right: Dixie Lee Nuttall, Arizona; Gerry Keathly, Oklahoma; Rhua Slavens, Montana; Bonnie Christison, Wisconsin; Ruth Erb, New Hampshire; Eleanor Zaharis, Oregon. Second row, left to right: Mae Cagle, Georgia; Meta Marie Keller, Illinois; Doris Clopper, Maryland; Kathryn Johnson, New York; Marie Weisheit, Indiana. (Billie McCoy, Tennessee, not shown, was also a winner.)

La Salle Co., Ill.; Marie Lorena Weisheit, Petersburg, Pike Co., Ind.; Doris Clopper, Hagerstown, Washington Co., Md.; Rhua Ethel Slavens, Molt, Stillwater Co., Mont.; Ruth B. Erb, Hudson, Hillsborough Co., N. H.; Kathryn Johnson, Marathon, Cortland Co., N. Y.; Gerry Keathly, Marland, Noble Co., Okla.; Eleanor Zaharis, Portland, Multnomah Co., Ore.; Billie McCoy, Jasper, Marion Co., Tenn.; and Bonnie B. Christison, Elkhorn, Walworth Co., Wis.

In case any of the above do not take advantage of the scholarships, some of the following alternates may go to college instead:

Alice Word, Oak Grove, Christian Co., Ky.; Lorraine Miller, Fairmont, Martin Co., Minn.; Nancy Brittingham, Marshallton, New Castle Co., Del.; Carley Jean Vansant, Richfield, Lincoln Co., Idaho; Lyda Jean Smith, Boaz, Etowah Co., Ala.; and Helen Ochsner, Madison, Madison Co., Neb.

Each 4-H clothing achievement girl had a personal story of how she started sewing, of her progress and of her final triumph as a national winner.

Dixie Lee Nuttall got her start making doll clothes. After dressing the doll in the best of fashion, Dixie knew she had overcome most of the pitfalls of a beginner. She has completed a total of 77 articles and has knitted or crocheted 15 more.

Bonnie B. Christison admits she always liked to sew, and recently proved it when she made 10 gowns for a formal wedding when her sister was married.

Doris Clopper discovered that shortage of piece goods during wartime made remodeling almost a necessity. She first selected a blue serge suit of her father's, took it apart, placed it on a pattern, and set to work. A fine two-piece suit for herself resulted. A black coat with a big fur collar, discarded by her mother, was revamped into a stylish garment by Doris. Her magic now turns all sorts of old garments into attractive ensembles for herself, family and friends.

and creates other wearing apparel that will stand the test of any fashion editor's eye.

Billie McCoy estimates that she has saved over \$300 by making her own clothing during the last few years. Evening gowns, blouses, skirts, suits, dresses and other needs were produced by her sewing skill. To list all her sewing achievements would make a news story in itself.

In seven years of project work in

making a tea towel is Gerry Keathly. "If you've never sewed, you don't know what you're missing," she declares now. Making dresses, or suits, is now easy for her, and her favorite pastime is darning!

Meta Marie Keller finds she can now make all her own clothes and still have time for fun and other work. It wasn't easy at first, she admits, as she looks back to the time she made her first cotton dress.

**Visitors from Foreign Lands Come to Learn at 4-H Congress**

Other nations are learning from the 4-H clubs of America, it was revealed at the 24th annual 4-H club congress held in Chicago. As their guests the 4-H members of the United States had 51 boys and girls of other nations who had come to share the event.

Eighteen young Chinese, who were sent to the United States by their government to study 4-H clubs and agricultural methods, are among foreign friends who will take home a report of their experiences.

These young Chinese passed November on American farms. As a climax of their American visit they attended the congress with delegates of their "adopted" states, who will describe the congress to Chinese youth on shortwave broadcasts soon. He is learning to drive a tractor and operate other farm machinery on the Owen Perry farm, Malcolm, Neb. Mrs. Perry is teaching him English—and he's looking forward to Christmas—the American kind.

**South Americans Here.**

The "good neighbors" who attended included 7 Venezuelans, 1 Costa Rican, 1 Peruvian, 35 Canadians from Ontario and 4 from Quebec. To get acquainted they visited with different delegations. For instance, one Canadian boy had breakfast one day with Oklahomans, lunch with the Oregon delegation and dinner with Georgians.

Mario Perez of Venezuela has been living with his pal, Gilbert Haddock of Connecticut. He is active in the 5-V clubs of Venezuela, similar to 4-H clubs.

Rita Lefebvre, 20, of Chandler, Quebec, and Normand Laferrriere of Berthier, Quebec, toured Chicago and marveled at "those buildings with their heads in the skies."

In their French-accented English, the dark-haired, vivacious Miss Lefebvre and her 4-H companion from a town of 300 population said it was the first time they had seen buildings over 15 stories high. Neither had visited the United States before their present trip, which was in the nature of an award for their 4-H club work in Canada.

Miss Lefebvre, who is employed in a bank, directed an exhibit of home economics work and forest education last August for the 70 members of her 4-H club. Laferrriere, who is taking a special scientific course preparatory to entering college, organized two 4-H clubs and a community center for forest instruction at Berthier.

Both they and their chaperons, Mrs. Gerard La Terreur of Quebec and J. A. Breton of Chandler City, marveled at the vastness of the United States 4-H organization.

The Canadian clubs, which are more social and educational organizations than farm groups, have a membership of 500, they said.

**Why, to Some, Coolidge Was Ideal Banquet Orator**

Silent Cal, they called Cal Coolidge, even before he became President of the United States.

On one occasion, while he was yet vice president, Coolidge was invited to a dinner party by Alice Roosevelt Longworth, whose brilliant salons were the hub of Washington's social life. After an hour of chattering to Coolidge without getting any response better than a mumble, Mrs. Longworth asked with venom: "Mr. Coolidge, why do you go to so many dinners they bore you this much?"

Cal kept on munching a shrugged, "Well, a fellow eat some place."

**How To Dye**

CREOMULSION for Coughs, Chest Colds, Bronchitis

**MRS. DYE MAKES OVERALLS LAST**

FITCHER, OKLAHOMA.—Mr. L. E. Dye has had a lot of experience in washing overalls for boys and her husband. She has found out how to make them last longer. Here is what she says in a letter to Faultless Starch.

