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North Texas has just concluded its biggest manhunt since the days of Sam Bass. The pursuit lasted for four days before the "one-man" crime wave surrendered. He probably was just giving his friends time to raise a thousand dollars so he could hire a senator and get a parole from the pardon board.

When a fellow pays 85 cents for a meal, it does look like they ought to serve butter with it. Even if butter is 80 cents a pound, it would only cost a cent to serve a pat. Of course, this doesn't include the cost of buying a new razor blade every once in a while to cut the butter

with. Maybe this mild complaint will produce results. The recent plea for sausage with some sausage in it did. Ted and Paul, who run a market in Fort Worth, sent me a good sized package of sausage that tasted like the old-time kind—free.

And from Bill Sullivan, a guide, away up in Stanley, Idaho comes an invitation to go on a hunting and fishing trip in the primitive area of the Middle Fork of the Salmon River and the Saw Tooth and White Cloud Mountains and go after chinook salmon, sockeye salmon, steel head, rainbow, golden, cut-throat, native and other trout—also elk, deer, goat and black bear. "Grizzly" was scratched out—and me all a-hankering to tackle a grizzly bear bare handed, with a bowie knife in my teeth in reserve just in case I needed it.

There is a pleasure from coming in contact with nature that nothing else can give—whether it is digging in the earth and planting seeds, or dropping a line in the water under the shade of a tree or just walking through the woods in the twilight.

You no doubt noticed in the papers the other day where Miss Nancy Huval of Pampa wrote a letter to President Truman, saying that if Alaska is admitted as a state, it ought to be divided into two or three, as "Texas just has to be the biggest state."

For a good while, this columnist has been giving thought to the condition that would result if Alaska becomes a state and it is gratifying to learn that there are some others who feel concerned about it too.

The young lady from Pampa is

to be congratulated, however, on doing something about it and she showed fine judgment in writing to the President himself; there is nothing like going direct to the "head man."

But if worst comes to worst and Alaska is admitted as a state all in one chunk, there is this consolation: Texans—and especially the hundreds of thousands who were in the armed forces during the war—have done a grand job of letting the rest of the world know how big Texas is and we have such a head start on Alaska that they will never be able to catch up with us.

I used to tell this little story in talks: A Texas sergeant landed in North Africa with a detachment of Texans during the recent war. He called them together and said, "Men, we want to advance the good neighbor policy; we are here to create good will. If these natives over here say that Africa is bigger than Texas—why just agree with them."

But I quit telling the story because the audiences thought that Texas is bigger than Africa. And, come to think of it, I believe that Texas is bigger, too.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT IN MEMORY OF:

**BROTHER B. F. BROWN**

Who died February 28, 1947

Once again a Brother Mason, having completed the designs written for him on life's trestle board, has passed through the portals of Eternity, and entered the Grand Lodge of the New Jerusalem, and hath received as his reward, the white stone with the name written thereon.

And, whereas, the All-wise and Merciful Master of the Universe has called, from labor to refreshment, our beloved Brother, and he having been a true and faithful member of our beloved Order, therefore:

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Charter of Sterling Lodge No. 728, A. F. & A. M. of Sterling City, Texas, in testimony of our loss, be draped in mourning for thirty days, and that we tender to the family of the deceased Brother, our sincere condolence in their deep affliction, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family.

C. C. Ainsworth  
H. F. Merrell  
Wm. J. Swann.  
Committee.

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### CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Margaret Gilmore and the unknown heirs of Margaret Gilmore, Arthur G. Nason and the unknown heirs of Arthur G. Nason, Austin Elliott and the unknown heirs of Austin Elliott, and George Washington Elliott and the unknown heirs of George Washington Elliott, GREETING:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the First Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation, the same being Monday the 28th day of April, A.D., 1947, at or before 10 o'clock A.M., before the Honorable District Court of Sterling County, at the Court House in Sterling City, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 12th day of March, 1947. The file number of said suit being No. 488.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Rufus W. Foster and T. F. Foster, as Plaintiffs and Margaret Gilmore, Arthur G. Nason and the unknown heirs of Arthur G. Nason, Austin Elliott and the unknown heirs of Austin Elliott, and George Washington Elliott, as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit:

