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WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(NEA)—With Chicago cash wheat above \$2.80, and corn above \$2.60, the gamblers are again flocking into the grain pits. It's having the effect, not only of raising the cost of living, but also of reducing the quantity of European food relief.

Speculation isn't confined to the big commodity exchanges in Chicago, Omaha, Kansas City or New York. Every farmer who holds back on this year's harvest, refusing to sell because he thinks the price will go still higher, is in his small way playing the market.

As an editorial in "The Farmer" of St. Paul quotes one northwest wheat grower: "Let the speculators go to it. All they're doing is raising the price of my crop." That seems to be the spirit of the times.

Just how much this speculative boom may have driven up the price of wheat, corn, oats, barley, rye and soybeans is impossible to figure, say Department of Agriculture experts.

The one agency of the Department which keeps tabs on the grain market gamblers is the Commodity Exchange Authority, headed by J. M. Mehl.

This agency can have no interest in whether market prices are too high or too low, beyond the point of determining that current quotations are not artificial, and that they do honestly reflect conditions of supply and demand.

The Authority stations officers at all the major commodity exchanges. Their duty is to watch for, and prevent, market manipulations by exposing them. But CEA has no power to police or punish speculators. Authority staff members say it would still be possible for some wretch to corner a market.

While Federal Reserve Board has authority to regulate margin requirements on the stock exchanges, Commodity Exchange Authority has no such power to regulate the margins on its markets.

When Sen. Ralph E. Flanders of Vermont a few days ago suggested that 100 per cent margin should now be required for all transactions on the grain pits, he was in effect saying that there ought to be a law requiring speculators to pay cash in full for every purchase, or that the commodity exchanges themselves should voluntarily issue orders requiring 100 per cent margin. For a Republican to ask for more government control indicates how serious this thing is becoming.

Chicago Board of Trade promptly took the hint and raised margin requirements, slightly, for the professional traders.

Wheat, corn and barley margins required were raised from 25 to 35 cents a bushel. Oats was raised from 12 to 17 cents, soybeans 40 to 65 cents. Brokers handling accounts for the amateurs—the little fellows who like to take a flyer—usually require higher margins. Most brokers now require 45 cents a bushel, cash in advance on corn orders. But at today's high market prices, a speculator with only a nominal \$450 to gamble can "buy" 1000 bushels of corn actually worth \$2600 or more.

For the professional traders—the big fellows with say \$100,000 to gamble—at 30 cents margin requirement on wheat they can control over 300,000 bushels worth nearly a million dollars.

Brokers, of course, have to carry their customers with loans on the unpaid balances. It is estimated that there are now over \$100 million held by brokers in trust funds for their customers. That gives a rough idea of the amount of money there is kicking around in today's speculative grain markets.

Last week, Commodity Exchange Authority issued a special call report on the Chicago corn futures market to show speculative holdings as of last June 30. Of 4300 accounts, 2900 were speculative.

In such a market there is, of course, tremendous risk. No market analyst can today foresee any possibility for a reduced demand for grains. The danger of a boom market always carries with it, however, the danger of a bust. The last such collapse was on the cotton futures market in October 1946. A lot of speculators lost their shirts.

SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—Bill Skiff and Burlingh Grimes have earnestly scouted the Dodgers for the Yankees, but Bart Shotton doubts that it will do the American League champions any good in the World Series.

"This Brooklyn club is too unpredictable," says Manager Shotton, pointing to Pistol Pete Reiser and Jackie Robinson as the type of athlete who will beat other guys single-handed.

Shotton feels that he is well acquainted with most of the Yankees, having been in close contact with them during his coaching days in Cleveland.

But this didn't stop the National League from putting scouts "Wild Matthews of the Browns and Hank DeBerry of the Giants on the New York club.

It was this pair that a year ago lured Eddie Dyer of the Cardinals into one of the most exhaustive scouting reports ever compiled.

Shotton recommended the humorous and kidding along of Ted Williams.

