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Red Cross Meeting

A mass meeting is announced for Friday night, this week, 7:30 o'clock at the court house. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Red Cross drive in Coke county, and workers from all parts of the county, and the public in general, especially those from rural areas, are urged to attend.

County Chairman H. A. Springer informs us that Coke county's quota is \$1620 this year. Last year it was \$2800. Let everybody attend this meeting.

Trustee Election

Notice is hereby given of an election to be held in the City of Robert Lee, Texas, at the Tax Office of the Robert Lee Independent School District, April 6, 1946. The purpose of said election is to elect three trustees to serve a term of three years each.

Any person desiring his name on the ballot may file with the County Judge ten days before said election. Any person's name may be placed on the ballot by presenting a petition signed by five qualified voters of the above mentioned district to the County Judge five days prior to said election date.

42 Trustees of the Robert Lee Ind. School Dist., Robert Lee, Tex.

We are mighty glad to know that people read The Observer with interest. Even those good folks who do not subscribe. Last week, before the paper was in the mail, one good lady sent over to a neighbor's to "borrow" that week's issue.

WANT ADS

For Sale—Axle grease, tractor seats, electric wire, radio batteries. Leeper Supply Co.

For Sale—38 Ford 4 door sedan. 40 Mercury 2 door, bargain. Phone 3202, Bill Ratliff.

Political Announcements

Rates:	
Congressional	\$25
District Offices	\$15
County Offices	\$10
Precinct Offices	\$7.50

For Mayor
H. S. LEWIS

The Observer is authorized to announce the candidacy of the following persons, subject to the 1946 democratic primaries:

For Representative, 92nd District

W. H. RAMPY

For County Judge & School Supt.:

McNEIL WYLIE

BOB L. DAVIS

For District and County Clerk:

WILLIS SMITH

R. T. CAPERTON

For County Treasurer

RUBY L. PETTIT

MRS. A. W. LITTLEFIELD

For Sheriff, Tax Assessor & Collector

PAUL GOOD

LEE R. LATHAM

DOUGLAS SNEAD

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 1

H. C. VARNADORE

LEE ROBERTS

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3

T. R. HARMON

Traveling Libraries Enrich Rural Community Life



Above, left, Mrs. L. T. Brookings, a farm reader, scans shelves in bookmobile; right, Wayne and Ramon Abrahamson eagerly look through new books they have borrowed from bookmobile below.

HOW traveling libraries are bringing education and recreation to farm folks living in rural areas surrounding small towns is described in an article in nationally circulated Capper's Farmer.

Typical of the development of these mobile libraries is the experience of Nebraska. Five years ago an active county library didn't exist in the state. Now there are three—in Adams, Grant and Phelps counties. And in other states rural library service is also expanding.

Five years ago an active county library didn't exist in the state, according to Mrs. Alfred L. Anderson. Now there are three—in Adams, Grant and Phelps counties. And in other states rural library service is expanding.

In 1940, Phelps county got a bookmobile. The city library board and the librarian in Holdrege, the county seat, were co-operative, the Capper's Farmer article points out. Subsequently the joint Holdrege Carnegie-Phelps County Library was formed with headquarters in the city library building.

The bookmobile is a complete library built on a truck chassis. It serves more than half the county's population. It holds about 1,000 books and makes stops every two weeks at 39 stations.

Teachers find better teaching methods are possible with the library. Farm youths have more chance to wisely chosen books for the joy of it. Many adults use the library too.

Examples of how the rural traveling libraries operate in other states are cited by the magazine.

Campaign Ends Today

Robert Lee's cleanup campaign ends today, and the town presents an improved appearance. Following an inspection to be made within a few days by a Garden Club Committee, awards will be announced.

Prizes are as follows: For the best kept residential yard, 1st prize, \$4 worth of shrubbery or flowers, 2nd prize, \$2 worth of shrubbery or flowers. For the best cleanup job, 1st and 2nd, \$4 and \$2 worth of shrubbery, respectively. Honorable mention will be also awarded, 1st and 2nd, for best kept yards, and also for the best cleanup jobs.

The committee's awards will appear later in The Observer.

To Sponsor Cub Scout Troop

The regular meeting of the Community Development Board Monday night drew a good attendance. Besides concluding plans for the meeting of Wednesday night of this week, the board took steps to sponsor the Cub Scout Troop in this city, with Bob L. Davis as troop leader.

TODAY'S BEST NEWS

If God be for us, who can be against us?—Romans 8:31.

When I cry unto thee, then shall mine enemies turn back: this I know; for God is for me.—Ps. 56:9.

Drive Now Starting

The Red Cross Drive is under way. County Fund Chairman Bob L. Davis started out Monday morning here in town and the response is gratifying. He has been passing out membership cards and lapel buttons right along.

The county's quota is \$1620. Last year it was \$2800, which was raised. The war is over, but funds are needed not only as concerns military matters, but also for peacetime calls. You know what the Red Cross does when a cyclone hits, or a flood devastates things, don't you? Join today.

FOR MAYOR

The name of H. S. Lewis for mayor appears in our announcement column. The announcement is authorized, paid for, and submitted by a host of friends. A tax paying property owner and business man, he is in every way qualified for this important office, and in his behalf many friends are asking your support for him in the city election, April 6.

Eddie Paul Good is home on furlough. Arrived Wednesday.

C. C. Millican was down from the ranch Wednesday on business.

Let The Observer print your statements for the monthly bills of your customers. We have all sizes in stock, ruled and unruled.

A little want ad will sell it.

Songfest Sunday

A community singing will be held at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon at four o'clock under the direction of Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough. This is to be inter denominational. If you love music and like to sing, attend and praise God with your voices.

To Build Residence

Roy Casey has purchased two lots from Travis Hicks and is to erect a rock veneer residence.

City Election

Robert Lee's city election is scheduled for April 6. A mayor and two commissioners are to be chosen.

Delbert Harmon was here from Hobbs, N. M., Monday, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harmon.

Interesting Meeting

At Wednesday night's open meeting of the Board of Community Development at the court house a large audience heard the proposal to erect a dam below the junction of the Colorado river and Buffalo creek, which would create a reservoir with recreational fish and wild life, and flood control advantages, and provide a water supply for the irrigation of 58,000 acres of land and for nearby municipalities. Counties to be served by this (Robert Lee) dam would be Coke, Tom Green, Runnels and Concho counties.

The project includes construction of two main canals, one 19 miles long and the other 50 miles long, and two secondary canals. These will carry irrigation water to 6,000 acres of land adjacent to the river and some 52,000 acres centering around Miles and Rowena, with the eastern limit just west of Balingier, and the southern extending into Concho county.

Wesley R. Nelson of Amarillo, regional director of the Bureau of Reclamation headed a party of bureau officials, which included Paul Sharkey, planning engineer; L. W. Smith, area planning engineer, and L. G. Wilkinson, public relations director.

Introduced by G. C. Allen, UCRA secretary, Mr. Nelson gave a complete picture of the \$20,000,000 project and stated that if the dam became a future reality the newly located town could be built to any specifications and to any plans our citizens desired.

Spencer L. Baird, in his talk, explained the legal phases relative to compensation, water rights, etc.

Messrs. Youngblood, Metcalfe, and Rampy gave a report of their recent trip to Washington in behalf of the project.

The Robert Lee Board of Community Development sponsored the meeting in order that full information relative to the proposed Robert Lee dam could be given first hand to the citizens of this area. The facts as presented were very worth while, putting at rest divers and sundry rumors, and giving an insight into the enterprising task undertaken by Upper Colorado River Authority in behalf of this section of the state.

Other out-of-town visitors here for the meeting included L. T. Youngblood, chairman of UCRA, Bronte; H. G. Wendland, Dean Chenoweth, W. H. Rampy, and Penrose B. Metcalfe.

Attention, Men!

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BARBEE'S

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Rip Franco Rule; U. S. Stiffens Foreign Policy; Readjust Crop Goals to Meet Emergency Needs

(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.)



Hoping to meet Allied demands for democratization of Japanese government, Emperor Hirohito makes tour of industrial plants, tipping hat to reverent subjects at Kanagawa-Ken.

