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Steers Set For Bronte In Big Turkey Day Tilt

The BIG football game of the year for Coke county fans is slated for Thursday afternoon at Bronte when the Robert Lee Steers and Bronte Longhorns tangle in their traditional Thanksgiving Day contest. With fair weather in prospect a record crowd is expected. Supt. Jeff Dean says the kickoff will be at 2:30 and admission prices will be 25c and 50c, including tax.

This year's game will decide the District 7-B championship and the winner will meet Menard next week in a bi-district affair. Both Bronte and Robert Lee are undefeated in their loop with wins over Miles, Norton and Christoval. Menard and Sonora were tied in District 8-B, each having suffered one conference defeat. However, officials of the group voted to give the championship to Menard, since Sonora's lone setback was at the hands of the Yellow Jackets.

Last week Robert Lee finished its home season with an 18-0 victory over Norton, with the Steers first string being used only in one quarter of the game. Second and third stringers gave a good account of themselves and obtained experience which will be valuable for next year.

Earlier in the season Bronte licked Robert Lee 26-0 on the local field, but the Steers are gunning for this week's game and they are determined to reverse the outcome. One Steer player this week said the boy's didn't care much about the first encounter with the Longhorns because it didn't count in standing. Every man on the squad is in top condition now and they are going in there to win. Of course, the Bronte reply is probably something like this: "That we gotta see."

Eight of the eleven Longhorn first string will be playing their last game against Robert Lee. They include Judge Sandusky, Gerald Lee, Dolan Mackey, J. O. Landers, Billy Thomas, J. B. and LeDrew Arrott and Billy Bob Herron.

Fourteen lettermen from the Steer squad who are winding up their prep school grid careers are L. C. Day, Vaughn Davis, Dale Lofton, Paul Burns, I. H. Devoll, Ralph Walker, Bobby Baker, Preston Ross, Charles Bessent, Floyd Sheppard, Charles Fowler, James Jackson, Arlyn Simpson and Dale Brown.

Club Cafe Re-opens

The Club Cafe in Robert Lee was re-opened last week when parties from Odessa leased the business from O. M. Ratliff. New proprietors are Mr. and Mrs. Louis Theaux and Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Renfro. They are experienced restaurant people. Mr. Renfro is head chef. Mr. Theaux is a driller for Baker-Taylor in the Coke county oil field near Silver.

Curtis Trimble received a broken rib and cuts and bruises one day the last of the week while working at the oil field. He was stuck by the boom as it was being lowered on a winch truck.



Ava Lou Tubb Weds in Pretty Home Ceremony

In a double-ring ceremony performed at 10 o'clock Friday morning in the home of the bride's parents, Miss Ava Lou Tubb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Tubb of Robert Lee, became the bride of Vincent Hanna of Robert Lee and formerly of Yazoo City, Miss. and Elmira, N. Y.

The Rev. J. Howard Estes, pastor of the Robert Lee Methodist Church, read the vows before an improvised altar decorated with bouquets of white mums, white gladioli, and ferns in tall white baskets and flanked by tapers in floor candelabra.

Mrs. Cortez Russell, who was pianist for the ceremony, played traditional wedding music and accompanied Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough, who sang, "At Dawning." She played the "Bridal Chorus" from Lohengrin for the processional and "Love's Old Sweet Song" during the ceremony.

The bride wore a tailored suit of powder blue wool with palomino brown accessories. Her corsage was of white gardenias, and she carried a white bible with a shower of white satin ribbon, white net, and stephanotis.

Miss Mary Beth Cumbie of Bronte, who attended her cousin as maid of honor, wore a pale yellow wool suit. Her corsage was of white carnations.

J. M. Darnell of Eunice, N. M. served the bridegroom as best man.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony. The bride's table was centered by a bouquet of white and pale yellow carnations and ferns, flanked by pale yellow cathedral tapers, white mums flanked by pale yellow tapers decorated the buffet. Mrs. I. M. Cumbie of Bronte, aunt of the bride, served the three-tiered wedding cake, which was white and yellow and topped by a miniature bride and groom. Mrs. Jarvis Littlefield presided at the silver coffee service. Mrs. W. H. Maxwell, Jr., of Bronte, aunt of the bride, registered guests in the bride's book.

Mrs. Hanna was a 1946 graduate of Robert Lee High School and is now employed as assistant cashier the Robert Lee State Bank.

Mr. Hanna is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hanna of Yazoo City, Miss., where he attended high school and was a member of the high school football squad. After finishing high school, he was employed by a Class A machine shop at Elmira, N. Y. before entering the armed forces in which he served two years, one of which was with the 83rd Inf. in the E. T. O. He came to Robert Lee with a Stanolind seismograph crew and is now employed by the Sun Oil Co.

"Skinny" Adams Badly Injured In Highway Collision

S. E. (Skinny) Adams, prominent Robert Lee abstractor and oil lease broker, received serious injuries last Friday afternoon in a two-car collision near San Marcos, Tex., in which two persons were killed and two besides Adams were injured.

Mr. Adams was brought to Shannon hospital in San Angelo late Friday night where it was disclosed that his injuries included a bad fracture of his left leg above the knee, a broken knuckle on his left hand, some broken ribs and chest bruises, and cuts about the face.

Mr. Adams reported Tuesday morning that Skinny was resting quite comfortably, although his injuries have been very painful. Weights have been attached to his injured limb but the fracture has not been set. He will no doubt be hospitalized for some time, but a complete recovery is expected.

According to the Associated Press, Charles S. Papa of Dallas and Sherrell W. Green of Austin died as a result of the collision on the slick, rain-soaked highway five miles south of San Marcos. Papa was the driver and sole occupant of the auto which collided head-on with the Adams car.

Green was one of three college students who were hitch hiking a ride with Adams. Green suffered head injuries and died early Saturday in a San Antonio hospital. Receiving less serious injuries were Lawrence Nelson, also of Austin, and Willard Young of Center Point. Papa was business manager of the Weekly Texas Tribune published at Dallas.

Mr. Adams left Robert Lee Thursday on a trip to the southern part of the state on oil business. Sheriff Paul Good was advised over the telephone by Hays County Sheriff Jack Gary that the head-on collision resulted when one of the cars attempted to pass another vehicle on the three lane highway. The Adams auto, a large model Oldsmobile, was badly wrecked.

Observer Printed Early

This issue of The Observer is being published on Tuesday owing to the fact that the editor was leaving Tuesday night with Mrs. Kirkpatrick for Dallas where she will receive treatment at Baylor University hospital. She has been a patient at Shannon hospital the past ten days following an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and son, Pritchard, and Mr. and Mrs. Chism Brown returned Sunday night from a successful deer hunt in the hill country south of Marfa. Also in the party were Otto Scherz of San Angelo, Arthur Baker of Justin and Dimond McSpadden of Marfa. Six fine blacktail bucks were killed and it is reported that "Prieth" proved himself a regular "Deadeye Dick."

The couple left for a week's trip to Yazoo City and other points, after which they will be at home in Robert Lee, where they will continue in their present employment.

