

PENASCO VALLEY NEWS

Travel Highway 83 Through Artesia, AND HOPE PRESS Hope, Elk, Mayhill and Cloudfcroft

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GOODWILL TOUR WEDNESDAY

JUNE 15; ARRIVE HOPE 9:00 a. m.

The annual good-will tour by the merchants and business men of Artesia will take place Wednesday, June 15. About 50 cars have been pledged to make the trip.

The cavalcade will leave Artesia about 8:30 and arrive at Hope about 9:00 a. m. A stop of half an hour will be made at Hope. The good-will will have along with them a magician and a hill billy band to furnish entertainment for the trip. As many as possible from Hope are invited to join in on this trip and pay a visit to the communities in the Sacramento Mt. section.

After leaving Hope the first stop will be at Dunken. From there the cavalcade will proceed to Pinon where dinner will be served. This dinner is worth the price of the entire trip. When it comes to cooking and putting on a feed those Pinon people have everyone bested. We know because we were up there last year. Mr. Gage will welcome the visitors to Pinon and turn over the keys of the city to the good-willers.

From Pinon the cavalcade will proceed to Weed where an address of welcome will be made by Mrs. Marion Goss, one of the prominent citizens of this thriving lumber and tourist town. A program will be put on by the good-willers. At Weed the visitors will be greeted by Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Akers, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mellard, former residents of Hope.

The next stop will be at the Bear Canyon store where Howard Goss is the proprietor. Mr. Clowe, former manager of the Kemp Lumber Co., at Artesia, will welcome the visitors to the vacationland of the Sacramento Mountains. Mr. Clowe is now engaged in raising vegetables for the market.

From the Bear Canyon store the good-willers will proceed to Cloudfcroft where the Mayor of Cloudfcroft will welcome the visitors to this summer and winter playground of the southwest. In the evening a banquet will be given for the visitors by the business men of Cloudfcroft.

The next morning (Thursday) the good-willers will take off on the return trip. Their first stop will be at Wimsatt store, where a program will be put on by the visitors.

The next stop will be at Mayhill where Leonard Vreeke, W. L. Stirman and Lloyd Curtis have promised the globe trotters a big dinner with everything good to eat and drink. After a social hour spent in visiting the good people of Mayhill the visitors will proceed back to Hope and Artesia at their leisure.

J. D. Smith, president of the Artesia Chamber of Commerce and Luther E. Sharpe, secretary, made the trip last week over the route the cavalcade will make and brought back the news that the mountain folks are preparing to welcome the good-willers in royal style.

It is expected that a member of the state police and a deputy sheriff will accompany the party to see that everything goes along according to schedule and no one exceeds the speed limit.

Travel Report from Carlsbad Caverns

There were 9,458 visitors at the Carlsbad Caverns National Park during the month of May, divided up as follows: Alabama, 43, Arizona 162, Arkansas 72, California 2084, Colorado 352, Connecticut 17, Delaware 10, Florida 100, Georgia 44, Idaho 27, Illinois 389, Indiana 95, Iowa 97, Kansas 232, Kentucky 17, Louisiana 156, Maine 1, Maryland 25, Massachusetts 42, Michigan 174, Minnesota 70, Mississippi 65, Missouri 165, Montana 15, Nebraska 63, Nevada 24, New Hampshire 0, New Jersey 68, New Mexico 933, New York 123, North Carolina 18, North Dakota 4, Ohio 160, Oklahoma 462, Oregon 80, Pennsylvania 69, Rhode Island 2, South Carolina 9, South Dakota 11, Tennessee 58, Texas 2,546, Utah 40, Vermont 2, Virginia 31, Washington 102, Wisconsin 86, Wyoming 34, Dist. of Columbia 17, Hawaii 16, Canal Zone 4, Alaska 2, Guam 2, Saipan 1, Canada 17, Mexico 20, Philippine Islands 1.

FOR SALE—Fresh dairy butter and fresh milk at the News office at Hope, N. Mex.

Red Cross Takes Action

Sixty hometown Red Cross groups in Illinois, Missouri, Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas are beginning action this week on restoration of many of the 9,028 homes destroyed or damaged in violent storms during May, according to John C. Wilson, St. Louis, manager of the 16-state Midwestern Red Cross Area. Already over one million dollars has been allocated, and more will be available from Red Cross funds when needed, Wilson said. All aid is given outright, regardless of the amounts, Wilson pointed out, and is on the basis of whatever is needed to help families restore themselves when their own resources are inadequate.

Most of the money already appropriated by the national organization will be spent for building and repair, the Red Cross spokesman said, adding that in the 46 areas struck building and repair costs will run over 50 per cent of total disaster relief expenditures. Medical care for the injured, replacements of household furnishings, clothing, farmers' needs and occupational training will account for other expenditures. Wilson emphasizes that long-term medical costs or maintenance for some injured in the nine major disasters of May 4-22 will be paid by the Red Cross as long as needed. For example, he said, the Red Cross is still paying medical costs and maintenance for some victims of the Woodward, Okla., tornado of two years ago.

In Las Vegas, N. M., where 95 students at Highland University lost all of their possessions in a fire May 4, replacements of clothing and other articles already have taken place. The students were mostly veterans living in a converted Army barracks. The late afternoon blaze destroyed books and some furniture in addition to their clothing. Housing and food were necessary for most of them pending receipt of their monthly educational allowances from the government.

The Red Cross advisory committee of local citizens in Amarillo, Texas, is now considering rehabilitation plans for some 200 families who lost all or most of their homes and possessions in the twister that struck the city May 14, Wilson said. Advisory groups also are assisting the plan of some 45 other families in the area struck by tornadoes in Carson County May 13; Randall County May 15; Sherman County May 16; and Dickens County May 17. A second large community, Abilene, was struck by a heavy windstorm May 22, in which 37 homes were demolished or badly damaged.

Floods which drove over 13,000 people from their homes in Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas, last month have called for "extensive" rehabilitation in the communities, Wilson said. In Tarrant County where a Trinity Creek fork sent thousands into nine Red Cross shelters May 16, a total of 425 homes were destroyed and 2675 damaged by the water. Flood rehabilitation of homes is expensive, Wilson explained, because few homeowners carry flood insurance and thus are unable to assume much of the cost of replacing soggy or weakened walls, foundations, floors, or furnishings. Over 2000 families in the Fort Worth area already have requested some form of aid in restoring homes and possessions, he said. In Dallas County, Texas, where some 3600 persons were affected by a flooding fork of the Trinity River May 16, advisory groups are beginning meetings where the needs of about 400 affected families for rehabilitation will be acted upon.

In Oklahoma, advisory groups are beginning meetings this week to aid recovery of windstorm and flood victims in 24 counties. Much of the Oklahoma damage was done by hail, winds and high water which combined to destroy 44 homes and damage over 2500 others. Nearly 1000 families have asked for aid of one kind or another in making their dwellings livable. The tornadoes and winds struck late in the evening of May 20 and early May 21 in Alfalfa, Beaver, Caddo, Custer, Ellis, Grant, Kingfisher, Pawnee, Rogers, Woods Woodward and Lincoln counties. Residents of two of the counties Kingfisher and Caddo, bore the brunt of two disasters

when rivers and creeks burst their banks after heavy rains and flooded many areas. High waters damaged homes and other property in Logan, Canadian, Seminole, Creek, Henrietta, and Grady counties as well. Five major rivers, the North Canadian, Cimmaron, Arkansas, Canadian and Washita, fed by scores of small creeks, overflowed with damage to crops and buildings.

