

CASTRO COUNTY MELON CROP—J. N. Burgin shows his 5-year old son, James Norman, how to cut and sample a cantaloupe. Burgin says James is "the best picker I've got." B. Buford Hayden, left, and Castro County Agent Raymond King look for cantaloupes to exhibit at forthcoming fairs in Dimmitt, Lubbock and Amarillo. Mrs. Ha Hayden drives a tractor to punch hit 1 ora hired hand who had to be treated for a spiderbite.—Photos

courtesy News-Globe

Mrs. George C. Taylor and small daughter of Fort Worth are here visiting relatives. Her father, J. B. McFarland is a patient at the local hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Rex Marshall and family were supper guests of their daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. James E. Brown and Larrie at Muleshoe.

Serve Summer Callers Iced Coffee and a Snack



Lazy weather, good friends and long languid chats somehow seem to go together. In these hot, late-summer days, it's a good idea to have a bit of easy-going food on hand, ready to put together at a moment's notice if neighbors drop in.

A tall glass of frosty iced coffee and a tempting snack—what could be better on a summer afternoon or evening? Crisp crackers and rye wafers are easy to keep on the pantry shelf. Serve them with jams, jellies and a variety of cheese spreads. There are a number of good cheese mixtures to buy ready-made, but some of the best are those you make at home. We will give you three excellent recipes for cheese spreads in a moment.

For last-minute preparation, make hot coffee double-strength by using half the amount of water to the usual amount of coffee. Then pour it directly into glasses filled to the top with ice. Serve it with cream and simple syrup for sweetening. Here are the cheese spread recipes we mentioned:

- Blue Cheese Spread**
2 2-oz. pkg. cream cheese 1/4 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1/2 cup crumbled blue cheese 2 teaspoons grated onion
Heavy cream
- Combine cream cheese, blue cheese, Worcestershire sauce and onion. Mix thoroughly. Beat until fluffy, adding enough cream to make easy-spreading consistency.
- Savory Cheese Spread**
2 2-oz. rolls sharp cheddar cheese 1/4 cup minced mushrooms
2 tablespoons mayonnaise
- Mash cheese; add mayonnaise; beat until fluffy. Add tabasco and olives.
- Pimiento Cheese Spread**
2 2-oz. pkg. cream cheese 2 tablespoons minced black olives
1/4 cup minced pimientos Heavy cream
- Mash cheese and add pimientos and olives. Beat until fluffy, adding enough cream to make easy-spreading consistency.



KILLING TIME—Shirley May France, American schoolgirl waiting for suitable weather to try to swim the English Channel, goes for a ride on the ferris wheel at Dover's Luna Park. Also on the amusement tour is her coach, Harry Boudakian.



SUNKEN SHIP SPOTTED—B. J. Kriger and Leo T. Behne, Jr. of Houston, Tex., have found an old ship buried in water and silt in Lake Miller, just off Trinity Bay in Chambers County, Tex. They plan to start unearthing the ship to determine if it is the treasure-laden ship that legend says that the pirate Jean Lafitte sank there. (AP Photo)