Out-of-town guests other than those previously mentioned were: Mrs. Mabel Parker, Eldorado; Mrs. W. H. Maxwell, and W. H. Maxwell, Jr., Bronte; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Barr, Ballinger; Mrs. Alice Preslar and Mrs. Lois Cline, San Angelo.



L. T. YOUNGBLOOD

Plans for Robert Lee Dam Still Uncertain

Some current information on the status of the proposed Colorado River dam near Robert Lee was given last week by L. T. Youngblood before the newly organized Lions club at Bronte. Mr. Youngblood, Bronte banker and prominent conservationist, is president of the Upper Colorado River Authority.

The following is reprinted from the Bronte Enterprise:

In speaking of the UCRA, Youngblood noted that the cost of the project, as first outlined before the war, amounted to some \$11,000,000, three million of which was available, and the rest was to have been borne by those using the irrigation facilities, at a rate of \$4.50 per year per acre. Users, in this instance, could use all the water they wanted.

"Since the war, however," Youngblood added, "estimated cost now runs to \$35,160,000, or 3 1-2 times as much as formerly."

The speaker noted that such cost was now way out of proportion to the benefits that would derive from the project and could not be justified.

He noted that use of the old Army site for a dam, located above Robert Lee, would save a good deal of money, but the canals would be more expensive to construct. However, Youngblood indicated, most of the irrigation would then take place in Coke County, and not elsewhere.

"If the Colorado City group will take part of the water and use it," the speaker said, "it will help a lot in advancing this project, which is already the number one project of the Texas Bureau of Reclamation."

Youngblood expressed the conviction that some dam would be built sometime, somewhere certainly, but that plans still had to be worked out.

"If Robert Lee were moved to the hillside," he remarked, "it would cost at least \$1,000,000 to make the transfer, twice what it would have cost before."

Stamps Quartette Coming

Stamps All Star Quartet of KWFT, Wichita Falls, will appear in a concert at the Robert Lee school auditorium Dec. 2 at 7:30 P. M. Admission 25c and 50c including tax. The quartet's appearance here is being sponsored by the Coke County WHD Council and a ticket selling campaign is now under way.

Mrs. Elmer Adkins underwent an appendectomy Monday morning at the Bronte hospital. She is making a good recovery. Mrs. Adkins was the former Barbara Ross before her recent marriage.

Sun Oil Company Begins Two New Coke County Tests

Two new tests were started this week by Sun Oil company in their Coke county development. They were No. 1 J. W. Arledge, north of Sanco, and No. 5 Homer Jameson, an offset in the proven Jameson field south of Silver.

The Arledge test is in the western edge of a 20,000 acre block which Sun owns along the Coke-Nolan county line. The wildcat is located eight miles east and one mile north of the discovery well of the Jameson area. The test is slated to explore the Ellenburger, Ray-Harris company's rotary rig was moved to the Alredge location during the past week. Some difficulty was experienced because of the rain and muddy roads, and Walter Tucker is being congratulated upon moving and rigging up in so short a time. Drilling started just after midnight Monday night and a depth of 375 feet had been reached at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning. Ray-Harris recently completed No. 4 Homer Jameson, a producer.

No. 5 Homer Jameson spudded in Tuesday. Contractors are Morris-Hamilton drilling company of Houston. This is their first test in Coke county.

No. 3 Homer Jameson had reached the top of the Ellenburger at 7,100 feet Tuesday, after reaming 35 feet.

No. 1 J. S. Walker was completed Tuesday and operators were preparing to shoot with nitro glycerine. The Baker-Taylor rotary rig was released and will move to No. 5 Fred Jameson, another offset.

No. 1 C. E. Mathers was drilling Tuesday at 5,556 feet in shale and sand. Leonard Tibbets is in charge of the Baker-Taylor rigs.

No. 1 J. B. Walker, wildcat across the river, was drilling at 5,348 feet in shale with streaks of lime.

No. 4 Homer James, eleventh producer in the area, flowed 212.58 barrels of high gravity oil in its official test run last Friday. Test was made through a quarter inch choke and the gas ratio was 1,110-1.

Benny Gilbert Hurt In Highway Crash

Benny Gilbert, well known Bronte young man, received serious injuries in a highway accident Saturday afternoon near Tahoka, when his truck crashed into a large transport stalled on the highway.

With him in the truck was Weldon Hester, also of Coke county, whose injuries were less serious. Both of Gilbert's legs were broken and he has been in a serious condition at a Lubbock hospital.

The accident occurred about dark. Gilbert was driving a large trailer truck owned by Ford Hallmark. The stalled transport had no warning flares, it is reported.

Homemakers Class

The Homemakers class of the Baptist church met in the home of Mrs. Victor Wojtek last Friday for a business session and social hour. Mrs. Paul Good, president, was in charge of the meeting and it was decided to hold the Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Cumbie Ivey on Dec. 12. During the social hour Mrs. Oscar Kresta and Mrs. Wojtek sang "In the Garden." Delicious refreshments were served.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Marshall Fixes Deadline for Aid; 1947 Corn Crop Down 25 Per Cent; Britain Decides on Labor Draft

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THEIR DECISION . . . With these four men rests, in a large measure, the fate of Europe in 1947. They are: Rep. Charles Eaton (Rep., N. J.), chairman of the house foreign affairs committee; Secretary of State Marshall; Sen. Arthur H. Vandenberg (Rep., Mich.), chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, and Sen. Tom Connally (Dem., Tex.), an influential Democratic voice in foreign affairs.

DEADLINE: December 1

Apparently feeling that congressional approval of his request for 597 million dollars in stop-gap aid for France, Italy and Austria was assured, U. S. Secretary of State George Marshall sounded a new keynote—speed.

He suggested to the house foreign affairs committee that a deadline of December 1 be established for emergency relief to the three hard-pressed nations, and looked ahead to an early March deadline for his four-year, 20-billion-dollar plan for eventual European recovery.

State department witnesses backed up Marshall's plea for speed. They testified present funds would carry France and Italy only through December, beyond which looms the brink of chaos and confusion—political, moral and economic—unless additional help is rushed across the sea.

Also testifying before the house foreign group, Lewis Douglas, U. S. ambassador to England, offered a brief, pointed summary of the whole issue of immediate foreign aid: There can be no guarantee that the aid program will succeed, but it would be more risky to deny Europe financial help and watch despair and pandemonium spread across the continent.

Finally, it was the opinion of Secretary of Commerce Averell Harriman that emergency European relief "can be substantially met," despite supply problems in this country.

China, Too

Virtually forgotten under the press of urgent affairs in Europe is the problem of China—ravaged, still contorted in war, constantly backsliding into greater political and economic corruption.

As a modicum of aid and comfort to that Eastern nation, Secretary Marshall has proposed a 300-million-dollar aid program to be administered in conjunction with the European phase of the Marshall plan.

At the same time, Marshall held to his stand that the suppressed report of Lt. Gen. Albert Wedemeyer on conditions in China would not be made public. He intimated that it drew such a dismal picture that to release the report would be harmful both to the U. S. and China.

CORN DOWN:

Semi-Finals

There was a smattering of bad news in the agriculture department's semi-final crop report of the year. It had to do with corn and winter wheat.