Baptist Church Being Remodeled

The Baptist Church of Hope is being remodeled. A new room is being added. The outside is being stuccoed. When completed it will be a big improvement. Russell Lee is in charge of the work. The Baptist people are to be congratulated on their spirit of progressiveness.

News Letter to Lewis Scoggin

When Lewis Scoggin was here a few months ago from Mule Shoe, Tex., he said to the editor of the News, "I read every line in your paper, ads and all, but please put all the news in your paper." Therefore here is a letter to Lewis Scoggin.

Dear Lewis:
We have had a rain averaging from 1 inch to 3 inches. The water in the canal has been running at times but not steady. Raymond Chalk is the new Mayor. Jess Musgrave has closed up the store and moved all the stock down to his house east of Hope. D. W. Carson has been home for a few days from State College at Las Cruces. C. B. McCormack and wife have been here on a visit with Mrs. LeRoy Bell. The civil case of Jess McCabe vs Ida Prude has been appealed to the district court. Jess is suing Ida for a labor bill which he claims she owes him. Bonney Altman nearly drowned the other day. He got in the bath tub and turned the cold water on and couldn't turn it off. We told him it was a good thing it was cold water and not hot water. Pilar Ordunez has bought the Menefee farm. Chester Schwalbe sold two milk cows to Bill Madron and bought a 1/2 ton pickup. The editor has installed flood lights on his croquet court. Mrs. N. L. Johnson is in the hospital at Carlsbad. Mrs. Bill Jones has been in the hospital at Artesia, she seems to be improving. I saw a picture of your wife's sister in the paper the other day. She was a leader in 4-H work in the northern part of the state.

Yours sincerely,
W. E. Root

Uncle Sam Says



June 17, 1775, 174 years ago, our forefathers fought a great battle for freedom and opportunity at Bunker Hill. Each one of you realizes that to maintain the freedom and opportunity for which they fought you must be ever vigilant in doing your share. One of the country's greatest assets is a sound economy which you can help to uphold. Your government is providing the opportunity through the U. S. Savings Bonds program. If not already enrolled for the safe, automatic way of purchasing Savings Bonds, the great Opportunity Drive, now in progress, is your own individual opportunity.

U.S. Treasury Department

HOPE'S RANCH HANDS

RODEO; JUNE 24-25-26

This Rodeo Will be One of the Big Events of the Year--Watch for Further Announcements Next Week

The Hope Roping Club is sponsoring a Ranch Hands Rodeo to be held at the rodeo grounds west of Hope on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 24-25-26. There will be four performances. The first show starts at 8:00 p. m. Friday night. The second show starts at 2:00 p. m. Saturday afternoon. The third show starts at 8:00 p. m. Saturday night and the fourth and final performance will begin at 2:00 p. m. Sunday afternoon.

The program will consist of bronc riding, calf roping, bull-dogging, steer riding, team tying and bare back mule riding. A \$100.00 added purse by Buster Prather of Alamogordo. This is some of the best rodeo stock in the southwest and will furnish many a thrill for the spectators and many a spill for the performers.

A special attraction for Saturday will be a big free barbecue to be served Saturday noon. A couple of the best barbecuers will be on the job and guarantee that the barbecued meat will be the best ever served in Hope.

Another attraction will be a rodeo dance to be held Friday and Saturday nights at the Hope School gymnasium. There will be good music.

The price of admission will be \$1.25 for adults and 60c for children, tax included.

The Hope Riding Club is going to considerable expense in staging this show, such as installing flood lights and constructing corrals and chutes in which to handle the rodeo stock. Therefore lets all of us put our boosting clothes on and put in as many a good word as we can for the success of this ranch hands rodeo.

We might add that Andy Teel is arena director and Guy Crockett is assistant arena director. As yet we do not know who will be in charge of the barbecue or who will play for the dances but we will furnish our readers this information next week and the week following.

Therefore we advise everyone to throw their hammer away and try boosting for a change.

Rain and Hail Hit Hope Area

The first rain since last August drenched most of the Penasco Valley last Sunday afternoon. From one inch to three inches of rain is reported. Hail accompanied the rain in some sections but did no damage. Southeast and west of Hope the precipitation was the heaviest. John Ward had at least two stock tanks filled to the brim and on the Cecil Coates ranch practically all of the stock tanks were filled. Not much rain is reported in the mountain section.

News From Hope

A Farm Bureau meeting was held Wednesday evening, June 8, at the home of Mrs. Edgar Williams. All present brought a covered dish.

Chuck Gage, Mayor of Pinon, was through Hope last Friday on his way to Roswell. He paid up his subscription to the News, which he considers a good investment.

New and used cars and pick-ups and trucks. Pick-ups and trucks below list. Cars and pick-ups financed. D & D Used Cars, 210 North First Street, Artesia. Wayne Deering and Frosty Durham.
Adv. June 3-10-17-24

O. E. Van Winkle and his wife and two children from Santa Rita, N. M., were here Saturday visiting the Van Winkle family. They brought A. J. Van Winkle back with them who had been over to Kingston, N. M., visiting relatives.

REMEMBER—Merit Feeds get best results. McCaw Hatchery, 13th and Grand, Artesia. 6-10-tf

Hope News in Condensed Form

R. K. Carson, sheriff of Hudspeth County, Tex., and W. E. Kirksey, deputy sheriff from Fort Hancock, Tex., were here Wednesday of this week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carson and family.

The atom bomb is the greatest agent for peace in the history of mankind, because if we ever do use it, the war-making abilities of a nation will be destroyed in 30 days! For the inside story of America's strategic air command, read this timely article in the American Weekly, the great magazine distributed with next Sunday's Los Angeles Examiner.

Pearl Lunt, of Lordsburg, and Nannie Lewis, of Douglas, Ariz., were here this week visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Lewis.

Bill Carson from Sierra Blanca, Tex., nephew of Joe Carson, and Donley Cook of Lovington are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carson for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Cassabonne were through Hope Tuesday. They stopped long enough for Pete to drop in at the News office and pay up on his subscription for a period of two years. Pete and his wife are the salt of the earth. They don't make 'em any better.

Sheriff Dwight Lee was up to Hope last week and called at the News office.

It's the same old you Lyon Fly Electroouter at McCaw Hatchery, 13th and Grand, Artesia. 6-10-17-24/7-18-15

Geo. Graham, Jr., of Santa Fe, a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carson, graduated from the N.M.M.I. at Roswell last week. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carson, Joe, Jr., and Cynthia and Bill Carson attended the graduating exercises Saturday and Sunday.

DR. SALISBURY—Nation wide poultry service. McCaw Hatchery, 13th and Grand, Artesia. 6-10-tf

Max Johnson of Carlsbad was in Hope Tuesday sacking up feed preparatory to shipping it to Carlsbad.

Mr. and Mrs. Odeal Walters, of Roswell, are the proud parents of a baby boy born June 1, at the St. Mary's hospital at Roswell. Mrs. Walters is the former Miss Connie Harrison of Hope. Mrs. Tom Harrison was with her daughter at the time.

Miss Dorane Teague has been in Gallup visiting Rev. and Mrs. Wayne Douglass and family.

Mrs. Dave Lewis is home after being in a Carlsbad hospital for several weeks.

Miss Frances and Dorothy Weddige of Lubbock were here last week visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. Bert Weddige and their brothers Bill and Lewis Weddige.

Mrs. Carl Scoggin and three children of Kenna, and Mrs. Kate Bragg were in Hope last week visiting relatives.