SPAIN: Hot Spot

With leftist elements in France pressing the issue, a new government loomed in Franco Spain, long under fire for Fascist connections but reportedly countenanced by Britain because of its neutrality during World War II, which diverted direct attack on Gibraltar.

The Allies' first major step in seeking to supplant Franco came with France's closure of its border against Spain. Prodded by French proposals to take up the matter with the United Nations organization, the U. S. and Britain then reportedly agreed to form a common front to apply pressure for Franco's removal.

While renouncing intentions to meddle with Spain's internal affairs, the U. S. and Britain moved to denounce the continued existence of Franco's regime and proclaim their willingness to recognize an interim representative government if he were ousted. Awaiting resolution of the situation, the U. S. and Britain would not break off economic ties or diplomatic relations, leaving the road open for negotiations for creation of a democratic government.

FOREIGN POLICY: U. S. Stiffens

Answering demands of Sen. Arthur Vandenberg (Rep., Mich.) for a firmer foreign policy in reaching an understanding with Russia, Secretary of State Byrnes declared the U. S. would go to war to curb future aggressors and peace and reparations settlements must be reached speedily and equitably to permit the economic revival of the world.



Vandenberg

Byrnes' enunciation of the administration's foreign policy followed Vandenberg's charge upon returning from the United Nations Organization sessions in London that the American representatives sat back with compromising attitudes while Russia and Britain pressed their political ambitions. Unless the U. S. pushes its ideals, Vandenberg said, Russia will continue to press ahead in the Far East, eastern Europe, North Africa and Asia Minor where continued aggressiveness may set off a powder keg.

In reaffirming U. S. determination to check future aggression, Byrnes declared that the present arrangement of the three great powers precluded world domination by any one of them, but that efforts to upset the balance would imperil peace. In calling for early peace treaties, he asked for an ending of the draining of occupied countries. Demanding equitable reparations agreements, Byrnes said the U. S. would not tolerate any power deciding for itself what to take.

STRIKES:

Costly Walkout

The General Motors and CIO-United Automobile Workers pitched battle over wages ranks as one of the costliest industrial disputes in U. S. history, with financial losses of over 800 million dollars to company, union, dealers and other producers dependent on G. M. for parts.

With its plants closed as tight as a drum throughout the country, G. M. was estimated to have lost 500 million dollars in unfilled orders

while 175,000 production employees missed 113 million dollars in wages. Dealers and salesmen were said to have lost another 100 million dollars in commissions.

Because of G. M.'s production of parts, other manufacturers have been forced to curtail assemblies, increasing profit and wage losses. At the Packard Motor Car company, 8,000 production workers have been off more than a month because of the shortage of G. M. supplies.

Of 50,000 G. M. employees in Flint, Mich., over 2,000 strike-bound workers are receiving welfare relief at a rate of \$38.06 weekly.

GERMANY:

Ration Cut

Reduction of the food ration to 1,000 calories daily in the British occupation zone in Germany, and need for substantial imports into the American-held sector if the present level of 1,500 calories is to be maintained, pointed up the critical situation in the fallen Reich.

Seeking to alleviate the new hardship imposed by the ration slash and head off possible rioting, Field Marshal Montgomery flew to London to discuss ways of providing additional food for the 20 million German residents in the highly industrialized northwestern region held by the British. Because a division of British food supplies would not furnish substantial relief, however, authorities appealed to the U. S. and Russia for food shipments.

While Germans in the U. S. occupation zone are receiving a subsistence ration of 1,500 calories daily, two-thirds of the food eaten is coming from local stocks. If the present allotment is to be maintained, imports soon will have to be upped and a total of 700,000 tons shipped in during the first nine months of 1946. Because of scarcities of fertilizer, seeds, tools and farm machinery, fall crops may be appreciably curtailed.

FOOD:

Crop Readjustments

In readjusting 1946 crop goals, the department of agriculture sought to assure a greater supply of edible grain, nutritious relief fare, fats and oils and animal feed to meet not only U. S. needs but growing European emergency requirements.

Because winter wheat already has been planted, the additional 1,000,000 acres asked will have to be seeded in the spring wheat area, the department declared. While North and South Dakota, Montana and Minnesota are expected to plant the bulk of the extra acreage, other spring wheat areas were called upon to increase their crop.

Since smooth dry edible peas constitute a good protein relief food and ship well, the department planned for a 100,000-acre boost in plantings, principally in Colorado, Idaho, Montana, North Dakota, Oregon and Washington.

With small world supplies of fats and oils in the face of the slow movement of shipments from the Pacific and heavy overseas relief needs, soybean goals were boosted by 1,100,000 acres. Iowa, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota and Missouri were asked for the greatest increase.

Faced with the need for high meat and dairy output with feed stocks dwindling, farmers were asked to increase corn production over 1,000,000 acres and also step up roughage cultivation. At the same time, producers were told to maintain the flow of cattle to market, ship hogs at lighter weights and cull poultry flocks.

Washington Digest

Rediscovered America Under New Sponsors



Co-Operative Backing of Programs Affords Wider National Contacts; Brings Radio Close to Local Communities.

By BAUKHAGE

News Analyst and Commentator.

WNU Service, 1616 Eye Street, N. W. Washington, D. C.

In these days when there is so much talk about co-operatives, I would like to take this opportunity to say something about co-operative sponsorship of radio. It is a different kind of co-op, of course, but it has done a lot for broadcasting. It simply means that instead of having one big company sponsor a program over a whole network, a local concern in each town "hires" as. That is why I say the name of my boss is legion.

There are many advantages in this plan from a purely material standpoint. But to me, the greatest, from the broadcaster's point of view is the fact that co-op sponsorship provides a tremendous psychological tonic. It gives me what I call an e-pluribus-unum boost, because I have a feeling that a lot of people have elected me to my job instead of one man hiring me. I feel that I have become a citizen in a sort of new-found economic democracy.

Now from the listener's standpoint: When a program is sponsored locally, the townsfolk are bound to look on it with a lot more intimacy.

We are all proud of the fact that radio has brought the world right into the listener's home. We can be equally proud of the fact that the co-operative sponsorship system has brought thousands of American communities into the broadcaster's heart and mind. The co-operative sponsorship system exemplifies the good, democratic principles of decentralization.

I think it's a great invention.

Chosen by Station WNAX, Yankton, S. D., as "typical mid-west farmers," Mr. and Mrs. John Oeser won a trip to Washington, a new tractor and money for a new wardrobe. Immediately after being received by the President, they were interviewed on our program.

They were chosen by WNAX because, while running up a remarkable production record on their farm in Westside, Iowa, they also played a leading part in the war activities of the community.

Mr. Oeser is 58 years old and is still cultivating the land his father pioneered. He and Mrs. Oeser have eight children—the one of military age is a marine—two daughters



Baukhage (center) interviews the Oesers in Washington, D. C.

The people of X-ville, listening to me as they have for the last three years, feel, I am sure, that they know me better because they know my sponsor, Joe Doe—a lot of them personally, a lot more because they have almost daily personal contact with the clerks in his big department store. And that goes for the flour mill, the bank, the bakery, the dairy, the hotel, the electric power company, the finance company, the flour and feed store, and what have you (and what haven't you in the co-op dish?).

Like writing for a weekly newspaper, there is a hometown intimacy about this arrangement. This intimacy, vicarious though it may be, goes a long way toward breaking down the barrier of invisibility between the unseen broadcaster and his audience.

Highly important too, is the total goodwill engendered by the co-operative sponsorship system. It means a lot to the sponsor to have the listener realize that a hometown supported institution is paying for the program he listens to.

Before I accept a sponsor I have to know something about him. When we get together I have a chance to learn a lot more about him and he about me. Thus, my 130 bosses have helped me, in a sense, to re-discover America, and it doesn't do a bit of harm to those of us who spend so much time on Pennsylvania avenue to have a daily reminder of Main street which is the real America.