The 1947 U. S. corn crop now stands at an estimated 2,447,422,000 bushels, a decrease of 11,252,000 bushels from a forecast made a month ago. That is slightly below the 10-year (1936-45) average of 2,639,102,000, and far under last year's record yield of more than 3.2 billion bushels.

Hopes for another bumper wheat crop next year received a thorough dampening with the department's announcement that about 25 per cent of the intended winter wheat acreage in the important great plains area had not been seeded by November 1 because of dry weather.

Simultaneously it appeared that meat production had started a downward trend, impelled by the reduced corn crop and higher feed prices.

Department of agriculture spokesmen estimated that there will be a cattle population of only 77 million on January 1, 1948—8.6 million below the all-time high of 85.6 million on January 1, 1945.

As a result, consumers will be eating less beef, pork and poultry next year—there just won't be as much to go around.

Hungarian Fugitive



Zoltan Pfeiffer, leader of Hungary's anti-Communist Independent party, thought it likely that he would be arrested by the Communist-dominated Hungarian government. So, taking a leaf from the book of Poland's Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, he disappeared. He fled into Austria a few hours before a parliamentary committee was due to decide whether he should be brought to trial for allegedly sheltering Nazi SS members.

LABOR DRAFT:

Everybody Works

Great Britain's nationalization program, geared to extremities, has risen to the drastic level of a sweeping labor draft in the nation's desperate struggle for economic survival.

The battle of production, upon which Britain is depending for her life, had reached a crisis which demanded the efforts of every able-bodied worker in the land, the British Labor government decided.

So the "spivs," "drones," idle peers, hatcheck girls and others whose occupations come under the head of trivia in the nationalization regime will be rounded up and drafted for industrial labor by government decree starting December 8.

Men between the ages of 18 and 51 and women from 18 to 41 will be caught up in the conscription, with a possibility of a \$2,000 fine and two years' imprisonment for those who refuse to register.

Conscripts have a choice, however. They will be given the alternative of going into the coal mines, agriculture, textile production or any other of the essential industries whose production must be boosted to stave off economic failure.

If a labor draftee refuses to take a proffered job he may be ordered into it.

RED ACTION:

Riots, Terror

Communist-borne trouble and terror was on the increase in France and Italy.

Spreading paralysis gripped the French port city of Marseille—as workers responded to a general strike call by Communist labor leaders after a day of rioting in which one person was fatally wounded and six others seriously hurt.

In Milan, Italy, Communists sacked an anti-Red newspaper plant and attacked a police station in the course of rioting which gripped the city in a state of near terror. They demanded the immediate suppression of newspapers "which incite people to hate and vengeance," the suppression of "organizations of Fascist character" and the arrest at once of "all persons suspected for their activity against the republic."

In both Marseille and Milan, the Communists seized upon relatively unimportant incidents and managed to magnify them to a point where they could incite the more impressionable citizens of the cities to rioting and violence.

HEADLINERS

IN READING, PA. . . . Boseslaw Nieczslaw Moczydlowski petitioned the courts for permission to change his name to William Mitchell Moczydlowski.

IN ALLENTOWN, Pa. . . . Police Chief Wayne Elliott, kidnapped and held prisoner for four hours by a young gunman, was bawled out for his inefficiency by Mayor Donald Hock, then demoted to patrolman.

IN LANCASTER, Ohio . . . Judge Earl D. Parker denied a petition by the twin villages of Basil and Baltimore asking that they be merged under the name of Baseball, said he was afraid some of the citizens would boo the decision.

IN SHANGHAI . . . Officials announced that all fines in police and criminal courts would be 1,000 times the regular rate because of inflation.

IN MILFORD, Conn. . . . John Thurland Chattaway, composer of such songs as "Mandy Lee," "Red Wing," died at his home at the age of 75.

GOOD TRICK:

Tax Money

Neatest trick of the week was turned by the Committee for Economic Development when it announced that taxes could be cut six billion dollars in 1948 and still leave a three-billion-dollar surplus to be applied toward reducing the national debt.

"The American economy needs a tax reduction in the near future," the group commented, adding that the present system is "a threat to a free economy and a free society" because "it discourages new and independent business and arrests the growth of established business."

The pruning of revenues advocated by the CED would be half again as great as that provided for in the income tax bills vetoed by President Truman last spring. But there still would be four billion dollars left over for foreign aid.

CED, an economic planning organization of business men, proposed that the government adopt a "stabilizing budget policy" by fixing tax rates to produce an annual surplus of three billion dollars under conditions of 96 per cent employment.

Rates would remain set "unless there is some major change in national policy or of national life," the CED report said.

The recommended "tax reform" charts a cut in individual income taxes to a starting rate of 11.5 per cent, instead of 19 per cent; reduces the standard corporation tax rate from 38 to 30 per cent, and eliminates all excise taxes except those on gasoline, tobacco and alcoholic beverages. That program would be carried out step by step, culminating in the 1950s.

Gown of the Year



This is an artist's conception (front elevation) of the wedding gown worn by Princess Elizabeth on November 20 for her marriage to Lt. Phillip Mountbatten. On the right is one of the bridesmaids' dresses. The wedding gown, upon which such adjectives as glorious, exquisite and ethereal have been lavished, was of ivory duchess satin, strategically embellished with seed pearls, crystal and hand-embroidered designs based on paintings by Botticelli. The train of transparent ivory silk tulle was 15 feet long.

EARLY MAN:

In Nebraska

What is now the state of Nebraska was once the site of man's earliest existence in the western hemisphere, archeologists have concluded.

Dr. C. Bertrand Schultz, director of University of Nebraska state museum, said three campsites of semi-nomadic hunters, estimated at between 20,000 and 35,000 years old, have been uncovered in southwest Nebraska. The discoveries were made at a point where heavy spring rains and floods washed deep gullies into the earth.

AROUND THE HOUSE

Teaching the family to wipe their feet before entering the house saves wear and tear on rugs.

Keep the window open slightly while the gas or kerosene heater is being used in your home.

A must for children during the apple season is, of course, their favorite caramel taffy apples. They are usually delighted to help in making these, especially for their parties.

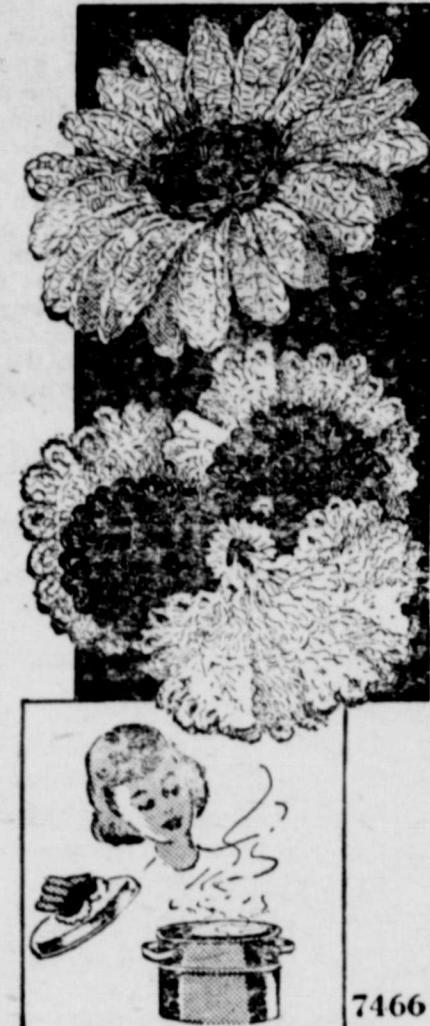
When pressing armhole seams on a lined garment, press the seams open. Armhole seams on unlined garments are usually turned toward the garment.