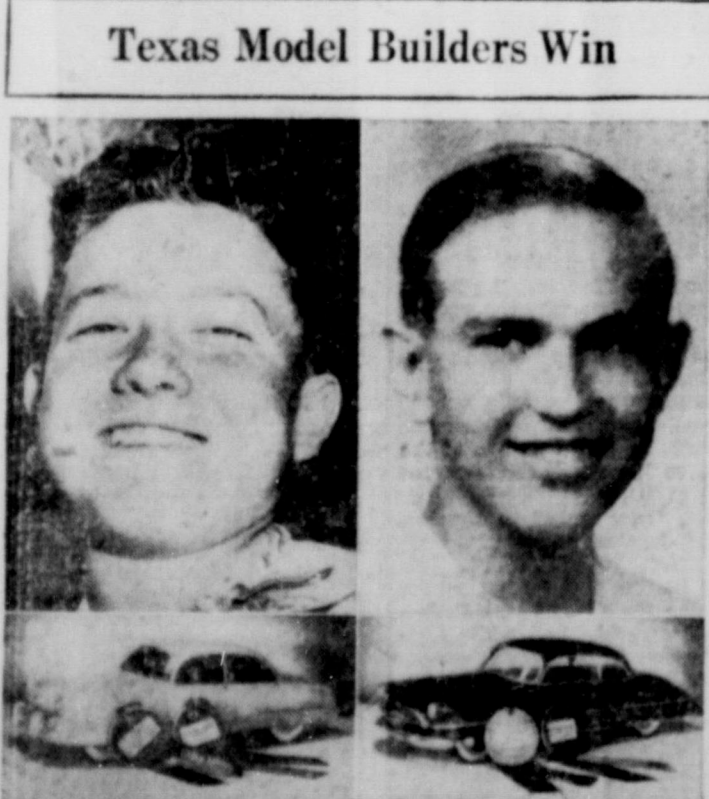


WILLING HELPER — This friendly-looking Pandora Chimp, resident at the Philadelphia Zoo, clears the way for a giant bulldozer. The task is one of breaking ground for a new lion house at the zoo. If the chimp's doing more than his share, it's probably because he wants to make sure the lions are kept well within bounds.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Jasper returned several days ago from an extended visit with their son in Arizona. Tom has found the ideal cattle country over there and is thinking seriously of going there for permanent residence.

David Goodwine who has been spending a part of the summer here assisting his uncle, Clyde V. Goodwine with his farm work, departed Tuesday for Vernon to spend a few days visiting his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Price.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Habbinga returned last week from their vacation trip over in New Mexico.



ALMOST AS BIG AS HE IS—Nine-year-old Charms Murrage of Lyford, Tex., was the youngest and smallest entrant in the Texas International Fishing tournament at Port Isabel, Tex. But he also caught one of the biggest fish. He is shown with the 5 foot 4 inch, 69-pound Tarpon which he caught on the final day of competition. The big fish won three prizes for the youngster. (AP Photo)



SERUM MAY HAVE CHEATED POLIO OUT OF VICTIM—Peggy Ann Best, 4, Tucuman, N. M., smiles at her grandfather, Dr. C. O. Molander, Chicago, who gave her a special serum to lessen the severity of polio. She is apparently recovering in a Lubbock, Tex. hospital. Dr. Molander, who came to Lubbock after Peggy's sister, Sandra Jean, 7, died of polio, said the serum, in use 10 to 15 years, reduces the bulbar type mortality rate from 45 per cent down to 18 per cent. It was flown from Deutsch Serum Center, Chicago on his order. (AP Photo)



Case March of Waco has resigned his position as professor of law at Baylor University to make his third consecutive race for Governor of Texas. The Waco lawyer has announced that he will open his campaign headquarters in Waco and hit the campaign trail in early June and stay on the road until the election, 1950. March's platform calls for the redistribution of the tax burden in Texas from the small home owner and farmer to certain natural resources; \$50 a month old age pensions, rural roads, aid to institutions for the mentally sick, veterans bonus, assumption by the State of the local bond indebtedness of school districts and the preservation of local self government in Texas.

STRICTLY FRESH

A GOVERNMENT banker says President Truman's "bold new program" for aiding underdeveloped countries will not cost the U. S. anything immediately. Say, that must be a bold program!

Most satisfied television users persuade at least two of their friends to buy a set. That's one way of getting rid of them.

A Michigan fisherman caught a brown trout wearing a pair of



plastic-rimmed spectacles. Spectators were goggle-eyed with amazement. After a tavern brawl, a St. Louis man went to a doctor and was found to have a bullet lodged between his scalp and his skull. What a hair-raising experience!



