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Gets First O.K.

Senator Tom Connally has advised that the Senate Appropriations Committee would send the House-passed War Department Civil Functions Appropriation Bill to the Senate with amendment providing for \$2,000,000 for the \$6,800,000 North Concho river dam near San Angelo.

The proposal now goes to the joint Senate-House conference committee for adjustment of conflicting figures. Upon approval it then goes to both legislative branches for approval and to the president for his signature.

Do You Need A Boy?

Lots of times you have need of a boy to clean up the yard, cut weeds or do minor jobs. That problem has been solved in Robert Lee. Our local Cub Scout troop is anxious to make a summer trip to Christoval and have started a fund for this purpose. They want this fund to expand and are ready for your small jobs. If you need a lad, get in touch with Mrs. Sam Jay, and a boy will be seeing you at once.

Singing Convention

John Coalson of Bronte announces that the Coke County Singing Convention is to meet at Tennyson, 10 a. m. Sunday, March 24. All members and families as well as the general public is invited to attend. Bring a lunch basket, and don't miss this get together. New books will be furnished at that time.

Mrs. Mary Slaughter last Monday purchased the editor's residence on Chadbourne and Seventh Streets. We understand Mrs. Slaughter may move to this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Roberts were visitors in San Angelo Tuesday.

Political Announcements

Rates:	
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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:

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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

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For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3

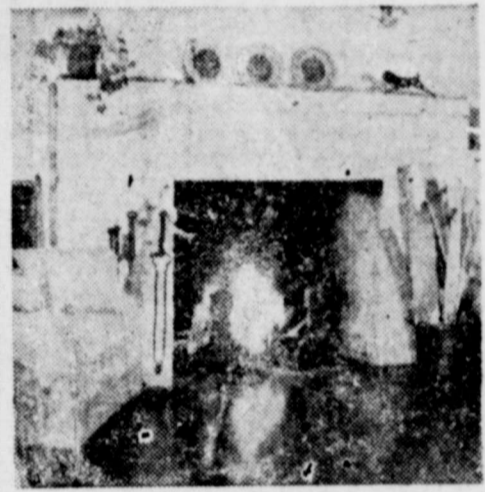
T. R. HARMON

Old Pieces Beautify New Settings

ATTRACTIVE touches for your home may be dust-catching in the attic. A decorative solution for a problem corner or room may be buried in the storeroom.

That's the advice to housewives seeking to brighten home interiors given by the Rural Home editor of nationally circulated Capper's Farmer. So look over the family white elephant collection, she urges. Keep in mind changes are possible with a hammer, saw and paintbrush.

Bring the blue-and-white willow ware or patterned plates down from the top cupboard shelf. Arranged like those in the picture below they will draw admiring glances to the mantel. Five plates might be hung on a large bare-looking wall. There are brackets for hanging them. If you're lucky enough to own



an old copper scrub pail, scour and polish it to the original brightness. Presto, you have a handsome kindling container.

Ordinary laths make clever shelves for a too large window pic-



tured above. Mrs. L. A. White of Clay county, Iowa, painted the laths ivory. These match the simple draperies and plywood valance she made. Colorful glass and china pieces were brought out of hiding and put on the shelves. Sunlight shining through the array of colored glass makes this window a pretty sight.

Kitchen Efficiency

The ease with which you work in your kitchen depends a lot on cupboard and shelf arrangement, declares the Rural Home Editor of nationally-circulated Capper's Farmer, whose advice on household matters is read by 1,250,000 farm families. Just moving an isolated cabinet next to others can give a longer, continuous working counter. And it may put working centers in a better order with food storage, preparation and service centers next to each other. Rearrangement of cupboard shelves can save you from endless shuffling about of small and large articles.

Uncle Dick Smith Passes

Richard Smith, 74, pioneer West Texas ranchman, died Saturday morning at his Coke county ranch home about 18 miles west of Robert Lee on the Robert Lee-Water Valley Divide.

Funeral services were held from the ranch home at 3 p. m. Sunday. Officiating was Pastor Ed Lovelace of the First Methodist church at Sterling City. Interment was in the Divide Cemetery.

Known throughout Coke county

Receives Honorable Discharge

Capt. Howard Millican is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Millican, Edith, after being relieved from active duty with the AAF.

At the time of his discharge he was staff salvage and property disposal officer at headquarters, AAF Flying Training Command, Randolph Field.

Before entering the service Capt. Millican was employed by the Texas State Highway Department. He expects to resume the work soon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Davis and children, Jean and Joyce, of Austin; Mr and Mrs. Robert Jones and children, J. R. and June, of Nolan, and Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Waldrop and son, Lyndon, of Hayrick, were Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Crum.

Guess spring must be here. The calendar said yesterday was the first day of spring, and besides I heard Dr. Griffith and Freeman Clark gleefully inquiring where a body could find some fishworms.

as Uncle Dick, Smith was born in Bosque county in 1872, and came to West Texas in 1888, settling in Coke county where he has since operated the ranch on which he ran cattle, sheep and horses.

Unmarried he is survived by 11 nieces: Mesdames Johnny Ruth, Robert Lee; Millard Smith, San Angelo; Carlos Webb, Roswell, N. M.; Leta Hix and Lydia Rose of Clifton; J. J. Meador, Big Spring; H. K. Hill, Waco; A. O. Day, Clovis; Annie Laura Forehand, San Angelo; Florrie Forehand, Robert Lee; M. R. Stewart, Arizona; and five nephews: Jeff Smith, Lubbock; Earl Smith, Robert Lee; A. H. Smith, Waco; Leonard Smith, Houston, and Colquitt Smith, Clifton.

The highway construction work on the road to Colorado City is moving along pretty nicely. A big crew of men is employed and they are making things hum.

Mrs. Littlefield's Homemaker Sunday School Class of the Baptist church enjoyed a social Monday night, during which a sumptuous banquet was served.

TODAY'S BEST NEWS

For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile: Let him eschew evil and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it. For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil.—1 Peter 3:10-12.

New Bus Added

The new bus of the Abilene San Angelo Motor Coaches rolled through town Monday. This was the first run of the new vehicle. Another new bus is expected by the company to arrive in a few days and will be put into service. The company's traffic manager, visiting in our office Monday, informed The Observer editor that a night bus service will be added at an early date.

The company has implicit faith in Robert Lee's future. Upon granting of a permit by the Railroad Commission for the operation of a bus line from Robert Lee to Eden, via Bronte, Ballinger and Paint Rock, the Abilene San Angelo Motor Coaches will make this city its headquarters; and will move its garages here, besides erecting a terminal. Apart from the Eden extension, which affords a direct hookup with coast cities, the company has other ambitious plans in the making for spreading out from this city, the which will be hailed with acclaim and cooperation by our citizens. All of Coke county is very appreciative of the fine equipment and service the new owners are giving. Robert Lee marches on!

Mrs. Lola Adkins

Mrs. Lola Adkins, 71, died at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Ernest Lackey, in San Angelo, at 6:30 o'clock Tuesday evening. Death came from a heart attack.

Survivors include: five sons, G. J. of Sweetwater, H. E. of Los Cruces, N.M., T. J. of Hatch, N. M., D. J. of Robert Lee, and J. F. of Silver; three daughters, Mrs. Ardie Phillips of Medina, Mrs. Ernest Lackey, San Angelo, and Mrs. Ozella Harris, Junction.

Enjoyable Banquet

The Junior-Senior Banquet last Friday night was largely attended and a grand time is reported by all. A fine program was rendered during the festivities. Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough had charge of the arrangements for the enjoyable occasion.

Free Information Service

If you want to rent a furnished or unfurnished room or apartment or a house, make inquiries at The Observer office. No charges. We have helped others—maybe we can cite you to what you want.

Artell Roberts is very proud of his good well of water that Bonnie Mundell and Jackie Hester drilled for him on the W. C. Kerley place. Fred McCabe located this spot to drill three years ago. Got ten gallons a minute.

Asked J. I. Murtishaw yesterday if he had dug any fishworms lately. He said, "Nope, don't need 'em. I use grasshoppers."

THOUGHTS FOR TODAY

PRAYER should be the key of the day and the lock of the night. PERFECTION lies within so small a space. I have seen it in a slow smile, and in a child's face watching snow float down from winter skies,

Loses Arm Tuesday

Noel Allen McLendon, 23, of Robert Lee, lost part of his right arm Tuesday when it was caught in a rock crushing machine about 15 miles north of Robert Lee. The arm was amputated just below the elbow in a San Angelo hospital Tuesday night.

McLendon, who is the son of Mrs. A. J. McLendon of Blackwell, works for the Theo Montgomery Construction Co.

Receives Honorable Discharge

Mrs. Maxine Percifull was made happy last week by the arrival of her husband, Noel Percifull, from El Paso, where he had received his discharge, after 18 months overseas service. Leaving Korea he arrived in Seattle, and phoned from there that he was en route home. Mrs. Percifull met him in Colorado City Friday evening. His host of friends are glad to welcome him home.

Birthday Dinner

Mrs. R. S. Crum entertained her husband and twin daughters with a birthday dinner Sunday, March 17. All of their children and grandchildren were present for the occasion. Others present for the occasion were Pastor and Mrs. J. C. Campbell, Pastor Virgil Davis of Bethel Methodist church of San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Murtishaw.