So much for direct benefits to station-sponsor-listener-broadcaster. But there is something which is even more important to radio as a whole. I believe the co-op system will go a long way toward dissolving an unfounded suspicion held by some of the general public: namely that a commentator reflects his sponsor's opinions. Personally, I have never known such a case, but the myth is widespread. Well, it is obvious that even 30 sponsors couldn't agree to disagree with their commentator on any one thing and when the number passes the hundred mark, a neutralizing effect results which produces a cross-section view that could reflect only an average of American tolerances.

graduate nurses. Since the eldest boy joined the marines, Mr. Oeser has been doing all the work on his 160-acre farm with the help of his wife and the 10 and 14-year-olds. They have a lot of livestock and raise enough grain on their farm to feed the cattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Oeser were widely entertained while in Washington and enjoyed every minute of it. However, Mrs. Oeser was shocked at the prices of food and didn't "see how a family the size of hers could possibly afford to live in a city."

While congress recently rewrote the tax law to fit peacetime government expenditures—and the people's earnings—they had in their possession the suggestion for a new type of tax program. I say "new type" because it is sponsored by small businesses employing approximately 6,500,000 workers.

The sponsors are convinced that their comprehensive program will do a number of worthy things in addition to speeding reconversion and giving tax relief to individuals and business. They say it will also provide a favorable tax climate for small business, encourage venture capital, provide high employment at well-paid jobs, stimulate consumption, increase the national income, balance the budget at high employment levels, reduce federal expenditures and retire the national debt.

Aside from immediate reductions for individuals and corporations, the long-range program calls for the following: For the individual, an initial tax of 16 per cent and reduction of surtaxes, the rates on long-term capital gains, estate and gift taxes. Existing exemptions and credits would be retained, deductions of capital losses would be allowed on the same basis as capital gains are taxed, double taxation of dividends would be alleviated. The state chambers of commerce would continue the principle of the withholding tax while at the same time trying to improve it.

In the long term picture for business, the group would have corporation taxes reduced and the continuation of a favorable tax climate for small business.

Youth Persisted in Being Member of the Family

He had persisted in calling on her, even though she had warned him of her father's decided opposition to boy friends. But the young man was getting desperate, and on this particular evening he had his plans cut and dried for an elopement.

Suddenly the door opened, and the young couple turned to face a glowering parent.

"Who are you?" he asked the young man through clenched teeth.

The latter gulped and turned pale.

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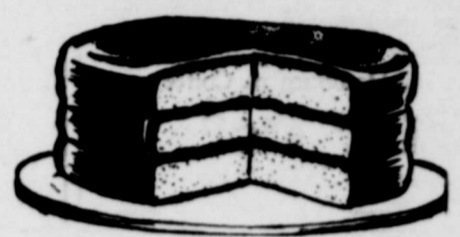
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- Shrimp, Blue Gulf, No. 1 tin - 49c
- Sardines, Rio del Mar, No. 1 tall tin 12c

Cane Sugar

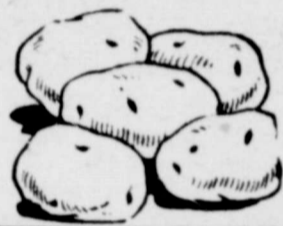
Pure Cane Sugar, 5-lb. bag 33c
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- Peas, Challenge, No. 2 tin, size No. 4 - 11c
- Corn, Milford, Cream Style Golden - 14c
- Apricot Nectar, Calif. Morning, 16-oz. 17c

Folger's Coffee, lb. 32c

- Grapefruit Juice, Bestex 46 ounce tin - 25c
- Orange Juice, Bruce's, 46 ounce tin - 39c
- Peaches, Sliced, Libby's, No. 2 1/2 tin - 26c
- Fruit Cocktail, Libby's, No. 2 1/2 tin - 32c
- Prepared Noodles, Magic Chef. 13 1/2 oz. 19c
- Rice Dinner, Magic Chef, 14-oz. glass - 21c
- Spaghetti Dinner, Chef Boy-Ar-Dee, pkg. 32c
- Apples, extra choice, 1 pound cello pkg. 49c
- Pears, fancy bright, 1 pound cello pkg. 33c
- Peaches, extra choice, 1-lb. cello pkg. 35c
- Prunes, medium size, 1 pound cello pkg. 15c
- Dates, All Purpose, 16-ounce package - 49c

Celery, Florida, bleached, 17c



Potatoes Idaho Russets 59c
 10-pound bag

Lettuce, fresh, 2 for 23c

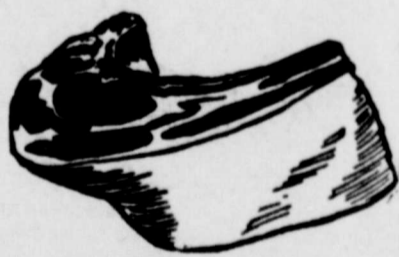
Carrots South Texas bunch 4 1/2c

Lemons, Calif., dozen 23c - 33c

- GREEN BEANS, Florida Black Valentine, lb. 23c
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—Fritz Hermans.

One should fear lest ambition may be a veil for conceit; one should fear also lest modesty be a pretext for laziness.—Jules Simon.

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And Your Strength and Energy Is Below Par

It may be caused by disorder of kidney function that permits poisonous waste to accumulate. For truly many people feel tired, weak and miserable when the kidneys fail to remove excess acids and other waste matter from the blood.

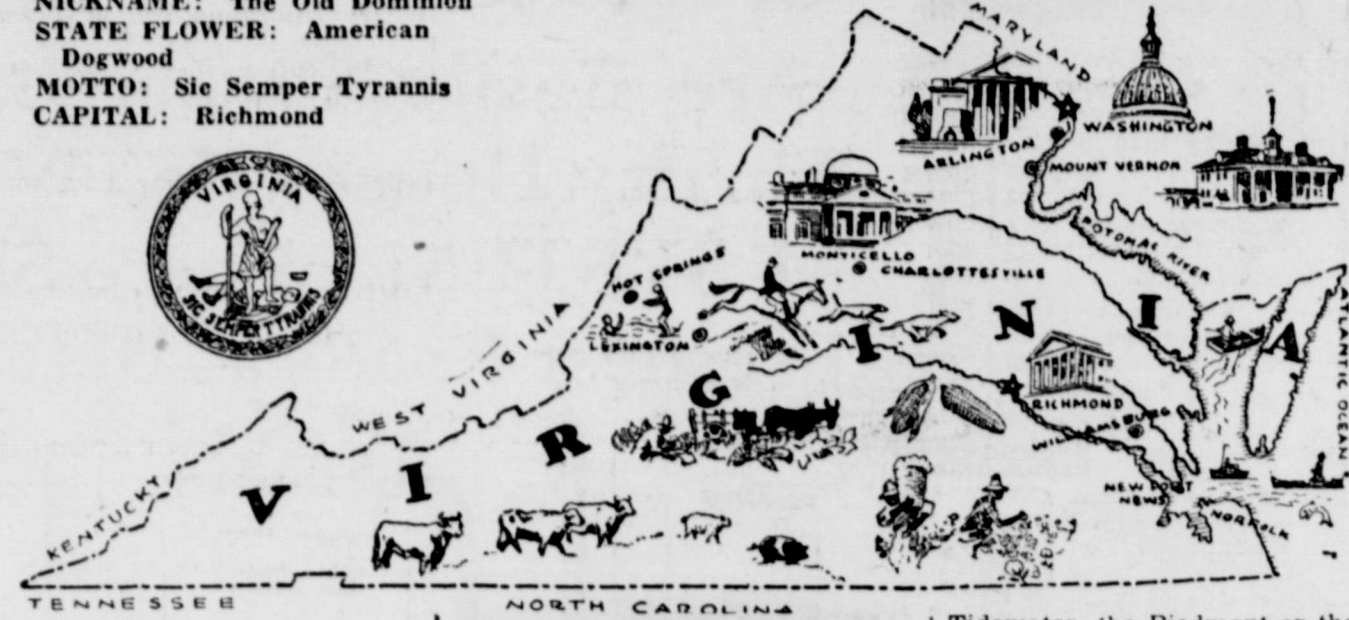
You may suffer nagging backache, rheumatic pains, headaches, dizziness, getting up nights, leg pains, swelling. Sometimes frequent and scanty urination with smarting and burning is another sign that something is wrong with the kidneys or bladder.

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By EDWARD EMERINE
WNU Features

The roses nowhere
Bloom so white,
As in Virginia;
The sunshine nowhere
Seems so bright,
As in Virginia.