WAITING THEIR TURN—This long line of trucks, loaded with cotton, are waiting their turn to be unloaded at the Port Compress Co. in Corpus Christi, Tex., Aug. 24. Texas bumper cotton crop has flooded in on this gulf town in such volume that the city's two compresses have slipped on an embargo. The Port Compress is still receiving cotton shipped by trucks, but a wait of several hours is necessary before a truck can get to the docks to be unloaded. The other compress will take no more cotton by either rail or truck. (AP Photo)

Hospital Notes

Patients admitted: James Mabry, Friona, med.; Mrs. A. H. Wilson, Friona; J. B. McFarland, Friona, surg.; Earl Black, Friona, surgery; Mrs. George Green, Friona, med.; Mrs. C. L. Dunn, Friona, surg.; Mrs. G. W. Horton, Bovina, med.; Mrs. Robert James, Mrs. Glenn Mings, Friona, med.; Mrs. Junior Rocky, Friona, surg.; Mrs. A. G. Roland, Friona, med.; Mrs. Fred White, Friona, surg.

Patients dismissed: Mrs. James Mabry, Mrs. G. W. Horton, Mrs. Glenn Mings, Mrs. A. H. Wilson, Jerry Parker, Earl Black, and Mrs. C. L. Dunn.

Following is a code or rules and regulations, proposed by the medical staff, the corps of nurses and the business manager, and approved by the board of trustees:

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Mr. and Mrs. Rex Marshall and family visited their mother and brother, Mrs. Betty Teny and Raymond at O'Donnell Saturday and Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Gattin of Marlow, Okla. spent a part of last week here having come over to be with their daughter, Mrs. C. L. Dunn, a part of the time while she was in the hospital.

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PHOTO FINISH. Katherine Kleinschmidt, Hawaii Swim Club, Honolulu, (closest to camera) and Jean Layton, Riviera Club, Indianapolis, Ind., battled to the finish line so close together in the 800-yard free style final event in the Women's National Senior A. A. U. outdoor swim meet at San Antonio that it looked like a photo finish, but the Hawaiian girl won by a finger nail. The time was 11:48.1. (AP Photo)



RODEO. This coming Sunday is the big day of the Fifth Annual Boys Ranch Rodeo. Roy Rogers, and his wife, Dale Evans, will be the feature attraction of the show. They are making the trip a family affair, and are bringing their two daughters, Cheryl, 8, and Linda Lou, 6, Roy's manager. Art Bush will also accompany them. The boys from the ranch have all their rodeo riding and roping polished up, under the direction of Leonard Stroud, former World Champion trick roper and trick rider. The Boys Ranch Rodeo will be held at the Tri-State Fair Grounds in Amarillo, and there will be two performances... 2:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M.

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But we are hearing almost daily that this question is receiving considerable attention, and occasionally clippings from other papers are handed to us for our perusal and comments.

We are neither geologist nor hydrologist, and therefore know nothing about these matters from a scientific point of view; but our honest opinion as to the source of our underground water supply was that it came from those—so called—bottomless lakes over in the mountains, but scientists seem to completely ignore that theory. Cautious, however, teachers are that until the source of this supply is definitely determined, the length of its continuance is anybody's guess, for there is no supply of any article that can continue after its source is exhausted.

We are not setting ourselves up as any sort of authority on the water subject, and we are writing this simply because we have been asked to do so with the hope of giving some theories as to the source of this subterranean water supply.

Here are a few examples of what has happened in other localities where underground water has been used for irrigation purposes.

A way back near the beginning of the present century, a great stir was made throughout the central portions of our country about the great artesian wells that had been discovered at various points in the Pecos Valley and the immensity and variety of the crops that were being produced there from the use of the water from these artesian wells. About twenty years ago we had the pleasure of a trip through some of those territories where these wells had existed, and we found many of those fine orchards in which the trees were entirely dead. In others, there were a few green trees and many dead ones, and on asking the cause we were told that there were no more artesian wells and that many of them could not even be pumped. The water was gone. We are told that over near Deming, a once large irrigated section, is again utterly desolate because the water is all gone from the ground. In many other sections where water was once comparatively near the surface, the wells must now be 200 to 300 feet deep in order to secure water for irrigation. These are only samples of what has really happened in other places. We are not saying that it will happen here, but it may. And now a few quotations from scientific sources:

From a clipping from some newspaper, with the date line being Albuquerque, N. M., we quote the following: (Quote) "Steady drops in ground water levels in Southwestern New Mexico are a danger signal," reports a U. S. Geological survey official. Dr. Charles V. Theis said levels have fallen considerably—as much as 55 feet in the Hagerman area—in the past few years and are still dropping. "There are no signs that any equilibrium has been reached yet. As long as the southeastern part of the state continues to use more and more water for irrigation, the water tables will continue to fall until they reach a state of equilibrium. The overall drops in the ground water levels throughout the region are a danger signal." (End Quote).