Bridal Shower

Mrs. Jack Cowley entertained Tuesday afternoon with a pretty bridal shower for Mrs. Michael C. Casey, recent bride. Refreshments were served to a large number of guests.

Mrs. Carleen Craddock was here from Colorado City this week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Clark.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

U. S. Cracks Down on Russia; British Loan Called Trade Aid; Modify Emergency Housing Bill

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

DIPLOMACY:
Crack Down

First evidence of a stiffening of U. S. policy toward Russia was contained in the state department's warning that this country could not remain indifferent to the Reds' refusal to withdraw from Iran in accordance with an agreement made in 1942 and reaffirmed at Teheran.

Oil-rich, Iran has been prominent in the news since its northwestern province of Azerbaijan moved for local self-rule and Russian troops prevented efforts of the central government to quell the revolt. During negotiations between Russia and Iran for withdrawal of Red forces from the country, Moscow was said to have pressed for oil concessions, held exclusively by the U. S. and Britain.

While the state department's note to Russia emphasized that this country could not sit idly by while tri-partite agreements affecting another nation's sovereignty were broken, it urged the Reds to retire to promote the confidence necessary for fostering world peace.

Having pressed the Russians on the Iranian situation, the state department followed with another protest to Moscow over the Reds' looting of Japanese industries in Manchuria and their efforts to set up a joint Russian-Sino economic rule over the province to the exclusion of other nations.

BRITISH LOAN:
Called Aid

Declaring that the alternative to lending financial assistance to Britain was a postwar economic dog-fight, the administration opened its fight for the 3 3/4 billion dollar loan to the United Kingdom with Secretary of the Treasury Vinson and Assistant Secretary of State Clayton endorsing the advance before the senate banking and currency committee.

Vinson and Clayton presented parallel testimony to the sons, asserting that if Britain were unable to obtain dollars with which to buy



Vinson: Warns of Dog-fight.

goods, she would tighten up her exchange regulations and conserve her resources for careful expenditure within a friendly trading bloc. The result would be a return to high tariffs, sanctions and other restrictions which bogged trade prior to World War II and spurred the development of totalitarian economy.

Disclosing that the U. S. had turned down a Russian bid for a six billion dollar loan, Vinson told the senators the administration did not contemplate direct loans to other nations. However, money will be advanced to foreign countries through the Export-Import bank, set up before the war to stimulate trade and possessing limited loaning power of 3 1/2 billion dollars.

HOUSING:
Emergency Bill

Though balking against imposition of ceilings on old houses and payment of 600 million dollars in subsidies to building material manufacturers to step up the flow of supplies, the house approved an emergency housing bill giving the government broad powers to speed low-cost residential construction.

Pushed through by a coalition of Republicans and southern Democrats, the bill gives Housing Expediter Wilson Wyatt independent authority to channel building materials into home construction through priorities until June, 1947; set prices for such materials to increase output, and halt the export of lumber or other scarce supplies.

Other provisions of the measure establish preference for war vets in

the purchase of new dwellings; increase the FHA's resources to insure mortgages of ex-G.I.s by one billion dollars, and set ceiling prices on new homes.

BROTHERHOOD:
Truman Plea

With former Prime Minister Winston Churchill's plea for a U. S.-British military alliance posing the question of American adoption of the proposal or continued adherence to the United Nations Organization for maintaining world peace, President Truman stood by UNO in an address before the Federal Council of Churches in America at Columbus, Ohio.

Though sponsoring Churchill's speech at Fulton, Mo., Mr. Truman apparently intended to await public reaction to the proposal before taking a position himself. Meanwhile, the President avowed complete support to UNO, declaring that this country expected to defend it and work for its perfection along with the other member nations.

In addressing the 500 delegates, representing 25 million Protestants, Mr. Truman declared that only through the observance of Christian principles could any mechanism for peace be successful. Extending the thought to domestic affairs, he asserted that only through religious fervor could the country develop a social program designed to meet the needs of the mass of people.

In considering the church's position in the postwar world, the council unanimously adopted a resolution condemning any form of racial segregation.

Presenting the resolution, Dr. Henry Sloane Coffin, noted Presbyterian theologian, rapped church organizations themselves for practicing discrimination against Negro and other minority groups. Many church-supported hospitals, schools and theological seminaries were guilty of the offense in varying degrees, he said, and some churches themselves refused to hire people on racial or other grounds.

DENAZIFICATION:
Germans Help

To speed the arraignment and trial of between 1,500,000 and 2,000,000 Germans charged with Naziism, U. S. military authorities approved a law promulgated by provincial governments of the American occupation zone providing for prosecution of suspects in local courts.

Applicable to the U. S. zone only, the new procedure is expected to allow rapid disposition of pending cases and removal of much of the uncertainty affecting sectional economy. Germans hope that convicted persons might be substituted for war prisoners presently employed as forced labor by the Allies.

To be tried by anti-Nazi prosecutors and three-man tribunals, defendants will be classified into four broad categories, including major offenders, active promoters of Hitlerism, youthful adherents and nominal party members who joined the movement for business or social convenience. While penalties for major offenders and active promoters include forced labor, confiscation of property and restriction on employment privileges, the other groups would be subject to occupational curbs and fines.

STRIKE:
Crisis Brewing

As the CIO-United Automobile Workers strike against General Motors proceeded through its fourth month, pressure grew for settlement of the walkout to avert a crisis resulting from the prolonged idleness of 175,000 production employees.

With the union and management remaining one big cent apart from agreement on wages and both sides indicating no inclination to budge, the city of Detroit appealed to President Truman to personally intervene because the strike was seriously impairing the economic life of the community. To provide funds for growing relief applications, the city authorized an appropriation of \$400,000.

Increasing bitterness developed between the UAW and G.M. over the company's refusal to go above its offer of an 18 1/2 cent an hour wage increase or submit the issue of paying 19 1/2 cents to an impartial arbitrator. With the UAW convention scheduled for March 23 to 31, union spokesmen charged that the company hoped to prolong the strike to create dissatisfaction over present officials and open the way for their ouster.

Ingrained Tradition



Though soon to be shorn of powers under new Jap constitution, Hirohito, retains reverence of these Jap repatriates, bowing to the ground upon his entrance to their quarters at Kamoi.

JAPAN:
New Sun

Emerging over the horizon of a defeated Japan, a new sun arose. It spread the hope and aspiration embodied in the new constitution drawn up after five months of deliberations between American and Nipponese officials.

Endorsed by General MacArthur, Premier Shidehara and Emperor Hirohito himself, the new constitution strips the mikado of all his sovereign power, provides for the free election of two representative houses and assures freedom of thought, press, religion and speech.

Of particular interest was the constitution's prohibition of an army, navy, air force and other war facilities, and the renunciation of the use of force in settlement of international problems. In declaring that Japan was willing to become the first nation to outlaw armaments, Nipponese spokesmen hoped that the rest of the world would accept the same principle and follow the example.

OPA:
Ease Price Control

Though price controls were removed from musical instruments and a wide variety of miscellaneous items ranging from ice bowls to bull rings, OPA threatened to restore regulations if retail charges bounded from reasonable levels.

Included in the items freed from price control were such sporting equipment as fishing, archery, skiing, croquet, bowling, baseball, basketball, football, golf and hockey. Though playing uniforms were exempted, control was maintained over shoes because of their general usefulness.

Among the miscellaneous items affected by the OPA action were low-cost kitchen utensils, cowbells, buckets, coffee servers, unglazed flower pots, safety goggles and industrial clothing designed for protection against hazardous occupations. With supplies adequate, price control was temporarily relinquished over phonograph records, electric lamp bulbs, firearms and ammunition.

STEEL:
Kaiser Balked

World War II's outstanding entrepreneur, big, burly Henry Kaiser was forced to exercise all of his ingenuity in procuring sheet steel if he was to go ahead with plans for the production of his postwar autos.

Kaiser's difficulties arose over his inability to obtain sheet steel from major producers, who claimed that supplies were limited and preference was being given to established customers. Only two companies considered shipments, Kaiser interests said, but they conditioned their action upon the consent of other firms to deliver material.

Boiling over, Kaiser and Joseph W. Frazer, his auto-making associate, asked the department of justice to investigate the steel companies' action, charging impairment of competition. They also called upon the economic stabilization board to allocate available supplies to users. Though Kaiser operates a steel plant at Fontana, Calif., he has no sheet rolling facilities and installation of such equipment at the government-owned plant he is thinking of buying in Gary, Ind., would cost 25 million dollars.

Washington Digest

Housing Bill Suffers Rough Going in Congress



Taft Breaks With Conservatives in Backing Administration Measure; Long-Range Building Policy Asked.

By BAUKHAGE
News Analyst and Commentator.

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WASHINGTON, D. C. — It is fully expected that what is left of the plan for settling America's number one problem — the problem of finding a home — will be cut up by congress and pasted together in some new, strange shape by now. If it is still in the works when you read these lines there is a possibility that what finally emerges from the hopper will be more what the patient planners wanted and less like what the various pressure groups wanted.

The interesting thing to me about the debate on this measure in the beginning was this: although the administration features of the bill went squarely against the conservative grain of our conservatively ingrained congresses, it had one champion who usually sits as far away as he can possibly edge from anything of even a pale pink hue.

I refer to Sen. Robert Taft, Republican of Ohio. What Mr. Taft says never fails on deaf ears in the senate even if the ears are doubting ones and sprout from the heads of those cruelly affronted members once referred to as "the sons of wild jackasses." Vox Taft to the conservative is his master's VOX.

