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Truman Expects Demos to Win

"President Truman is in high spirits as he looks ahead to the campaign," says U.S. News and World Report. "He expects a Democrat to live in the White House for the next four years after January, 1953, despite the Republican nomination of Dwight D. Eisenhower. Mr. Truman is putting his faith in an election formula that has brought victory to the Democrats regularly for 20 years."

This will come as something of a shock to those optimists who believe that General Eisenhower's personal appeal and prestige, plus widespread criticism of the Administration on various fronts ranging from corruption in high places to the handling of the Korean War, make the GOP a cinch after 20 long, hungry years. Yet Mr. Truman is no wishful thinker, and his confidence is based upon hard political precedents and realities.

U.S. News breaks the President's strategy down in this wise. First of all, he plans on holding 69 electoral votes in the South, while regarding it as possible that the Republicans may pick up the other 59.

Then, the formula provides for concentrating hard on the big-city vote, where labor and minority groups have a major voice. In a number of the states which are most important from the standpoint of electoral votes, one or two big cities usually decide the issue. Examples are New York City in New York; Los Angeles and San Francisco in California; Boston in Massachusetts; Chicago in Illinois.

As U.S. News observes, the Democrats have been doing extraordinarily well in the cities. There are 106 cities with a population in excess of 100,000. In 1932 and again in 1948 the Democrats carried all but 15 of them. In 1936 there was really a debacle—the Republicans carried only two. They got nine in 1940 and 10 in 1944.

According to U.S. News, Mr. Truman believes that his formula will give the Democrats 199 electoral votes in the North. With the anticipated "sure-thing" Southern votes, the total becomes 268—two more than is needed to win.

Like all formulas and stratagems, this one could prove to be a total bust. The events of 1932 or 1940 or any other year will not necessarily be repeated in 1952. But the foregoing shows why the Democrats are entitled to some measure of optimism. To quote U.S. News again, "The Democrats have money, jobs, a strong organization, and a foothold in the White House. Mr. Truman is confident he has a winning formula that will keep them there."

This also shows what General Eisenhower and the GOP organization are up against. Their hope is to get most of the farm vote, and to crack the South to some extent. Then, as they well know, they must make a big dent in the metropolitan vote that has been going to the Democrats with clockwork regularity. Eisenhower strategists show a confidence they can do this. This time, they think, they've got the candidate and the issues.



Nobody who is well-versed in politics expects a walkover for either party. As the pending campaign can be envisaged now, it will be exceedingly hard fought, and the decision may be an extremely close one, hinging on what happens in two or three states. Both organizations are girding for all-out, no-holds-barred battle.

Prospects for Crops Are Good

The above heading should read "Prospects for crops are good BUT we need rain. Last week we made a trip around the valley starting at the Crockett place. Every place we passed had row crops up from two to three inches high. Rawleigh Newbill had a small acreage that was up about two feet. Bryant Williams, Bert Weddige, Henry Coffin all had crops up and growing. But the best row crop of all was on the D. W. Carson place where the grain was up three feet and better. One more irrigation or a soaking rain will make this into a pretty good crop. But to sum the situation up we will say that we need moisture either in the form of rain or irrigating water. Perhaps we will get it during August—if not, GOOD NIGHT!

Bryant Williams and two daughters, Margaret and Alice Ruth, left Wednesday for El Paso on a business trip.

Appointed Deputy Stock Inspector

Last week Charlie Cole was appointed deputy stock inspector by Mr. Malone of Carlsbad. If you want to buy some of these dairy calves, get Mr. Cole to go with you and inspect the calves with their mothers and you can get the calves without them being branded.

SCS Supervisors Hold Meeting

Supervisors of the Penasco Soil Conservation District met last week Friday at the Hope SCS office. Those present for the meeting were D. W. Carson, chairman; J. B. Runyan, and Bryant Williams.

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Sage and Cactus

By doughBelly Price
Taos, New Mexico

It shore looks like old Bushy Brow (John L. Lewis) is going to hump and take another grab at the coal users' pocket. This wave of prosperity is going to put us all on welfare. As for me I had just as soon see it go to the coal miners and steel workers as the politicians and revenue boys. I would make the suggestion that we close all the coal mines and gas wells and go back to using cow chips, but the cattle now is so high bred and got so many things shot into them (vitamins and Vaccines) that the chips would not burn; it takes grass and vegetation to make good burning cow chips. I know. These strikes and eternal combustion in the U.S. is doing one thing—it makes Joe (Stalin) Happy. The pillshooters (Drs) says a good laugh is fine for digestion. If that is right Joe is sure not constipated. And we are giving him the laughs. I have a sneaking idea that getting Isehnower nominated did not suit so well. But all he has got to do is Vofbe his disapproval. That is the only thing that will beat Ike. I had something in the clip joint the other day and I don't know just what. He was either a duke of a devil, maybe both. I went to spreading him my line of bull and he looked at me like a mule at a motherless colt. He told me something in several different lingoos, some English among it, Very badly chopped up and walked out. I was glad to see him go. I speak several lingoos myself—some English, plenty of profanity, through my nose and slang. But I did not get his line at all. Just as well, I guess—he might have wanted to borrow something. He could have been an artist or a writer, or some other uncommon nut. He was holding onto a very entelligent looking dog. Just another specie of the Good LoLrds Neglect. No doubt he thought the same about me. That is one thing about this country, you can think what you want to and dont have to ask the County chairman.