Measure curtains before laundering them so you will know the size to which they should be stretched.

Clothesbaskets that are lined with white oilcloth are much easier to keep clean. Use a piece of oilcloth for the bottom and another to run around the sides of the basket.

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Huge Ventilating System In New Brooklyn Tunnel

The Brooklyn-Battery Vehicular tunnel, now under construction in New York harbor, will have the world's largest ventilating system, says Collier's.

It will deliver 4,200,000 cubic feet of fresh air a minute, or 12 per cent more than the system in the Holland tunnel between Manhattan and Jersey City, and 68 per cent more than that in the Mersey tunnel between Liverpool and Birkenhead, England.

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Mrs. Patterson Honored

Mrs. J. C. Strickland entertained at her home Thursday afternoon with a layette gift tea, honoring Mrs. Eddie Patterson. Co-hostesses were Mmes. Marcus Turner, W. T. Roach, Jack Cowley and Pearl Rutherford.

The register desk was in a setting of pink rosebuds and pastel tapers. Miss Reba Woo¹ presided at the register, which was the handiwork of Mrs. Strickland.

After registering the guests were escorted by the honoree to the gift room, where a large selection of gifts were on display. The home was beautifully decorated in pastel cut flowers. A lace covered serving table was topped with crystal, centered with an arrangement of blue, pink and white flowers, flanked with pastel tapers.

Refreshment plates served by the co-hostesses included hot spice tea and a fluffy square each of blue, white and pink cake. Plate favors was a miniature baby's every day need filled with pink and white mints.

Fifty-four guests registered during the reception.

Folks You Know

Mr. and Mrs. James Thomason spent the weekend at Bronte with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mitchell.

Eddie Paul Good, a student at the University of Oklahoma at Norman, is expected home for a Thanksgiving visit with his parents, Sheriff and Mrs. Paul Good.

Maurice Yarbrough spent the weekend at Snyder with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Yarbrough.

Thanksgiving guests in the Fred McDonald, Jr. home will include Mrs. O. V. Looney, Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Caperton, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Looney and son, Robert, of San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred McDonald, Sr. of Bronte.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Casey left Monday by plane for Houston where they will visit the former's father and brother, W. H. and Troy Casey.

WANT ADS

For Sale—Motorcycle, 1946 Harley-Davidson, 45 cubic inch motor. In good condition. Priced at \$495. Jerry Estep, 2426 Dallas St., San Angelo, Texas. Phone 5-7125.

For Electric Wiring and Plumbing see Henry Caston. 20w4p

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Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Owen arrived Monday from Allison, Iowa, for a visit in the home of their daughter, Mrs. A. J. Kirkpatrick, and family, and will look after the editor's household while Mrs. Kirkpatrick is in the hospital. They were driven down to Texas by Mrs. Kirkpatrick's cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Miller, who have returned to their home in Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Russell and Miss Mettie Russell will spend Thanksgiving at Levelland with a sister, Mrs. J. R. Joplin, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Allen returned the last of the week from hunting deer on the Reynolds Cattle company ranch near Kent, Texas. Gerald brought home a nice blacktail buck.

Mrs. T. R. Harmon, wife of the county commissioner, has been receiving hospital treatment for a broken arm received in a fall at their ranch home last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Archer and baby son of San Angelo were Sunday guests in the parental R. B. Allen home at Silver.

Long Distance Delays

Have you ever seen a telephone switchboard? Countless lights flashing off and on. . . calls from Canada. . . messages from Mexico. . . the entire world at the long-distance operator's fingertips. And because more and more people are discovering how effortless and time-saving the long-distance telephone is, your operator is busier than ever. Today, more calls are coming through her switchboard than did at the very height of the war! That's why your call may sometimes be delayed. So if and when that happens, be patient. You'll know it's because your long-distance operator has, for the moment, more calls than she can handle.

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Complex Economy Threatens Small Business Enterprise

(Editor's Note: This is the second in a series of articles on current problems by Louis Bromfield, one of America's leading writers.)

By **LOUIS BROMFIELD**
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There are times when it seems that the pattern of our agricultural and business life appears not to have kept pace with the development of industry and technology.

The old frontier of the general farm is one case in point. Another is the field of distribution of all goods, but notably of food, and the small enterprise, either retail or industrial. Like the old-fashioned general farm, the small business enterprise has in the past been a great bulwark of American independence and character, and frequently of our economy as well.

The question is whether our present complicated and complex industrialized economy any longer can afford these remnants of another day, and whether the proprietors of the general farm and the small business enterprise can survive much longer the economic strain placed upon them. Tied in with the problems of both is the question of distribution, notoriously expensive and inefficient, and in the actual process of painfully adjusting itself.

It is not only that the world has shrunk immensely in our time but also that the United States has shrunk with it. The problem of adjusting wages and purchasing power to the prices of all commodities has become the most urgent one now confronting the free enterprise system. Size, specialization and efficiency all have their bearing upon living costs, and notably upon food prices.

The old-fashioned general farm is an inefficient unit in our highly complex interrelated production economy. So, too, is the small retail enterprise competing with the efficiency, buying and distributing power of the vast, well-integrated chain stores, super-markets and cooperatives.

The economic pressures of our century are all toward bigness, efficiency and low-cost production and distribution, exactly as the rewards of the automobile industry have gone to mass-production, assembly-line big companies which produced a commodity of high quality for a low price. In the problem of food costs this efficiency begins at the farm, extends through the old field of distribution to the retail outlet.

Cycle of High Costs.
The high cost of food begins on the farm through inefficiency and low production per acre, which produces high costs per man hour and per commodity unit. It continues through the field of distribution which involves handling — many times — commission merchants, market rigging, and at times a spread of price between producer and consumer of several hundred per cent.

The point is that small retailers as well as the great chain stores or cooperatives are a link in this chain, but that the small retailer is largely at the mercy of market rigging, commission merchants, expensive small-lot distribution and multiple distribution agencies (that is, the great wholesale buyers and commission merchants, the local wholesale distributors, et cetera—each of whom takes a cut eventually paid for by the consumer or in losses by the small retail proprietor).

At the same time, the small retailer is a victim of the economic squeeze created by the ability of the chain stores, super-markets and cooperatives to set low prices because of smaller purchase and distribution cost. Rarely, save in deluxe areas like New York's Madison Avenue, can the small unit retailer set a price higher in his community than that of the bigger organizations, although his costs may be much greater.

The economic tendency and pressures today are certainly all in the direction of low costs, high efficiency and the bigness which creates them. The consumer is concerned almost wholly with the goal of buying the best quality for the lowest price. Certainly super-markets, chain stores and cooperatives are growing and will continue to do so, taxed or tax-free in the case of big cooperatives, for even with taxes they still can sell at lower prices than the small independent operator.