The two key features to the administration bill were the subsidy, which would grease the way for quick construction of the lower-priced type of homes, and the price ceiling which would make it cheaper to live in a house than re-sell for profit. That is, the present owner of a house could sell his property for any price he could get without restriction, but owner number two would have to re-sell it for what he paid (plus, of course, reasonable cost for improvements).

These two conditions may have been good or bad. Whether they were or not they were opposed for two main reasons: first, because they were considered "government interference" and therefore radical, and second, because powerful lobbies, the profits of whose principals would have been curtailed, put all the pressure they could on congress.

In spite of the feeling that the spirit of the housing bills was "liberal," if you prefer that word to "leftish" or "New Dealish," Senator Taft supported it. He had made a careful study of housing and come to the mature conclusion that the administration idea, as embraced in the bills introduced by Senator Wagner in the senate and Representative Patman in the house, was as nearly the right sort of legislation as could be obtained. The CIO took the same view.

Now when viewpoints as different as these two arrive at agreement, the simple citizen is inclined to think that their joint approval is pretty sound sponsorship.

Labor Wants
Planned Action

The CIO has printed a very businesslike booklet on the subject in which we are reminded that we have always had a housing shortage because our cities just grew like Topsy, that the shortage is steadily growing and that estimates show that by the end of this year almost three and a half million families will be homeless unless they are taken in by relatives or double up with others—as the President suggested they will have to do meanwhile.

The reason that we always had a housing shortage, according to the CIO, is because we never had a housing policy. We have a public school educational policy; a police protection policy; a war and navy policy. As a result, we have a pretty good school system, our police give us reasonable protection to life and property; we have never lost a war nor suffered invasion. But we can't have roofs over our heads.

That is what the current housing legislation is supposed to provide. One more factor may be injected into this controversy which could affect it materially: the veteran, chief sufferer from homelessness, is as yet unorganized. Once organized, he could out-pressure the other pressure groups.

Since I heard forthright speeches of Senator Vandenberg and Secretary of State Byrnes which sounded a sharp warning to Russia that the

United States was ready to carry out its international obligations and use force to check aggression, the following sentence has been before me: "... the American people, now in the height of their might and majesty, are no longer a sovereign nation."

That sentence is from Nathaniel Peffer's book, "America's Place in the World" which the Saturday Review of Literature calls a "stubbornly and trenchant discussion." I agree with that description of the book and believe that what Peffer says is true and that it is vital for Americans to understand why it is true.

Peffer says that we have lost our independence and our autonomy "in that which matters most in the life of the nation—peace or war." And then he shows with his "stubborn realism" how this has come about, how in the beginning (before 1776) America "had no control over its own destiny because it was so weak, now because it is so strong."

And he shows clearly and convincingly that, no matter how anxious we may be to stay out of foreign broils, any major war in Europe or Asia will eventually involve the United States. Our sincere but romantically futile dream of splendid isolation is forever broken.

Must Lose Life
To Gain It

Many thinkers have pondered over this question. In tracing America's international affairs, this authoritative and provocative writer traces our course through the great crises whose milestones are marked with the dates 1776, 1787, 1861 and 1941. 1917 was the warning that was not heeded. We were drawn into a war then, not of our own making, but we did nothing to shape world affairs which followed and which, inexorably, drew us for the second time into a world conflict in which we had no direct concern.

It may seem a far cry from diplomatic intrigue and the vicissitudes of human hatreds, organized murder and lust, to the world of the spirit but I could not help thinking as I considered the efforts I witnessed at Nuernberg of a certain text in the Bible; the words of Jesus as recorded in the gospel of St. Mark (XVIII:35), "For whosoever shall save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it."

I am well aware of the fact that the devil may quote the Scriptures with the best of us but I do not think one has to be charged with Mephistophelian tactics when one traces a parallel between the loss of our nation's sovereignty in the sense in which Mr. Peffer expounds it and the loss of our spiritual life in the New Testament sense.

It is needless to iterate here that the principles upon which this nation was founded derive directly from the Christian philosophy. However, we have never fully lived up to that philosophy since we still feel it necessary to indulge in that highly unchristian procedure which I once heard the late Lloyd George describe as "organized savagery"—war. War has always been justified as a measure of defense—defense of our citizens, our territory, our sovereignty.

We have now lost our sovereignty in that we must be willing to die to save it. Let me replace the word "life" with the word "sovereignty" in the rest of the Biblical text, which would then read: "Whosoever (and that means a nation as well as a person) shall lose his sovereignty for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it." Until America and all the nations are willing to sacrifice their sovereignty to a higher, world organization, whose tenets are four-square with the gospel's in proscribing war, we can never hope to win back a sovereignty in accord with the Christian principles which are the foundation of our nation.

A former American military government man says our state department and Britain and France are keeping Russia from searching Nazi assets in foreign countries. It seems strange that if Russia has been slighted in any way we haven't heard about it in a loud voice before now.

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KANSAS SAHARA . . . In 1936 there were desolated homes such as this around Liberal, Kansas. Pasture lands were ruined and grasshoppers aided drouth in destruction of crops. In mid-summer not a green thing was in sight.

Many Sections Fearful Of New Dust Bowl in '46

(A WNU News Feature)

THE "dust bowl's" rich land, after several good years, is dry enough in some spots to take wings again. But whether it will or will not is the 64-dollar question. Millions of people would like to know the answer—before the soil starts moving.

So far, there has been "a little blow" out in western Kansas and Oklahoma and it's dry too. But no one who went through the "black" blizzards of a decade ago would compare this year's storms with those years.

"Another dust bowl may develop, but conditions would have to grow a lot worse than they are now before I would climb out on a limb with any such prediction," one Kansas official has stated after snow and rain fell.

The winter has been a dry one in all the old dust bowl states. Wheat made little growth in some areas. And the U. S. department of agriculture has reported that a new dust bowl appeared to be forming in the "redlands" district of Kansas and Oklahoma.

Some wheat damage has been reported at Pratt and Liberal, Kans., but recently snows and rains have improved the wheat lands west of Hutchinson. At Amarillo, Tex., Gene Howe, newspaper publisher, is optimistic, pointing out that conditions are not yet critical, and spring snows and rains may end the threat of a drouth.

Both farmers and the government combatted the tendency to plow up grasslands for planting during World War II, as was done in World War I. The land is tied down better this time. Farmers have learned to plow and cultivate so as to leave more stubble to hold the soil.

In some places in the old dust bowl there has been little or no moisture all winter, and undoubtedly wheat is in bad shape. Whether or not it will survive much longer no one knows. Perhaps the fate of many fields hangs in the balance, and not until late spring will the verdict be known.

Even experts in the winter wheat belt differ widely in their opinions. Some say the wheat is already gone; others hold out for an 80 per cent yield. Still others think that rain any time within six weeks will give the fields new life.

Wheat supplies are lower than for many years. Some of the mills are working only five days a week. In

Kansan Says He Predicted Drouth 'Cycle'

PRATT, KANS. — The dry cycle is here again—just as Fred Reece predicted 11 years ago in an article in the Pratt Daily Tribune.

Recently Fred dug out the old article he had written in 1934 under the title, "Sun Spots." And then he sat down and wrote another one, in which he stated:

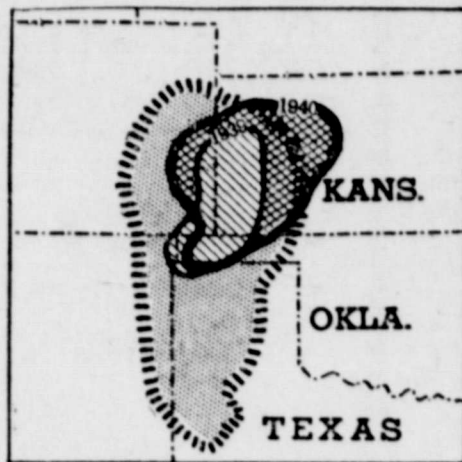
"In my 1934 article I noted that observations over almost a century showed these increased sun spot outbreaks occurred at fairly regular intervals of about 11½ years. Nobody knew why or if that rate would continue. But on the theory that it might continue, I ventured that 1946 might find us in the midst of another series of dry years. That year is here; the sun tornadoes are here, perhaps a bit late but they started their upsurge more than a year ago. Last year's wheat crop was not much affected, probably because we have learned to conserve moisture. This year's crop hangs in the balance between good subsoil moisture and a hot, dry, blowing surface. Maybe the memories of the dust bowl days of the '30s will enable you to guess the next two or three

Some Scoff At Idea of New Drouth

TOPEKA, KANS. — There won't be a repetition of the 1934-33 "dust bowl" in Kansas, Texas and Oklahoma. At least that's what a lot of people out here say as they scoff at the U. S. department of agriculture's report that another drouth is developing.

"Of course, if it doesn't rain for four years, it'll go blowing again," Eck Brown, banker and rancher of Dalhart, Tex., admitted: "but the soil is tied down now."