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Now there is an important message for anyone who has overalls in her wash. Mrs. Dye says the Faultless Starch makes overalls wear longer (that's mighty important, today) and look "ten times better" (and that's important, too).

**HOW TO STARCH OVERALLS**

Overalls, work pants, wash shirts—and children's play clothes usually get very, very dirty. Sometimes it takes a lot of rubbing on a scrubboard to take the dirt out. And everyone knows that rubbing wears out clothes as much as washes them does. But when you give them a LIGHT starching with Faultless Starch you save a lot of that rubbing. You see—Faultless Starch penetrates the fabric—so dirt can't grind in so easily. And Faultless Starch dissolves instantly in water and carries most of the dirt right out with it. So when you starch other things, be sure to give overalls, work pants, children's clothes, etc., a very light starching at the same time. You'll notice the difference when you wash them!

**SO SMOOTH TO WEAR**

The men will really like it, too. The fabric feels smooth and slick—not scratchy and rough. They won't chafe as much around the neck and the arms. It's a wonderful relief to wear smooth, slick work clothes! Try it, this wash-day. And be sure to use Faultless Starch!—Adv.

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Green Onions, bunch 6 1-2c—Yams, East Texas, 9½c

Carrots, fine flavor, bunch 6 1-2c : Spinach, lb. 10c



**Potatoes** Idaho Russets U.S. No. 1—lb. 4½c  
 10-Pound Mesh Bag 53c

**Lettuce** Fresh, Crisp 23c  
 2 heads for

Rutabagas, waxed, pound 6½c

Celery, California, stalk - 19c

Cabbage, South Texas, pound 4c

Roasted Peanuts, Jumbo Reds, 12-oz. cello bag - 23c

**In Our Meat Department**

Sliced Bacon per pound 41c

Round Bone Roast - lb. 28c

Seven Bone Steak - lb. 28c

Square Cheese per pound 49c

Pork Chops pound 36c

Spare Ribs pound 25c

Libbys Y.C. Peaches No. 10 can 93c

**Hershey Cocoa** 8-oz. pkg. 9c

**Gold Medal Flour** 10-lb bag 55c

Bruce's Orange Juice, No. 2 tin . . . 18c  
 Big Value Corn, Cream Style, No. 2 can 12c  
 Rice, extra fancy, 1 lb. cello 17c; 2 lbs. 33c  
 Shrimp, Blue Gulf, wet pack 7 1-2 oz. can 49c

**Oysters, No. 1 can 49c**

Sardines, Rio Del Mar, No. 1 tall can . 11c  
 Sardines, Maine, in soy bean oil, 3 cans 25c  
 Fish Flakes, Billow brand, 15 oz. tin . . 47c

**Wheaties, package 15c**

Apples, extra choice, 1 lb. cello pkg. . 49c  
 Figs, Fancy Adriatic, 1 lb. cello pkg. . . 36c  
 Prunes, large, 1 lb. cello pkg. 18c; 2 lbs. 34c  
 Dates, Pitted, 1 pound cello package . . 33c  
 Raisins, Market Day, 2 lbs. 28c; 4 pounds 56c  
 Dates, All Purpose, 16 ounce package . 53c  
 Peaches, Choice, 1 pound cello pkg. . . . 35c

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 Swift's Pure Lard, 8 pound carton . . . 1.43  
 Tomato Juice, Libby's, No. 2 can . . . 12c  
 Syrup, Flap Jack, pint 14c; quart size . 27c  
 Complete line Ma Brown Jellies, Preserves  
 Coffee, Admiration, 1 pound glass . . 32c

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**WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS**

**Congress Reacts to Labor Unrest; Truman Maps Broad Program to Ease Critical Housing Shortage**

Released by Western Newspaper Union. (EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysts and not necessarily of this newspaper.)



Searching for wood or food scraps, residents of Nuernberg scour Allied food dump. Despite plans for food shipments to Reich, U. S. reports present ration of 1,500 calories will not be increased.

**LABOR: Congress Reacts**

Inflamed by labor unrest retarding reconversion, congress moved for passage of an "anti-violence" act providing a maximum penalty of 20 years imprisonment for forcible interference or threats against interstate commerce. Labeled as an anti-racketeering measure, the bill grew out of protest against the AFL International Teamster union's collection of funds from independent truckers entering large cities where the ITU is strongly organized.

While congress vented its wrath against the strike wave with the "anti-violence" act, it cooled to move more slowly on President Truman's recommendation for anti-strike legislation calling for creation of fact-finding boards empowered to look into both company and union books to determine merits of wage disputes.

Hotly opposed by labor leaders, the President's proposal has been half-heartedly received by industry, with both parties continuing to favor the least possible restraint upon their full bargaining advantages in adjusting their differences.

**UAW Backs Down**

Meanwhile, negotiations proceeded apace in the automobile industry, where the powerful CIO-United Automobile Workers sought maintenance of high wartime wages.

A break in the UAW's demands for a 30 per cent pay boost came in its dickering with Ford, with the union announcing a willingness to compromise on its position if the company proposed an annual wage and other concessions like pensions, retirement compensation and vacations.

In an effort to meet Ford in the negotiations, the UAW also drew up an unprecedented security clause against wildcat strikes, agreeing on the imposition of a \$3 a day fine against workers found guilty of an unauthorized walkout for a first offense, and \$5 a day for a second.

While the UAW-Ford discussions progressed, the union's parley with General Motors lagged a step behind, with President Truman seeking to actively intervene in the dispute with the appointment of a fact-finding board to help speed settlement of the wage issue. Unlike the machinery that Mr. Truman would have set up in his anti-strike legislation, however, the G.M. fact-finding board lacks power to force either party to turn over its books.

**Production Off**

Crippled by strikes, parts shortages and labor scarcities, automobile production has fallen far below previous expectations, with only about 50,000 cars having been manufactured up to mid-December out of a year-end goal of 500,000.