Suit to establish title of Plaintiffs in and to 73 acres of land, more or less, out of the north part of Margaret Gilmore Survey No. 1, Abstract No. 59, Certificate No. 1808, Patent No. 416, Vol. 35, Sterling County, Texas, together with an undivided one-half interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals, in, on and under said land, plaintiffs alleging that they and their privy in title, claiming good and perfect legal title thereto of right, in good faith and under duly recorded and adverse possession thereof, using and enjoying the same, enclosing the same under under fence (which did not enclose 5000 acres of land in the aggregate)

erecting and placing improvements on the same, and paying taxes thereon as they accrued and before delinquency, and have continued to do so without interruption from June 13, 1904 to date of filing of this suit.

Issued this 12th day of March, 1947.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Sterling City, Texas, this 12th day of March

A.D., 1947

(Seal) W.W. DURHAM, Clerk District Court, Sterling County, Texas.

North Carolina tops the United States in canine population with 980,000 dogs. Ohio is next with 880,000.

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From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

### Do Men Like Women?

\* Maybe you read that recent article in a national magazine, claiming that American men don't really like the company of women. They just put them up on a pedestal and leave them there.

But I wouldn't say that that was so in our town. Look at any married couple—like the Cuppers. Jane wouldn't nag if Dee spent his evenings "with the boys"—but actually Dee likes nothing better than to stay home by the fire, sharing a glass of beer with Jane, playing cribbage, or just talking.

And when he does go out, for an afternoon of fishing down at Seward's Creek, or for an evening glass of beer at Andy Botkin's Garden Tavern, Jane is almost always with him (except when she's got a spot of baking in the oven).

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Joe Marsh

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**History of Sterling  
County**

(Continued from Front Page)

temen of this section for moving their herds to the plains, to New Mexico, or other places in the Northwest. Another trail was the one which followed pretty closely the present highway from Sterling City to Colorado City. (31). It was perhaps one of these trails to which the Sterling City News referred when it mentioned that Sterling was a county "through which a main trail route is located." (32).

The early settlers and cattlemen of Sterling County were subjected to a very serious drouth in 1886 and 1887. A great many cattle died from starvation and thirst during those years. Many bogged up in water holes along the rivers and stream beds. These water holes would be practically dry and when cattle would crowd into them for water, they would bog up and die. As many as twenty cattle were often found bogged in one water hole. (33). The people along the river had to endure a terrible stench from dead cattle during this drouth. It is remembered by Sterling people as the "starving-time." The valleys along the water courses were nearly barren. In spite of the hardships this drouth inflicted, it did not drive many people out of Sterling County.

Another drouth prevailed in 1916, 1917, and 1918. By that time, however, the windmill had long been in use, so the cattle did not suffer from water. Ranchers, too, had learned how to meet drouths; therefore the losses were not so heavy as the were in 1886-1887.

- 23. J. L. GLASS, Loc. Cit.
  - 24. G. G. AINSWORTH, Loc. Cit.
  - 25. W. L. FOSTER, Loc. Cit.
  - 26. J. L. GLASS, Loc. Cit.
  - 27. J. L. GLASS, Loc. Cit.
  - 28. W. L. FOSTER, Loc. Cit.
  - 29. C. L. COULSON, Interview, Sterling City, Aug. 20, 1938.
  - 30. W. L. FOSTER, Loc. Cit.
  - 31. W. F. KELLIS, Loc. Cit.
  - 32. STERLING CITY NEWS, Mar. 6, 1896.
  - 33. G. G. AINSWORTH, Loc. Cit.
- Editor's note—The History of Sterling County will be continued in next week's News-Record. The history is too long to appear in one issue.)

**BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sunday School 10:00 a. m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a. m.  
Evening Service 7:15 p. m.  
Wed. Night Prayer Meeting 7:30  
W. M. U. Mon. Afternoon 2:00.  
Sermon Subject: Morning—  
"From Minutes to Centuries."  
Evening Subject:—  
"Faith of Our Fathers."  
Come and worship with us, the whole world is invited.

The D. Halls have a new grandson, born recently to their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Campbell of Fort Worth. The baby was named Barry, said D.