The article closes with the following paragraph. (Quote) "The report said artesian pressures in the Roswell basin as shown by six wells with automatic level recorders, declined in 1948 from 1.8 to 8.1 feet in four wells as compared with 1947. The other two wells showed net rises of 5 and 2.6 feet." (End quote).

We gather from what we read in various papers of the plains country that some of our larger cities, including Amarillo and Lubbock, are becoming somewhat touchy about the future of their water supply for domestic and mechanical purposes, and fearing that the subterranean source of supply cannot much longer be depended upon, and are casting about for some more stable source for their water supply, and the idea of dams across rivers, draws, etc., is being considered. If we are right in our surmise, that is probably one of the causes in the deep interest that is springing up in the building of a dam across the Canadian River, and some smaller streams, of water courses that are usually dry.

In order to give our readers a little air on this idea of dams, we will quote a few paragraphs from a circular letter received at the Star office, bearing the date line of Abilene, Texas. We have thrown the envelope which contained the letter into the waste box, but it is supposedly from the West Texas Chamber

of Commerce, and we are not positive about that.

(Quote): "Thrifty West Texas, today has a new hope for water in a program that may make the entire area a network of pipelines, supplying water from a half dozen multi-city dams on the major watersheds." This prospect is seen in a letter from President John D. Mitchell, of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, to Manager D. A. Bandeen, in which he pledges the organization's support of multi-city surveys.

"From our study of and activities on development of our municipal water supply it appears that the solution is beyond the capacity of the individual cities and that the total solution of the problem must come from complete river basin development and the building of large dams serving several cities." Mitchell wrote. The fact is that dam sites are not available for each of our cities, and that there are only a few dam sites with ample watersheds and potable water on each of our main streams. These few main basin dams must be promptly developed if West Texas is to save the water originating in our territory and meet the critical water shortages now existing in all our cities." (End quote).

The entire letter is too long for repetition in this column, so we will pass on to the closing paragraph, which reads as follows:

(Quote): "The city of Baird, however, now is buying water from Abilene in tank cars. The same is true of Trent. Stamford also is threatened with buying water from Abilene, while other towns in the general area are buying drinking water from tank trucks which haul it in from Sweetwater. The multi-city dam and pipeline system would put a stop to that." (End quote).

It seems, and we take the view that it is evident that the same sheet of subterranean water that supplies the urban portions of the cap rock area, must also supply the rural portions of the area, and if the cities are feeling the growing scarcity and that the underground flow is gradually diminishing, that the same condition must also exist in the rural portions, and if that be true the supply for irrigation on the farms will eventually cease to exist, and if that become true, the source of water for domestic use and for our little city and others like it will also become extinct.

Under the stress of the information above given, we feel ourself and our personal opinion turning toward the damming idea. Surely it will be a dam-site better to have dammed water than none at all. And we have a good deep and broad ravine running right by our city, which, if dammed, during one of our periodic overflows, would be filled

from brim to brim, for a distance of some 12 or 15 miles.

Probably the safest and most effective way to reduce weight is to put a time clock on the refrigerator.

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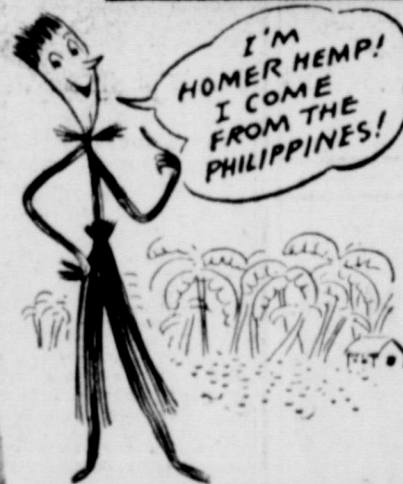
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