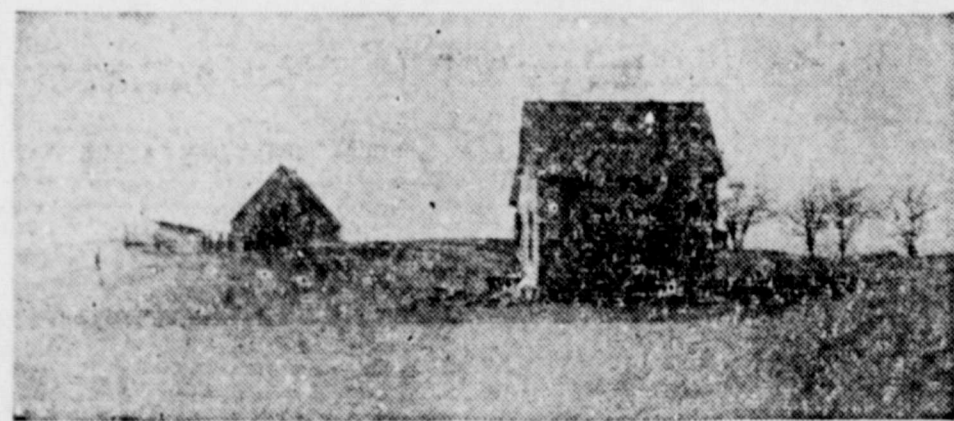
The agriculture department's pessimistic prediction prodded a sore spot in the memories of Sooners and Jayhawkers alike. Farmers



DWINDLED . . . The old dust-bowl of the '30s gradually dwindled until it was no more. There has been plenty of rain the last few years.

were fighting then to hold title to their land in the depths of a depression, prices were low, and dry, powdery dust was piled in fence rows like snow drifts. The vagrant winds were "swapping" the farmers' real estate like careless horse traders.

The people out in this part of the nation don't like "gloomy Gus" predictions. They've seen drouth, grasshoppers, blizzards, and other plagues, but they've managed to come through them all. A little "Duster" doesn't scare them, and rain always comes—just 15 minutes before it's too late!



BACK IN 1935 . . . Sand storms worked havoc in Oklahoma and other plains states. The above picture was taken in Western Oklahoma and shows drifts of sand around buildings on an abandoned farm.

China, Australia and Iran Plan Irrigation Projects

WASHINGTON, D. C. — In 1945, more than 170 engineers representing 30 foreign countries visited the United States for the purpose of studying reclamation and irrigation projects, and they are now returning to their native soil to begin work on similar works in their own countries.

Heading the list is China, with 66 engineers, while India follows with 24, Australia with 11, and other nations famous for deserts — Iran, Iraq, Syria and Afghanistan—have

sent delegations varying in number from one to nine.

Through unified development of such famous river valleys as the Ganges, Yangtze, Euphrates, Tigris and Irrawaddy, it will be possible for surrounding areas to be irrigated, and for the owner-nations to establish hydro-electric power production, flood control, municipal water supplies and improved navigation. In many cases the United States will send its own engineers abroad to assist these areas, interior officials said.

Wornout Land Needs Cultivation And Fertilizing to Regain Vigor

The notion of giving worn-out farm land a "rest cure" has fortunately just about passed, says J. C. Hackleman, professor of crops extension at the University of Illinois college of agriculture.

"Calcium leaches out of the soil, and every ton of beef, pork or mutton or milk produced on these pastures removes nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium and calcium or lime just as surely as does a crop of corn, oats, wheat or hay," Hackleman says. "In addition, as these permanent pastures become less productive they provide less cover, and the result is more loss through erosion, until on rolling pastures the present crop is largely weeds or unpalatable weed grasses."

But these worn pastures are not hopeless, according to the crop specialist, and the response of most of them to treatment is almost mir-



Soil Fumigation Has Been Proven Sound

Machine Application Successfully Tested

By W. J. Dryden
WNU Farm Editor

While fumigation of the soil for the control of soil-borne plant pests has been undertaken during the past 20 years, it is only recently that the practice becomes of commercial importance. With the development of hand and drawn machines, it is now possible to fumigate the cold frame, hot bed or greenhouse soils as well as the garden or farm tract.

There are several types of fumigant on the market such as Dowfume G, which is a mixture of methyl bromide and chlorinated hydrocarbons. It is highly toxic to nematodes (ellworms) and soil insects. The rapidity of action has also been improved. It will kill most nematodes in four hours of exposure and permit the



Horse or tractor drawn machine developed for field fumigation.

successful seed planting in two days and most plants within four days.

Application is made at staggered injection points to depths of 5 inches. The surface is sealed by thoroughly soaking with water. Outdoor fumigation is practical wherever there is sufficient water available for soaking the surface after application.

In many parts of the country, infestation of the soils by the root-knot nematodes is so extensive that many garden crops cannot be produced on otherwise desirable lands. This system of soil fumigation will permit the successful operation of such land.

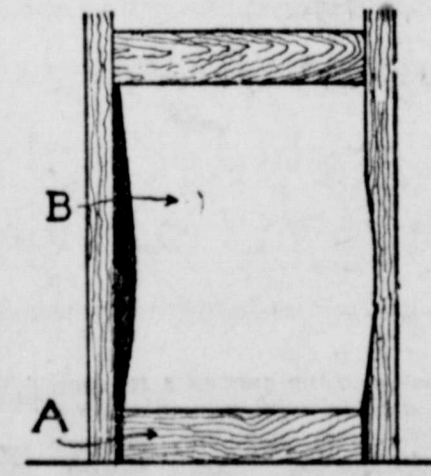
Improved Machinery Farm Welder

A new electric welder suitable for rural power lines has just been released by the Lincoln Electric company, Cleveland, Ohio.

It has a maximum input current of 35 amperes and provides a machine which meets the new NEMA standards for this type of welder. Under modern farming, practical electric welding has become a must.

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Hog Door Covering



Curtain Keeps Out the Cold, But Does Not Prevent the Hogs from Using the Door.

By the use of burlap (B), this device will keep the cold out of the hog house. The burlap is fastened at the top to the door frame and at the bottom (A) to a 2 by 4. The 2 by 4 is fastened to nothing but the burlap.

Uncle Phil Sez:

The reason a dog has so many friends is that his tail wags instead of his tongue.

There is an off season for nearly all flowers except blooming idiots.

All men are not homeless, but some men are home less than others.

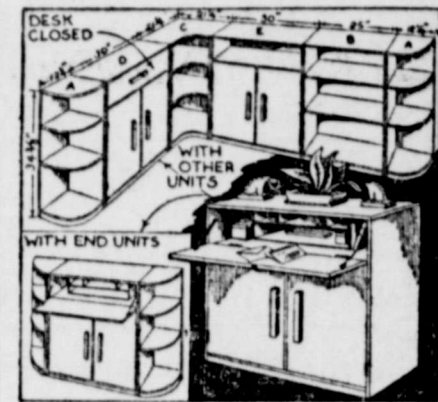
Bad habits are like a comfortable bed—easy to get into, but hard to get out of.

A talkative person is like a day in March. They're both windy.

Opinions are nice things to have if you don't give too many away.

Simple Desk Unit To Match Shelves

THIS unit furniture for your dream house is so simple that the amateur can make it with the simplest hand tools. Patterns with actual-size cutting guides and detailed directions are available for the units in this group.



The desk is shown closed at D between an end unit, A, and a corner unit, C. The E unit is made with the same pattern as the desk and is the same in every way except that the drop front and stationery compartments are omitted. The use of nails or screws with modern glue makes it possible to construct these sturdy pieces with joinings that require no special tools.

Units A and B are made with pattern 270; the corner unit with 271; the desk with 272. Patterns are 15c each or all three patterns for 35c when mailed to one address. Send requests for patterns direct to:

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Canines Wonder Why Man
Doesn't Behave Like God,
It States

G. W. Barrette, editor of the Peoria (Illinois) Journal-Transcript, has been awarded a \$100 victory bond by the Gaines Dog Research Center, New York, as author of the "best editorial on a dog topic appearing in an American newspaper during the 1945 National Dog Week," it is announced. Mr. Barrette's editorial, titled "A Dog's Eye View," appeared in the Journal-Transcript on September 17.

Mr. Barrette's editorial was chosen by a committee of judges which included Sydney H. Coleman, president of the American Humane Association, Albany, N. Y.; Capt. Will Judy, editor of Dog World magazine, Chicago; and Harry Miller, executive secretary of the Gaines Dog Research Center, New York City.

The judges also voted "honorable mention" to Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt for the "very constructive, helpful" dog information carried in her syndicated newspaper column on Sept. 21.

Following is the Journal-Transcript editorial in full:

"This being National Dog Week, we wonder what a dog's eye view of mankind would be. It might be . . .

"Well, the war is over, we dogs have proven our usefulness as sentries, message carriers, Red Cross



G. W. Barrette

helpers, guards, agricultural workers and aides to disabled soldiers. We think we've done our part as morale builders during the conflict. We have guarded prisoners. We have learned to lead the blind—men who had eyes, once, but whose eyes were put out by other men. We didn't invent the atomic bomb. But since we live with human beings we were its victims, too. We never won or lost a war, but we gave our lives in war service—just because humans set us the example. We are dependent upon you humans for food and care, particularly in the city, but if that food and care is not given us we do not turn and rend you like people might do. We just become stray curs, an obligation of yours and a reproach to your humanity.

"We serve your children by teaching them that inferior creatures deserve their kindness and protection. In return, we give protection to you. We are the first to give notice of danger and to detect the presence of a marauder. We have an instinctive urge to rescue those who are drowning. We smell fire smoke sooner than you do. We enjoy running and playing, but don't enjoy standing people up against the wall and shooting them or beating them to death in concentration camps. Indeed, perhaps, our morality is the morality of loyalty—loyalty to you human beings.