Manager Dyer followed it to the letter and in the end it tied the home-scouted Red Sox in a neat tie.

When someone pointed out that this time the Yankees have Charles Dresser coaching at third base to steal signs and call pitches, Shotton pointed out that the tipping off of batters is grossly overdone.

On a matter of fact, Old Barney thought, it does more harm than good.

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One should not be fooled by false indications such as bat excretion in caves (this has even fooled geologists), bees' wax, black alkali, manganese oxides, marsh gas, small erosional hills, and worm dung.

Tomorrow—More about oil.

Heartsease

by Elsie Glenn

A Letter From My Friend

We all have friends, thank God! But some friends are more than friends; they seem to be the personification of the Spirit of Christ. Today, I received a letter from my friend, which is burned forever within my heart and I want to share it with you. Here it is, exactly as she wrote it: "Elsie, my darling: the little candle you will find here is especially for you. You and I, being Catholic minded, know and appreciate the beautiful significance of a lighted candle. Such a candle means much to me and that is why I send this one to you, because I love you, and I knew you would understand.

"Love is a sacred thing that must often stand the grueling test of time and sometimes human suffering. Ours has stood both. Our love came into being so quietly, did it not, my darling? Nothing I could ever do or say could compensate you for the hours and moments you have given me. I may not have said to you in words all that could be said, but my thoughts toward you have ever been: tender, quiet, lovable, true and with that respect that makes human relationships tend toward perfection.

"I have told you before that you have that great, divine spark that few others have. I am aware that God creates a few mortals more in His image than others. I beg you to take care of that priceless possession you have. You and I, who know the silent language of the stars, shall always share the beautiful, because we understand these intangible things. Always, when you hear a lovely

strain of music, see a beautiful flower, or hear a bird sing, particularly a mocking bird at night, know that I share it with you. We have shared so many things together!

"Hearts are fragile things. I shall guard yours well, as I know you will mine. It is yours for the simple keeping because it lies in the hollow of your hands.

"Light the little candle for both of us and breathe a prayer as you watch the gallant little flame reach upward. I have blessed the candle for you, but I ask another kind of blessing from Someone higher than I, my darling, for you."

The day was beautiful. One of

those golden, Fall days, filled with hazy, shady sunshine. I sat quite still and did not feel the breeze coming through the open window.

Carefully, I held the tiny candle high up in the air and struck the match that burst it into flame. It burned a moment, then the wind blew it out. My eyes were lifted now to the golden beauty about me and my lips moved silently: "Thank you, my friend... I understand."

Honest Thief Leaves Payment For Loot

OMAHA, Neb. (UP)—The proprietor of a local cafe tells of the first "honest" burglar he has ever encountered.

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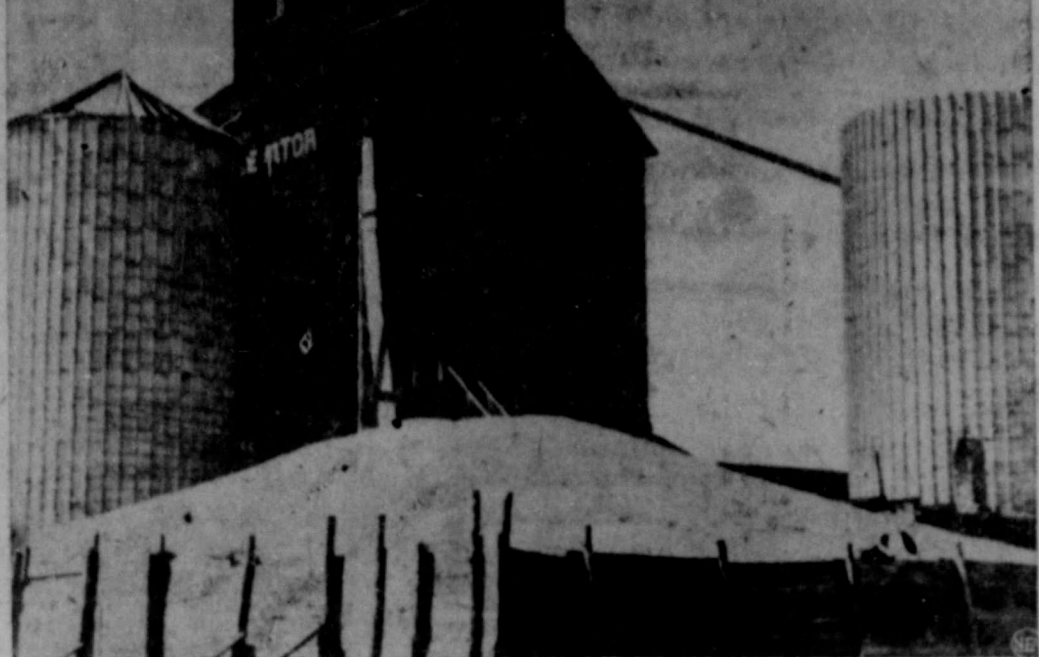
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Mountains of Wheat, With No Place to Go