Of the Big Three in the industry, only Ford has achieved any kind of volume of output, having turned out over 25,000 vehicles or about half of the over-all total. G.M. production has been retarded by the big auto strike while Chrysler activity has suffered from supply and labor shortages after a late reconversion start caused by a cleanup of government orders. Packard, Nash, Hudson and Studebaker have all fallen far behind schedule, while Willys-Overland's production of jeeps has been stymied during the last two months.

**HOME BUILDING: Seek Speed-Up**

Moving to ease the nation's strident housing shortage, President Truman mapped a broad over-all program calling for the channelling of building materials into lower cost construction, imposition of price control on new and old dwellings, and emergency use of wartime government shelters for home-seekers.

The President took action as Reconversion Director Snyder declared that a million families already are doubling up in existing homes and the number may continue to grow as service discharges mount. With several years of peak construction necessary to relieve the situation, the industry will do well if it puts up 500,000 dwellings next year, Snyder added.

In exercising its emergency power to route building materials into lower cost housing to accommodate average pocketbooks, the government will favor homes under \$10,000, with preference given to vets. Essential industrial and commercial construction also will be granted priority under the plan.

With housing expected to remain short for several years despite increasing production, the President's proposal for legislation for ceilings on new and old structures aimed at keeping prices within reasonable bounds to head off an inflationary spiral.

In providing emergency facilities, including army and navy barracks and dormitories, for temporary shelter in crowded areas, the government will move the structures wherever necessary. At the same time, surplus government building materials also will be disposed of, with 70 per cent earmarked for low cost housing.

To speed the program, President Truman named former Mayor Wilson Wyatt of Louisville, Ky., housing expediter to work under Snyder.

**PEARL HARBOR: Testimony Clashes**

Divergence of testimony over the war department's receipt of the fateful "winds message" disclosing Japan's decision to wage war against the U. S. on December 3, 1941, marked the congressional inquiry into the Pearl Harbor disaster.

Whereas a top secret report of the army's Pearl Harbor inquiry board stated that the navy had intercepted and decoded the message four days before the surprise attack and then transmitted it to the White House and war and state departments, affidavits later obtained through a special investigation asserted that the army had never received the information. Copies of the message have disappeared from navy files, the army board reported.

Undertaken by the war department after the army board had filed its report, the special investigation was conducted by Lt. Col. Henry C. Clausen, and disputed other facts originally presented besides those pertaining to the "winds" message. In completing one week of testimony before the congressional committee, Gen. George C. Marshall, ex-army chief of staff and President Truman's special envoy to China, backed up the revised finding, denying that he had seen the December 3 message.

**SALARIES: Report Highest**

In earning \$908,070, movie magnate Louis B. Mayer enjoyed the top income in the U. S. for the calendar year 1943 or fiscal year ending in 1944, the treasury reported. Far behind Mayer, Charles E. Wilson, president of General Motors, drew \$459,041 to rank No. 2, with Thomas J. Watson, president of the International Business Machines corporation, No. 3 with \$425,548.

Fred MacMurray's \$419,166 topped movie star salaries, with other peak Hollywood incomes including Deanna Durbin, \$326,491; Barbara Stanwyck, \$323,333; Bing Crosby, \$294,444, and William Powell, \$292,500.

General Motors officials were among the highest paid of the nation's executives, other G.M. big-wigs besides Wilson in the top brackets including Ormond E. Hunt, \$359,519; Albert Bradley, \$350,432; John Thomas Smith, \$306,310; Donaldson Brown, \$306,160, and Charles F. Kettering, \$306,117.

**NUERNBERG TRIBUNAL: Faces Test**

First great undertaking of its kind to provide a precedent for the punishment of war-makers, the Allied tribunal trying top Nazis in Nuernberg, Germany, will receive its stiffest test if defendants press their efforts to get prominent personages in the U. S. and Britain to testify as witnesses.

Under regulations drawn up by the U. S., Britain, Russia and France, the tribunal is empowered to subpoena witnesses in other countries, in which case the latter could then appeal to their own national courts against being forced to appear. Upon the verdict of these judicial bodies, then, the authority of the tribunal would be legally defined.

Under the tribunal's charter, the defendants themselves cannot challenge its validity, their early protests having been denied and their proposals for a mixed court of allied, neutral and German judges rejected. As the case proceeded, U. S. prosecutors outlined the conscription of hundreds of thousands of foreign workers for slave labor in Germany.

**BIG THREE: Foreign Chiefs Meet**

Simultaneous with Sec. of State James F. Byrnes' departure for the meeting of foreign ministers in Moscow, the U. S. state department released its plans for the economic reorganization of Germany, limiting the Reich's industry to necessities at the outset and pegging its living standard to the European average.

Pressing European and Asiatic diplomatic problems as well as the control of atomic energy were high



General Eisenhower (left) sees Secretary Byrnes off to Moscow.

on the Big Three's agenda as the Moscow parley took shape. Immediate cause of concern lay in the troubled Iranian situation, where Russia has resisted proposals for a withdrawal of its troops from the north in the midst of a Red-backed autonomy movement in Azerbaijan province, aiding the extension of communist influence in the oil-rich middle east.

In advancing its plan for the economic revamping of Germany, the U. S. said food shipments to the Reich will be necessary during the reorganization period of two years. After that, the Reich should be able to supply its minimum needs and also produce enough to export goods to balance import requirements.

**TROOP TRAVEL: Claims Rail Cars**

With 35 per cent of all coach seats and 75 per cent of all sleeping space on railroads diverted to troop use, civilians faced difficult transportation conditions over the holiday season.

Charged with the task of moving a million men during December alone, with 660,000 debarking on the west coast, the railroads anticipate an equally heavy load during January.

No less than 40 to 50 trains a day are needed to keep Pacific ports clear, with 90 per cent of all the beds and seats for eastward travel occupied by the military. Of the 22,000 men moving inland from the west each day, 85 per cent travel to destinations east of the Mississippi river.

**Washington Digest**  
**Guess Early on 1948 Presidential Candidates**



**Truman Seen as Standard-Bearer of the Democratic Party; Dewey Faces Fight in New York to Stay in GOP Race.**

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National elections still are three years away, but Washington politicians and news correspondents—particularly the latter—already are selecting "men to be watched."