Good-Will Tour

Wednesday, June 15

Hope Rodeo

June 24, 25, 26

Star Dust

STAGE SCREEN RADIO

By INEZ GERHARD

CY HOWARD, at 31 is at the top in his second career. Four years ago he was a successful actor; he played the lead in "Storm Operation" on Broadway. Now a writer and producer of radio shows—"My Friend Irma," "Life with Luigi," and a new one, "The Private Lives of Eddie and Anne"—he is also an associate director, producer and writer of motion pictures. "My Friend Irma" is his first one. "Marie Wilson steals the show," he assured me; but a mo-



CY HOWARD

ment later, "John Lund is wonderful; steals the show." He said the same of Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis—but didn't mention that he plays the voice of "Joe," heard only on the phone. CBS and Paramount are lucky to have him under contract.

With M-G-M shooting sequences for "Adam's Rib" all around New York pretty girls wearing dark glasses learned to avoid crowds; the interested spectators suspected them of being movie actresses. Judy Holliday, one of the principals, kept right on in her play. "Born Yesterday," during the shooting. Tom Ewell, just through with a play, is now back in Hollywood.

Another Metro picture, the musical "On the Town," has been shooting in New York. All six principals—Gene Kelly, Frank Sinatra, Jules Munshin, Ann Miller, Vera-Ellen and Betty Garrett, worked two days at the Brooklyn navy yard.

Gloria Graham has joined Hollywood's group of feminine flying enthusiasts. She is taking flying lessons and will pilot her own private plane. You will probably see her soon—but not flying—in RKO's "Roughshod."

Patsy Lee's job on ABC's "Breakfast Club" came about by what she considers a lucky fluke. A friend sent a recording of her voice to the station when a replacement for Nancy Martin was being sought. Patsy was offered the job for one week; she flew to California to take it. She was off and on the show for about 10 months, then was made a permanent member of the cast.

Gale Storm has been accused of wanting another child because a dining room table looks better balanced when six, instead of five, are seated around it. She says that isn't true, though she and her husband, Lee Bonnell, do want just one addition to their three boys. She grew up as one of five children, says its only natural to want a large family.

M-G-M has added two more principals to the cast of "Quo Vadis," which will star Gregory Peck and Elizabeth Taylor. They are Peter Ustinov and Leo Genn. Signed in England, they will report to Director John Huston in Italy in July.

Cast in a minor role in "Riding High," Dorothy Barrett sang a song for members of the cast during a break; Director Frank Capra heard her and chose her to sing with Bing. She has appeared in several Broadway productions and was vocalist for Vaughn Monroe's band for six months before entering films. Her next step up is a featured role in "Copper Canyon," Technicolor western.

Raymond Navarro is selling the neon-lighted mansion where he has lived for 25 years. Discussing it, on the set of "The Big Steal," at RKO, he recalled the famous parties he used to give there. Many stars appeared in the full scale theater, including Elsie Janis, Norma Shearer, Lawrence Tibbett and Jeanette MacDonald. It is in what was once the most popular residential district for movie stars.

MIRROR Of Your MIND

Guilt Causes Renunciation

By Lawrence Gould



Will a man "renounce" a girl he really loves?

Answer: Yes, if he has an exaggerated sense of guilt which drives him to deprive himself of happiness. Under such conditions, the stronger his love, the surer he will be to find some plausible excuse for giving her up, since what he fears most of all is what he thinks will make him happy. But the average man who tells his sweetheart that he cannot marry her because he is "unworthy of her" is more often trying to deceive her—or himself. He really is afraid she represents a standard which he is unwilling to try to live up to.

instincts into useful and effective patterns of behavior. "The development of an ethical code that will be strong enough to govern the individual's future actions is dependent on the existence of family life," and nothing else can replace it.



Does seeking "perfection" prove high standards?

Answer: No. It shows that you are morbidly afraid of being criticized, either by others or by yourself. What makes your standards so high—and so rigid—is that you don't dare to leave the tiniest loophole in your defense against largely imaginary accusations. The woman who cannot bear to see a speck of dust in her house does not really love cleanliness; she's afraid of being called a "bad housekeeper." And the man who cannot finish a job because he "can never get it done to satisfy him" is the victim of a similar fear.



Could children grow up without homes?

Answer: No, writes Kate Friedlander, British welfare worker, in the Journal of Mental Science. For a child's conscience develops out of his relations with his mother, and he must have constant contact with her during the first six years of his life if he is to learn to transform his primitive

LOOKING AT RELIGION

By DON MOORE



THE MOST FABULOUS STRUCTURES IN THE WORLD'S HISTORY—THE TREMENDOUS TEMPLES AND MONUMENTS TO THE SUN GOD, BUILT BY EGYPTIAN KINGS AND QUEENS AT KARNAK ON THE NILE 4,000 YEARS AGO AND DESTROYED BY AN EARTHQUAKE IN 27 B.C.—NOW ARE BEING RESTORED. IT WILL BE 50 YEARS BEFORE ALL THE STONES, COLUMNS, STATUES, BROKEN NOSES, THUMBS AND FEET ARE PUT BACK IN THE ORIGINAL PLACES.

CHRISTIANS WORSHIP GOD ON SUNDAY, GREEK ZELOTS HALLOW MONDAY, TUESDAY PERSIANS SPEND IN PRAYER, ASSYRIANS WEDNESDAY REVERE—EGYPTIANS THURSDAY, FRIDAY TURKS ON SATURDAY NO HEBREW WORKS.

KEEPING HEALTHY

Today's Most Amazing Medicine

By Dr. James W. Barton

AS YOUR PHYSICIAN thinks over the past 10 years, you would naturally believe he would have in mind the wonderful work of saving lives now being done by penicillin and the sulfa drugs. Diseases that were practically all fatal and others in which but a small percentage recovered, are now successfully battled by these antibiotics, as they are called, because they kill the organisms which formerly caused death. Two other antibiotics, streptomycin and aureomycin, have been recently added to man's defenses.

It may come as a surprise to many to learn that your physician is thinking more about the blood coursing through your blood vessels as he realizes—as he did not realize just 10 years ago—that blood is today's most amazing medicine. "It has become more of a miracle worker than penicillin."

In a pamphlet, Blood's Magic For All, issued by the Public Affairs Committee Inc., a non-profit, educational organization in New York City, Alton L. Blakeslee

states that blood already does more lifesaving jobs than any one of our wonderful drugs. If, on a single day, you looked in upon the hospitals in one large city, you might see the following:

A surgeon, in a brain operation, packs a soft, white spongy mass into a wound. It quickly stops the bleeding and he leaves it there. The body will gradually absorb this sponge—fibrin foam—because it is made from human blood. He covers the exposed brain with transparent plastic film. This film, made from blood, stays safely till the body manufactures a new covering.

In the accident ward, a quick injection of a clear liquid, human serum albumin, made from blood, saves a dying man from shock.

In the delivery room a newborn baby is being given a complete new blood supply to halt a possibly fatal battle caused by Rh antibodies in his veins.

A boy who is a "bleeder" is given an injection of a blood product that enables him to have diseased teeth removed.

AROUND THE HOUSE

Keep old tissue paper dress patterns—they do a bang-up job of polishing windows and mirrors.

Use a mirror and a flash light to examine the condition of a fireplace flue.

Petroleum jelly will remove those soiled marks left on fingers, etc. by adhesive tape.

Keep children's awnings and outdoor slides well waxed in warm weather to prevent rusting and blistering.