"All we ask in return is that you be a little loyal to us—that you recognize the ancient alliance between dog and man. This alliance is so old in the human race that we don't resent it, one whit, even when you abuse us. But we don't know how to abuse you, unless you desert us and ignore us, forget us and starve us, destroy our morale and neglect us.

"To us, you are pretty close to God. Indeed, you're the only God we know. We sometimes wonder why you don't behave like God—both in your relations with human beings and with us."

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Radicalism

Undoubtedly Karl Marx, father of Communism, had a noble purpose. He aimed to relieve the world's oppressed people, to correct injustices and get rid of poverty. That would be fine. There is absolutely nothing wrong with a platform that flatly favors what's right and opposes what's wrong. The next step is getting everybody to agree on what's right and what's wrong.

Followers of the profound Marx didn't all see eye-to-eye with him after he left first-base. He was obliged to "run out" on the First Internationale and disband it because it was being used by a gang of ruffians, more bent on wrecking what was in sight than on building a new social order according to a noble plan. The leader and his followers were not of the same calibre.

They Misunderstood

Setting out to make a big reform that required changing the motives of a large number of people, Marx recruited many followers without changing their motives. It was ironic. There is a story of a good mayor who campaigned so vigorously to get better railroad service for his city that his political followers went radical, derailed the fast train and robbed the mail car.

The story is probably fictitious but it illustrates aptly how selfish intentions can be mustered under the banner of holy and lofty aims. Already this year, news wires have carried a story about leaders in the Communist movement addressing large audiences of working men and "whooping it up" for strikes, more strikes and bigger strikes; that is, for panic.

A Political Disease

It is not that Labor, considered broadly, is destructive in character or shot through with Communistic ideas. It's not true. It is true however that working people are numerous and therefore a powerful segment of American society. People who want to overthrow the only system on earth that gives a working man a chance are very wise to ask the workers' help. It can't be done without them.

Communism has failed exactly as often as it has been tried, and Karl Marx has been dead more than sixty years. This doctrine of "tear down in haste and rebuild at leisure" has been tried on American soil. Time after time, each experiment at having everything in common, comes down of its own poison and dies or relapses into a dictatorship. Communism is a political disease.

A Social Epidemic

Russia is called a Communistic nation but it is far from it. The government set out in that direction once, broke down property lines, degraded the family to bawdy level, overthrew the church, rejected God and bogged down in abject poverty. Now it is being run by a minority party, made up of some 3% of the citizens, and nobody else can even vote. A sorry situation they have.

Under a dictatorship Russia is doing a little better than it did under Communism but still is nothing to brag about. Russian wages are not more than a third as high as those in America. If the average Russian farmer should visit the average American farmer he would think he was in a king's palace.

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Find Jive Bolsters

Morale of Wounded

It's not listed in the army's pharmacopoeia, but American "jive" dished out by GI musicians is good "medicine" for bolstering the morale of wounded men returning home aboard the United States army hospital ship Marigold, operated by the transportation corps, army service forces. It really "sends 'em," say American medical personnel aboard the ship.

Uncle Sam's combat wounded see movies and enjoy games and other recreation on their return voyage, but what they clamor for is "real, honest-to-goodness back-home music." Jam sessions are the latest thing. On the Marigold, enlisted medics, from the vessel's permanent personnel, have formed an eight-piece band.

All the army's hospital ships, and the troop transports which return many casualties to the states, play musical recordings over public address systems with loudspeakers in all the wards. But battle-scarred GIs get an added kick out of actually seeing the musicians, talking to them and sometimes even heckling them. They enjoy calling for their favorite numbers. Ranking favorite is "Lily Marlene," which has become another "Over There" to American troops abroad.

Find New Wood to

Rival Strategic Balsa

Balsa, the light-as-a-feather wood that boy carvers of airplane models favored in prewar days is likely to have a rival. Quipo wood—also called "bongo"—is reported to be just as light. For many purposes the two woods are interchangeable, says the United States department of agriculture.

Before the war, balsa was of considerable commercial importance because of its light weight and insulating properties. Now its use as core material in "sandwich" construction for aircraft and other war uses has greatly increased demand. Much of the prewar balsa came from Ecuador where production was primitive. Wood specialists have been searching for substitutes.

Quipo wood's botanical name is Cavanillesia plantifolia, and it grows principally in Central America. The tree grows more slowly than balsa and does not come to useful size until about 30 years of age. Balsa grows quickly and is useful after four to six years. Quipo wood does not have the silky luster of balsa, but it is as light or lighter and the specific gravity is more uniform than is the rule with balsa. This would be an advantage where material with uniform weight and strength is required.

Tree Mice

Even if mice have not caused much trouble in your orchard in previous years, Ernest M. Mills of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife service, who cooperates with the New Jersey College of Agriculture, urges you to look carefully for telltale signs of mice in the fall.

"Empty pockets in the ground caused by uprooted trees offer ideal nesting places for meadow mice," Mills reminds orchardists. "So do low damp areas and places where there is heavy sod or mulch. Pine mice are even more serious because they girdle the tree trunk and roots below the ground."

"Meadow mice are the only real trail builders. So to find them, look for their runways under hay mulch and rank vegetation. If the soil is a sandy loam, the presence of pine mice will make the ground spongy. Trees damaged by pine mice may appear to be diseased or attacked by insects."

New Drawer Use

Bureau drawers can be used to help hang skirts. A woman who suddenly discovers that her skirt sags can fix it immediately without the aid of another person. She just selects a drawer, the top of which comes about half way between hip and knee and pulls the drawer out about six inches.

Standing straight and tall and moving the arms as little as possible, she places a row of pins in the skirt even with the top of the drawer as she slowly turns around. Then when she removes the dress, she can measure a second line, parallel with the first, which will be the new bottom line for the skirt.

A table edge can also be used to mark a skirt, but frequently difficult to find a table top which is just the right height and which has a straight rather than a beveled or rounded edge.

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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.

H. J. Gartman, Sanco merchant, was a visitor in our office last Saturday renewing his subscription to this great untainted journal.

Substitute Shellac

Southern Brazil has extensive forests of Parana pine, and the supply of pine knots, a by-product of lumber operations, is plentiful, says Foreign Commerce Weekly. Three plants in Rio Grande do Sul, which manufacture this gum lacquer are reported to have a combined production of 20 to 30 tons monthly and are making plans to increase their capacity to provide a surplus for export. The products are inferior to shellac in some respects, and cannot be used for high grade polishes or fine paints and varnishes, but are said to be suitable for the manufacture of ordinary paints, varnishes and lacquers, and materials for waterproofing textiles and paper, and also for insulation of land cables, says the report.

Says The Wildcat Apostle



We all make footprints on the sands of time. Some leave the imprint of a great soul—others just the mark of a heel.



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Fifty Years Ago In Coke County

Remember back when

Items from the files of The Coke County Rustler, Oct. 10, 1896

Concerning the Methodist revival, Pastor Eugene T. Bates says: "We commenced our meeting at Robert Lee on the third Sunday in September and closed the next Friday night. Bro. Chas. E. Brown of Brownwood was with me six or seven days and did some fine preaching. Bro. Broyles of Decker Mission, and Bro. Grooms, a local preacher, were with us most of the time and did some good faithful work, preaching and laboring almost incessantly day and night. Results: The town was stirred from center to circumference. The business houses closed for the eleven o'clock services, and our congregations were large and interested to the last. Some of the hardest cases were reached. Religion was the topic on the streets and in the business houses. Some of the old members of the church shouted for the first time in life. There were about 50 conversions and thirty-two accessions to our church, and ten infants baptized. Backsliders were reclaimed and the church greatly revived. We came very near doubling our membership during the meeting."

Tom Hennessey has bought a county right to a patent churning machine.

Six bars of Swiss laundry soap for 25c at J. D. Collier & Co.

A fine daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Averitt last Saturday.

Robert Lee now has no saloon.

The man who was to publish a newspaper to suit everybody, we understand, fell out of Noah's ark and drowned.

Pastor G. C. Berryman and Bro. Matthews of Brownwood have started a protracted meeting here. Bro. Cumbie was with them last night. Good crowds and a good interest is manifested.

Down in Ellis county a good deal of excitement prevails in the neighborhoods of Avalon and Ray. Young ladies asleep in their chambers have arisen next morning to find that some thief in the night had entered and cut their tresses off nigh unto an inch of the head. The people of the Nash community have offered \$100 reward for the man who cut the hair from the head of Mrs. Bennett, a few nights since. A man was in the neighborhood several days before the robbery took place and it is thought he did the robbing in order to get hair to make watch chains.

A protracted meeting begins tonight at Hayrick.

"The evidence shows that he got up with her night after night, and they squeeze hands and talked soft, and I think she ought to have about \$23 damages," was the charge of a Kansas judge last week to a jury in a breach of promise suit.

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Receiving Treatment For Injuries

Wm. Beaumont General Hospital.—1st Lt. Hugh S. Lewis of Robert Lee, Texas is at William Beaumont General Hospital, one of the army's largest, El Paso, Texas, for treatment of injuries received in the Philippines.