WITH traditional leisure, charm and graciousness, Virginia proudly upholds its titles of "Old Dominion," "Cradle of a Nation," and "Birthplace of Presidents." Rich in historical associations, the romance of Virginia is interwoven in warp and woof of a nation, its traditions and lore deep in the fibre of its people.

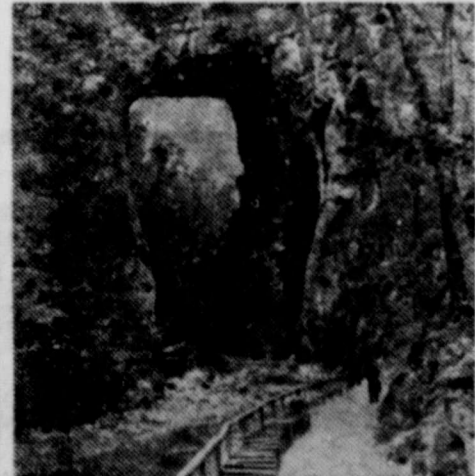
A part of old England was transplanted across the wide Atlantic, its laws and standards set up in a rich, new land. Through hardships, wars and trials, those principles took on new growth, the virgin soil added new strength and new meaning. They blossomed in George Washington's wisdom and talent, in the magic of Thomas Jefferson's pen, in the rousing voice of Patrick Henry, and in the genius and understanding of Robert E. Lee.

At Jamestown, the first permanent English settlement in America was made in 1607. At Yorktown in 1781 the American Revolution ended with the surrender of Cornwallis and the British army. Williamsburg, settled in 1632, is said to be the oldest incorporated town in America, and was the capital of Virginia from 1699 to 1760. The Commonwealth was the scene of many campaigns in the Civil war which closed with the surrender of Lee's army, April, 1865, at Appomattox court house near Lynchburg.

The Commonwealth of Virginia was named for Elizabeth, England's virgin queen. "Heaven and earth never agreed better to frame a place for a man's habitation," Capt. John Smith declared. It was he who claimed this new land for his queen. Virginia's territory once included Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and West Virginia. When Charles II was crowned he wore a robe of Virginia silk, and had engraved on coins that the English kingdom should consist of "England, Scotland, Ireland and Virginia."

Virginia has been the birthplace of eight Presidents, including Harrison, Taylor and Wilson, who were elected from other states. George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, James Monroe and John Tyler were residents of Virginia when they took office. The names of other Virginians, however, sprinkle the pages of history, literature, art and science. Included among them are Princess Pocahontas, George Rogers Clark, Meriwether Lewis, John Randolph, John Marshall, Stonewall Jackson, Henry Clay. But the list of Virginia's great is too long to name here!

The topography of Virginia is a varied one. The coastal plain, known



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as the Tidewater, was the first settled. The colonists planted tobacco there and watched its green leaves turn to gold. Cornfields were resplendent in the sun, and gardens gave generously of food for the table. The Tidewater consists of low-lying lands intersected by numerous tidal estuaries and rivers. The central part of the state is known as the Piedmont, which rises to the Blue Ridge mountains. The Piedmont is noted for thoroughbred horses, and is the fox-hunting and



BLUE RIDGE MOUNTAINS... Overlooking the Shenandoah valley. This scene is from a bridge path in the Shenandoah National park. A section of the 107-mile-long Skyline drive is at the right.

horse-racing country which perpetuates the sporting tradition of Old Virginia. It was Lord Fairfax who introduced fox-hunting to Virginia.

Between the Blue Ridge and the Alleghenies lies the Shenandoah valley, once known as the "granary of the Confederacy." Its climate is varied, and so are its crops. It presents a picture of wooded mountain slopes, well-kept farms and cattle, fields of corn and wheat, and fruit-laden trees.

Shenandoah valley, unlike the Tidewater and Piedmont, was not settled by English colonists, but by sturdy Germans from Pennsylvania and pioneering Scotch-Irish. They knew the long rifle, the coonskin cap, the log cabin and all the adventures of the frontier.

It was the northern part of Shenandoah valley that felt the ravages of war, not only in colonial days but later when there was war between the states. Few scars remain, for the luxuriant grass and honeysuckle vines have erased the physical wounds. Hundreds of markers along the highways alone remain to remind the traveler of the terrors and hardships of another day.

Virginia molded its men into a pattern, whether they lived in the

Tidewater, the Piedmont or the valley. Theirs was a government founded upon a constitution that guaranteed individual liberty. They defended their beliefs; they fought for their rights. The Tobacco rebellion of 1676 antedated the Boston Tea party by a century! "Give me liberty or give me death," spoken by Patrick Henry, was the clarion call to independence, and Thomas Jefferson set down on paper our American bill of rights.

After the close of the Revolutionary war, the great westward movement came as men sought even newer lands. There were hundreds of Virginians among them, in wide-tented wagons, dragged by horses and oxen. Three great gateways opened from Virginia to the frontier. To the northeast was the channel of the Potomac river, the gateway known to Washington. In the center was the gateway of Buffalo Gap and Goshen Pass. The third was Cumberland Gap, known to Daniel Boone, and opening the towering Cumberland mountains to Kentucky.

While there were Virginians on every frontier, ready to pioneer and build America, most of the old stock remained close to their native soil. The Commonwealth of Virginia has never stopped building. Its soil has always been productive. Its mines and factories yield their wealth.

Agriculture is constantly expanding. Corn and tobacco and garden truck are still grown in eastern Virginia. Cotton is raised along the southern border, and peanuts are a valuable crop. Smithfield hams, from hogs fattened on peanuts, are

famous the world over. The livestock industry exists on a large scale in the Southwest.

Virginia produces bituminous coal and limestone as well as cement, clay, feldspar, gypsum, lead, manganese, mica, pyrite, salt, sand, slate, soapstone, zinc — and even gold!

Richmond is the largest cigarette-making center in the world. At Hopewell and elsewhere are chemical plants. Furniture-making, lumbering and cotton textile manufacturing are also extensive. At Newport News is one of the largest ship-building plants in the United States.

But leisure and good living, more than creating great fortunes, are the traditions of Virginia. Its people know the ocean front, Chesapeake bay and the rivers. There are hundreds of miles of beaches for bathing. Fishing in the bay and rivers is good. Channel bass fishing is fine! Virginians know the trout, spot, croaker, bass, rock, blue fish and many others.

The days are never
Quite so long,
As in Virginia;
Nor near so full
Of happy song,
As in Virginia.

One Good Turn Deserves Another

The circus had come to town, and, as usual, a crowd of small boys were gathered about the entrance to the big tent. There was a commotion as each tried to get a glimpse of the interior.

A man standing nearby watched them for a time, then went up to the turnstile and said to the ticket taker there: "Let these boys through the stile and count them."

The ticket collector did as he was requested, tallying each boy as he passed in, and when the last of the boys had disappeared inside the tent, he said: "Twenty-one, sir."

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The
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Worth

Can you recall the time when Robert Lee had the biggest revival in its history? When over 50 people professed, and there was shouting during the services? If you can't, next week read about this meeting in our "Remember Back When" column in The Observer.

Congressman Sol Bloom of New York celebrated his 79th birthday last week in Washington with a big blowout. Somebody asked him the secret of his longevity, and he laid it to massaging his feet and knees and eating, not what he liked, but what agreed with him. That massaging business may be all right, but it takes a lot of time. It ought to work on a congressman like Sol, who sits around a lot. But however, I druther use Mr. Rabb's recipe: In the springtime, a mess or two of poke greens; in the summertime, barbecued beef, especially a calf's head, buttermilk and cool well water; in the fall, collard greens, watermelon rind preserves; in the winter, candied yams Georgia style, pork chops, stuffed bell peppers, cabbage boiled with hickory smoke cured ham. This beats the New Yorker's alibi 16 to 1.

If you keep your promises and pay your bills as due, you're just as good a financial risk as the millionaire.

Lumber yards all over the United States are using a series of big advertisements in the newspapers, complaining about existing conditions and the present lumber situation. To date several broadsides have been fired at the O. P. A.,

Says The Wildcat Apostle



I told a fellow the other day I had had my car for ten years and never had a wreck. After looking at my old bus the irreverent bozo remarked that I had had a wreck for ten years and never had a car.