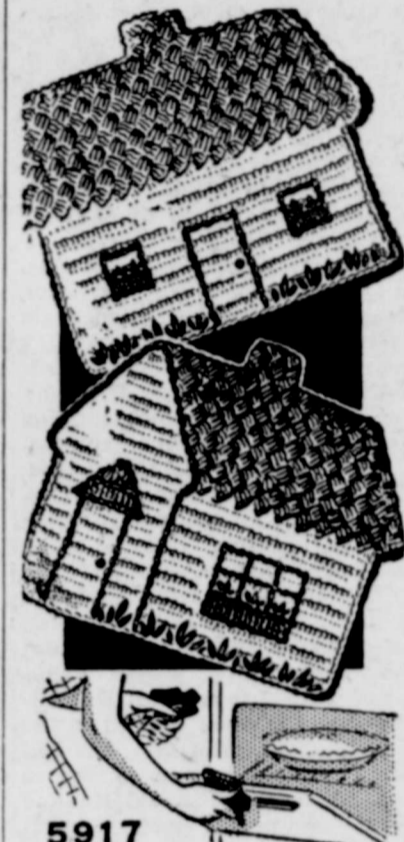
Meat broth or any clear soup made of meat and vegetable juices is a nutritious first course for any meal the year around; and extra-appetizing when served jellied during the summer months.

To prevent apples from splitting when baked in the oven, prick the skins with a fork while the fruit is still raw.

Clean suede gloves, shoes, etc. by rubbing lightly with a cloth dampened in vinegar; use a wire brush for final brushing.

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Smiles

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Star: How's business?
Producer: It's stupendous, it's colossal, it's dynamic, it's unprecedented... it'll be better next week.

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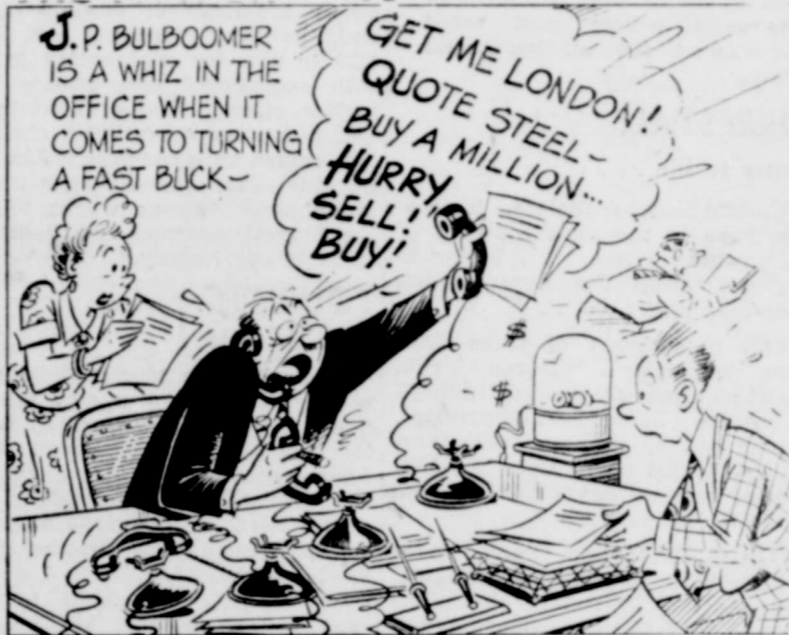
Buck grinned. "Plenty of fellows around are as experienced as I am at flying. But I don't have accidents because I don't take chances. I spend more time checking engines

and equipment than I do in the air. It's one business where you just can't let things slide."

From where I sit, there's no business where you can let things slide and still stay right up there. That's why the tavern owners, like Buck, spend a lot of time checking up—seeing to it that beer is sold in the right surroundings. They know when you "let things slide" you're due for an "unhappy landing."

Joe Marsh

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Tomatoes-Important



While the average farmer knows the value of a garden and always sees to it that he has ample garden planted to run his family through

the year, there are still some who glean their living from the soil who don't bother to plant a garden. The aim in gardening, at all, is to supply the household with vegetables—summer and winter; and the farmer who does this is always repaid not only with money saved and convenience of having supply immediately at hand, but also by the nourishing value of home-processed foods.

As family sizes and needs vary as much as individual tastes, the garden should be as variable as any thing could be. Thus a garden becomes such an individual matter that the seed list for each must be individually worked out.

However there is a principle involved that is general and that is "planning." Here is an example:

The tomato is among the most versatile of vegetables to prepare for the table and returns the most for the garden space occupied. So there must be tomatoes. Properly handled, harvesting may start July 1 and tomatoes may be had fresh

until several weeks after frost or for about 120 days. At one and one-half servings a day, the fresh tomato amount should be about three and one-half bushels, as a serving for five persons is that needed to can a quart a bushel canning 17 quarts.

For the remaining 245 days the tomatoes must come from cans and, allowing two servings weekly, 70 quarts are needed, or five bushels more. The total becomes eight and one-half bushels, or 510 pounds. A correctly-tended plant yields 10 pounds and 50 plants are needed. Of these, 15 should be early (Break O'Day), and 35 late (Rutgers).

Other crops may be worked out as carefully based on family likes.

New Variety of Alfalfa Officially Named Talent

The promising alfalfa variety known as French alfalfa in southern Oregon variety trials has been officially named Talent alfalfa by the Oregon state college experiment station committee on new crop varieties, and seed increases are now underway to insure early commercial release of the variety.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Russians Urge West German State Be Wiped Out; Ask 4-Power Rule; Congress Curtails 'Must' Legislation

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

GERMANY: A Sour Note

The Big Four conference in Paris was underway. For the first time in the cold war between East and West there was real hope that harmony would be forthcoming. In fact, Secretary of State Dean Acheson had been warned by Senator Vandenberg, senate foreign affairs committee chairman, not to be too aggressive with the Russians, but rather to keep open, if possible, the door to lasting peace. WITH the Russian blockade of Berlin lifted and the Soviets apparently ready to sing a new tune in world cooperation, the theme of the conference was to be harmony. But the delegates hardly had time to warm the seats of their chairs before the Russians were at it again. Russian Foreign Minister Andrei Vishinsky blandly proposed that the council of foreign ministers wipe out the new west German state and return German affairs, including direction of the Ruhr, to four-power control machinery. MANY had expected this course by the Soviets. They had predicted that lifting of the Berlin blockade was done to soften up the ministers for this very proposal. But it didn't work. All three western powers immediately rejected the proposition.

The Soviet foreign minister showed little tact. He led up to his proposal with a long tirade denouncing the U.S., Britain and France for what he termed "violations" of the Potsdam agreements. SOVIET ideology could not tolerate a separate German state with autonomous powers and there was little question that the Kremlin would stand firm in this position. On the other hand there was no possibility that the western powers would recede from their intention to return government of Germany to the German people. Thus it would seem the impasse was clearly established.

For the U. S., Dean Acheson delivered himself of what might well be the decade's masterpiece of understatement when he called the Russian suggestions "disappointing." But then he summed up the world's reaction when he added: "My hopes are distinctly chilled."

CONGRESS: Let's Wait

A lot of "trouble for nothing" might be an apt phrase to describe all the national agitation against President Truman's health insurance and civil rights proposals—for his own leaders in congress erased the issues by taking both hotly-contested items of legislation off the "must" list.

ALSO slated for further delay was the administration's four-billion-dollar tax increase plan, the equally controversial Brannan farm program and the foreign-arms proposal.

This left only three measure bills for top priority action. They were: 1. Extension of the reciprocal trade program which has passed the house but is stalled in the senate.

2. Repeal of the Taft-Hartley labor act. 3. Ratification of the North Atlantic security treaty which requires only a two-thirds majority vote in the senate.