Prior to his entrance in the service he was a tailor. He was with the Mobilized National Texas Guard and went on active duty in 1940, serving overseas from March 1944, to July 1945. He wears the Pacific Theater of Operations Ribbon, the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon, one Battle Star, the Victory Ribbon, and the Pre-Pearl Harbor Ribbon. His unit was the 25th Infantry in which he held the position of Platoon Leader.

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Lewis of Robert Lee. His wife, Billie, and daughters, Gayle, 3, and Lexie, 19 months, are of McCamey, Texas.

Dachshund Popularity In Sensational Gain

The lowly Dachshund is now up among the ten dog breeds which lead in the number of purebred registrations in this country, according to the Gaines Dog Research Center, New York City, which states that a lot of the credit for this achievement is due to the efforts of the Dachshund Club of America which this year celebrates the golden jubilee of its affiliation with the American Kennel Club.

Figures compiled by Joseph E. Balmer, Xenia, Ohio, show a sensational gain of Dachshund registrations in 1943 over the year 1926 of 5,789%. For the same years the Cocker Spaniel, the leader in registrations, showed a gain of 1,814% and Beagles a gain of 288%.

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Real Production Had Started

When the war ended, our organization bent every effort to increase production, with the result that in the last months of 1945 machinery was being built in very substantial quantities. Here are a few figures:

ITEM	PRODUCTION	
	NOV. 1945	DEC. 1945
Tractors.....	7,271	7,432
Combines.....	2,345	2,526
Cultivators.....	3,482	3,308
Hay Loaders.....	209	982
Plows.....	6,185	6,702*

*Plows are made in our Canton and Chattanooga Works, which are not on strike. January production was 7,747 plows.

Both your dealer and we were encouraged by this production picture at the turn of the year. But the strike changed all that. As you know, the CIO United Farm Equipment & Metal Workers of America called a strike in ten of our plants, on January 21, 1946.

What Is The Strike About?

Wages are a basic issue. At the time of the strike, Harvester employees were among the highest paid workers in American industry. When the strike began, the average hourly

earnings in the ten plants, not including overtime, were \$1.15½. If present wage proposals are adopted, this figure will become \$1.33½ per hour.

When the strike began, negotiations were broken off by the Union on the issue of compulsory union membership. The Company has no desire to weaken the Union. It recognizes certain reasonable needs of the Union. But the Company does oppose compulsory unionism. It feels strongly that an employee's membership should be a matter of his own choice.

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REPORT ON THE RUSSIANS.....



W. L. White

INSTALLMENT THIRTEEN

I told him what I was doing here and that this was Omsk. They told me they'd been assigned as technical advisers on a big war construction project. "A mine up north," said Tex. "And now we're going out." Ed said, "At this little burg, they set up a whole Intourist Hotel to take care of us. Brought in wine, cheese, cigarettes, candy, noodles, and dried eggs. For the rest, we were supposed to scavenge off the country. They sent in a cook and an assistant cook, a bookkeeper—in all about ten people taking care of us. "We really didn't get to know many Russians," said Ed. "Except it was different with the girls. They have some fine girls and nobody seems to mind if you take them out. They might have been assigned to us. Or anyway had to tell the NKVD whatever we said." "We know they gave the hotel employees a lecture," said Tex. "Said



Lack of highways and motor transportation prove handicap to Russian development.

we were foreigners, and anything we did they must report. Very suspicious. "At their mines they sure do things different from what we do. Instead of having big construction firms, they call them trusts—and most of them are branches of one big central trust." "Any ten-year-old American child with a Meccano set," said Ed, "will start at the bottom and build up. But these Russians always start at the top, build the roof first and then raise it." "And work like hell, so they can throw up some kind of framework that they can hang a red flag on the tip of and make speeches," said Tex. "They've got no respect for materials. They have no conception of how much work has gone into making them. They unload valuable pipe from a flat car by just rolling it down an embankment—smashing hell out of it. And fire brick for smelters the same way. The way they'd heave it off, about 25 per cent would be damaged." "Political get the roughest deal," said Ed. "They have NKVD spies in the markets and hanging around the store counters, waiting for someone to pop off. They usually get ten years chopping wood with no correspondence, and 500 grams of bread a day. If you are husky and can work hard, they'll give you more." "If you miss getting typhus and live out your sentence," said Tex, "they turn you loose, but your passport has a red line through it. That means you can never get a house or a good job—you've got to keep moving." "Or you may not get sentenced," said Ed, "just arrested and investigated. If things don't look quite right, then you get a passport with letters in front of the numbers. This means that you are under some suspicion, and you can never hold a key job." "You see a mining engineer gets about 1,800 roubles a month," said Ed. "They get one room for which they pay about 30 roubles. All they can buy on their ration cards amounts to 400 or 500 roubles a month. Then they must go to the free market for enough butter, eggs, meat, or fish." Now for a note on Russian suspicion of foreigners. Russia does not yet trust the outside world. Diplomats are just as closely imprisoned in Moscow as are correspondents. At the time of our visit, the current British ambassador had been unable

to secure permission to travel outside the capital. One of the Allied countries which has in power a left-wing government adorned its diplomatic staff in Moscow with a special labor attaché, and appointed to this post an important union official. He came to extend the hand of fellowship from the toilers of the West to their fellow workers in Russia. The Soviets gave him countless banquets but let him see nothing. This lack of freedom has so warped his viewpoint that he now insists that the Soviet system of unions is only a scheme to get the last ounce of work out of labor. After the Revolution, Lenin invited foreign concessionaires to help get Russian industry back on its feet. Later they were thrown out. Stalin invited foreign engineers to build the great factories and dam rivers, but later put some on trial for espionage. Of course, Bolshevik hostility aroused bitter counter-hostility. A cordon sanitaire was built around Russia. France supported Poland in a war against the Bolsheviks in 1921, and Russia was for over a decade excluded from the League and denied diplomatic recognition. So their suspicion of foreigners came to have some basis in fact. This warped view of the world held by the Kremlin is slowly yielding to reality. After Lenin's death, Stalin won power and supported the thesis—gingerly at first—that socialism in one country was possible and Russia could dare to devote her energies to building up her own economic structure. World revolution, he explained, was desirable, and he pledged himself to bend all efforts to bring it about. But for the immediate future, it was not indispensable to the Russian Bolsheviks. In recent years there has been a further change. For publication the Kremlin has announced that world revolution is neither necessary nor desirable from the standpoint of the Soviet Union. And the ablest foreign observers in Moscow agree that these protestations are sincere. They point out that Russia has been terribly weakened by war and needs desperately a few decades of peace. They say she now realizes that Europe does not want to be "liberated" from capitalist democracy, and that this could be accomplished only by a further bloody struggle involving sacrifices which the Russians are both unwilling and unable to make. Russia wants, they insist, only a stable and friendly Europe. Novosibirsk, Siberia's capital, lies in the center of this chill roof of the world, about midway between Berlin and Tokyo. The feeling of this big, sprawling boom-town was like that of the West where the robust town-builders are proud of their city. West of the Urals, Bolshevik civilization has taken over the ancient towns and palaces and their new structures rise on the ruins of things they destroyed. Here in Siberia, they have chopped and blasted and dug their cities out of a virgin continent. And they have something to be proud of. Novosibirsk has almost a million people. We are whisked across the town to our quarters. Tiny potato patches are along the highway shoulders and back in forest clearings. Big handsome girls, often barefoot, walk erect down the road with scarves around their hair and farm tools over their shoulders. The patches have been assigned to workers in the city. Some factories maintain busses to take the workers out on week-ends to hoe the patches. But most trudge out from town, as we see them doing now. Presently we ride along the banks of a river as wide as the Ohio at its mouth, but as yellow as the Missouri. We are told that it is the Ob, of which none of us have ever heard, and that it is the fourth longest river in the world. We come to the dacha—a Russian word meaning country residence for someone who normally lives in the city. It gleams new and white against the great trees which surround it and overlooks the Ob. The house would be indistinguishable from the great estates of the wealthy New York families along the Hudson. It has an equally large staff of servants. The rooms are as large, as clean and as luxurious. Whenever the convenience of a high Communist is involved, these people can be as clean and tidy as the Dutch or the Swedes. So it is in this dacha.