**Bake Sale April 5**

The Wimodausis Club is sponsoring a bake sale on the 5th of March, the Saturday before Easter. The ladies will conduct the sale in the lobby of the Palace Theatre here, said Mrs. Fowler McEntire this week.

The annual "take" of juke boxes across the United States has been placed at 4,460,000,000 nickles.

The speed of a champion racing greyhound on an English course recently was timed at 525 yards in 28.99 seconds, or 37 miles an hour.

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**SOIL CONSERVATION  
NEWS COLUMN**

Hubam clover is being planted by cooperators of the North Concho River Soil Conservation District in an effort to find an adapted legume crop. Among those who will plant Hubam before April 1 are H. G. Garlington of Sterling City, and George Demere of Water Valley. The clover will be planted in rows at the rate of 5 to 7 pounds per acre and will be used as a grazing crop as well as a soil builder. This crop has been profitable to cooperators in the Concho Soil Conservation District east of San Angelo in both increased yields obtained from grain sorghum following Hubam and sale of seed harvested from the clover.

102 per cent lamb crop in the South Pasture, and only one dry cow in the River Pasture at marking time for lambs and calves last week on W. N. & L. R. Reed's

ranch is the result of a good feed reserve produced by native grasses in those pastures last year.

George Demere's cows and calves have wintered in good condition. Last year by balancing his livestock with forage production, 6 breeding cows and 120 breeding ewes per section, he produced and sold 14 pounds of mutton and beef per acre. With this use Demere has maintained sufficient cover of vegetation to afford protection from excessive soil loss and displacement by wind and water erosion.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Welch and daughter of Midland were in Sterling last Saturday, visiting their daughter, Mrs. C. D. McEntire, and her family.

Mr. Welch is with the Midland Packing Company.

Would those who have bowls at my house, please call for them, as I do not know whose they are.  
Mrs. John Purvis.

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**Mrs. Sterling Foster Is Wimodausis Hostess**

Mrs. Sterling Foster was hostess to the Wimodausis Club in her home on Wednesday afternoon, March 19. There were ten members present.

The subject for the day was "To Our Well Being." Parts on the program were as follows: "The President's Health Talk"—Mrs. R. P. Brown; "Protecting Youth"—Mrs. C. A. Bowen 1. Accidents, 2. Polio, 3. Rheumatic Fever; "You Can't Be Cured by Mail"—Mrs. J. C. Reed; "Health Superstitions"—Mrs. O. T. Jones.

The federation Report was given by Mrs. W. N. Reed.

Others members present were Mrs. Lee Reed, Mrs. Vern Davis, Mrs. Templeton Foster, and Mrs. J. R. Lane, Jr.

The club will have a bake sale Saturday, April 5, at three o'clock in the Palace theatre lobby.

**NEXT TUESDAY PICK-UP DAY**

Next Tuesday, March 25, is trash pick-up day in Sterling City. Don't forget to have your cans, trash, rubbish, etc. in containers out in front of your house or business for the county truck to pick up.

In recorded history, no woman ever has set foot on the great continent of Anartica.

**JUNIOR CLASS PLAY NEXT THURSDAY NIGHT, MARCH 27**

The Junior Class will present their play on Thursday night, Mar. 27 at 8 p. m. in the high school auditorium.

A laugh making farce comedy, "Good Gracious, Grandma!" stars Jackie Tweedle as grandma, R. T. Smith as Henry Breckenridge, who hates work, Estelle Reed as Mrs. Lennox—a landlady who wants her rent, Jacqueline Everitt and Carolyn Foster as Helen and Cecile Allen, respectively—daughters of a family friend, Billy Hudson and Billy Lee Smith as police investigators, Bobby King as P-Sam, a colored houseboy, and Jeane Claire Lee as Delicia, a colored maid.

For an evening of fun and entertainment, don't miss "Good Gracious, Grandma."

Admission will be 25c for students; 40c for adults and 50c for reserved seats. Reserved seats will go on sale Monday.

**METHODIST CHURCH**

Church School 10:00 a. m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.  
U. of L. Study 6:45 p. m.  
Evening Service 7:30 p. m.

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**Church of Christ**

In a meeting a few weeks ago of the leaders and officers of the church, Brother Berryman was asked to remain with the church for another year. This will be his third year with the church here.