The next campaign will be normal in at least one respect, namely, that the Democratic candidate for all practical purposes already has been chosen. Unless the party's hierarchy wishes to confess failure of a policy of government it has espoused with only occasional departures, the ticket will be headed by President Harry S. Truman. As a matter of fact, that can now be dismissed from conjecture; unless fate intervenes, Truman is the candidate.

However, passing of a President and the elimination from the political scene of an incumbent in the vice presidency, plus election of a Democratic mayor in New York City have combined to encourage election forecasting. Mayor-elect William O'Dwyer will not figure personally, but because he ran roughshod over the nominee of Governor Thomas E. Dewey, head of the Republican national ticket in 1944, he has brought national implications into what otherwise would have been simply a municipal ballot.

Who will be Truman's running mate, currently is a popular subject of debate in political circles. Whom the Republicans will place on their ticket runs a close second.

Taking those developments up in inverse order, attention first comes to Governor Dewey. His was the presidential chance discounted by the election of O'Dwyer in New York City, over Josiah Goldstein, a former Democrat turned Republican—a circumstance that didn't help him one bit in an overwhelmingly Democratic community headed for the past 12 years by Mayor LaGuardia. The Little Flower defied description by party label, but his replacement on January 1 will be regarded as substitution of a Democrat for a Republican. No one familiar with New York state politics needs to be told how poor are the chances of a candidate for governor who lacks city support.

Dewey faces the New York electorate two years hence. And he does it, recent history indicates, without city backing. If he fails to gain another term at Albany, that, plus his defeat for the presidency, just about ends him as a contender.

**Strong GOP Competitors Loom**

Assuming, if only for the sake of developing the thought, that this diagnosis by Washington scribes is accurate, upon whom does the mantle fall? The subject becomes difficult at that juncture, but there are two who stand out so far in front of other aspirants as to make them virtually alone in the field. One is a disciple of the old school, the other an ultra-modern in politics—the former, Senator Arthur Vandenberg of Michigan; the latter, former Governor Harold Stassen of Minnesota. A close third, and a vigorous contender, is ex-Governor Dewey of New York. A political contractor could hardly record three more differing types.

Senator Vandenberg is the most politically orthodox of the three. His experience in public life has been confined wholly to the United States senate, but he has made the best of every political break. A forceful orator, he captures headlines, is known throughout the country. There is no bluster to his oratory; it has been pointed at specific objects and he has clicked. With the country facing an era of international dealings of transcendent importance, he is well versed in world affairs. He was chosen over several other illustrious party members as a Republican delegate to the United Nations conference at San Francisco, where he acquitted himself well.

In the field of labor relations—second today only to international problems—he was the sponsor of the recent labor-management meetings in Washington, which, if they did no more, proved that employers and employees can sit down at the same table and discuss their differences even if they cannot eradi-

cate them. That was a major stepping stone toward amity. It was labeled the President's Labor-Management Conference. Both sides, and the rest of the nation, know it was Vandenberg's.

Former Governor Stassen stands in a position to become the first veteran of World War II to become President, just as the incumbent, President Truman, is the first veteran of World War I to achieve that high estate. Stassen has youth plus experience as the chief administrator of a state which is important politically and geographically. Like Vandenberg, he also was a delegate to San Francisco, but in any frank appraisal of their roles in international politics, he must give ground to the Michigan senator. However, Stassen has captured popular imagination by his forward-looking attitude toward the tantamount subject of the day, the atomic bomb. He has a faculty for capitalizing on issues.

Governor Bricker faces the drawback that "he's been to the well" before. He failed to win the Republican presidential nomination in 1944 and had to be content with second place. But who could win against the wave of Dewey sentiment then washing over the nation? That he has made a splendid state administrator even Democrats admit. What he lacks is recognition outside his own state; he has suffered from the accusation that he is provincial. His declarations on foreign affairs as a vice presidential candidate a year ago weren't marked for their profundity, weren't convincing. Unless all present plans miscarry, Bricker will try for the United States senate. That would give him the national sounding board he needs.

Bricker is handsome (an attribute which cannot be overlooked in these days of women's vote), he's an able speaker and a war veteran. The latter will be a factor to be carefully weighed when the 1948 ticket is made up. And this time he'll have the wholehearted support of Senator Robert A. Taft of his home state, something he lacked in a practical sense before. Taft was a candidate himself. This time he says he will not be.

**Democrats Vie for Vice Presidency**

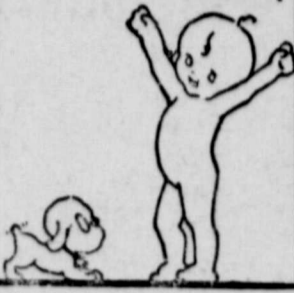
On the Democratic side, the goal hopefuls will be shooting for is the vice presidential nomination. The field is rather open, but not to the more obvious personages. There is, of course, no vice president today. Senator Kenneth McKellar functions on the job as president pro tem of the senate. Actually, in spite of public thought to the contrary, that doesn't make him the second highest officer of the federal government. Protocol places the speaker of the house next to the President. As a matter of record, President Truman has asked congress to enact legislation creating statutory succession to the presidency with the speaker preferred over the president pro tem of the senate should vacancies occur in both the presidency and the vice presidency. Translated into sports talk, McKellar is "in on a pass."

In any event, McKellar will be approaching 80 years of age when the next convention rolls around and would be out of the running on that score if for no other reason.

A dark horse in the long-range predictions is Senator Brian McMahon of Connecticut. A first-term member, he trimmed the popular and able Senator John Danaher, Republican, to win his office. He has many of the attributes which won votes for Thomas Dewey a year ago—he's young, just turned 42; he has proved himself an able prosecutor while serving as chief of the criminal division in the department of justice when he cleaned up such messes as the Harlap mine outflow; he's a White House intimate, a vigorous speaker, self-made man with a substantial accumulation of worldly goods gained in the practice of law, and he's chairman of the senate's committee to develop national policy on atomic energy. In gaining the latter distinction, he overthrew the senate seniority rule and by-passed older members who aspired to that important post.

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**HOUSEHOLD MEMOS**  
 by Lynn Chambers

**After Holiday Meals Can Be Attractive If Carefully Prepared**



The cottage cheese adds savory flavor to these fried noodles when it is allowed to melt over them before serving. Broiled tomatoes with parsley are an attractive garnish.