Leading Politicos Hold Huddle

Who do you suppose we saw last Monday in the Irby Drug Store? Believe it or it, it was Bill Dunnam, chief of the Republican party in Artesia and Buster Mulcock, leader of the Democratic cian in north Eddy county. They were drinking coffee and getting along very peacefully, so it seemed. But we know they were up to something. Very likely they were discussing some deep political scheme that will be put into action about two weeks before the general election. We hope that it was a plan to get the people out to vote. We need a plan like that, and the two gentlemen mentioned are the ones that can put it over.

Tom Young has been appointed Mayordomo to fill the position made vacant by the resignation of Russell Lee.

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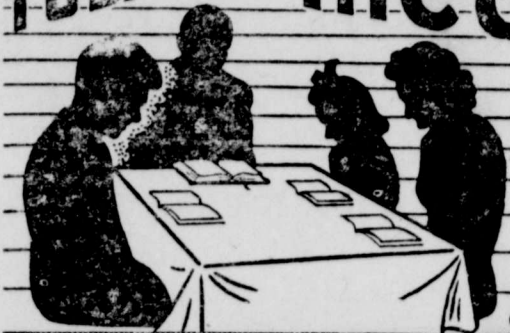
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Whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.—John 4:14. Read John 4:7-14.

One summer day, a traveler strolled for rest and pleasure near the mouth of a large river. Coming at the time when the ocean was at low tide, the traveler saw a splendid spring of pure, fresh water, clear as a crystal, gushing up from the rocks. Twice a day the salt tide would rise above that beautiful fresh water fountain and cover it. But when the tide spent its force and went back again to the ocean's depths, the spring would send out its pure water.

If the human heart be really a fountain of love to Christ, it will send out its streams of fresh, sweet water even into the midst of the tides of politics, business, and social activities. The tides of life and its interests may seem to overwhelm and engulf. But when the world has spent its strongest, bitterest force, those who have within their hearts the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit will still be victorious. They will come forth with clean hands, pure hearts, the mind of Christ, and a conscience free of offense toward God and man.

PRAYER

Our kind, heavenly Father, Thy mercies are ever toward us. This day give us courage and faith and love. Let no difficulty conquer us, no discouragement cause us to lose heart, for we are alive to Thee, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Christ sweetens the wellspring of the heart.—Katherine Bevis.

The Low Down From Hickory Grove

Just what it is that nibbles on a congressman's or a senator's equilibrium once he gets ensconced down there in Old Spendtown, is a nifty question. Here at home, before he was elected, he was a sensible feet-on-terra firma type of gent. He could add, subtract, pass a good IQ and all that, but once he is settled there at law makin' he can't even count real good. He can't tell 10 from 10 thousand—if the 10 are noisy enough and pound his desk with vigor.

A little group—more than often, the left handed variety—shows up, and scares the great man half stiff.

He thinks the group represents 10,000 votes—not just the 10. The Big Chiefs of labor, the "click" representing Govt. directed education, the dam building fraternity, overawe the man—he succumbs. Back home he was no sucker. He knows this country got to where it was prior to a dozen years ago via perspiration and self reliance—he knows we have never been in a worse mes than right now after tugging for these dozen years of all the socialist Europe-type concoctions that put Europe on the skids.

So now what—and who is the biggest sucker or yokel, the law-makin' gent or just us voters who never chirp. Send all answers to the Ed.—postpaid.

Yours with the low down,
JO SERRA

Farming Techniques Have Changed in Last 10 Years

There are 1,300,000 fewer farmers in the United States today than there were 10 years ago, but they produce 25 per cent more foods and commodities.

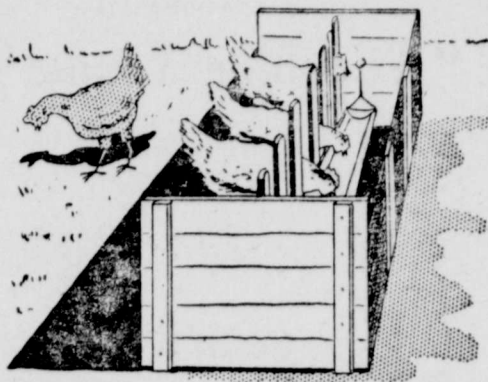
The reason for this fact, points out a recent Bureau of Labor Statistics report, is the larger amount of mechanical power put to use in so short a time.

As compared with 1941, farms now have 3½ times as many combines, four times as many corn pickers, three times as many milking machines, twice as many trucks, and nearly 17 times as many pick-up balers. Power and machines are relieving the farmer in the field and in the barn.

At the same time, there has been a revolution in the farmhouse. Rural electrification has brought light bulbs into nine out of 10 homes, pipes laid in the earth give three out of four families water at the turn of a faucet, and the excess of eight million gas installations on farms enables the farm woman to have any work-saving household gas appliance she desired.