SENATE MAJORITY LEADER Scott Lucas indicated action might be sought before adjournment on minimum-wage boosts, the international wheat agreement, and a pay raise for top government executives and military personnel. Speculation was that decision to abandon for the time the compulsory health insurance program stemmed from mounting congressional clamor for sharp cuts in government spending, with the civil rights legislation delay believed motivated by fear of a southern filibuster. Congress wants to adjourn by August, and consideration of any of the "powder keg" legislation might make that impossible.

LUCAS said he thought President Truman was "definitely satisfied" with the progress being made.

That surprised some legislators, for unless congress repeals the Taft-Hartley law, the President will be unable to point to accomplishment of any of his campaign pledges when congress adjourns.

Potent Vote



POTENT VOTE . . . This lone woman voter, to whom a pair of shoes would be a Godsend, is shown as she cast her ballot in the elections held in the Russian zone of Germany. The Russians had hoped to make a big propaganda gun of the election—a gun that would be used in the "Big Four" conference beginning May 23. But the Soviets had to admit that one-third of the valid ballots cast voted against the all-Communist slate.

FORRESTAL:

"Better to Die . . ."

"Comfortless, nameless, hopeless, save in the dark prospect of the yawning grave . . . better to die, and sleep the never-waking sleep than linger on . . ."

With the import of these lines from Sophocles' "Chorus From Ajax" so obviously goading his consciousness, James V. Forrestal, former U. S. defense secretary, plunged to his death from the 16th floor of national naval medical center in Washington.

FORRESTAL had been under treatment for "operational fatigue" since April 2. Attendant physicians said he had been considering suicide, that the nature of his malady indicated this mental condition as an inescapable adjunct to it. But they felt he was getting better; in fact they had hoped to release him from the hospital in 30 days.

As secretary of defense, Forrestal labored under a burden such as few national servants have carried. His was the job of directing the gigantic naval program during the war, as well as the almost hopeless task of attempting unification of the armed forces. The strain was great and a sympathetic people could understand why it might have broken a strong man.

President Truman took full cognizance of Forrestal's worth when he declared the former defense secretary was "as much a casualty of war as if he had died on the firing line."

BUT there was an added burden weighing on Forrestal. That was a burden of attack and vilification from two of the nation's top radio newscaster-columnists. After his shocking death, the press of the nation began to reevaluate the impact of its effect and that of the radio. Some nationally-syndicated observers charged that the attacks upon Forrestal via radio and in print had added to his load of desperation. They advanced the premise that unless some check was put upon this type of journalism, it might discourage many able men from entering government service.

There is possibly no agony of mankind comparable to that which must go on in the mind of the man about to take his own life. It is wholly foreign to the concept of the normal, every-day mind. Certainly it flies in the face of the very first natural law—self preservation. Weighing all this, it is difficult to understand how there could be anything but sympathy for Forrestal, and an honest effort to understand something of the torturous mental suffering which drove him to leap to his death.

JOB OUTLOOK:

Better for Grads

With starting salaries holding firm at last year's record high levels, signs of a last-minute pick-up in jobs for the mammoth 1949 class of college graduates were showing up, according to an annual employment survey by the family economics bureau of North-western National Life Insurance Company.

Although two-thirds of the 133 colleges and universities covered to date find their total employment calls all the way from slightly to "disappointingly" below 1948, schools reporting in the final week of the survey have shown a much better ratio, the summary says. Approximately half of the late responses report their record of job offers to date as equal to or slightly above 1948 experience.

DARTMOUTH college's school of business administration observes, for example, "We were disturbed by the February-March slump, but the later pick-up has 'wiped out our losses,'" St. Louis university also reports that demand faded in February and March, but "as of the past six weeks it has begun to develop beautifully." University of Nebraska's college of business administration notes a stronger employment demand in the last ten days. But Duquesne university at Pittsburgh reports, "Calls in general are less than in 1948 except those for sales personnel which have increased."

Boston university says job offers are 7 per cent fewer than last year; Ohio State finds about the same number of employers represented on the campus this spring, but each firm taking fewer men. Yale university has recorded more employment calls than as of a year ago.

FIVE out of every six schools listed in the survey report starting salaries to be as high or higher than last year. Prevailing range of offers is from \$200 to \$275 per month for business administration and liberal arts seniors, and from \$225 to \$325 for engineering grads, with exceptional men getting still higher offers. Illinois Institute of Technology reports: "The class of 175 engineers graduating January 19, 1949, averaged \$280 per month for a basic 40-hour week; this is the highest average salary of any class in our history."

TOURISTS:

More Cultured

The American tourist these days was coming in for a new type of treatment from his overseas hosts. For instance, in Capetown, South Africa, according to merchants, the new tourist is not the "vulgar type which used to invade Europe in hordes, wearing horn-rimmed glasses and loud clothes."

"THIS new American is well bred, quiet, wealthy, but has the familiar souvenir mania," said one curio dealer. "One bought everything I showed him. 'Is it genuine Zulu?' he kept asking."

Then, the dealer added, "he took all my shields, assegais and bead-work. I had to call a ricksha to get the stuff down to the ship. And when he saw the ricksha, he wanted to buy that."

AMERICANS no doubt will palpitate with pride at this new evaluation of their cultural level by those abroad who profit most from tourist business—but most will console themselves with the fact that so long as he has any money, the American tourist will manage to get along quite well wherever he may be in Europe or elsewhere.

Victims



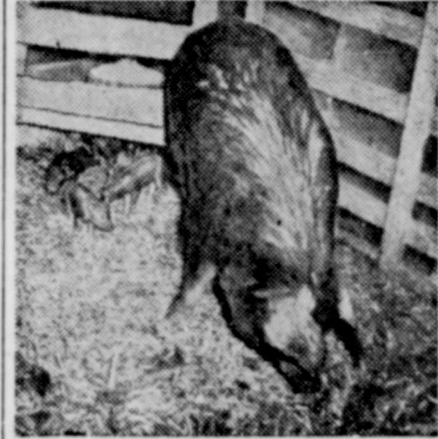
Mrs. Ralph J. Fugatt holds Mark Richard, 7 weeks, at their Springfield home. Her husband has never seen his son because he is in Rutland, Vermont jail under an early 1890 law which demands payment of court judgment or paupers oath.



Pig Brooders Used To Protect Litter

Are Found Valuable At Farrowing Time "This little pig went to market" . . . is a great first line for a nursery rhyme. But it doesn't go far enough as far as farmers are concerned. They'd rather wait until the pig grows up before sending it to market. And the growing-up process is no snap, especially during the first few weeks when the old sow may crush her precious offspring as they crowd around her in an effort to keep warm.

The problem of getting hogs to

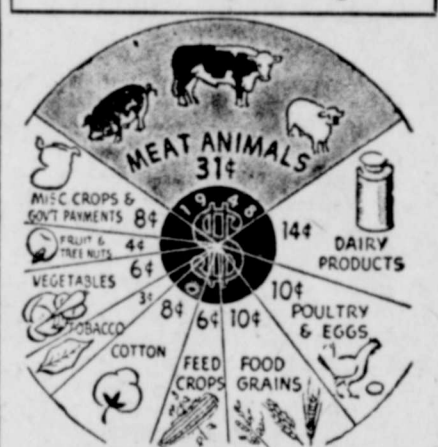


Here is shown a pig brooder in operation. Ofttimes some form of supplementary heat is necessary to prevent a high mortality rate among pigs. Pig brooders such as this have been developed for this purpose.

market starts at farrowing time. In the spring some form of supplementary heat is needed to prevent a high mortality rate. Pig brooders have been developed for this purpose. Their use will save an average of one and a half pigs per litter, according to Purdue university.