Are you one of those homemakers who finds herself with a refrigerator full of leftovers and does not know what to do? Yes, I know it is sometimes difficult to disguise these bits of turkey or chicken or roast, but glance at some of these recipes I'm giving you today! They'll prove to you that even the leftovers can be palatable.

If you have had a large roast, then serve all the meat from it sliced, until you get down to the bones and can cut off meat only in chunks or bits. Then go to work with your eggs, milk, etc., and make something out of it. Even the bones can be used as a base for delicious soup, after the meat is gone. Don't feed the garbage pail with rich tidbits that can really be good eating.

**Chicken Turnovers.**  
 (Serves 4)

- 1½ cups minced cooked chicken
- ¾ cup thick white sauce
- 1 tablespoon minced parsley
- 1 recipe pastry
- 1 egg white

Combine chicken, white sauce and parsley. Roll pastry to ¼ inch thickness, cut into squares and brush with egg white. Place two tablespoons of the chicken mixture on each square, fold over and press edges together with a fork. Place on a baking sheet. Prick upper crust to allow for escape of steam. Bake in a very hot oven (450 degrees) until browned. Serve with gravy or seasoned white sauce.

**\*Cottage Cheese With Noodles.**  
 (Serves 2 to 3)

- 2 cups cooked noodles
- Salt and pepper
- 3 tablespoons shortening
- ½ cup cottage cheese
- ¼ cup chopped peanuts

Drain cooked noodles until almost dry. Sprinkle lightly with salt and pepper. Melt shortening in skillet and brown noodles in it. When noodles are golden brown arrange in serving dish with cottage cheese over them. Top with peanuts. Cover;

**LYNN SAYS:**

**Use These Handy Hints:** If you happen to have a refrigerator with a special compartment for keeping butter at a spreading consistency, keep only one day's supply in that compartment. Keep the main supply in its original paraffined carton in the main storage section of the refrigerator.

Remember that butter is a delicate food and easily absorbs other flavors in the refrigerator. One way to make sure of the delicious flavor is to make sure it is always kept in a paraffined paper carton.

A piece of stale bread put in water in which onions are boiled will take away most of the odor.

Leftover sausage meat will bring a cheer when used in pancake or waffle batter or in mashed potato cakes.

Syrup left over from spiced fruits makes an excellent basting for ham, pork, veal or lamb roasts.

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- Sliced Chicken or Turkey
- \*Cottage Cheese with Noodles
- Molded Pear Salad
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\*Recipe given.

heat for a few minutes until cheese is melted through the noodles. Serve with whole broiled tomatoes and garnish with parsley.

**Creamy Macaroni with Meat.**  
 (Serves 6)

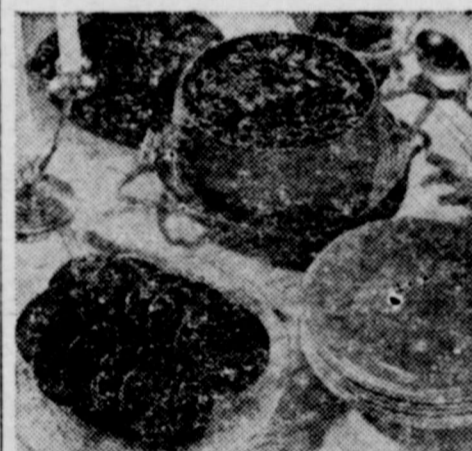
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 3 quarts boiling water
- ½ pound elbow macaroni
- ¼ cup fat
- ½ cup chopped onion
- ½ cup sliced mushrooms, if desired
- 1½ cups ground leftover beef, lamb, pork or chicken
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 2 teaspoons paprika
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1½ cups milk
- 1 cup sour cream
- ¼ cup chopped parsley
- ½ cup buttered bread crumbs

Add the salt to the boiling water. Gradually add the macaroni and let boil until macaroni is tender, about 10 minutes. Melt fat in skillet. Add onion, mushrooms and meat. Cook until brown, about 15 minutes. Add the two teaspoons salt, paprika, flour and mix well. Gradually add milk, cream and parsley. Fold in macaroni which has been drained and rinsed. Pour into a two-quart greased casserole. Sprinkle with bread crumbs. Bake in a moderate (350-degree) oven for about 30 minutes.

It's a good idea to serve something different after the holidays just to add variety to the meals. Then there's nothing like baked beans with brown bread.

**Baked Beans.**  
 (Serves 12)

- 4 cups dry navy beans
- ½ pound salt pork
- 1 cup pure, dark molasses
- 1 teaspoon dry mustard
- 1 tablespoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- 3 cups boiling water (from simmered beans)



Do something different during the after-holiday season, and serve home-baked beans with brown bread. A bean pot or a three-quart casserole will be enough for serving 12 people.

Wash, pick over beans and soak for three hours in boiling water to cover. Cover and bring to boil in same water to preserve minerals and vitamins, adding extra water if needed to cover well. Skim; cook slowly until tender, about 50 minutes. Drain beans, reserving water. Turn beans into bean pot or three-quart casserole. Scrape rind of pork until white, score top by cutting down one inch, and bury in beans with rind exposed. Mix remaining ingredients and pour over. Cover and bake in a slow oven (325 degrees) 3½ hours or until tender, uncovering during last hour of baking. If necessary, add more water during baking.

**Brown Bread.**

- 1 cup bread flour
- 2 teaspoons soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup corn meal
- 1 cup whole wheat flour
- ¾ cup pure, dark molasses
- 2 cups sour milk
- 1 cup raisins or nuts, if desired

Sift flour, soda and salt. Mix with corn meal and whole wheat flour. Mix molasses and sour milk; add dry ingredients. Beat well. If desired, add raisins and nuts. Steam two hours in greased molds, filled ¾ full and covered tightly.

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4. How many signs of the zodiac start with the letter "a"?
5. What is the total population of the United States?
6. How does a dog's normal

body temperature compare with a human's?