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and to judge from this distance the appeals will accomplish little. O. P. A. is trying to curb inflation, and little relief in the lumber shortage can be expected. Not a great deal of lumber will be exported. The bulk of present production will be, if it has not already been, earmarked for construction and repairing of sailing vessels, with which to transport freight overseas to foreign countries. We're some punkins now in world commerce, and we can't get the stuff across the pond in T-models. Hence, the lumber shortage. And those who know, say it will be four or five years before lumber will be plentiful. That's the reason so many old vacant houses and buildings are being wrecked or moved and repaired for homes all over the land. Housing is a very acute problem. Otis Rabb told us Monday that in Odessa you could rent a trailer house for the modest sum of \$50. If O. P. A. yanked the ceilings off things, how much rent would a body pay? Or how much for a suit of clothes? That's only two \$64 questions, bud. If you can buy a house now for a fair price, better grab it. Next year it will cost you a third more—maybe more. That's Roger Babson's predictions. And old Roger has been calling the turn on things for 25 years, ringing 90 per cent bull's eyes. We're going to have the O. P. A. with us for years to come.

We still say that it will be four or five years before you will find lumber plentiful. Remember back in 1941 when you were told that electric refrigerators would be plentiful right after the war was over. Tire rationing is no more—but can you buy any 600x16s, bud? Need any sheet iron? Eh, what?

"Walk softly, but carry a big stick." Those were the words of advice given by Theodore Roosevelt. Looks like Secretary Byrnes and Senator Connally know the import of that phrase. They are giving Russia a glimpse of Uncle Sam's shillali. When the bombastic bluff of Molotoff, Stalin et al is called, they will gratefully back down. Mark the prediction.

Petitions are being circulated in Houston and Austin asking Dr. Rainey to run for governor. Har, har! For the last six months Doc ain't been walking.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Stabilization Policy Designed To Spur Production; Argentine Military Junta Under U. S. Fire

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WAGE-PRICES: Go Sign

Formulation of the administration's new stabilization policy setting a pattern for wage increases of from 15 to 17 per cent and permitting price boosts wherever necessary to assure prewar profit margins, represented a victory for the conservative advisers of President Truman.

Spearheaded by John Snyder, St. Louis banker and director of war mobilization and reconversion, the conservatives held that price as well as wage readjustment was necessary to spur postwar production. With goods flowing to market in volume, they held, prices would automatically find their right level in a competitive economy.

In announcing the new wage-price policy, which was designed to settle the major steel, auto and electrical strikes, Mr. Truman hoped that it would result in an early resumption of mass production that alone could head off an inflationary spiral. In the meantime, he asked for extension of price control, subsidies and allocations and priorities to temporarily hold living costs in line and break industrial bottle-necks.

In winning his point of view, Snyder was permitted to retain his over-all control over the stabilization policy, with former OPA chief, Chester Bowles put in charge of administering the new formula. Bowles had stood firmly for a more rigid wage-price program, believing lower costs would lead to greater purchasing power and volume, but agreed to co-operate in making the new policy work.

GOOD NEIGHBOR: Not So Good

In issuing its historic "blue book" condemning the Argentine military regime and its strong-man leadership of Juan Peron, the U. S. state department raised the whole question of continued U. S. and Allied relationship with the South American country.

At the same time, the state department's indictment against the army junta, charging collaboration during the war and in establishing a fascist economy in peace, came



"Strong Man" Juan Peron, whose military junta was under state department fire.

on the eve of the Argentine presidential election, lending possibilities to a nation-wide swing against Peron's candidacy. Taking cognizance of the U. S. action, Peron laid blame for the strained relations between the two countries on Assistant Secretary of State Spruille Braden, whom he accused of undermining previous accords.

In charging Argentina with collaboration with the axis in war, the state department's "blue book" declared that the military regime engaged in espionage against the allies, sought to undermine governments in neighboring countries friendly to the united nations, and protected German economic interests.

Asserting that the military junta had permitted the establishment of a fascist economy in Argentina to serve as a base for reviving Germany's imperial ambitions, the "blue book" stated that Germans now controlled such key industries as chemicals and pharmaceuticals, construction, electrical equipment, metallurgy and agriculture.

FOOD SUPPLIES: World Outlook

While per capita food consumption in the U. S. in 1946 is expected to reach a new peak, a survey of 65 foreign countries conducted by the department of agriculture

showed that the average person will have about 12 per cent less to eat than in prewar years.

In reporting its findings, however, the department pointed out that striking of an "average" balance did not truly reflect conditions abroad, what with near starvation levels persisting in Italy, Germany, French North Africa, France, Spain, India and China.

Itemizing individual supplies, the department said that the world supply of bread will remain tight, with reduced rations in some countries. Demand for wheat will exceed supplies by 200 million bushels and stocks of other grains will be limited. From 15 to 20 per cent less rice will be available than in prewar years.

A shortage of meat will persist in Europe and Russia, the department said, with increased production retarded by use of feed grains for human consumption. While 1946 supplies of fish will be higher than last year, cheese and egg stocks will not meet demands.

The total of fats and oils will approximate only two-thirds of import needs while sugar consumption will fall to the lowest level in a decade. Only half as much butter will be available for world trade as in prewar years.

In contrast to the tight world food situation, the American larder will stay well stocked, barring poor crops. Only butter and sugar supplies are expected to show no appreciable improvement, and while fewer eggs are predicted, availability of more meat should cut demand for the product.

Butcher Old Dobbin

From the steadily declining horse population of the U. S., 77,337 equines went to the slaughter houses in 1945 to provide meat for American tables. Lowest on record, the number of horses in this country stands at less than half that of a quarter century ago.

Reflecting the steady increase in horse slaughter during the war, when overall meat supplies failed to meet popular demand, the butchering of equines in 1945 showed a 49 per cent rise over the 1944 figure of 52,063.

Along with the horse, the old goat has been sent to the stockyards with increasing frequency, the slaughter of 13,150 by federally inspected packers in 1945 representing a 98 per cent boost over the figure for the previous year.

TIRES: Good Prospects

With the manpower situation improving with the return of many veterans and new facilities scheduled to get into production soon, the tire outlook for 1946 has grown increasingly promising, though stocks adequate to meet record demand will not be forthcoming before late in the year.

With 24 million cars in operation, with many running on tires five or more years old, the government set a goal of 66 million passenger cords for 1946. Under present favorable conditions, manufacturers hope to even exceed the mark. Because of the continued scarcity of natural rubber, substantial proportions of both tires and tubes will be made of synthetics.

Since 90 per cent of all tires produced go to the market and only 10 per cent are retained for new automobiles, not many more additional cords have been made available during the closedown of auto plants by the General Motors strike, trade circles pointed out.

NATIONAL GUARD: Postwar Increase

In accordance with plans to keep America strong in the postwar world, the national guard will be increased to 622,500 officers and men, more than double the total of 300,034 in the prewar period.

Of the 622,500 men and officers, 571,000 will be included in the ground forces, 47,600 in the air wings and 4,000 in miscellaneous services. This compares with the prewar establishment of 295,000 on the ground and 5,000 in the air.

Twenty-two infantry divisions will constitute the bulk of the ground forces, with two armored divisions and 18 regimental combat teams making up the remainder. The 12 air wings will be composed of 27 groups, 84 squadrons and 12 control and warning units.

With 47,777 men and officers, New York's national guard will be the largest in the country, followed by Pennsylvania with 39,580; California, 39,568, and Illinois, 32,908.

Washington Digest

Proposes Rural Social Security Minus Red Tape



Simple Stamp Plan Evolved to Record Modest Beneficiary Payments and Avoid Complicated Bookkeeping Duties.

By BAUKHAGE News Analyst and Commentator.

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There are 7,148,422 specimens of wildlife in the United States—not wildlife as represented by the recently vindicated Esquire magazine—but big game animals like deer, buffalo and mountain goats. The fish and wildlife service counted them, canvassing the wide open spaces to do it.