Dollar Value Paramount.
All of this, of course, raises the grave question of monopolies, if not nation-wide, at least in certain states and areas. Monopoly, in turn, implies government regulation. But at the moment, at least, the con-



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sumer is not concerned with these things. He is concerned solely with making his dollar buy as much as possible, both in quality and quantity.

The fundamental point is that the pressures against the small enterprises are economic and, therefore, extremely powerful. In a sense, the small distributor, as exemplified by the corner grocery store, and the old-fashioned general farmer are, like the horse and buggy, relics of a former day. This was before the world and this nation had shrunk, when the retailer bought his food directly from the farmer, and food commodities were not shipped from rural communities into the cities and then back again to the town in those same rural communities with an enormous distribution markup in between. This markup the big food handlers are able largely to eliminate by direct mass buying and shipping. The forces of economics and of mass production and distribution are difficult or impossible to resist.

Of course, it would be possible for government to subsidize the small, inefficient, handicapped operator with taxpayers' money, very largely that is what has happened in the case of the unprogressive, inefficient farmer and the absentee-landlord-tenant systems in agriculture. But the consumer takes the beating because he continues to pay not only high prices but also taxes in the form of subsidies out of the other pocket.

It is notable that the National Poultrymen's association recently urged congress to drop all poultry and egg price-support measures so that the subsidized, inefficient poultry producer would be eliminated and the prices would find a lower level to the consumer, but one still profitable to the efficient producer.

Sentimentally, I hate to see the passing of the old-fashioned general farm and the corner grocery store. Both institutions gave me much happiness and friendliness in my youth, but I am afraid there isn't any longer much place for them in our highly complex, economic civilization in a shrunken world. In the end, we shall be forced to catch up with our times by the sheer ruthless force of economics and because the consumer no longer can afford either institution.

Ex-G.I. Finds Old Army Shirt in Surplus Store

HASTINGS, NEB.—When Charles E. Jenkins, a war veteran, was buying work clothes in an army-navy store here, a familiar looking khaki shirt caught his eye.
It was the shirt he wore through the Solomon Islands campaign. He had turned it in when he was graduated from officers candidate school in 1944.

Jenkins' initials and serial number in the shirt were in his own handwriting. When Jenkins submitted his dogtag as final proof, George Engelbrecht, store manager, gave him the shirt.

WITH THE COLUMNISTS

DREW PEARSON

Farm Co-ops to Evade Tax

FARMERS don't need to get excited about the chances of farm cooperatives losing their tax-exempt status. Most members of the house ways and means committee prefer not to be quoted on this hot tamale, but privately both Republicans and Democrats doubt that the co-ops will be hit in new tax legislation.

To get at the co-ops, the committee would have to "open up" sacrosanct Section 101 of the internal revenue code, which exempts not only the co-ops, but also churches and religious groups, labor unions, educational institutions, Daughters of the American Revolution, veterans' groups and other segments in the "no-man's land" of our tax system.

Any effort to tamper with Section 101 to take one of these groups out of the non-profit class and make it taxable is likely to encounter strong opposition from the others, fearing they may be next on the program.

All this is why ways and means chairman, Harold Knutson, is so anxious to pass the buck to the treasury department, for an "opinion" on whether co-ops should be tax-exempt.

A majority of the ways and means committee favors some formula for tapping the revenues of the cooperatives as distinguished from the small co-ops. Some of these big outfits export their goods, have advertising budgets and function much as private business.

Section 101 eventually will be amended so the government can move in on these Big Berthas, but the country's 10,000 or more small farm co-ops won't be touched by congress in the immediate future. They have too many potent allies in Section 101.

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WALTER WINCHELL

Notes of a Bystander

American Legion Post 65 (Miami Beach) and other war vet outfits in Florida went on unanimous record opposing Flagstad's sponsors, who are bringing her there. They agreed that the flag in Flagstad is not American. . . . Most sugary racket in town: The oodles of thousands collected by big-time auto dealers as deposits which they bank and nacheily draw interest on.

The price we're paying for food is almost as ridiculous as the price we're paying for peace. . . . Frances E. Kaye just heard that the Russian gals also are getting the "new look." They're lengthening their overalls.

Henry Wallace won't stump for Truman — saving it for "progressive" office-seekers. (He's still unhappy over being dropped from the cabinet.) . . . Elmo Roper (the highly respected poll-taker) and Frank Kent (the ditto Washington observer) both spurned Benton's state department headache. If you need a job and don't care how short you live, there's your chance.

Some locals were wondering whether General Ike was a Demmy or Repub. "He must be a Democrat," figured a reporter "Otherwise he wouldn't have become a college proxy—he'd have become a bank president!"

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WALTER SHEAD

Western Areas Reclaimed

SECRETARY of the Interior, J. A. Krug, has a vision of possibly 10 million people settling in western reclamation areas by 1960. If this vision is to materialize, however, the program of the bureau of reclamation must be carried through to irrigate up to 15 million acres of arid and semi-arid land and to produce possibly 22 million kilowatts of hydroelectric power.

This program has been definitely projected until 1954 and for that seven-year period it calls for an investment of \$2,148,000,000.

It would bring irrigation to about four million newly irrigated acres embracing 40,000 farms and it would add 2,250,000 kilowatts of generating capacity or enough power for 21 cities the size of Denver. Total investment would be something like 15 billion dollars. Secretary Krug contends no other area of the nation has the same economic opportunity for these 10 millions of people.

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H. I. PHILLIPS

MacPhail's New Farm Club

Larry MacPhail, the eccentric and colorful former manager of the New York Yankees ball club, has returned to his farm in Maryland and says he will devote himself to raising Black Angus cattle and possibly breed some race horses. We await the news that he is planning to get his cattle to play under lights.

Elmer Twitchell insists that he has been a visitor at the MacPhail farm. "I've got a membership in the Angus club, with a special box reserved for me for the style shows to be staged in the meadow sweet with hay," he declares.

"From what I heard Larry is not satisfied with Black Angus and wants to get up a league which will include White Angus, Red Angus and Pink Angus. My hunch is that

he will try to breed 'em in technical."

It would seem that John L. Lewis has been left so far out in the coal by the A.F.L. that he at last faces a personal fuel problem.

Larry Parks of "Jolson Story" fame is appearing in a new movie in which he is a dashing leader of a Scotch clan. We understand the temptation to sing "Maxwelton's Braes Are Bonny" on his knees was terrific.

Ima Dodo says she knows of a home which has no hidden photos of the atom bomb development.

H. S. Marks, counsel to the atomic energy board, has quit because of the low pay. But look at all the time he gets for "fission"!

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WESTBROOK PEGLER

Adventure in Glamour

FOR three delirious days and nights, the Statler hotel was just a glamorous little bit of Hollywood dropped into stately Washington.

A whole shiplod of unreal idols of our dreams flew in to protest about the hearings on un-Americanism. Some Hollywood committee about freedom of speech was back of the party.

By a happy coincidence most of them were on my floor. Some times, in the elevator, I even rubbed elbows with them.

I wanted to ask Danny Kaye for his autograph in my book, along with the autographs of his friends, Leo Durocher, George Raft, Frankie Boy Sinatra and Buggsy Siegel, but I choked up. I lost my nerve.