**The Answers**

1. It is a special train.
2. Constantine the Great.
3. Only 7 per cent.
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LUCILE PARKER was standing at the door of her apartment looking out at a gorgeous New Year's setting—the heavily packed snow, the crisp seasonal atmosphere and the moon shining down upon it all!

"What a night!" thought she. What fun it would be to join in the New Year's celebration for once. This she had not done for some time, as her husband had always attended the annual stag party and had never thought she minded.

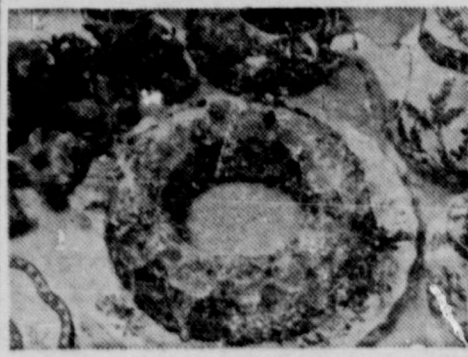
Now when he kissed her good-by and happily rushed off, she somehow felt a stifling vacancy in her heart, and longed to go with him.

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1/2 c. water 1 egg  
1 tsp. lemon juice 1/2 c. milk  
Ground cloves 1/2 c. flour  
Ground cinnamon 2 tsp. baking powder  
1/2 c. shortening 1/4 c. sugar

Combine seedless raisins and water. Bring to a boil and cook for two minutes. Gradually add 1 tbsp. flour to mixture, stirring constantly, until thickened. Add lemon juice and a dash of cloves and cinnamon. Cool. Combine raisin mixture, lightly beaten egg and milk. Sift all-purpose flour, baking powder and sugar together. Work in shortening so particles are approximately the size of a small pea. Pour liquid mixture into middle of dry ingredients; stir two together just enough to mix well. Spoon into greased tube pan. Bake in a moderately hot oven (375° F.) for 25 minutes.

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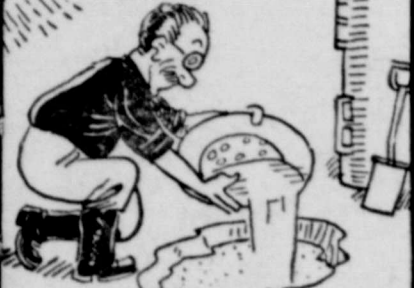
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At the very height of the celebration with the music raging in thunderous tones, the door opened, and in rushed a band of masqueraders waving banners, blowing horns and scattering confetti.

The orchestra started playing—"My Wife's Gone to the Country, Hurrah!"

That was too much! The masqueraders pulled the masks from their faces and the startled stags beheld their own wives.

Before they knew it each one had a partner and was dancing merrily, regardless of entangled streamers and confetti, regardless of the unexpected interruption, regardless of everything, only conscious of the New Year's Spirit.

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## HOW TO PUT JELL IN JELLIES

Do you remember when grandmother had trouble putting the "jell" in jellies? Or, once in a while, when she turned the jelly out on a plate, it would stand but not quiver, and the color was dark and the jelly had lost the fresh fruit flavor?

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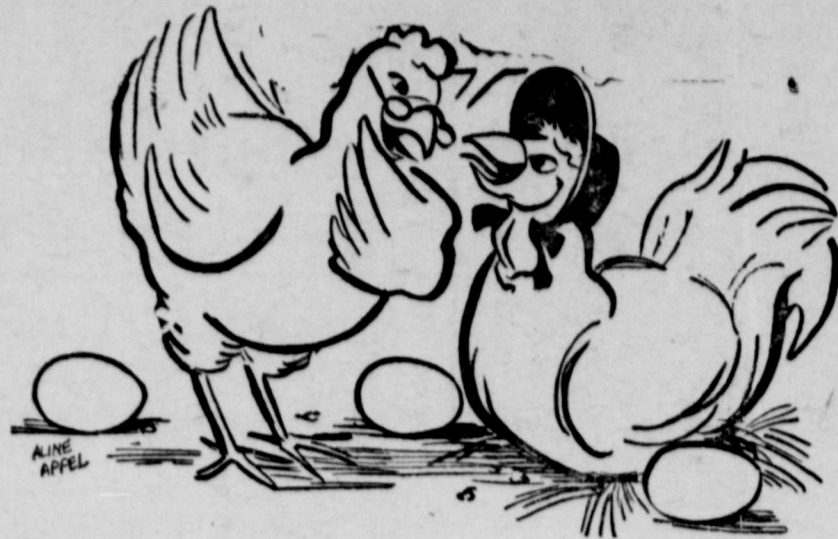


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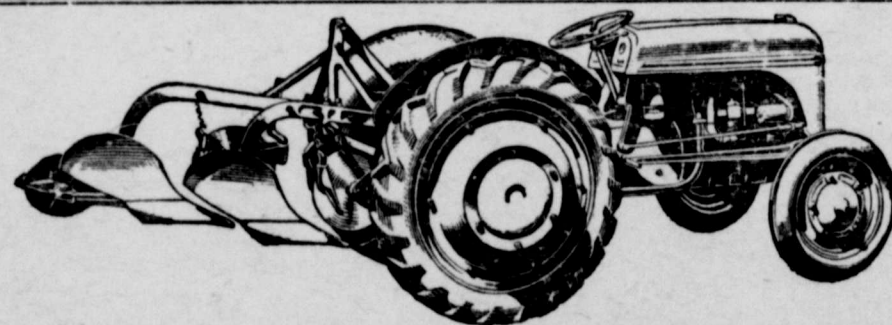
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# REPORT ON THE RUSSIANS.....



*W. L. White*

## IMPRESSIVE COMMENT ONE

Soviet vice-consul spoke in English. He was a young man, helping me with an application. His office was pleasant and airy, but I was nervous. Maybe because of the consul, upstart. I had doubt when you opened the door, about six

made a successful career as an actor, were it not for his brain, which, considered as an organ, is uncommonly good. It starts with a phenomenal memory. He never forgets anything he thinks he will ever need. He is healthily competitive; he wants something like almost anything you have, or if possible, one just a little better. But he takes disappointments well. When I first met him he was being mentioned for the presidency; he had a small but definite chance. He watched it carefully, never overestimated or underestimated his boom. When it faltered, he pronounced it dead and instantly forgot it.