Prof. Murray R. Benedict of the University of California has been doing some counting too in the wide open spaces, or at least down on the farm, and he came up with the conclusion that in 1939 more than half the farm owners in the country raised less than \$750 worth of products on their land. Consequently these low-income farmers, and a great many other farmers in only slightly higher income brackets, find it almost impossible to save money toward the time when they can no longer work. They are harassed by a feeling of economic insecurity—the kind of economic insecurity which President Truman recently said was tending to break down family life in this country. Mr. Truman suggested that perhaps we ought to have a "Bill of Rights" for the family as well as for the individual.

Professor Benedict doesn't suggest a Bill of Rights for the farmer, but in a pamphlet entitled "A Retirement System for Farmers" he does suggest that the farmer be included in the federal social security system.

The farmer earning no more than \$750 from the sale of products would be listed as a self-employed worker making an assumed net income of \$400. He would pay into the social security fund 2 per cent of his income each year, and to make the yearly payments a little easier to take, the farmer would use a stamp book, buying social security stamps to paste in whenever he had some spare cash.

Farmers who earn \$750 or more can follow the same procedure. They are given a standard deduction based on how much they earn. For example, those farmers earning between \$750 and \$1,000 get a \$300 deduction; there's a \$400 deduction for the next highest group and so on. They take their deduction, make the simple report of net income, and that's that.

But some farmers may insist that their expenses exceed the deduction allowed them. That's okay with Mr. Benedict. For them, he would provide a separate form so the farmer could list his actual expenses and deduct them.

Farm Hands Also Covered

All this applies to farm-owners. But perhaps the farm owner, Jake Duncan, has a helper, Tom. Tom is a farm wage-worker, and if Mr. Benedict has his way, farm wage-workers like Tom would be treated much the same as industrial workers, insofar as social security is concerned. That means Jake, the employer would deduct Tom's 1 per cent from his wages, add his own payment of 1 per cent to Tom's 1 per cent and transmit to the government at the end of each quarter, the funds and a certified statement of wages paid.

Here again, Mr. Benedict wants to save Jake, the employer, from long nights spent at the rollopp desk pouring over social security records. He suggests as one way to eliminate paper work, a stamp book system. Tom would get a stamp book from the post office. Each time Jake pays Tom off, Jake would affix and cancel the proper stamps. That's a painless way of recording payments.

Mr. Benedict doesn't think that nine million farmers and farm-workers can be brought into the social security system overnight. Neither does he predict smooth sailing right from the start if they were brought in. It will take time and a far-reaching educational program.

The idea of including farmers under the social security plan is not a new one. Most of the important farm organizations have okayed the idea; both presidential candidates en-

dorsed it in the last election campaign, the social security board last month broached the subject to congressional attention once again, and there is a bill which would accomplish it—the Wagner-Murray-Dingell bill. This bill was sent to the house ways and means committee on May 24, 1945, and it's still there, gathering dust. It is doubtful that the committee will take any action unless some pressure is brought to bear by interested parties.

Of course, there is opposition to the idea in some quarters. Some persons who oppose including farmers, and other workers not now insured, advance the nation-can't-afford-it argument. They say that as more and more persons in occupations covered by social security reach the retirement age, the amounts paid into the trust fund aren't going to be sufficient to pay them off, unless the treasury digs down and adds public funds.

In 1939, the lawmakers threshed this out and came up with a plan to make the fund continuously self-supporting. They decided to make the contributions high enough so that the government would not have to help out. They agreed to keep the present 1 per cent from employee and 1 per cent from employer rate until 1943. After that, they'd increase it to 2 per cent each; then to 2.5 per cent; then to 3 per cent from 1948 on. However, congress deferred the rate increase during the war, and hasn't ever gotten around to upping it. Unless rates are increased, undoubtedly the treasury will have to shell out in future years, when the system gets into full swing. And if farmers and other presently uninsured workers are brought in—undoubtedly the treasury will have to shell out more.

Other Aid Now Tops Billion

Consider what the government is already handing out to support aged persons not covered by social security. The costs of old-age assistance and aid to dependent children from 1933 to 1944, to the country, added up to a tidy billion dollars. And costs will continue to go up as the average age of the population rises. All of which means the government has dispensed almost a billion dollars in charity to persons who might, had they been able to make regular social security contributions during their working years, have been able to get along without such charity.

Other opponents foresee the farmer bogged down in an avalanche of government questionnaires, financial reports, lists, ledgers and statistics, should he be made a participating member of the social security system. But under Mr. Benedict's plan, the farmer's duties to his government where social security is concerned are a minimum. He won't have to keep detailed farm records. The reports he does have to make are simple ones. As a matter of fact, if he uses the stamp plan to take care of his employee's social security payments, he won't have as much paper work as industrial or professional employers have.

Still another argument is advanced by people who predict gloomily that if workers are assured of a regular income from social security after retirement, they won't work; they won't save during the years they can work.

Mr. Benedict thinks that argument is as ancient as the reconstructed dodo in the Smithsonian institution. Social security benefits, as set up now, will certainly not buy retiring oldsters any mink coats or Cadillac coupes. The benefits are very modest ones. Any sensible person can see he'll have to have some other resources besides social security if he wants to live at any level above the barest minimum of subsistence when he reaches retirement age. He'll save money, try to accumulate property, perhaps carry private business insurance too. But if he can't save, and it's not only the farmers who can't, social security benefits in later years may keep him from becoming a public charge.

Trouble Was Brewing In the Binks' Household

Bink's brother-in-law, a shiftless lazy fellow, came to live with Binks and his wife, due to his inability to find a room elsewhere. Binks distinctly disliked his ways and on several occasions threatened to chastise him. At last his wife took Binks to task.

"It's ridiculous for you to talk like that. It will cost you a \$10 fine if you hit him," she cautioned.

When a month had elapsed and Binks hadn't mentioned the name of his brother-in-law once, his wife expressed her pleasure.

"So you've given up the idea of hitting Jim?"

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REPORT ON THE RUSSIANS.....



INSTALLMENT TWELVE

The head of the Soviet labor movement was a very smart man of forty-three called Kuznetsov. He was really keen. He'd lived in America, graduated from Carnegie Institute of Technology with a master's degree in metallurgy, and if you tried to point out that his labor movement here wasn't really free, he'd come right back at you with some American example trying to prove that ours was even less free. He outlined their set-up like this. All Soviet unions—representing 22,000,000 workers—send delegates to the All-Union Trades Congress. This meets every year or so but hasn't since the war. This corresponds to our AFL and CIO national conventions rolled into one. It's strictly labor—no soldiers or farmers are in it. This big Congress elects fifty-five members to something they call the Plenum. These fifty-five elect eighteen to something called the Presidium. And these eighteen elect him its secretary, which makes him head of the workers. He said at least 90 or 95 per cent of all workers belonged to trade unions.



Stalin stayed in Moscow when Germany advanced on city.

So we asked him who didn't belong. "Well," he said, "some apprentices are too young, and then in the re-occupied regions, it takes a little time to convince all workers they should belong." He said the dues were 1 per cent of a worker's salary. There is no initiation fee, but they sell you a book costing only one rouble.

"Now, is this a perfectly free union movement," we asked him, "or is it directed by your government?"

It was perfectly free, he assured us. Of course, he said, anyone they elected to their Congress must be approved by the government.

He said, "in 1919 a strike in one steel mill lasted two days. And in 1923 there was another little strike in western Russia. We were changing over from the old czarist money to Soviet roubles, and it took time to get it all printed and out to the workers. As soon as the situation was explained to them, they went back to work. There have been no strikes since, and in the future there won't be any because our workers understand they are all working for each other."

"If a worker is discontented and gets discharged for any reason, would it be difficult for him to get a job some place else?"

"Very, very difficult," said Kuznetsov.

"Do you have any absenteeism?"

"We simply don't have it without reason."

"But aren't workers sometimes a little late?"

"Occasionally," he said. "The first time he is warned. The second time he may be fined. If it happens again, he is discharged. If a worker fails to co-operate, damages too much material or does anything else which we consider serious, he may be arrested and tried before a judge, and if he is unable to prove his innocence, sentenced to a number of years' penal labor. The rules in the factories are very strict and rigidly enforced." And the union officials encourage the workers to testify against a man guilty of these offenses—maybe they themselves bring charges against him.

"Joining the trade union in any plant is completely voluntary," Kuznetsov said.

"How do you account then, for the fact that practically everyone who is eligible joins?"