Then there was gorgeous June Havoc, who is a certain party's nomination for "Miss Constitution of the U. S. A." for 1947. Heh-heh-heh! I foxed them! When I said she was a "certain party's" nomination I bet they thought I was going to say the Communist party, and then they would sue me for calling her a Communist. But I am too clever. Maybe I am "that certain party" myself!

But now we must go, Cinderella, for the clock is striking 12, and our adventure in the realm of glamour comes to an end.

It's So Upsetting

A man walked into a restaurant and left the door open.

A big fat man called out: "Shut that door! Were you brought up in a barn?"

The man closed the door, went to a table, sat down, and began to cry.

The fat man looked most uncomfortable; he went over to the sobbing man and, patting him on the shoulder, said:

"I'm sorry. I didn't mean to hurt your feelings."

"I'm not crying because you hurt my feelings," was the reply; "but the fact is, I was brought up in a barn, and every time I hear a jackass bray, it makes me feel homesick."

Tornadoes in U. S.

During the past 30 years, a tornado has occurred in the United States on an average of every 62 hours; and each killed an average of 1.67 persons and caused some \$83,000 worth of property damage.

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Changing WORLD



MET OPENS 63RD SEASON . . . In case you weren't able to get to the Metropolitan opera house in New York for opening of the opera season this fall, this is the way it would have looked if you had been sitting off to one side in the first balcony. The brilliant scene of New York's assembled elite included several kings' ransoms of jewels, assorted ermine, chinchilla and silver fox fur coats, and a few hundred boiled shirts. The performance was Verdi's "Un Ballo in Maschera."



CHURCH SERVES THE WORLD . . . These Filipinos are getting medical treatment at this clinic near Manila because of the generosity of church-going Americans. Contributions from churches in every state in the union made it possible for Church World service to send the drugs, instruments and other medical supplies used at the clinic.



CHIVALRY IS NOT DEAD . . . These chivalric looking gentlemen are some of the boys from Siena, medieval city of Italy, which nostalgically recalls the good old days twice every year by reverting to fifth century clothes, customs and habits. Big feature on these occasions is the "Palio of Siena," a medieval horse race through the city's square.



FLEES RED SLAVE CAMP . . . Irma Mohaupt, native of Cincinnati, Ohio, is back in U. S. after three years in a Russian slave labor camp in the Ukraine. She finally escaped into the American zone in Germany.



MARTIN BALKS TAX CUT . . . All hope for passage of an income tax reduction bill during the special session of congress died when Rep. Harold Knutson (Rep., Minn.), left, conceded defeat after Speaker of the House Joseph W. Martin (Rep., Mass.) opposed presenting the bill at this time.



ONE MAN'S BEST FRIEND . . . Purchased 10 years ago as a 25-cent souvenir, this personable alligator, still a baby of 82 pounds, has won the heart of his master, Carl E. King of Chicago, with his gentle, mature habits.



WHAT, NO HAM? . . . Pre-performance ritual of soprano Astrid Varnay, youthful queen of the Metropolitan Opera's Wagnerian section, is to gulp a raw egg straight from the shell as a vocal tonic. Gives her egg-shaped tones.

ASK ME ? ANOTHER ?

A quiz with answers offering information on various subjects

The Questions

1. Which has the most bones in its neck, the giraffe or the sparrow?
2. How old is the game of chess?
3. How are illegal stills being tracked down these days?
4. How many different kinds of trees are there on the White House grounds?
5. Why is the India rubber worm so called?
6. What is the "ultrasonic laundering" of clothes that has been predicted by a British scientist?

7. What is the ratio of people to land in Alaska?

The Answers

1. Giraffe has 7, sparrow 16.
2. It is said to have originated in India in the third century A. D.
3. By airplane.
4. Ninety different kinds.
5. Because a 15-foot specimen, for example, can extend itself or be pulled to a length of 90 feet.
6. The use of vibrations of highly pitched inaudible sound waves to shake out the dirt.
7. One person to 10 sq. miles.



Told Him

He appeared before the company officer, charged with using insulting language to his sergeant. "Please, sir," he protested. "I was only answering a question." "What question?" snapped the officer.

"Well, sir, the sergeant said, 'What do you think I am?'"

Not for Long

"Is your son bright?" "He ought to be. He's burning the candle at both ends."

One Lesson

A fond mother received the following letter from her son: "Dear Mom—I joined the navy because I liked the way the ships were kept so clean and tidy. But I never knew until this week who keeps them so clean and tidy.—Love, Jimmy."

Loyalty

"Oh, I adore nature," exclaimed a stout but soulful lady at a dinner party recently.

Groucho Marx was among those present. Turning to his neighbor, he said softly: "That's real loyalty when you consider what nature has done to her."

That new warden is getting altogether too familiar with prisoners; he's started calling them by their first numbers.

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Folks You Know

Artell Roberts, well known farmer southwest of Robert Lee, was taken to Shannon hospital Monday morning because of a heart attack. He is much improved.

Mrs. Genie Baker was ill last week with asthma and was taken to a hospital for treatment on Sunday.

Jimmie Wright left Monday for Colorado City to finish his school year, after spending several months with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Summers.

Pvt. Herb Taylor is here for a 15-day furlough and is visiting in the A. E. Latham home. He has been stationed at Elgin Field, Florida, and is being sent to the South Pacific.

Belva Karen and Nona Gayl Rippetoe of Bronte spent last weekend in the home of Mrs. A. W. Littlefield and Jarvis Littlefield.

H. L. Scott returned the first of the week to El Paso after a few days visit with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burch of Monahans were weekend guests in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Simpson, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. McMillan returned Friday from deer hunting near Sierra Blanca. Mac bagged an 11-point blacktail buck.

Staff Sgt. and Mrs. Lee Latham of Carlsbad, N. Mex., will arrive Wednesday for a Thanksgiving visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Latham.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Black and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sheppard and son, Floyd, spent Sunday in Abilene. The Sheppards visited his mother, Mrs. M. B. Sheppard, and the Blacks were guests of his brother, Lavois Black.

Mrs. A. E. Latham and granddaughter, Monette, spent Sunday in San Angelo with the Frank Keatings.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ivey, Jr. and daughter, Karen Elaine, came Stephenville for a weekend visit in the (Buck) Ivey home. The little granddaughter remained here, while her parents will return to Robert Lee this week for a holiday visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Turner and Mrs. W. H. Bell will attend the Tyler-San Angelo college football game at San Angelo on Thanksgiving. Mrs. Bell's grandson, Bill Rial Denman, is a member of the Tyler squad.

Glenn Simpson was over from San Angelo on business one day the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Kay and Jamie Bilbo will come from Alpine for a Thanksgiving visit in the A. J. Bilbo home.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Neagle of Crosbyton and Mr. and Mrs. Alvie McHam of Anton, Texas, visited in the C. H. Millican home last Tuesday and Wednesday to be with Mrs. Bettie Neagle on her 81st birthday. The former is her son and Mrs. McHam is a granddaughter. A lovely birthday dinner was served by Millican and Mrs. Neagle received a number of nice birthday gifts.