I was pleased when he told me that, because he wanted to feel free to write and say what he thought on our return, he was insisting on the Russians that we pay our expenses wherever possible.

The other member of our party is Joyce O'Hara, Johnston's regular assistant in the Chamber of Commerce. He is a blue-eyed Irishman of fifty with regular features which, anywhere outside the radius of Johnston's dazzling profile, would be considered uncommonly handsome. Not too many years ago he exchanged a successful newspaper job for a career in the public relations division of the Chamber of Commerce in Washington.

Joyce and I were thrown together constantly from the beginning of the trip. The protocol of our entire voyage was that if the hotel or guesthouse boasted an Imperial



Eric Johnston

Bridal Suite complete with sitting room, sitz bath, and breakfast nook, it would always be assigned to Johnston in solitary grandeur, in his capacity as President of the Chamber of Commerce, while Joyce and I would share twin beds in the second-best room. For a few days we watched each other shave and listened to each other snore with considerable reserve and some suspicion.

Slowly and after days of appraisal we got down to a solid basis of friendly jibes at each other's weak spots, and he gave as good as he got. We ended up warm friends.

We departed from Washington and our plane stopped for a meal in the Azores where we were met by staff officers of the American base and picked up sketchy information about these Portuguese islands.

Johnston fell victim to an infected sinus at Casablanca. We waited in considerable luxury in a spacious villa, once the property of Jean Maas who formerly owned a string of collaborationist newspapers.

The Allied command were using it as an overnight hotel for high officers and distinguished guests, as we seem to be classified.

At Cairo an American nose and throat man peered into Johnston's ear and instantly orbade us to fly over the 16,000 foot pass between Iran and the Soviet Union, which meant a few days' delay. Anyway we would get a good look at ancient Cairo, which none of us had ever seen.

The next morning Eric, Joyce and I continue our trip, and that afternoon at Teheran we see our first Russians. Their planes with the big red stars on the field as we circle, and as we get out of our plane, the Russian Ambassador to Iran and a half dozen of his staff are there to welcome Johnston. They are very solemn and do not smile as they shake hands.

These solemn Russian diplomats are all in their thirties or early forties, and they wear curious, badly

cut Soviet suits—somber in hue and of shoddy materials. You could take an American mail-order suit, boil it, press it lightly, and get the same effect.

Next morning Averell Harriman, American Ambassador to the Soviet Union, who has just arrived in Teheran, is taking us to Moscow in the official ambassadorial Liberator.

Most fascinating of all is a fact which I knew but not until now could believe: that in Russia there are few connected paved highways. I see wagon trails from the villages out to the fields, and sometimes faint ones from town to town, but not one strip of clean, flowing concrete or black-top.

Also I'm trying, through this plexiglass window, to see the socialist revolution as it has affected the villages, but I can't. For all this might have been here in the middle ages. If new thatched-roof huts have been built since czarist days, from 5,000 feet I can't tell them from the ancient ones. Looking down on every village, the biggest building is still the white church, built in czarist days. In twenty-five years the Soviets have constructed nothing half as big, although here and there is what might be a school or an administrative hall.

The co-pilot comes back to say we will swing low over Stalingrad. Diving, we follow the bends of the city itself as it follows the river—or rather, as once did the city. For Stalingrad is gone, and there remain only roofless walls like the snags of decayed molars staring up at us. Factories, with twisted machinery rusting under the tangle of roof girders.

Finally, just out of Moscow, we see an electric power line running from horizon to horizon. It is the first thing I have seen in the past hour that I am sure was built since 1917. But soon we see the first hard-surfaced road, and that black smudge on the horizon is Moscow itself. Then its railway yards and the smoke from its factories. Tiers of workers' apartments surround each factory and are in turn surrounded by a crazy quilt of potato patches. A spacious outdoor theater is on the river banks. The roofs of the big buildings are mottled with brown and green camouflage paint.

As we let our wheels down and begin to feel for the runway, I see, rushing past, great rows of American-built C-47s stacked on the field in orderly rows with the big star of the Red Air Force painted on each.

A considerable crowd is waiting at the air-drome. First, the welcoming committee; a row of solemn Slavs in the same boiled mail-order suits we saw at Teheran. But the minute Eric Johnston emerges, a battery of lenses—movie cameras and Soviet copies of Leicas and



W. Averell Harriman

Grafexes—close in on his profile. This over, we smilingly shake hands with the unsmiling Russians and work our way through to the American reporters. Practically all of Moscow's tiny foreign newspaper colony is there. They tell us the Russians have given us an unusually big official turnout—"better than Donald Nelson's."

A big Russian in his middle thirties wanders toward me. "Is everything all right?" he wants to know. "I am Kirilov, in charge of protocol for the People's Commissariat of Foreign Trade." We did not then know that, representing this Commissariat, our official host, he was to be our constant companion.

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# AROUND THE HOUSE

Hickory nuts placed in boiling water and let stand for an hour will crack easier and come out in larger pieces. The thin-shelled kind require less time.

It's handier to pour waffle batter from a pitcher than to spoon it from a bowl.

If grease spills on a wooden floor, pour cold water over it at once. This hardens the grease so it may be scraped off before it penetrates the wood. Then scrub floor with hot, soapy water.

Water used in cooking rice may be used to starch small items such as bits of lace and crochet.

If sandpaper is placed over a small flat block, more surface can be covered in a short time.

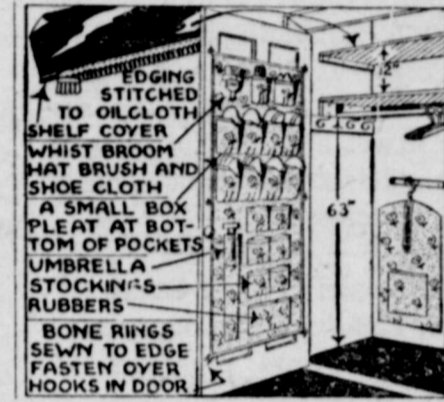
To make a new hole in a sewing machine belt, pierce with a hatpin heated very hot.

When roast chicken is half done, sprinkle lightly and restrainedly with nutmeg, finish baking and hear the praises of the diners.