"It is to their advantage in any country, and particularly in the So-

viet Union, where the Trade Union Movement offers many benefits. Here a union member received greater sick benefits than a non-union member. There is a housing shortage here and most factories own apartment houses which they rent to the workers. Union members receive first consideration.

"All workers are entitled to vacation with pay, but non-union members cannot spend their vacations in the rest centers maintained for workers. If a worker is sick, the physician may recommend an extra week's vacation, and he can go to a special type of rest center equipped to care for invalids. But non-union members are not eligible."

Until we reach the Urals, which divide Russia-in-Europe from Russia-in-Asia, the country we fly over is exactly as it was up from Teheran—the same thatched villages dominated by white churches with red-painted onion domes. We crossed the Urals, which are, in this area, not mountains but low, rolling hills, wooded with birch, oak, elm, maple, but no pine.

At this airport, as at all the others we are to touch, we are met by the local dignitaries and important Communists—all grave, cap-wearing Russians, well-dressed by Communist standards. Zeuses take us across the city to the house of the plant director, where we will spend the night. We drive through teeming, unpainted slums which are worse than those of Pittsburgh although we keep in mind that Magnitogorsk is crowded because many industries have been evacuated here.

We leave the slums and go up a hill where, overlooking the slums and the blast furnaces, are the spacious homes of the executives—even as it is in Pittsburgh. We come into a paved residential street with gutters, sidewalks and big yards. Except for architectural differences, we might be in Forest Hills, New York, or Rochester, Minnesota's "Pill Hill."

Magnitogorsk was started in 1916. There are now 45,000 workers in his plant, of whom 25,000 are construction workers, for it is expanding. Twenty open-hearth furnaces and six blast furnaces are operating, two of which were opened during the war.

The mountain they mine contains an estimated 300,000,000 tons of ore which is 60 per cent iron, and another 85,000,000 tons which will run from 50 to 45 per cent—quite a stock pile! Eric tells me that we have only about 100,000,000 tons left at Hibbing, and are using these up at a wartime rate of 27,000,000 tons a year.

After lunch we drive to the big steel plant. I am riding with a correspondent.

Suddenly our car turns to one side as we overtake a long column marching four abreast, on its way to work at the plant. Marching ahead of it, behind it and on both sides, are military guards carrying rifles with fixed bayonets. The second thing is that the column itself consists of ragged women in make-shift sandals, who glance furtively at our cars.

The correspondent nudges me. Nick, the NKVD man, is riding in the front seat.

I don't know how those women got there or where they were going, so I leave them as material for some mightier talent with greater imaginative powers.

Entering the blast furnace section, the director bellows two noteworthy statistics at us; the first, that on a 1,200,000,000 rouble business this year, he hopes to clear a 50,000,000 rouble profit. Secondly, that in this inferno, they have per month only eight injuries per 10,000 employees.

The armament factory takes the prize for the most sloppily organized shop we have seen in the Soviet Union. Stockingless girls with crude sandals, lathing shells for the Red Army, stand on heaps of curled metal scrap from their machines. Occasionally they are protected from its sharp edges by crude duckboards.

Some attempt is being made to remove the scrap. We see two girls carrying out a load of it on a Russian wheelbarrow, which is a kind of homemade litter, with one pair of wooden handles in front and one behind. It carries a modest wheelbarrow-load but requires two people. They stumble along with it through the rubbish.

We watch them milling shells for the Red Army. There is no assembly belt but at one point they have devised a substitute. When one operation is finished, a shell is placed on a long, inclined rack, down which it rolls into the next room for the next operation. Only the rack is badly made and now and then a shell falls off. Instead of adjusting the rack, a girl is stationed by it to pick up the shells and put them back on straight.

Now we go through a brick plant. We watch the women laboriously moving bricks by hand after each processing operation. As we are leaving the plant, we see another column of women marching under guard.

A few hours on the plane brings us to Sverdlovsk, before the revolution called Ekaterinburg because it was founded by Catherine the Great. It was here in a cellar that the hard-headed Bolsheviks shot weak-willed, well-meaning Czar Nicholas II, his wife and family, later changing the name of the town. Sverdlovsk is another Soviet Pittsburgh, bustling with a million people.

Sverdlovsk is the Soviet center for the manufacture of heavy machine tools. In one big shop we see a gigantic drop forge, made in Duisburg, Germany. I can well believe that there are only four like it in the world. It can apply pressure of 10,000 tons.

The plant itself is the same old Soviet story we have so far seen—no light, dirty, bad floors, and in this one the roof leaks. Outside there is a summer shower and we watch the water pour down from the high ceiling onto the hot steel and get soaked ourselves as we walk through. But they have mended the roof over the most important machines.

Across the street from our five-year-plan hotel is the marble opera house. It is a little too ornate, but Russians like it that way. It seems to be the most substantial and carefully built structure in town. It is the provincial opera house, built in 1903 under the czar.

At Omsk the delegation of dignitaries shakes hands with us and tells us that our bags will be left at the airport, where we will spend the night. The building is excellent, modern, simple and in good repair.



Martial law was declared in Moscow and ack-acks brought to city in great numbers.

It seems substantially constructed. We inspect the Mayor of Omsk—Kishemelev Kuzma. This is his second year in office. Before that he was Director of Automobile Highways, a confusing title since the Soviet Union has few passenger cars and almost no highways.

We ask him how he got elected and he answers promptly that the people did it and goes into detail. There were in all five candidates, each representing one of the various trade unions. Everybody in Omsk could vote, he says, and of course the ballot was secret.

In the empty airport waiting room, sprawled on the benches were two khaki-clad figures. One asked me something in Russian. The other one said, "Hell, Tex, he's no Russian."

I said, "I'm an American. You guys Americans too?" "I should hope to kiss a horse we are," said Tex.

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Prof. W.B. Jones of Mule Creek was doing business in this city Saturday.

Doc Walker of Silver recently roped a coyote wolf and killed it. And we are informed that one of J. J. Austin's sons has recently done the same thing.

Frank and Ralph Harris are stocking their ranch with steers again. They know when to buy cattle.

Wiley Byrd and Mr. Stephens of Hayrick hauled two loads of Wiley's wool to San Angelo the first of the week.

We are informed that the Baling mill man proposes to farmers to furnish seed wheat and take pay out of the crop. Quite a liberal offer if true.

Although a shower of rain fell last Saturday evening at the time appointed for laying the corner stone of the M. E. Church South, quite a good congregation gathered at the building about 4 o'clock when Bro. E. T. Bates, pastor, Bro. Chas. E. Brown of Brown-

wood, and Bro. W. H. Groom conducted the services in the usual way. Bro. Brown made the speech of the occasion, which was interesting and instructive.

J. D. Collier sells black eyed people 3 pounds of candy for 25c, and charges everybody else a quarter of a dollar.

W. T. Carraway returned yesterday from Llano county where he bought a bunch of cows and calves at \$12, which he will move to his Hayrick ranch.

S. S. Craddock and wife passed through town Tuesday on their way to San Angelo.

Dr. Latham was called yesterday to W. C. Barron's to see a boy by the name of Woods, who was bitten by a rattlesnake. He is doing well.

Everybody ta'ks hard times but Arkansas Smith—he sells for cash.

We are informed that Edith is going to build a church. Let the good work go on.

W. H. Collyns has bought from H. Lyle at Water Valley 62 three year old steers at \$16 per head,

ORIGIN OF CANINE TERMS EXPLAINED

Dog Authority, on Radio, Tells Meaning of Popular Expressions

Some unusually interesting facts about the origin and meaning of dog words and dog expressions were related by Harry Miller, executive secretary of the Gaines Dog Research Center, New York City, while a guest on the "What's the Good Word?" program over the Mutual network recently.



Originally, he said, the word "dog"—from the old English "dogge," the French "dogue" and the Latin "dogo"—was used to designate a certain type of fighting or hunting dog, but later came into general usage for all types of dogs. The word "dog" is believed to be a corruption of the sound "daw, daw, daw," which is the sound of the bark of a dog when heard in the distance.

The expression "dog days" comes to us from ancient times and has its origin in the fact that the sun is nearer Sirius, commonly called the Dog Star, during the hottest part of the summer. Today "dog days" are considered to continue for 40 days—20 days before and 20 days after Sirius appears; or from July 3 to August 11.