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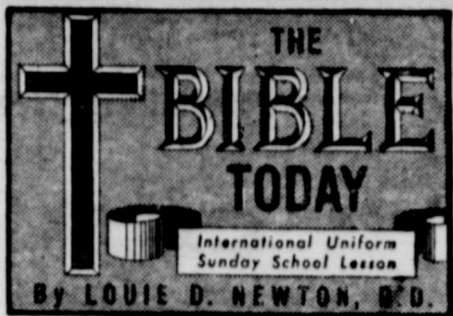
An argument is a discussion in which the husband is permitted to have the next to the last word.

A boy's love is like water in a sieve.

You'll notice that a woman's final decision is not always the same as the one she makes later.

Those who believe money can do everything are frequently prepared to do anything for money.

In looking for somebody to criticize, don't turn your head away when passing a mirror.



SCRIPTURE: I John 4-5; II John; Acts 4:1-13
DEVOTIONAL READING: Romans 8:1-11.

Proof of a Christian

Lesson for November 30, 1947

OPEN your Bible to I John 4-5; Second John; and Acts 4:1-13, and you will have the Scripture background for Sunday's lesson. Add to the above passages Romans 8:1-11, as devotional reading, and you will be thinking of the unimpeachable proofs of a Christian.

Two men are brought before us as examples of Christian discipleship.



Dr. Newton

Peter and John had been preaching Christ to the people in Jerusalem, and they were arrested and brought before the Sanhedrin. The rulers and priests scolded them, asking by what power or name they had done this. Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, answered them:

"Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole. . . . Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

And then follows the verse that reveals the proof that these humble fishermen were really Christians:

"Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus."

The Lord Is My Helper

IN HEBREWS 13:6, we find this revealing statement: "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear."

The more we study the words of John in Sunday's lesson—words that remind us again and again that God is love, that we love him because he first loved us, that when we love him we are made strong in serving him, the clearer we come to understand the incident in Acts 4:1-13, when Peter and John stood boldly before the Sanhedrin, impressing the court with the fact that they had been with Jesus.

They were not afraid because they were conscious of the presence and power of God. The Psalmist put it sublimely when he said, "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want."

When We Walk With God

THE incontestable proof of a Christian is the manner of life he reveals when he walks with God.

A group of men sat in the University Club in Boston, discussing religion. Someone asked Professor William James to define Christianity.

"I will not attempt a definition of Christianity, but I can give you an illustration."

And he pointed to Phillips Brooks. There was no argument. Phillips Brooks was proof positive that Christianity is something vital and practical and real and effective in everyday life.

Who Is a Christian?

WE COME now to the question which always emerges when we think along this line, Who is a Christian? Look now at I John 4:15-21. I quote some of these revealing words:

"Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God. And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love, dwelleth in God, and God in him."

Church membership does not make us Christians. Baptism does not make us Christians.

Anyone may become a Christian, provided he or she is willing to confess their utter lost estate and, repenting of sin, believe on the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and Redeemer. Christ is the Author and the Finisher of our salvation. There is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved.

"Whosoever will may come."

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Schoolboy Howlers

These little gems of information were taken from examination papers:

Prevailing winds are winds that always blow when other winds stop blowing.

In some rocks we find the footprints of fishes.

False doctrine means giving people the wrong medicine.

Antidote is a funny story that you have heard before.

A refugee is a man who blows the whistle at a football game.

Asked to paraphrase the sentence, "The epistle was written in jocular vein," one boy wrote: "The letter was written in blood."

BACK IN 1897

Pigeons First Air Mail Pilots

Pigeons carried messages in ancient times, beginning in the days of Cyrus, the Persian king (about 550 B. C.). But it is not generally known that they pioneered the world's first regular air mail services.

It began in November, 1897, when the Great Barrier Pigeongram Service established a regular air mail route between Auckland, New Zealand, and Great Barrier Island, 65 miles to the north-west across a tempestuous strait. About eighteen months later the New Zealand Government authorized the issuance of special

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In September, 1899, the service was extended to Marotiri and Her and Chicken Islands. A rival service, known as the Great Barrier Pigeongram Agency, began operations in the latter year. Both companies continued to carry mail by pigeon post over these routes until the opening of the New Zealand cable in 1908.

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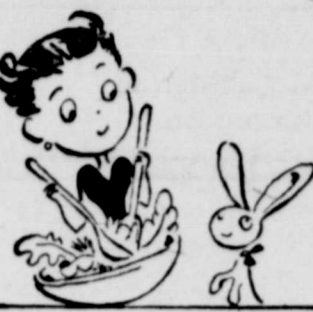
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Clearing Weather

After a week of cloudy weather skies cleared over West Texas on Monday and fair weather is predicted for Thanksgiving week. Following general soaking rains early last week, a drizzle continued for several days and temperatures remained cool. A heavy frost Monday night is expected to kill vegetation in this locality.

**PRE-CUT
Building
MESQUITE**

H. C. Allen and son, Frank, have gone to New Orleans where the former's two running horses will be entered in the big race meet starting Thanksgiving Day. He owns a 3-year-old gelding and a 2-year-old mare, both of which are very promising runners.

County Judge Bob L. Davis was ill the first of the week with a threat of pneumonia.