Below the dacha a private bathing pier extends out into the Ob. Down the hill we see a well-kept tennis court, with flood lights for night games. To the right is a volley-ball court. We have a volley-ball game—Russians versus Americans. There is considerable shouting. On the Russian side only one man does any shouting; the others play in grim Slavic silence. He is an undersized man in his forties, with wide cheekbones and a shock of curly hair—quick as a fox terrier—who keeps up a running fire of command and encouragement to the Russian team. He is strikingly un-Russian. Some odd combination of chromosomes has produced out here on the steppes a quick-minded, tough little Irishman—complete with wiry hair and jutting jaw. He even talks out of the corner of his mouth. His name was Michael Kalugin, and although he turned out to hold no local office, it was easy to see how he had acquired the habit of command. He was Secretary of the Communist Party for Siberia. Novosibirsk has a shopping district about the size of Wichita's. There is a beautiful new theater, for the ballet, but Moscow artists also occasionally perform there. Near by, a smaller theater is devoted to operettas, and plays are given at a third. The post office is the usual Soviet shabbiness. The building is pretentious but the linoleum is worn through. In the halls, tiles are chipped and missing. The railway station is from the outside, an impressive modern building. The architecture is dramatic—high ceilings with sweeping vistas, but the materials are second-rate. It is showy already, but the effect is beautiful. The crowd is fascinating. One great hall is roped off for women with babies and small children. There are no seats. Their mothers sit on the clean-swept terrazzo floor. There are polished wood benches in the spacious main waiting room—only this is reserved for wounded soldiers who sprawl on every inch of the space, their crutches leaning on the benches beside them or lying on the floor. There must be between 500 and 1,000 of these weary men, most of them with an arm or leg missing. This is a normal hour of a normal day in Novosibirsk station. In the main hall they even have Indians—copper-yellow faces with high cheekbones and straight, black Mongolian hair. These, of course, are from Kazakhstan down on the Chinese border. But I see no racial difference between Uzbeks or Kazaks and our Osages or Navajos, except that these Soviet Indians are not so well-dressed as ours. Like ours, they were fighting nomad Mongolian tribes until the Russians tamed them. At the dacha a Red Army band is tuning its instruments down by the water front. As it strikes up a military march a second band appears, in even smarter uniforms, and begins tuning up. As we go in to dinner, a gleaming white river steamer ties up at the wharf. We are told that after dinner we will go for a ride on the Ob. Mike Kalugin ushered us down the river bank and aboard the steamer. Mike waved us expansively to a row of deck chairs just forward of the bridge. The better of the two bands, lined up on the bow facing us, struck up as the boat moved out into the current.



Omsk, one of the industrial centers visited by Johnston and White.

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IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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Lesson for March 24

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A PEOPLE GAINS NATIONAL CONSCIOUSNESS

LESSON TEXT—1 Samuel 7:1-8, 13-15. MEMORY SELECTION—Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people; and walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well unto you.—Jeremiah 7:23.

The most powerful movement for national prosperity is a revival of spiritual Christian living. Israel had come to the place where the people recognized that they were on the brink of national disaster. One of the scriptures on revival is II Chronicles 7:14: "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." Revival will come when God's people will I. Seek God's Face (vv. 1, 2). The ark had been out of its proper place for a long time. The godly Philistines had it, but they were glad to return it. The calamities which befell them speak of distress in the heart of an unbeliever when the presence of God is evident. For a time the ark was in the house of Abinadab, but even there it was not in its rightful place. Samuel moved among the people, pointing them back to God. This was his first act of public ministry, but behind that public act is the history of a godly life. The response of the people was wholehearted. They were thoroughly sick of their sin and separation from God. The earnest of their sincerity was their obedience to the admonition of Samuel that they II. Turn From Their Wicked Ways (vv. 3, 4). Israel had learned from their heathen neighbors to worship their false gods. These they must put away if God was to bless them. The same prerequisite to spiritual revival exists today. But some may say, We do not worship heathen gods. One is astonished at the similarity between the ritual of some cults and orders and the ancient religions of heathendom. The fact is that we have set up many new gods—money, fashion, social position. The command needs to go out again through God's messengers. "Put away the foreign gods." Now the time had come for God's servant to call the people to III. Humble Themselves and Pray (vv. 5-8). Spiritual life thrives on the gathering together of God's people. The crisis in Israel was met by a great convocation of the people. "I will pray," said Samuel. He was a great intercessor (see I Sam. 15:11; Ps. 99:6; Jer. 15:1). Revival never comes without faithful intercession. Ask yourself, How much have I really prayed for revival in my church, my community, and my nation? If I should begin to pray in earnest, would not God hear me and answer? IV. God Will Hear and Forgive (vv. 13-15). Because his people had sought him in humility and repentance, God forgave and cleansed and gave them victory. "Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear" (Isa. 59:1, 2). God saved Israel out of the hands of their enemies. The Philistines, seeing them gathered together to pray, assumed that they were preparing to fight, and they attacked. In the previous battle at that very spot (I Sam. 4:1-10), Israel had fought with weapons of men and been disgracefully defeated. Now they fought with the weapon of prayer and faith in God, and great was the victory. America is valiantly battling against the social and economic problems of these distressing post-war days, but one fears that all too often the weapons are those of the arm of flesh which will fail us. Let us look up instead of to one another. "God will save us" (v. 8). There is an inspiring word of hope here for every troubled soul. You may, like Israel, have fallen into sin. Your life may be defeated. You may be utterly discouraged. Return to the Lord, put away sin, gather with God's people, pray, and God will give you victory, even at the very point of former defeat.

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The dollar sign still stands out as the significant symbol behind world troubles ranging all the way from strikes on the homefront to all forms of international chaos abroad.

Memories of long ago: An old log house with its big rock chimney, its floors scrubbed clean all the time, its yard beautiful with bridal wreath, althea, lilac, and roses, . . . an arbor of red haw trees that shaded the wash place in summer and made a great bouquet in winter . . . the old ash hopper where soap was made and a string of snowy white clothes blowing in the wind . . . Saturday "meetin' days" when we almost always had company and the little white church where the "Faith of Our Fathers Living Still" found beautiful expression . . . These are memories that still make the country a clean, dear place to live in and to bring up our own boys and girls to love.—Mrs. S. C. Jennings in *The Progressive Farmer*.

An old timer reminded us Tuesday that folks nowadays are not so bad off. Our forefathers did without sugar until the 13th century, without coal until the 14th century, without buttered bread until the 15th century, without potatoes until the 16th century, without coffee, tea and soap until the 17th century, without matches until the 19th century, and without automobiles, airplanes and radios until some years ago. "Why," said the old timer, "I can remember right here in Coke county when in muddy weather it took a whole day for me to get to Angelo in my old Hines buggy. That was back in the '90s. Roads were rough in those days, money was scarce, but we got by and enjoyed life. We didn't have any butane tanks in those days. Everybody had a good chopping axe, and there was plenty of mesquite wood. We made good crops and there was always meal in the barrell, fish in the river, and plenty of fat sheep and cattle. Coke county has always been a good country—always will be. It's just too bad those folks back in the 15th or 17th centuries didn't know about this country."

The following sign is posted by the roadside as you enter a small Western town: 4,076 People Died of Gas Last Year. 29 Inhaled It. 47 Put a Match to It. 4,000 Stepped On It.

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"There is not a stained glass window in the white country church where I worship. Sometimes I miss the elaborate interior that I once enjoyed in city churches, but this morning I gloried in the fact that the window I faced was clear glass and that the sash was only half shaded. While the sincere, humble preacher brought his message, I gazed upon a gold-and-green-clad patch of buttercups and wondered if transparent tesserae (pieces of colored glass) could be arranged in a more interesting mosaic. I marvelled at the delicate intricacy of patterns in God's work and the colors brought forth by Nature's alchemy. The preacher was reading the words of a conversation of Jesus with the woman at the well when he said, 'It mat-

ters not whether ye worship in these hills or in the temple at Jerusalem.' Then he was stressing the useful mission of the rural church to the community. I glimpsed a new vision of an enlarged place of service, secretly dedicated my heart anew, and thanked God for his universality and that it is my lot to 'worship in these hills.'"

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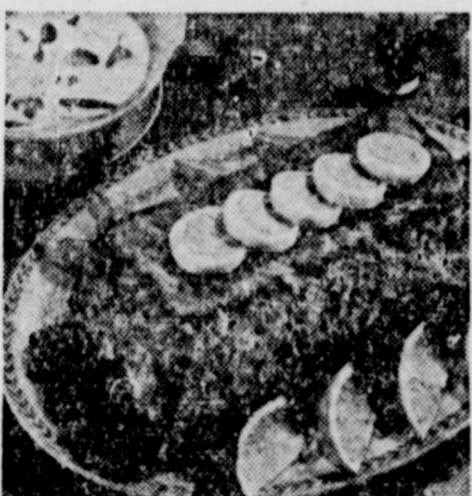
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HOUSEHOLD MEMOS
by Lynn Chambers



LYNN CHAMBERS' MENUS
Tomato Juice with Cheese Straws
Stuffed Salmon
Baked Potatoes Asparagus Tips
Jellied Pear Salad
Rolls Jam
Orange Chiffon Pie
Beverage

Fish Mousse that looks as pretty as it tastes good, is made with a seasoning of onion, celery and lemon. When served it is garnished with slices of hard-boiled egg, and wedges of lemon that add tartness.

Piquant Fish Dishes

If you are concentrating on fish these days, try some of the countless and tempting ways that fish may be prepared. The usual ways, fried, baked or broiled, are perfectly acceptable, but, when served that way, an unusual dressing should be added to make the most of the fish.



Any cooked or canned fish may be prepared into a fluffy mousse which has minced onion and lemon to add tartness. A dill sauce gives that nice finishing touch to this tasty dish.

Another unusual but simple way in which to prepare fish is to poach small fish and fish fillets by simmering in a small amount of seasoned liquid. After the fish has finished cooking, the liquid is strained and thickened to make a sauce for the fish.

To avoid unpleasant odors when cooking fish, it is best to dampen two sheets of parchment paper and spread out flat. Brush the paper with oil. Cut fish into serving pieces and place half the pieces on each sheet of paper. Place one teaspoon each of butter and onion on each serving and sprinkle with parsley, lemon juice, salt and pepper. Gather edges of paper and tie securely. Place in boiling water and cook 15 minutes. Remove fish to hot platter, taking care not to lose any of the juices. This method may be used for two pounds of boneless fillets, enough to serve six people.