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SAYS FOOTWEAR PRICES STILL RELATIVELY CHEAP

The following article on footwear appeared in the September issue of National Footwear News and gives the inside picture on the price of shoes.

Shoes are one of the very few items in which all consumers are vitally interested, yet the average man or woman knows less about shoes than almost any other article purchased at retail. Today, for example, talk of rising prices leaves the average consumer baffled and confused. Shoes sell for more than the consumer remembers as the case a number of years ago, and that general impression makes people susceptible to inaccurate statements and distorted observations about shoes. But, the fact is, that shoes are still relatively cheap in comparison with the increased slice of the consumer's dollar which other staples, necessities, and luxuries now require.

The average pair of shoes from which extraordinary wear, service and good looks are expected, are the product of skilled craftsmanship and experienced management. Each pair of shoes represents the labor of many specialized workers who know how to make leathers and create the foot wear to service a basic requirement of 140 million people. More labor is represented in a pair of shoes than in many products which sell for considerably more. Since 1940, the cost of the labor embodied in each pair of shoes has increased more than 100 per cent. Labor, however, is only one item because materials account for an even greater part of the cost of making shoes. The raw materials from which leather is fashioned now cost from 100 per cent to 300 per cent more than in 1940. After the years of devastating war, hides and skins are wanted throughout the world and costs to American tanners are therefore a great deal higher than they were in years gone by.

In spite of these cost increases, which are a matter of record in Government statistics, the shoe and leather industries of the United States have held down the price of shoes to consumers. Retailers have used all the ingenuity at their command to get the right shoes for their customers, to give the correct fit and the

style which people should expect, and have tried to keep the cost to their customers lower than rising production costs warrant. Shoes have not gone up at least 100 per cent as have materials and labor. On the contrary, the average cost at retail of all shoes to John Doe and Jane Doe is probably up no more than 45 per cent. Many kinds of shoes are selling for less today than the cost at which the retailer could replace those shoes in the light of existing hide and skin and labor prices.

The story of the shoe business is a little known saga. Some day the facts of an unprecedented industrial achievement will become known to the public and consumers will realize that a pair of American shoes represents the embodiment of low cost, free enterprise, competitive know-how. Shoes are the unrecognized symbol of the American standard of living with quality and performance available to 140 million consumers at prices which have been and remain low in contrast with other consumers' goods.

Country Cat Spurns Hectic City Life

Bath, N. Y. (UP)—Mr. and Mrs. Jansen Clark's cat Tabithy apparently believes all the things country folk say about the city being no place to raise children. Tabithy accompanied her owners on a visit to Rochester, 70 miles from here. Shortly after arriving in the city, Tabithy disappeared.

Three weeks later the Clarks returned to their farm home near here. Tabithy was waiting in a box on the back porch. With her were her four new-born kittens.

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JEROME, Ida. (UP)—Tourists



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Question: What is the best way to answer the telephone?