Brooders are easy to build and economical to operate. Generally, they are constructed by boarding off a corner of the farrowing pen to a height of about 16 inches. A roof is placed over this rectangular enclosure and a board nailed across the front opening about 8 inches above the floor. Heat is provided by a 150 to 300-watt lamp, the size depending on weather conditions. A hole is cut in the top, and the lamp placed in a suitable reflector which is bolted securely over the opening. Pig brooders consume an average of 36 kilowatt hours of power per litter.

Meat Income High



Almost one-third of the American farmer's total cash income last year came from the sale of meat animals, according to the chart above prepared by the American Meat Institute from U. S. department of agriculture figures.

The value of meat animals was more than nine and one-half billion dollars. Total cash receipts from all crops, including government payments, approached 31 and one-third billion dollars.

From their cash income, farmers and ranchers paid out large amounts for stock, feed, labor and other operating costs.

Milk By-Products Hold Infant Food Source

An infant food made from edible by-products of milk may soon open a new market for dairymen in tests now going on in Mexico continue to show favorable results. This is the conclusion drawn by Dr. Harold Macy of the University of Minnesota.

Dr. Macy and Irvine McQuarrie, pediatrics head at the university, have visited Mexico where they conferred with leading pediatricians on the tests.

The new baby food will offer opportunities for use in many countries if future experiments prove satisfactory.

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Why Jesus Died

Lesson for June 12, 1949

THE FACTS of Jesus' death were simple. They are told in the four Gospels without dramatics and without tears. Yet the drama is there, stark and terrible; and only the hard of heart can read it without tears.

There is a deeper question than what happened. Why did it happen? The first Christians were forced to think about the crucifixion. They all knew it was no legend. It was so. But they were hunted, as we are, with the question. Why? Here was a person whose teaching was truth, whose touch was health, whose life was love. You would have thought the world would welcome such a man, and give him the highest honors in its power. But instead, all it had for him were nails and thorns and a cross. Why? If God, who sees all things, knew that even his Son would come to no better end than a death of shame, why did God allow Jesus to be born, much less send him into the world, the world where the cross was waiting?



Dr. Foreman

No Other End

THERE WAS, of course, "historical reasons" why Jesus was killed. If we used the words "murdered" or "lynched" it would be nearer the truth. Jesus' death, from one point of view, was both a tragedy and a crime, and the Gospel stories show this. Jesus died because Pilate was a spineless man.

Jesus died because the priests of Jerusalem saw that if this man won, they would lose, and they would commit murder rather than be defeated. Jesus died because the Pharisees had closed minds and would not listen to truth if they did not think of it first.

He died because Judas was a traitor, because his friends were cowards and even the best of them dared to show their faces only after he was dead. He died because the Jewish people had their minds set on one sort of Messiah, and when Jesus turned out to be quite another sort, they would have none of him. Being altogether the sort of person he was, in that kind of world, at that particular time and place, you could say, as Jesus himself did, that the Son of Man "had to" die. (Luke 24:26.) No other end was possible. There was no help for it . . . except to turn coward and hide; and if he had been capable of that, he would not have been the Christ we know at all.

The Plan of God

THEN was Jesus simply a victim of circumstances? Was he no better than a fly caught in fate's dark web? Far from it. The Christian church has always believed, even before these stories of the crucifixion were ever written, that the death of Christ was in the plan of God. In fact, it is at the heart of God's plan for mankind.

"That The World . . . Might Be Saved"

MEN had long thought of God as living in far-off heaven, seated on a throne, high and lifted up. A just and mighty God, one who cannot be touched with any human weakness, a holy and infinite Lord of the universe,—such a God men knew. But on earth there walks and suffers a race of men who are slaves of sin, slaves to evil. How can such a God help such men? Not by staying on his throne and hurling down more curses. Only by doing what men would never have guessed God would dare to do—come into this world, himself as a man, translating himself into the life of man; putting his shoulder under the human load, even bearing "our sins in his own body on the tree" (I Peter 2:24).

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Start Making Your Stocks Of Jams, Jelly Goodies Early as Supply Fades

MOST JAM and jelly cupboards are a sad sight to behold about this time of year because long months of use have depleted them pretty thoroughly. Most homemakers will find it a joy to start stocking them now with bright, jewel-like glasses of delectable jellies.

Even for those of us who like a good store of jam and jelly, the job need not seem an unsurmountable task. Make small batches and you'll have better results in both flavor and color retention. Neither will you get tired that you never want to see another jelly glass again.

Organize your work properly by getting out jars or replacing them. Wash them in sudsy water; rinse carefully and they will be all ready to place in cold water and started to sterilizing before you get ready for the fruit and berries. Many women like to get the glass washing chore out of the way the day before, and this is an excellent idea.

Utensils for working as well as the paraffin and sugar may also be laid out the evening before jelly making day. Plan to make your batch first thing in the morning before the sun warms things up too much and makes you weary.

HERE'S AN EASY guide for a favorite rhubarb and strawberry jam:

Rhubarb-Strawberry Jam
(Makes 10 6-ounce glasses)
4 cups prepared fruit
7 cups sugar
½ bottle fruit pectin

To prepare fruit: slice thin or chop, but do not peel, about one pound of rhubarb. Crush thoroughly about one quart fully ripe strawberries. Combine fruits and measure four cups into a large saucepan.

To make the jam: add sugar to fruit in saucepan and mix well. Place over high heat, bring to a full, rolling boil and boil hard one minute, stirring constantly. Remove from heat and at once stir in bottled fruit pectin. Then stir and skim by turns for five minutes to cool slightly, and to prevent floating fruit. Ladle quickly into glasses. Paraffin at once.

Cherries are rich in their own pectin and may be combined with other fruits not as rich in the substance to make fine jelly.

Cherries in Currant Jelly
2 quarts currant jelly
8 pounds sugar
2 quarts pitted cherries

Wash, mash and cook slowly enough currants, with stems, to make two quarts of strained juice. Let currant juice come to a boil, then add sugar. Skim. Add cherries



Strawberries and early rhubarb make one of the most delightful and colorful jam combinations known in modern cookery. Young fry who like to work in the kitchen can be a great help to mother in preparing ingredients fruit is to be prepared.

and cook slowly and steadily for 10 to 15 minutes. Pour into jelly glasses, paraffin at once and set in a cool, dry place.



Raspberries, either by themselves or in combination with other fruits make delightful jams or jellies. Prepare the jelly glasses by sterilization before starting the jam or jelly so they will be ready when the juice or fruit is to be prepared.

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1 quart currants
Sugar

Cook raspberries, currants and water for 20 minutes. Strain the juice and measure. Add an equal amount of sugar. Cook until a small amount of the juice dropped on a saucer jells. Ladle into jelly glasses and cover with paraffin at once.

Raspberries do not have much pectin and for this reason they need pectin added to make them into acceptable jam. Use them alone or combined with strawberries.

***Raspberry Jam**
(Makes 8 6-ounce glasses)
4½ cups prepared fruit
6 cups sugar
1 box powdered fruit pectin

To prepare fruit: crush thoroughly about two quarts fully ripe, red raspberries. If desired, sieve half of pulp to remove some of the seeds. Measure 4½ cups into a large saucepan.

To make jam: measure sugar and set aside. Place saucepan holding the fruit over high heat. Add powdered fruit pectin and stir until mixture reaches a hard boil. Bring to a full, rolling boil and boil hard one minute, stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Skim, ladle quick into glasses. Paraffin at once.