Our crowds were fair last Sunday despite much illness among the membership. We are glad to have a few visitors from the people of the town. You are always welcome.

Brother Berryman will be on a program at the Fairground Road Church in San Angelo Friday evening, March 21. The church is conducting a series of services by men and leaders from other towns. A preacher from a different congregation has been used each night of the week. Bro. Berryman's subject is to be "If the Blind Lead the Blind."

The sermon subject Sunday morning will be "The Misery of Man"—text Rom. 11:32. Sunday night the subject will be "What Is Man?"—Psalm 8:4.

You are invited to our services. Come, let us study together.

Commercial fishing, principally for salmon and tuna, is a \$25,000,000-a-year business in Ore-

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*U. S. Treasury Department*

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Tom Drake-Donna Reed  
Wed., Thurs., Mar. 26-27  
'Badman's Territory'  
Randolph Scott  
Fri. & Sat., Mar. 28-29  
"Partners in Crime"  
Lum and Abner  
"Texas Jamboree"  
Ken Curtis

**"BIG SPRING" Cantata March 28; Free**

"BIG SPRING", a cantata by a man who has never heard it, and about a town only casually known, will be given premiere in Big Spring March 28, at 8 p. m.

"BIG SPRING" was written by Frank Grindstaff, a life-termer in the Tennessee penitentiary from inspiration of the book of the same name by Shine Phillips, Big Spring druggist. The cantata will be given by the 34 voice T. & P. Railway male chorus.

Grindstaff reportedly composed the work while in solitary confinement without the benefit of any musical instrument. The cantata is built around the story of the historic spring for which Big Spring was named. The lyrics develop the panoramic history of the early settlement of the city.

The cantata is being presented as a free public service under the sponsorship of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Darrell Garrett is in Abilene at the home of relatives. She had to go to the hospital there for treatment and has now been released.

Fossil remains of prehistoric elephants have been found in Ireland.

In 1826, eight tons of rubber imported from Brazil sufficed the needs of the United States for a full year.

Julia C. Lathrop was the first woman to head a bureau in a U.S. Cabinet department. In 1912 she was appointed head of the children's Bureau.

Archaeologists believe that the horse was first domesticated by Aryan people living northeast of the Caspian Sea, an area now a part of Soviet Russia.

Only eight of the United States pay their governors salaries more than \$10,000 a year. New York is the highest with \$25,000.

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**OUR WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER**

By Congressman O. C. Fisher

The session of Congress during

last week was highlighted by President Truman's address to a joint session. The President made a calm but dramatic appeal for American aid to war-ravished Greece—now on the verge of control by the Communists. He pointed out that

the end of the war found 85 per cent of the Greek children suffering from tuberculosis and more than 1000 towns and villages having been completely destroyed by the Nazis. He also urged some economic aid for Turkey.

Immediately following his address, President Truman left for Key West, Florida. While he appears to be in the best of health, it was apparent that the President's hair had become grayer in recent months. His physician said that he was "fatigued" and should get away for a rest.

The House passed the Post Office and Treasury Department Appropriations Bill—the first of the departmental bills this season. It provided some hope for economy because it reduced the budget by nearly a billion dollars.

**McNear Is Murdered**

Only a few days after his appearance as a witness before the House Committee on Labor, George P. McNear, Jr. was assassinated near his home in Peoria, Illinois. The 56 year-old President of the Toledo, Peoria and Western Railroad, told chairman Fred Hartley of our committee that attempts might be made on his life. The unions had been striking against his 235-mile line for 17 months, mostly over alleged featherbedding demands. Right or wrong, McNear was evidently very sincere in the cause he represented. The unions then appeared before our committee and, among other things, charged Mr. McNear with lack of any knowledge of railroading and accused him of being unreasonable and stubborn. On the day of his death, Members of the Labor Committee received a letter from McNear expressing a willingness to appear again before our committee. The fact that McNear learned railroading under Mr. Loree, famed American railroader. He worked on track gangs on the New York Central in 1916 and 1917 which fitted him for an important post in organizing

French railroads in World War I. Following that, he invested wisely and succeeded.