Farm women who at one time worked from daylight to dark are finding themselves with much leisure time on their hands because of these advances.

Stanchions for Hens



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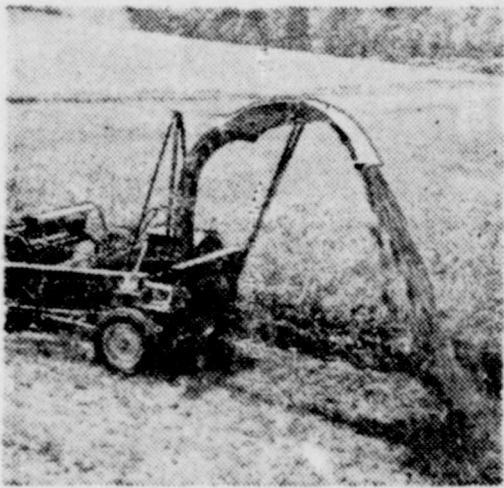
Potato Farmer Cuts, Returns Grass to Field

Green Manure Pays Off In Large Potato Harvest

A Pennsylvania farmer has come up with a new way of using grass in his rotation to increase the production of potatoes. Farmer F. H. Krause of Germansville, Penn., has been a potato grower for many years. He has practiced a tree-year rotation of grain, alfalfa, and potatoes. Until this year, he always mowed his alfalfa fields during the growing season and then plowed them under in the spring prior to planting time.

He noticed, however, that the heavy growth when mowed often smothered some of the plants so that the growth was rather sparse for the rest of the year. And the heavy crop also made it difficult to plow under in the spring.

When digging up his potatoes, many times he came across clumps of the alfalfa that had never decomposed.



Krause is shown as he takes the harvester through an alfalfa field. His green manure program pays greater profit than cutting the hay and feeding it out, he says.

When Krause saw a field forage harvester with a sickle bar attachment, used to chop and blow grasses into wagons for ensilage, he thought it might be the answer to his problem.

He revised the distributor pipe so that the chopped grass would blow back onto the ground. Instead of mowing, he took his harvester through the standing crop, chopped it, and blew it back onto the field. As a result the finely chopped grass did not smother any plants and was easy to plow, and, he says, will be easy to plow under next spring. Krause also figures that the chopped grass will decompose in the ground much more quickly and make its organic material available to the potato roots almost immediately.

Ordinarily grass grown in rotation is harvested for hay or silage or perhaps grazed during the growing season. However, Krause feels that cutting the crop and returning it to the land as green manure pays off for him in a large potato harvest and in grain production the second year.

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The Low Down From Hickory Grove

Two hand in hand menaces are cramping the U.S.A. style. One is the ever growing lack of freedom to work where, for what outfit or guy, for how much and for how long. The other is creeping Socialism that is fashioning every man's future in the mode desired by Big Govt. versus allowing each boy to fashion his own life by now much he chooses to burn the midnight oil or by the extent he desires to perspire.

Correcting these 2 menaces would be easy as pie. First, the sweet little woman could take her big hero by the scruff and plank him back on his job as she walks up to the man on the picket line and tells him to go on home. He would go. That would solve the "freedom to work" problem—and in spite of labor bosses, politicians and the Lefties.

The socialist menace is a voter's job. Women and men voters, listen to your Uncle Josephus and then check up—see if I am telling the truth or am peddling guff. No city owned, state owned, or Govt. owned property pays taxes. If Seattle takes over the street cars, Los Angeles takes over its lighting system, the Govt. takes over the power in Tennessee, and you live in Michigan or Minneapolis or far away from Seattle or Los Angeles or Tennessee, you join in just the same on the tax deficit. That, folks, is Socialism.

Yours with the low down,
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Today's Meditation

God is . . . to be had in reverence of all them that are about him. Psalm 89:7. Read Psalm 89:1-9 or John 9:31-28.

One day a little girl was watching her mother prepare biscuits. When they were in the pan, the mother dipped two fingers in some melted butter and touched each biscuit gently. The little girl then asked her mother, "Are you blessing each biscuit?"

Few attitudes in life are more desirable than reverence. Among other things, reverence means that one honors the Father, seeks to do His will daily through the power of the Holy Spirit and in Christ's name, and shows respect for the house of worship.

Some have little regard for personality, even in the marriage relation; others keep that sacred relationship on the highest plane, each respecting the life and personality of the other.

One of the finest things recorded of the Master is when He restored

sight to one who was born blind. After he had been cast out by the church leaders, it is recorded that Jesus found him, and asked him: "Dost thou believe on the Son of God?" When Jesus revealed His identity, the healed man said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshipped Him.

PRAYER

O holy One, our Father, Thou art worthy of our best thought and act. Open our eyes to see the beauty of life all about us. Unstop our ears to hear the silent voice of the spirit. Raise us from spiritual death that we may go forth to do Thy will and help others, in Jesus' name. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

I believe in Christ; so I reverence Him. — Benjamin Eitelgeorge.

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