Fish Mousse With Dill Sauce.

(Serves 5 to 6)
2 cups flaked, cooked fish (halibut, tuna, salmon or white fish)
3 cups finely cubed, soft bread
3 cups milk
3 eggs, beaten slightly
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon finely minced onion
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1/4 teaspoon paprika

Flake fish fine with fork. Cook soft bread cubes with milk, stirring to a smooth paste. Add salt, minced onion, lemon juice and paprika, stirring to blend. Beat eggs slightly; pour some of the hot mixture into eggs, stirring constantly; add to remaining milk mixture and blend.

LYNN SAYS

Vegetable Variety: Regardless of how you prepare vegetables, taste them critically before serving. Here are ways of pepping up the flavor:

Add melted butter or substitute before serving and season with salt and pepper. Be sure to mix seasonings in thoroughly.

Add bits of leftover bacon, ham or sausage and heat with the vegetable.

Brown butter, mix with a small amount of bread crumbs, and pour over vegetable just before serving.

Slivered carrots, bits of green pepper and diced celery may be added in small quantity to other vegetables for flavor.

Herbs and vinegar are good seasonings when the butter supply is low.
Cheese, lemon and herb sauce are excellent for many vegetables as they bring out the natural flavors.

Pour into a well-greased loaf pan, place in a pan of hot water and bake in a moderate (325-degree) oven for 45 minutes, or until lightly browned. Serve hot with dill sauce. Garnish with tomato wedges, or serve with broiled tomatoes.

Dill Sauce.
2 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons flour
1/4 teaspoon salt
Few grains paprika
1/2 cup finely diced dill pickle
1 tablespoon chopped pimiento (optional)

Melt butter in saucepan; add salt and flour and blend. Gradually add milk, stirring constantly, cook until thick and smooth. Stir in paprika, diced dill and pimiento. Serve over fish mousse.

Creamed Oysters and Mushrooms.

(Serves 6)
1 cup oysters
3 tablespoons butter
3 tablespoons flour
1 cup canned mushrooms
1 1/2 cups milk, about
2 egg yolks
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon onion juice
1/2 teaspoon lemon juice

Drain oysters and heat in shallow pan until edges begin to curl. Add liquid in pan to that drained from oysters. Melt butter in double boiler; blend in flour. Combine oyster liquor, mushroom liquor and enough milk to make 2 cups and add to flour and butter. Cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Add slightly beaten egg yolks and mix quickly. Add remaining ingredients and oysters and cook 2 minutes. Serve at once on crackers or buttered toast.



To make Stuffed Salmon, canned salmon is cut in slices and put together with a bread dressing. Green asparagus tips make up the pretty platter. Mushroom sauce may be easily made by diluting condensed mushroom soup and heating with milk until piping hot.

Stuffed salmon with mushroom sauce is a dinner dish fit for company although it requires a minimum of preparation time. The dressing uses grated carrot, celery, parsley, onion, salt and pepper to achieve a savory flavor.

Stuffed Salmon With Mushroom Sauce.

(Serves 4)
1 pound canned salmon
2 tablespoons onion (minced)
2 tablespoons celery (chopped)
1/4 cup carrot (grated)
2 tablespoons bacon fat
1/2 cup bread crumbs
1 egg
1 teaspoon parsley (minced)
2 tablespoons milk
Salt and pepper to taste
1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup
Milk to dilute soup as desired

Brown the onion, celery, carrot in the bacon fat. Add the bread crumbs, egg, parsley, milk and salt and pepper to taste.

Cut salmon into horizontal slices (about one inch in thickness). Place filling on first slice of salmon which has been placed on an oiled baking dish. Top with second slice of salmon. (If a 1 1/2 can of salmon is used, there will be four slices of salmon with the filling divided equally.)

Bake in a 350-degree oven for approximately 20 minutes. Serve with mushroom sauce made by diluting condensed cream of mushroom soup as desired and heating thoroughly. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

AROUND THE HOUSE

To keep uncooked meat in a refrigerator, place it in a dry dish with a loose-fitting lid; cooked meat should be covered tightly to prevent drying.

The sponge method is ever best for washing handbags made of plastics or washable coated fabrics.

The easiest way to season a plain hot vegetable in addition to salt and pepper is to add meat drippings or melted fat. Add just before serving.

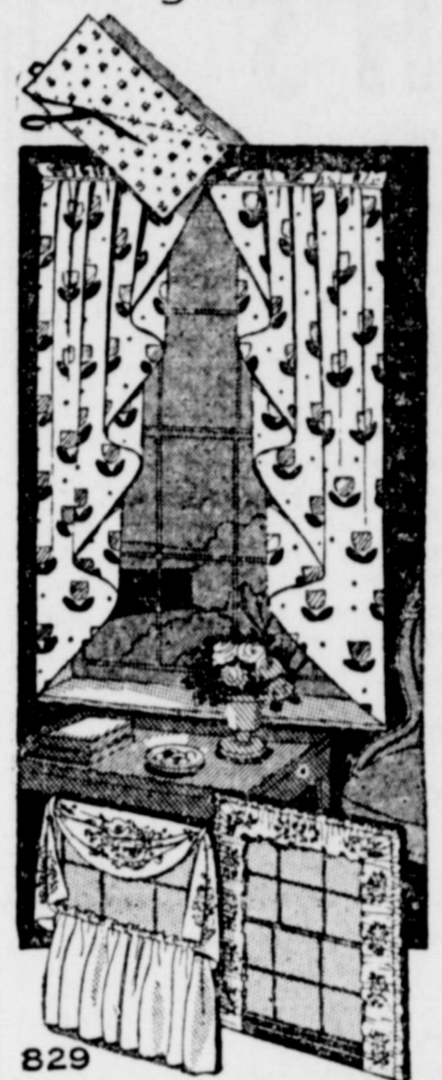
If the inside of your aluminum kettle becomes discolored, fill with a mild vinegar solution and boil for a few minutes. Wash afterward with soap and water and rinse well with clear water.

When boiling rice, add a teaspoon of lemon juice to a quart of water. It will make the rice white and the grains will be separated when it is boiled.

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Monroe Parker opines that you still can have a barrel of fun in Robert Lee. He told us yesterday that just about the time Mollie Bailey's show quit coming to town, they started having city elections, which always added merriment to a community vacuum.

Robert Ramage was over from Colorado City Sunday. He tells us that he will rent his place here in town for \$45 a month.

Folks You Know

Wilburn Millican S I-c, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Millican, is home on a 30 day leave and is enjoying his visit. Wilburn has been riding the waves to Japan on the USS Rockbridge and has had lots of fun. He reports in El Paso for further duty at the expiration of his leave.

John Burroughs was down from his Divide ranch last Friday on business.

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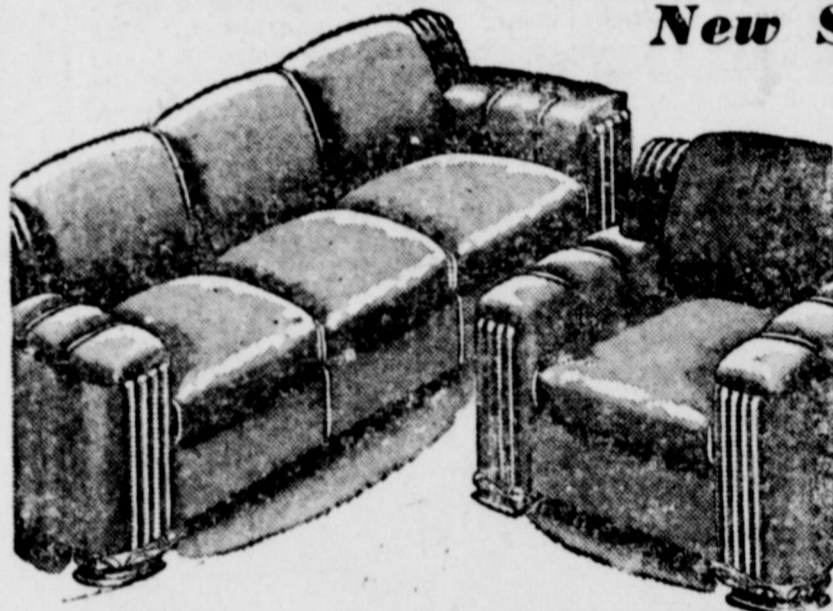
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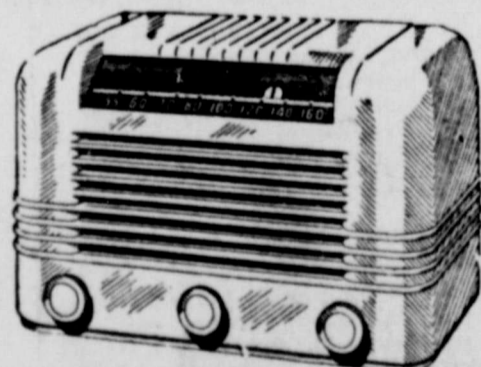
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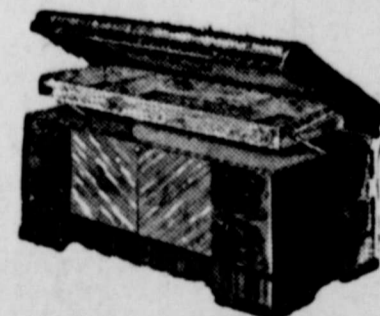


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