His only son was a hero of World War II. That son wrote his father in late 1944 that he had his orders to return to the States. "But" said young McNear, "I have been given special training to fit me for a big job that is coming up. I feel I should stay here and see it through. What do you think, Dad?"

And his father wrote back: "Son, you don't desert the boat in the middle of the stream; you see it through to the far shore."

Young McNear "saw it through." Today he lies buried in New Guinea.

Today his surviving father lies buried in Peoria, a victim of slugs from a shot gun fired by an assassin in the dark as McNear took his nightly stroll near his home.

He believed in his cause and "saw it through" to the far shore. It seems a shame that a man like McNear should, in free America, pay with his life for convictions in which he believed and in which he had a right to believe. The son gave his life for a cause; so did the father.

**Texans in Washington**

Among the recent visitors to our office have been Col. Douglas B. Smith and his son, Douglas, Jr., of San Saba; Arthur Broome, Mrs. Louis Gayer, Frank Morris, Noble Smart, John L. Bishop, Frank Jackson, Bryan Dickson, Capt. William Riddling, Vestal Askew, and Joe M. Canon, all of San Angelo; Mike Efferson, formerly of Brady; A. Russel Miller of Kerrville; Robert E. Lee of Coleman; Joe Montague of Fort Worth; C. E. Weymouth, President of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Amarillo; Jim Daniel of Eden; W. E. Whitten, Superintendent of Schools of Brady; Bryan Hunt, President of the Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association of Sonora; and a number of others from points outside our district.

A MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY OF WAR



**How you can help YOUR ARMY DO ITS PART FOR PEACE**

WITH the President's proposal for the discontinuance of Selective Service on March 31, America will rely on voluntary enlistments for the maintenance of the Regular Army at authorized strength.

In view of world conditions today, this is a step of the gravest importance to every American citizen. Never before in history has any nation raised and maintained a million-man army by the volunteer system alone. Our ideals, our belief in individual freedom, our safety and our duty to promote world peace—all are bound up in this decision.

This is your Army, and voluntary enlistment is your choice. It must not fail. With your help it will not fail. The Army must continue to provide adequate occupation forces overseas, to supply these forces, and to help in keeping America strong and secure.

Your help and understanding can do much to encourage a steady flow of 3-year voluntary enlistments, necessary to sound training and the efficient performance of the Army's task.

When you discuss this subject with your sons, brothers, husbands or friends who may be considering an Army career, bear in mind the advantages offered by a 3-year enlistment. Among them are the choice of branch of service and of overseas theater where openings exist, and the opportunity for thorough training in valuable skills.

A job in the new Regular Army compares favorably with the average in industry, and has more opportunities for promotion than most.

You can help by giving your respect and support to the man who enlists voluntarily—to do his part in carrying out your country's world-wide obligations to build a peace that will endure.