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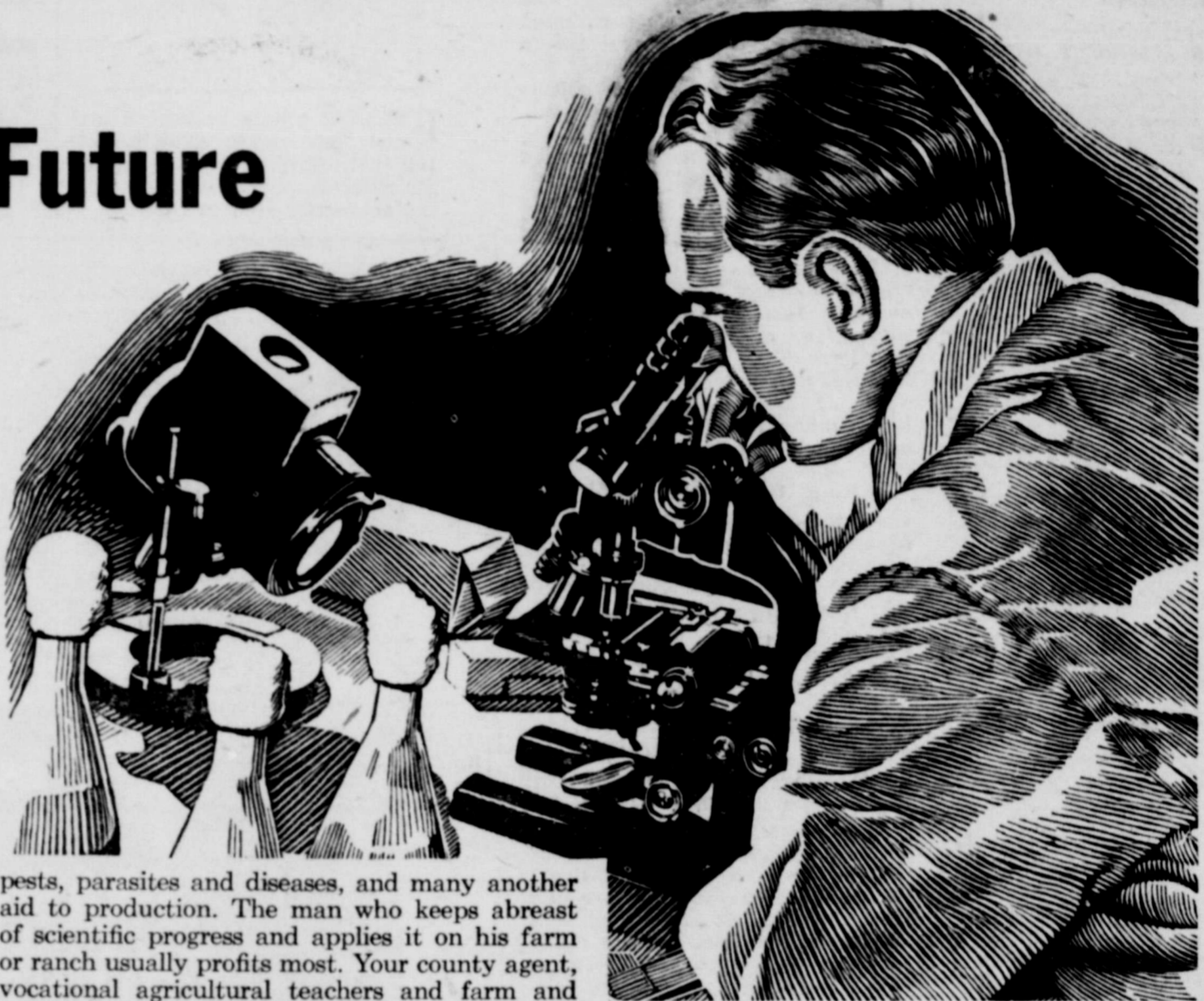
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The scientist in the agricultural laboratory is as truly a pioneer as our grandfathers who fought their way westward to the rich farmlands and the broad ranges of the west. He's looking into your future . . . seeing greater things! His findings, put to use by practical livestock men and farmers, are resulting in thriftier, faster-gaining cattle and lambs, grazing the Great Plains . . . higher yielding crops enriching the Corn Belt . . . new immunity from disease for your livestock. He is pioneering a better and more abundant life for you through new markets for your output, improved products for you to sell.

Miracles like hybrid corn seldom happen by chance. Into its development went more than 30 years of patient research. It cost federal and state governments about ten million dollars. Experiments on individual farms cost unknown amounts. But last year alone hybrid corn added more than \$750,000,000 to farm income. Thanks to research, we now have such chemicals as DDT. Chemists searching for an insecticide to protect our armed forces from malarial mosquitoes found this potent bug killer. Already, DDT has made livestock producers many extra millions through increased production of meat and milk from fly-free herds. One ranch reports an extra ton of beef for every pound of DDT used. What a return on a half-dollar investment!

There are similar thrilling stories being written in every phase of agriculture. Many of the new developments come from colleges and experiment stations (largely financed by taxes paid by individuals and business) or from laboratories supported by private industry. From them you get improved varieties of crops, better control of



pests, parasites and diseases, and many another aid to production. The man who keeps abreast of scientific progress and applies it on his farm or ranch usually profits most. Your county agent, vocational agricultural teachers and farm and ranch publications are your helpers to keep you abreast of latest research information.

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Soda Bill Sez: . . . little grains of sense can produce a big harvest of dollars. . . take a good look at America—and be thankful!



OUR CITY COUSIN



Old Tom heard City Cousin say—
"What a meal for our Thanksgiving day!"



From the Editor's Notebook

Since the days of the Pilgrim fathers, Thanksgiving has been a heart-warming day for American families. This year we, more than any other nation, have cause to be thankful for an abundant harvest. In helping to feed America, we are thankful that we can add our efforts to those of the hard working farm and ranch families who produce our food.

If you plan to visit the International Livestock Show in Chicago, November 29 to December 6, plan also to visit us at Swift & Company. Competent guides will gladly show you along the Visitor's Route through our plant. All of us in the Agricultural Research Department cordially invite you to drop in for a chat. We'll be looking for you!

Producers who attend the International Livestock Show, particularly those who come in from distant points, will quickly realize why the livestock-meat industry needs nationwide meat packers, like Swift & Company. Two-thirds of the nation's livestock is produced west of the Mississippi River, but two-thirds of the meat is eaten east of the Mississippi. This means that, on the average, there is a gap of more than 1,000 miles between major producing areas and major consuming centers. There has to be somebody to bring the producer and the consumer together. Helping to bridge that gap between the western range and the kitchen range efficiently and economically is one of the chief services performed by Swift.



F.M. Simpson.
Agricultural Research Department

Size of Business

by J. L. Tennant
Rhode Island State College



A farm business should be large enough to pay operating costs, interest on the investment, and family living expenses.

J. L. Tennant A southern New England dairy farm, for example, should have at least 18 cows per man; a poultry farm, 1,500 layers; a market-garden farm, 10 acres; a potato farm, 40 acres; and an apple farm, 20 acres. Doing more business with the same capital investment is one way to lower costs and higher profits. With the larger business, the operator can spend more of his time at productive work. For example, workers on a dairy farm with 9 to 10 cows per man will be just as busy as on a farm with 15 to 18 cows per man. The gross sales and net income on the larger operation will be much higher because more of the time is used in producing milk. Reducing costs per unit puts the farm operator in a stronger competitive position.

If more crop land cannot be bought, perhaps it can be rented. Another plan is to check means by which crop production on present acreage can be increased. Ways to do this include: the use of lime and fertilizer; winter cover crops; higher yielding varieties; double cropping; drainage and terracing.

Another step toward efficiency is to install modern equipment which enables one person to produce more per hour. Overhead costs per unit of product can be lowered when each machine is used profitably for as many hours as possible.

Track-Down the Facts

Old Ringtail, the racoon, holes up in hollow trees. He's hard to track down without trained 'coon dogs . . . similarly, there are some hard-to-locate facts about any business. But no one needs any special "fact hunting" ability to get all the facts about what determines livestock prices.



A recent top price for beef steers on a midwest market was \$35, with an average of near \$30; best lambs, \$23.50, average \$23, and hogs were selling up to \$30, with a \$27 average. These prices for livestock are unusual but, in general, they are due to the demand for meats being greater than the supply. They reflect what the consumer is willing and able to pay for meats. All farmers and ranchers should remember these basic facts, whether prices are high or low. The price producers receive for their livestock is governed by what the packer can get for the meat and the by-products.



Martha Logan's Recipe for

TURKEY A LA KING (Yield: 6 Servings)

2 cups diced cooked turkey	1 cup sliced mushrooms
¼ cup butter	2 tablespoons butter
4 tablespoons flour	3 tablespoons chopped pimento
2 cups top milk	2 egg yolks
1 teaspoon salt	buttered toast
½ cup chopped green pepper	

Make a white sauce of the butter, flour, milk, and salt. Sauté green pepper and mushrooms in the two tablespoons of butter. Add green pepper, mushrooms, pimento, and turkey to sauce. Heat slowly five minutes. Stir to prevent burning. Stir in beaten egg yolks. Serve on buttered toast.

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