Cherry Preserves
5 pounds cherries
5 pounds sugar

Wash, pick and stone cherries. Place in a preserving kettle, alternating layers of fruit and sugar. Let stand overnight. Bring slowly to a boil and then boil rapidly until thick and clear. Pour into sterilized glasses and seal at once with paraffin.

Gooseberry Conserve
3 pounds gooseberries
3 pounds sugar
1 pound seeded raisins
3 large oranges

Grate the rind of the oranges and extract the juice. Mix together the orange rind and juice, gooseberries, raisins and sugar. Cook slowly until thick. Pour into sterile jars and seal at once.

Pineapple-Pear Preserves
1 pound pears
1 No. 2 can sliced pineapple
1½ cups sugar
¾ cup boiling water

Dissolve sugar in water and let come to a boil. Cut pears in halves lengthwise, removing skin and cores. Cut pineapple into pieces and add both fruits to hot syrup. Cook until tender and clear. Seal in sterilized jars.

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Largest Helicopter, XH-16, Being Developed for USAF

Largest helicopter ever to be built and capable of carrying the biggest load and with the longest range ever achieved by a rotary wing aircraft is currently being developed by the Piasecki Helicopter corporation, Morton, Pa., states the United States air force.

Designated the XH-16 by the USAF, the huge transport helicopter follows the tandem-rotor configuration pioneered by Piasecki and already proven so successful in the ten-place "Rescuer" tandem-rotored helicopter now in production for the navy, marines and coast guard.

In fact, the huge XH-16 has a smaller prototype in the XHJP-1, an all-metal twin-rotor helicopter which Piasecki has developed and built for the navy and which has made a number of successful flights. The air forces' XH-16 is actually an "enlargement" of the XHJP-1 in general dimensions and streamlined appearance.



No Sand is Free

By W. T. PERSON



Life in the wilderness proves difficult for the Ives family, Andy, his wife Kate, Hope, Dave and Granny. The worst angle is trying to pacify hunters, Sig Flanagan, Sam Bragg and Sheriff Martin who are angry because Andy's home was used formerly by them for a camping place. Neighbors help Andy and Dave clear the land and upon completion of the work, a housewarming is given at which everyone from nearby joins in a gala affair. Big Halleck, handsome young man who kindly loaned the Ives a cow, teaches Hope to square dance but she is disconcerted to find the eyes of Hank Butler, guitar player, constantly upon her even though he is liked by Oreen Webster.

CHAPTER XIV

"We've had more smooth road up to now than we'll have from this time out," he said. "The rains are coming, and the spring storms, the mosquitoes, and heaven only knows what else."

"Don't forget the clearing," Dave offered. "That has to come, or we won't have anywhere to plant things."

"Yes, the clearing," Andy said seriously. "I dread that!"

The weather remained cool and clear, with frosty, still mornings and hazy, still sunsets. Smoke from distant brush fires hung low on the horizon, and sometimes in the night, when the air was damp and heavy, the smoke was sharp enough to sting the nostrils.

It was Hank Butler who brought the turkey for Christmas, a big, long-bearded gobbler. He came late of an afternoon, carrying the handsome bird, head down, across his back. Andy and Dave were at the side of the house, sawing stove-wood billets. Hope had just come out to the pump for a bucket of water.

"Thought you might like some turkey meat," he said to Andy and Dave, but watching Hope as she worked the pump handle. He laid down his load and brought out the "makin's" for a cigarette. "I shot 'em right through the head. Not another mark on 'em."

"Well, this is mighty nice of you," Andy said gratefully, noting with distaste how the caller's dark eyes watched Hope's every move. "We'll enjoy it."

"You mean it's a wild turkey?" Dave asked. "You shot it?"

"Oh, they's a good many wild turkeys in the swamp," Hank licked the cigarette paper by dragging it across his tongue. "You got to know how to hunt 'em, though. They're sharp." He struck a match on his belt buckle, cupped the blaze with both hands, and as he lit the cigarette he watched Hope across his hands.

Andy was thinking fast. This was not open season on wild turkey. That came in spring.

"You don't need to say nothin' 'bout having wild turkey for Christmas, though," Hank told them. "I busted the law a little when I shot 'em. Burn the feathers when you git 'em dressed."

Dave and Andy exchanged quick glances. They had barely escaped trouble with Warden Bragg and knew that he was waiting to get something on Andy Ives. Yet he could scarcely refuse the turkey without offending Hank Butler.

Kate came out, to thank the caller for his thoughtfulness and generosity. Granny called, "Ask him to stay for supper."

"No! Hope stage whispered, but Kate couldn't hear her.

Butler Brings A Holiday Gift

The outcome was that Hank Butler stayed. Probably he had arranged his arrival with that in mind. At the table, he had little to say. He bent low over his plate and brought food to his mouth with a minimum of motion. When he cut ham, he held his knife in his fist, like a dagger. He drank coffee black, having sauced it, and as he took in steaming draughts of it his eyes, as dark as the coffee, studied Hope.

Hope tried not to notice that he watched her so much, but she remained nervously aware of his attention. Even when doing the dishes, dragging that chore out as long as possible, she felt his eyes on her, as he, Andy, Dave, and Granny sat about the fireplace in the main room. He talked little, nodding now and then in approval of something Andy said, or shaking his head vigorously in disapproval. Every time she glanced into the room, she saw the dark eyes studying her, and the play of the fire-light on his thin face, dark and intense, gave it a touch of the sinister.

Kate saw and understood. "Don't

pay him any attention," she whispered. "He's just a country boy who's much taken with a pretty, new girl in the community."

"Ugh!" Hope groaned in revulsion.

At Granny's suggestion, Hank Butler helped with the dressing of the turkey. "You know all about such things," she told him. "Andy and Dave don't know beans about how to dress a turkey."

This was a high compliment, as Granny had known it would be. Hank burned the feathers in the kitchen stove. The draft was poor, and the house was heavy with the stench for a time after he had gone—with the parting injunction: "Don't say nothin' 'bout havin' a Christmas turkey. The news might git to Sam Bragg, over the grapevine."

Andy explained this to the women, later. Kate and Hope both vowed they wouldn't enjoy a bit of it, but they had different reasons. Granny, however, declared that it looked like an excellent bird and that she planned to relish it in the



It was Hank Butler who brought the turkey for Christmas, a big, long-bearded gobbler.

highest. They would keep it out in the cold, in a roaster with the top tied down, until Christmas day.

There was too much to do to plan a "big" Christmas. It would have to be just another day, with the simplest of gifts, the barest of celebrations.

"We'll sing 'Silent Night!'" Hope said, "with Mr. Eliot playing the violin while Mr. Flipp looks on in contempt of slow, draggy music."

"Yes, we'll have to have those two with us," Kate put in. "My goodness, there won't be any oysters for the turkey dressing. The first time in years and years we haven't had oysters for—"

"Might get some mussels out of the bayou," Dave broke in. "They're like oysters. And say, Bill Darnley told me that sometimes you can find a real pearl in a mussel. He said a fellow found one about five years ago that he got a hundred dollars for."

"You might look a thousand years, though," Andy said, "before you opened a mussel with a perfect pearl in it."

"Come summer, though," Hope predicted, "Dave and I will be hunting pearls!"

"Come summer," Granny said flatly, "you'll be thinking of more practical things than pearls."

Andy and Dave had already started with their clearing. They chose the highest ground to begin on, for that would be the first dry land in spring.