## Handy Door Pocket And Laundry Bag

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Choose chintz 36 inches wide with bias tape to match. You will need 2 1/2 yards of chintz and 10 yards of the tape. Buy an extra yard of chintz and tape for the laundry bag. Cut the foundation piece for the door 54 inches long and 18 inches wide. Bind this all around first. Shoe pockets are 22 inches long and 8 inches deep.



Plan the other pockets to fit things for which they are to be used. Bind the tops of pockets, make a 1-inch box pleat in the bottom of each, turn under raw edges; then baste and stitch them to the foundation.

The 30-inch-deep laundry bag is a full width of the fabric folded and stitched down one side and across the bottom, but stitch the extra front pocket on before you do this. The bound slash in the front is 12 inches deep and the top is shaped to fit a hanger.

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## 50 YEARS AGO IN COKE COUNTY

Early Day Items From Files Of The Coke County Rustler, Dec. 28, 1895

The Suez Canal cost one hundred million dollars.

A social entertainment at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Tolliver was largely attended on the night of the 27th.

Dick Warren of Olga took his

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surveying the old political studlot, Grover Sellers mought and monght, Coke Stevenson is smoking the old briar, watching the antics of others and keeping mum, while others are putting out feelers. The campaign is going to be fulsome and furious and the air is going to be full of fur when the democratic Kilkennys get out on the hustings. Get your poll tax, bud. The melee is going to be awful.

Get you a piece of land in Coke county, young man. Fifty years ago land sold in this county at \$1 per acre up. That same land today comprises some of our finest farms. No more land is being made—hasn't been in several thousand years, and while you have the opportunity you'd better tie onto a good piece of terra firma. Our country's population has been constantly increasing—Europe's emigrants have been coming over by the thousands, and one of these days a home in the country where you can raise cattle, sheep, hogs and crops, will be at a premium. Get a toe-hold in Grandoldcoke, young man, and prepare for the future. And when hard times hit the nation, you can loll under your own vine and fig tree and bask in the luxury of your own labors.

The way print paper is going up, the subscription price of The Observer may be advanced to \$2 per year. We cannot be certain about it yet, but if we do have to raise, it is because it can't be helped. Might be well for you to take time by the forelock, renew your subscription and save.

The Observer wishes you a Happy, Prosperous 1946. The prospects are rosy for a good year for Grandoldcoke, and our former residents who left the Promised Land still have an opportunity to come back to the land of milk and honey, peanuts and popcorn.

Hylton girl to a social Friday night.

The young folks who attended the New year's party at W. T. Carraway's report a good time.

Wagons and wagons of Coke county cotton went to Angelo this week.

Weddings: Dec. 21; Prof. B. U. Smith and Miss Emma Payne, at Sanco; Dec. 22, J. M. Ross and Miss Hulda Childress, at Robert Lee; Christmas Day, J. W. Meek and Miss Charlotte Lamb, at Silver.

The cattle market at Chicago has taken a 35c rise.

Capt. J. P. Hutchinson of Bronte was in town Wednesday, paying taxes.

### Beautiful Music

Pastor John C. Campbell of the Robert Lee Methodist church has the appreciation of the entire community for providing us with the fine Christmas carols and chimes during the Christmas holiday season. It was a delightful innovation and has elicited much praise among all classes.

### It Looks Mighty Good

Next Tuesday Coke county starts a New Year, and prospects are mighty good. We will get the paving done on the highway in this county to the Mitchell county line. As to the highway west to the Sterling county line, things look lovely. We have asked Judge Wylie to give us an article for publication concerning these highways in the near future, which he will do just as soon as he can get some definite information from Austin, which he is now seeking. For the past dozen weeks he has been busy on this project, and we can expect some mighty fine news, we think, concerning this road to the west.

### TODAY'S BEST NEWS

Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.—Matt. 5:9.

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## Folks You Know

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Clark were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Billie Craddock at Colorado City Christmas Day.

Fred McDonald Jr. is driving a new Ford pickup.

Miss Mettie Russell left Friday for a visit with friends in Fort Worth.

Clubbing Offer: The Observer, 1 year, and the San Angelo Standard-Times; daily and Sunday, 1 year—both for \$8.90. Renew NOW!

Miss Fay Croslin left Friday for Honey Grove to spend the holidays with homefolks.

Misses Armilda Looney, Martha Smith and Jamie Bilbo, are home from Sul Ross College at Alpine for the holidays.

R. C. Russell is among our new subscribers this week.

School turned out Wednesday of last week for the holidays and the kids are enjoying a brief vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Adams spent Christmas Day in the W. B. Pruitt home in San An

Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Lee Davis arrived last week for a holiday visit in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Davis. Bobbie Lee recently received his discharge from the navy. Prior to his enlistment he was in government service in the West Indies.

Brown & Clark have just installed a new modern air compressor.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Gaines are expecting their son, Robert, home sometime soon from the Pacific Coast, where he will be receiving his discharge from naval service.

In the first basketball game of the season, the Robert Lee Steers last week defeated the Bronte Longhorns at Bronte. The score 28 to 9. The Robert Lee girls defeated the Bronte girls in volley ball, 40 to 23.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Campbell were Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McCabe and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Jameson.

Roy Jackson, after three years of overseas military service, arrived home a few days ago. Grandoldcoke looks mighty good to Roy.

F. C. Millican, with the ATC in Italy, is home for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Millican.

Turney Casey will read The Observer with calm satisfaction during 1946.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roberts were visitors in our office one day last week. Lee gave us his subscription to the Standard-Times. His Observer subscription is paid up five years ahead. Knowing that print paper prices are going sky high every day and that weekly newspapers are going to have to raise their subscription prices, Lee protected himself.

Gene Baker was piled up in bed last week with an attack of flu. We are glad to see him up and about again. While he was sick Roy Taylor passed out the pork chops and sirloins at the M System store.

Lenn Roberts was in to see us one day last week and advanced his subscription to The Observer.

## WANT ADS

For Sale—Johnson grass hay 50c bale, 12 miles southeast Colorado City on Robert Lee road.—Leroy Adrian, Rt. 3, Colorado City. 29

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