Answer: It's usually best to identify yourself at once. "Mr. Hopkins speaking" helps start things off right—especially if the caller may not recognize your voice. It's much better than "Hello."

Question: Can the person I'm calling hear me better if I talk loudly?

Answer: It's better to speak in a normal voice—clearly and distinctly—with your lips about a half inch from the transmitter.

Question: Can I get the operator's attention faster by "jiggling" the receiver hook up and down rapidly?

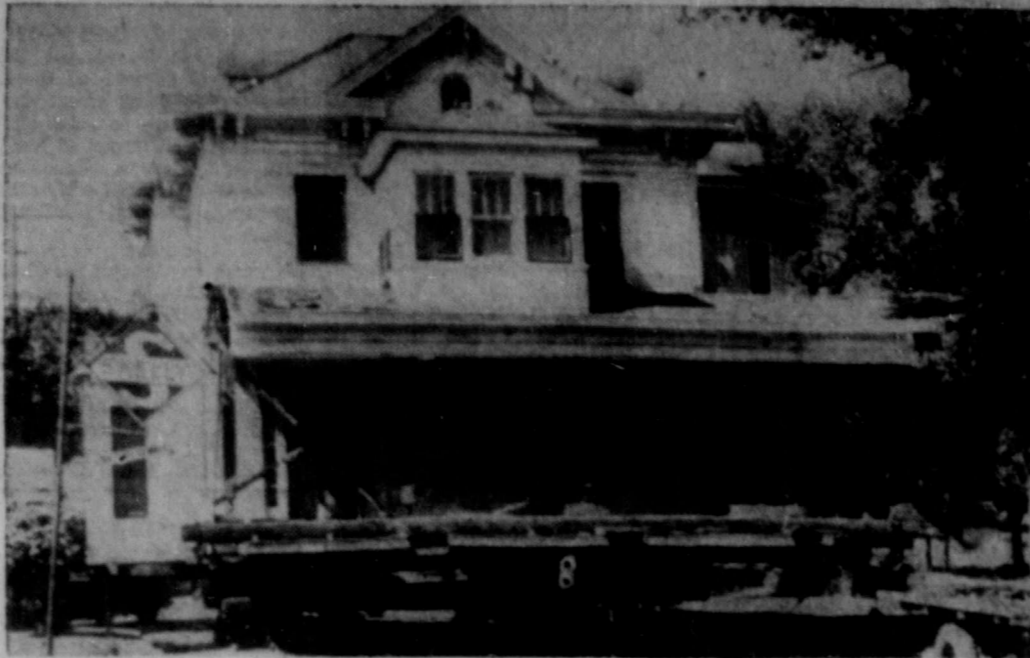
Answer: No! When you move the hook too fast, it often brings in no signal at all. Move it slowly for better results.

Question: When I'm talking on a party line, how do I know if another party wants to call?

Answer: You may hear him lift the receiver. If so, the neighborly thing to do is finish your conversation as soon as convenient so he can make his call.

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House Is Traffic Hazard



Enroute to a new location this house was stopped by the tree at right, which the city of Emporia, Kansas, would not permit to be cut down by the movers. As a result, the house has blocked Highway K99 for the past four days. Lawyers representing the city and the movers are striving for a solution. (NEA Telephoto).

SOCIETY
Bride-Elect Is Complimented At Shower Thurs.

Miss Christene Wallace, bride-elect of Mr. George Sutphen of Odessa, was honored with a bridal shower Thursday at the home of Mrs. J. W. Rains.

Guests were received by Mrs. Rains, Mrs. L. E. Wallace, Mrs. J. W. Sutphen, and Miss Wallace. Mrs. Fernan Rains was in charge of the bride's book.

Pink sweetheart rose buds entwined with Queen Ann's lace formed the center piece for the lace covered table. The color scheme of pink and blue was carried out in the pink and blue cup cakes and favors of pink and blue nut cups filled with mints.