Big Steps By For a Visit

"Most of these trees sprouted before you were born," Andy told him. "Some of the thickets were here, sending out more matted roots each year, even before the trees got much start. They've got the jump on you, son. You can't undo nature's work in a swivet."

Christmas Eve brought a break in the weather, and at sunset the sky was overcast with a low, gray cloud. The air was heavy. They could hear the train whistle lonelinessly for Newcastle. A drizzling rain started early in the evening, pattering softly on the new cypress shingles. Now and then, sleet peppered down. It rattled like fine bits

of glass on the roof, and when an occasional gust drove it against the north window it made a sharp swishing sound. Andy sat nodding before the fire. He and Dave had worked at the clearing even on that day, and he was tired. It was sweet to sit in the glow of the slow-burning lengths of oak and feel the warmth play over him, while the rain whispered and the sleet rattled outside. His house—his land—established—The Lord had been good.

In the morning the cloud still hung low, but the rain had stopped. The temperature had dropped a little, and fine snow was in the air. It would be a passable Christmas Day.

Hope had made a holly wreath for the front window. Dave, at her suggestion, had rustled up some thick-leaved mistletoe pearly with berries. She hung a piece of it over the front door. "In case Oreen comes along," she teased Dave.

He blushed. "You're hoping Hank Butler comes too, I guess."

"All right, you win!" Hope told him, shuddering as she had a swift mental picture of Hank Butler's smoldering black eyes.

Mr. Eliot and Mr. Flipp arrived during the middle of the morning, just as the house was becoming tantalizingly fragrant with roasting turkey. They wore eager, hungry looks.

Mr. Flipp had shaved in deference to the importance of the day, and he had trimmed his pale hair, achieving very choppy effects here and there.

Mr. Eliot and Hope were trying to get together on "Indian Love Call," when Bigelow Halleck rode up. He was entering the door before Hope knew he was anywhere around. She looked over her shoulder just as he was straightening up, and observed that he was so tall that his big head hid the mistletoe from her.

"Just stopped by to say 'Merry Christmas,'" he said. "Don't let me stop the music. Sounds good."

"Well, come right in," Andy called happily. "You can stay and have dinner with us."

"Watch out!" Dave warned. "You're standing right under the mistletoe. Hope had me put it up. You'd better move, Big!"

Hope flushed and cut a sharp glance at the boy. Out of the corner of her eye she could see the towering caller smile.

"I'm pretty safe, I guess," he said to Dave, meeting the boy's playful mood. "Say, Mrs. Ives," he said to Kate, who had come from the kitchen, "everything looks right Christmasy around here. I was looking for a stray cow, and rode by—"

Escaping From Scheming Oreen

"Stay for dinner," Kate urged. "We'd love to have you, or would your mother like that?"

"Oh, mom's looking for me back to the house. He looked briefly toward Hope, who had turned back to the piano and was pretending to be busy with a sheet of music. "I'll have to get on back home."

"He's scared of the mistletoe," Dave said, determined to have his joke.

"Dave," Kate said gently, reproving him not so much because the spirit of the season was driving him beyond the bounds of good taste, but because Hope had shot her a look of appeal. She was casting about for some tactful way to stop Dave's teasing when the roar of a truck announced that the Websters were approaching.

Dave started and looked quickly out of the window, but he knew that it was the Webster pickup even before it careened into view. There was no mistaking that sound! He paled, and a grim, tight set was about his mouth. He got up to go out of the room.

"Well, good!" Andy cried, pleased to be having so much company on that happy day. "It's Harley and Birdie and Oreen. Excuse me, Big, and I'll follow Dave out to greet 'em."

Dave shook his head and made a dry sound out of his mouth. He struck out for the back door. If Andy wanted to follow him out, he'd have to go by way of the South Pole if he came across the Websters! He was getting away from there, and promptly!

"Wait, Dave!" Hope called, feeling that fate had wrought justice in bringing Oreen at this moment. "You're always talking about mistletoe. Now's your chance to prove why you're so fond of the stuff!"

But Dave went out the back door, ignoring both Hope and his mother.

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"My plan is to borrow the necessary five or six thousand a year from our savings, restoring it as the children grow older. We were both underprivileged in youth, David and I; he, consequently has been a passionate student all his life, and I take out my old hunger for advantages in hopes for my children. Do you think I am justified in this plan?"

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Before you know it, David's income won't be so large or so steady. The girls and boys will be scattered, and whether or not you bought them dancing lessons, tennis



"... want them to know culture ..."

rackets or a dozen changes of pretty clothes will not matter and will not be remembered.

That's the time when you and David will want a small house, a garden, a cocker spaniel, a car, — and independence, independence, independence! You don't want then to be living with the impatient young wife of David junior, or to have to murmur to Margery, "Daddy must have a hundred dollars for his teeth, dear."

Demands Will Grow

You'll never add anything to the vanishing bank account, if once you begin to gnaw at it. Don't deceive yourself. In 10 years the children will want far more than they do now, not less.

So during this long vacation begin the Great Upheaval. Most lives would be much better for an overhauling and a great upheaval now and then. Put the children into public schools, and if the public schools are not fine enough, help to make them finer. Gather a few friends around them and find a friend of your own who will give them all dancing lessons in your house, at the cost of a few sandwiches and bottles of pop, every week.

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Ain't It So

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New Mexico Notes



FROM A WHEEL CHAIR

A few day ago ten attractive and charming young girls from the Girls Welfare Home at Albuquerque came to visit me. They constituted the Senior class who are this week being graduated from this state institution for girls.

A visitor at the mansion at the time (not knowing these were girls who had been committed for delinquency and other offenses by district judges of New Mexico) upon seeing them leave and observing their beautiful manners and charm wanted to know "what school produced such fine graduates?" There wasn't a single mark which would distinguish these girls from graduates of the average New Mexico high school; unless by chance one should notice their rather plain clothes. Neatly and tastily dressed they were, though not expensively. They were poor girls and the state is sparing in its expenditures—for little things!

I would not say that every girl who is sent to the Welfare Home is desirous of, or mentally equipped to receive, a high school education. Some of them doubtless are not. But that this institution with something over a hundred girls in population should graduate ten or more each year shows what can be done in rehabilitation once we set our heart and mind to it—to the task of straightening out society's mistakes and giving these under-privileged girls the chance we owe them and one they never had before.

All girls in this institution come from broken, poor or badly supervised homes. An education as something to strive for was foreign no doubt to the thinking of all these girls until strict and well-directed discipline, a sympathetic approach by Miss Florence Perkinson, an able and understanding woman and her staff of assistants who love errant girls, brought them to their senses.

I write these lines to tell you of the great good which society achieves, to say nothing of the human and charitable side of the story, by salvaging these girls otherwise to be left adrift. They are saved by giving them the guidance and training which they would accept at first, we know, only under compulsion. Now the finished product of potentially promising good citizens, good wives and good-mothers.

Fifty years ago we turned our back on the erring girl; and we almost left to drift for himself the bad boy, though we did give him a few more breaks than we gave the girl. Thirty years ago we had improved somewhat in our attitude and begun to learn how profitable to society it is to save a life and a soul, for useful service. And, more important, how easily it can be achieved!

These girls did not see me do it and they did not know, but as they turned away from my bedside and left me with their beaming faces and happy smiles and the awkward but sweet goodbye gestures that only happy, bright girls can bestow, I shed some tears. Tears of joy, they were; and I was alone. I was happy to remember that I had a small part in the early and developing days of this fine school when public spirited women of New Mexico were sure that this thing we wanted to do was not impossible to do.

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