ROBERT P. PATTERSON  
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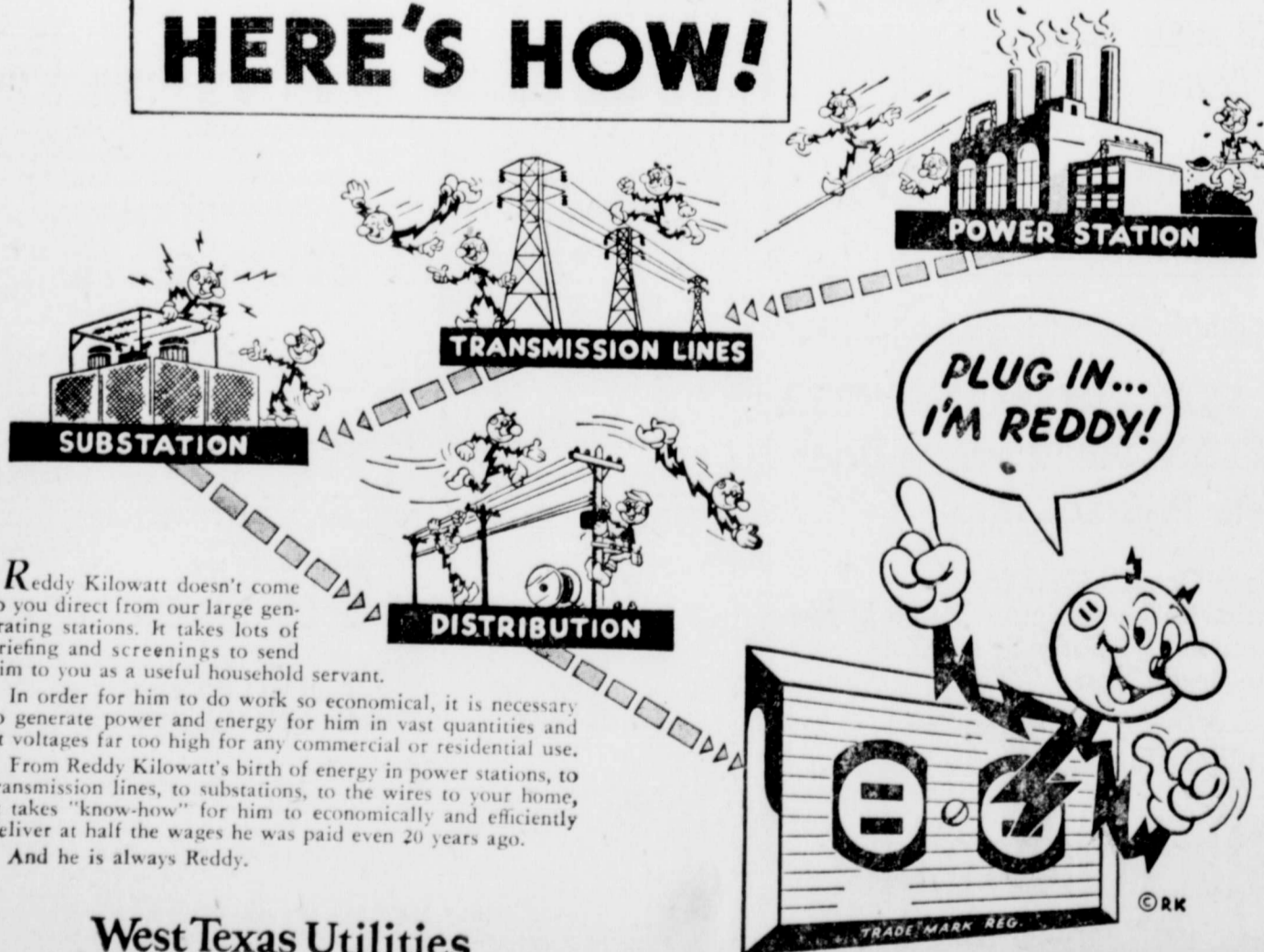
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*Your Home*  
By Frances Ainsworth



One evening recently one of my neighbors dropped in while I was preparing my son's lunch for school the next day. She was surprised to see me fixing lunches at night to be eaten the next noon—and asked if they weren't too stale to eat. Well, I just laughed at her . . . and explained that by wrapping the sandwiches and desserts securely in waxed paper, and then placing in my refrigerator until morning, the lunches were just as fresh as when they were first made.

The main reason for preparing lunches at night is to save time in the morning. But you know, we mothers of today are very fortunate . . . most modern schools provide milk, hot cocoa and hot soup for the children. The price is very reasonable and with the sandwich and dessert prepared at home, the children will have a nourishing, healthful lunch.

I was surprised to learn that soup was served students as early as 1790 in Munich, Germany! 60 years later a similar plan was adopted in France and later in England. School lunches were introduced in this country in 1900, primarily intended for under-nourished children . . . but today, they're available to all our youngsters.

By the way, here is one of my favorite lunch box suggestions. Put in a small package of potato chips. The children enjoy them immensely and since they are wrapped in waxed paper—they'll stay fresh and tasty indefinitely! Try it, it's the surest way to break the lunch-box monotony I know.

Addition of aluminum powders to priming coats of paint used on U.S. Navy ships has been found to reduce substantially the hazard of fire.

St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City is said to be the first and last major church structure in the United States to be built entirely by hand.

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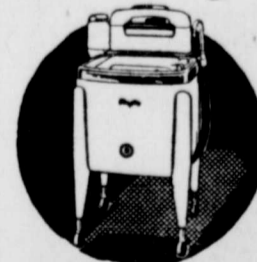
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