Mrs. Van Young presided at the crystal punch bowl and Mrs. George Bolton and Mrs. R. J. Rains assisted in the dining room. A number of friends called and presented Miss Wallace with a shower of lovely gifts.

Out-of-town guests included Mrs. S. W. Sutphen, Mrs. Van Young and son and daughter, James Floyd and Linda Kay, Wayne White, and George Sutphen, all of Odessa.

College Sophs Elect Officers
The Sophomore class of Ranger Junior College met Friday, September 26, to elect class officers for the coming year.

Those elected were: president, Deasford Waggoner; vice-president, Rex Elrod; secretary-treasurer, Clarice Westfall; student council representative, Doris Elrod; sergeant-at-arms, Q. Echlon Ivy.

Miss Anne McEver is class sponsor.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Waggoner and children, Susie and Butch, of Coolidge, formerly of Ranger, visited friends here during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Champion of Wink, formerly of Ranger, were visiting friends here today.

Billy Anderson, Gilbert Cogburn and Howard Frasier, all students of Baylor University, were home for a week-end visit with their parents and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Cooper, and W. K. and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ham of Los Angeles, California, spent Thursday in Waco visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert Riggs.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ham have returned to their home in Los Angeles, California after a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Browning.

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On another page of this issue of the Times will be found a small ad which pictures a comical looking cow-boy dragging a cow by the tail.

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The cow and the cow-boy make up the trade-mark of the Central Hide & Rendering Company. The company dubs itself as "Your Local Used-Cow Dealer," which is expressive enough when one considers the business engaged in by this concern.

The company is in the business of removing dead and crippled cows—also horses, mules, sheep, goats, hogs, etc., for this matter—from the premises of the people of this area. With a branch at Abilene, company representatives have on numerous occasions hauled off carcasses from this vicinity. All one need do is call collect the number given in the ad and the company's truck will be right over to have the bereaved owner from having to dispose of the remains of "Old Betsy" or "Old Dobbin".

There is no charge whatever for the service. For obvious reasons, though, the sooner after the demise the call is made the happier everybody concerned in the matter will be. Jim McDonald, manager of the company, pointedly suggests.

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Fire Loss Near All-Time Peak

NEW YORK (UP)—The nation's fire loss has increased 300 per cent in ten years, and in setting an all-time peak this year, threatens to exceed \$700,000,000, according to the National Fire Protection Association.

Asserting that 90 per cent of the loss is simply due to carelessness and indifference, the NFPA, sponsor of fire prevention week, being observed from Oct. 5-11, graphically pictures the magnitude of the loss.

"Enough houses are being destroyed or damaged to house the entire population of Los Angeles, fifth city in size in the United States.

The dollar loss is roughly equivalent in value to every productive acre and every farm building in the state of Washington. "Time lost on the job because of fire adds up to a quarter of the total loss in strikes in 1946.

"Dead and injured will approximate 40,000, more than the number listed as missing by the army and navy after four years of war."

Stating that fire prevention is largely a matter of common sense, the NFPA this year is concentrating its efforts on elimination of four structural hazards which account for half of all home fires "because it is easier to eliminate faulty construction than it is to correct bad habits."

Main structural habits, according to the NFPA, are use of flammable roofing rather than a fire-resistant material, such as asphalt shingles; improperly installed and dirty and defective heating plants and chimneys; and inadequate wiring systems and operation of defective electrical equipment.

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Puzzled Flier Gets Plenty Aid

LOS ALAMOS, N.M. (UP)—James F. Horton of Milwaukee, Wis., had plenty of help recently when he became lost and landed at the Los Alamos Field.

Horton, on his way from Amarillo to Albuquerque, lost his bearings ran out of gasoline and landed on the field here. He explained to inquisitive officials that his radio was out, too. Security officials, however, quickly told him that "this is a blackout area on the maps, and it is not only illegal to land here but it is illegal to fly over."

Horton was rushed off to Santa Fe and back. He was helped in filling the plane and the direction.

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