According to Mr. Miller, "mongrel" came from the word "mingle"—descriptive of a mixed or unknown pedigree; "Fido" is Latin for faithful—certainly a term well deserved by the dog, the most faithful of man's companions through the ages; and "Terrier" derives from the Latin word "terra" and the French word "terre," both meaning earth. Terriers were dogs originally employed for digging after game in the earth, as in hunting foxes and badgers.

Mr. Miller also gave quick explanations on how certain breeds of dogs got their names:

"Schnauzer is derived from the German term for whiskers, for which this breed is famous.

"Chow Chow. Chow in Chinese means something that is edible, and in China the Chow Chow is favored as an all-around dog, including its use for food in an emergency.

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Tests have proven that phenothiazine is also partially effective against several other parasites of livestock. The USDA have estimated that this new drug is worth more than 10 million dollars annually to the livestock industry in making it possible to produce better stock, free from worms.

Soybean Stem Rot May Be Greatly Reduced



Big yields from healthy vines.

Soybeans are a soil-building crop and will bring about some improvement in the soil when grown for seed or forage in rotation with other crops, if the straw is plowed under and returned to the soil as manure.

They should not, however, be planted in the same field two years in a row if stem rot is to be avoided. The fungus that causes the disease is unknown. It is perhaps the most serious disease that has yet attacked the soybean. Like most new crops, soybeans have been relatively free from disease.

Agriculture In the News Sheep and Wool

By W. J. DRYDEN

Catgut does not come from cats out from sheep and the chamois skin comes from sheep, not the chamois. The leather of the future may be produced from sheep pelts, formerly wasted.

In ancient times bells were tied to sheep; it was believed that the sheep grew fat on the sound of the bells.

Modern science has discovered that the glands of sheep weigh from two to four grams. The iodine content is from 0.2 to 0.3 per cent. This small amount is often the difference between health and sickness, profit and loss or success or failure.

The U. S. army found that sheepskin is the warmest of all furs. They are now being made to look like expensive furs, similar to beavers, to retail at about \$150—less than one-fourth the cost of genuine beaver

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 March 17

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THE EVERYDAY LIFE OF A PEOPLE

LESSON TEXT: Ruth 1:8-17.
MEMORY SELECTION: Intreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee; for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge; thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God—Ruth 1:16.

A good life in the midst of a corrupt and confused age—such is the life of Ruth in the awful chaos of the time of the judges. One is reminded of the poet's words:

"How far that little candle throws its beams!
So shines a good deed in a naughty world."

It is refreshing to have a glimpse into the home life of God-fearing people who live right in spite of the low standards around them.

Ruth knew life's sorrows and its bitter disappointments. She was a widow, destitute of all she held most dear. Yet she, because of the sweet purity of her life and her devotion to God and those she loved, became an example for others.

As we read our lesson we first hear how logic sneaks, then love replies, and finally a life says the final word.

I. Logic (vv. 8-13).
Tragic misfortune had visited Naomi, who with her husband and two sons had gone from Bethlehem to Moab in a time of famine. Not only had her husband died but also her two sons, who had married Gentile women, leaving three widows in one family to mourn together. Naomi craved the fellowship of her own people in her hour of trial, and she arose to return to her own land.

Both Orpah and Ruth went with her on the way, protesting their loyal purpose to go with her all the way.

Naomi met their kind offer with the only sensible answer. There was no point in leaving their homes and loved ones and going with her to another country.

Logic is so conclusive and so final. Yes, and sometimes it reaches the wrong conclusion. Love has something to say about the matter. Let us listen to its voice.

II. Love (v. 14).

Orpah loved her mother-in-law. That is evident. She wept at the thought of parting, and was affectionate in her final farewell. We must not be too quick to censure her. She did what Naomi told her to do. She responded to her love for home and kinfolk. She gave up reluctantly, but she did give up and turn back.

How glad we are that Ruth showed a deeper love. "Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clave unto her." There is a difference. Such love cannot be denied.

Life has put into the hands of many of us the opportunity of showing just that kind of love in these postwar days. A boy comes home crippled and disabled and a loyal sweetheart shows her undiminished love for him, even though he can never again be what he had expected to be. That is love. A mother and a father take to their hearts a promising young son who returns from overseas with a shattered nervous system, and give their lives anew to him. One could go on and on with such illustrations, but what we are saying is that it takes more than a kiss and some tears to express real love. "Ruth clave unto her." Such love expresses itself in a

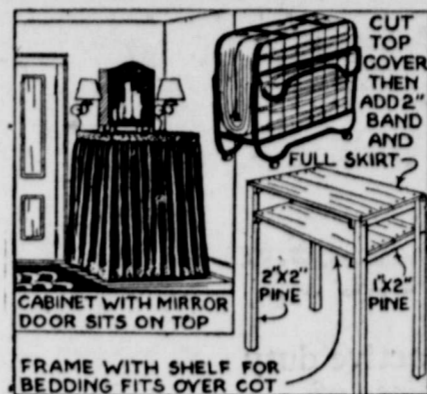
III. Life (vv. 15-17).

Literature knows no more beautiful declaration of faith and devotion than these words, and nothing could improve on it. Lord Tennyson said of the book of Ruth that "no art can improve on it." And of these verses another said, "We cannot hope to contribute to literature a sentence so exquisite and thrilling as that into which Ruth poured the full measure of a noble heart, but we can imitate her devotion" (William Jennings Bryan).

The conclusion of the story finds Ruth married to Boaz, her kinsman-redeemer, and "living happily ever after," as a true romance should end. God gives happy endings.

Here we find the right attitude toward marriage, something which needs emphasis in our day. Above all, as we remember that Ruth was an ancestress of Jesus, we see anew the importance of clean, noble, godly living. What will the generations come be able to say about our lives?

A Practical Covering for the Folding Cot



practical cover for a folding cot. A wooden frame with a bedding shelf at the top was made to fit over the cot. This was covered with a full skirt of blue denim trimmed in bands of blue and red chintz. The mirror-door medicine cabinet on top had feet made of spools glued in place. It was painted blue outside and red inside. Another thoughtful touch was the good lighting for the mirror with wall brackets connected with a floor outlet.

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Folks You Know

W. A. Payne was here from his farm near Bronte Saturday and while in town had us to add his name to our growing list of readers.

The City Cafe is sporting a new air conditioning apparatus, installed last week by Bill Wallace.

Thanks to Eugene Wojtek for his subscription renewal to The Observer this week.

Calvin Wallace, popular groceryman is back on the job again at the M System store. His many friends are glad to see his smiling face again at the old stand.

Otis K. Rabb has our thanks for his subscription renewal to this Coke county merry-go-round.

Carroll Hale last Friday bought from the editor, Lot 5, Block 2, and the business building thereon, situated across the street west, in front of the court house.

The Mahon Electric Shop has erected an attractive sign at its place of business on our main boulevard.

Mrs. A. J. Carriger and children of Coleman were here last weekend visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harmon. Mrs. Carriger was looking for a cafe location while here.

H. S. Gartman was in our office last week and has our thanks for a subscription to The Observer for his son, H. D. Gartman, at Grand Prairie.

Otis K. Rabb was here from Odessa Monday. He reports that town growing like nobody knows—population now has reached over 40,000.

C. E. Benningfield is among our new subscribers this week.

Light shower in Robert Lee Monday night. Monroe Parker's goosebone predicts plenty of rain between now and primary day. Also a lot of torrid political temperatures.

Phillip Page was a visitor from Odessa last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Landers and son, Craig, of Ft. Stockton, were here Sunday visiting Mrs. W. H. Bell.

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He also requested that I make it known to the business men of Coke county that they are eligible to take part in the apprentice training program of the Veterans Administration and that he will be glad to talk to any of them who are interested in having their business placed on the approved list of the Veterans Administration for apprentice training.

Respectfully yours, McNEIL WYLIE, County Judge.

Mrs. A. E. Latham was a visitor in San Angelo Monday.

If you've been having us to send The Observer to a friend and want

it to continue, better call and check expiration dates. A number of subscriptions expire this and next month, and when the time is up the paper is discontinued.

The Bible says:

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