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## Free Barbecue September 19

Farmers and ranchers within the Penasco Soil Conservation District are again reminded that the week of Sept. 14 is to be Conservation Week in the district. As stated in last week's Penasco Valley News, the supervisors of the district are urging every farmer and rancher to become more conservation minded. During the past 11 years, that the district has been functioning, approximately 75 per cent of the farmers and ranchers have become cooperators with the district. By cooperating with the district, the supervisors feel sure that the remaining land owners, who are as yet not cooperating, can be assisted in applying conservation practices on their land through the technical services made available to the district by the Soil Conservation Service.

Don't forget the free barbecue to be held Sept. 19 starting at 4:30 p. m. on the Hope school grounds. There will be plenty of barbecue, beans, potato salad and all the trimmings that go with it. After everyone has had plenty to eat, a color movie entitled "My Country," as well as several other movies will be shown. Mr. G. L. Beene, area conservationist, is scheduled to review the history of the district during the past 11 years.

All farmers, ranchers, businessmen of the district and their families are invited. Better circle the 19th on your calendar so you won't forget!

## The Low Down From Hickory Grove

I am tryin' to unearth some good reason for the bales and bales of statistics that pour forth from old Swivel-Chair-Town—there on the Big River—and who pays any attention to same. It is costing plenty dinero as the adding machines overheat and the typewriters clatter. If it is all there in the income tax bill we divvy—but what do we get for our money. I'll tell you one thing—we are right up to date on how many eggs are being set on by our hens in April this year versus in April last year. We are told by the great men there in the Govt. what to expect as a corn crop, a cranberry crop, the number of yards of calico to be woven in July versus in June.

Nobody, anywhere, does anything about any of these figures—they come in via one ear and go out via the other, and in 24 hours we have no idea what it was we were listening to.

So to you—my friends and good citizens—I ask you this question. Why not a postcard to your Mr. Senator and Mr. Congressman—or even to Mr. Eisenhower or Mr. Stevenson—and tell 'em what you expect 'em to do about firing the whole kit and kaboodle of these compilers of not so ho's guesses on what won't or will happen—and which generally don't.

Yours with the low down,  
JO SERRA.

## Seven Counties Ask for Space

Albuquerque, (Special) — Seven counties jumped the gun this year and made early application for exhibit space for the county booth competition in the 1952 New Mexico State Fair, Sept. 27-Oct. 5, according to Leon H. Harms, secretary-manager.

"Usually reservations for space in this division come in at the very last minute, right on the deadline," Harms said. "The fact that seven counties had their entries in two weeks before closing date is a good indication of added interest in the county display feature of the fair."

The deadline for entries in the county booth division is Monday, Sept. 8. Entries can be made by the county extension agent, Chamber of Commerce, Farm Bureau or any organization or individual in the name of the county.

Counties that reserved space early included LLuna, McKinley, Roosevelt, Sandoval, San Juan, Sierra and Torrance.

The county booth division of the state fair is one in which everyone wins. Every entry receives at least a \$25 cash premium. First place booth in the competition wins \$100 cash, with \$75 for second, \$50 for third, \$40 for fourth, \$35 for fifth and \$30 for sixth.

A state law passed in 1951 permits each county to appropriate up to \$1000 out of the general fund for the purpose of aiding the county to display its products and resources at the state fair, Harms said.

Before passage of the law, he added many counties had difficulty in appropriating the necessary funds for a county booth.

With the deadline right at hand, Harms urged counties which have not yet made their entries to do so immediately. Entries can be made up to midnight, Sept. 8, to Leon H. Harms secretary-manager, New Mexico State Fair, P. O. Box 1693, Albuquerque.

"Behind the Hiss Case with Senator Nixon" . . . Senator Richard M. Nixon, who led in the Hiss investigation, bares all the facts of the case. Reveals how Communist conspiracy has reached top levels in Washington. It is a shocking disclosure of how our security is threatened. Look for it in The New American Weekly, that great magazine distributed with next Sunday's Los Angeles Examiner.

Mrs. Joe Vennum and two daughters, Betty Jo and Judy are living in the Ezra Teel home while the girls go to school.

Mr. Silkwood has engaged rooms at the Ida Prude tourist court. He is coach and sponsor of the senior class.

Mrs. Jesse Moody, sister of Mrs. L. P. Glasscock, passed away at her home in Chattanooga, Tenn. Tuesday night. Funeral services were held Wednesday.

A. J. Fisher from MacDonald Flat has moved to Hope so that their daughter can attend school.

## A Glance at National Politics

Some of the commentators have written that they don't expect General Eisenhower and Governor Stevenson to differ greatly on many of the campaign issues. This belief is predicated on the theory that both are by nature moderate, middle-of-the-road men who will shy away from both the right and the left.

That remains to be seen—both candidates have said that they mean to make a top issue out of foreign policy so they must believe that they have a real cleavage of opinion when it comes to that all-important matter. But it is a certainty, regardless of how much or little Eisenhower and Stevenson agree or disagree, that the Democrats will hit very hard on two issues. One is that 20 years is more than enough time for one party to hold power—that it must be turned out of office lock, stock and barrel if the government is to be cleansed, the corruption stopped, and the deadwood eliminated. The other is that Governor Stevenson is, to quote Senator Nixon, a "helpless captive of those who made his nomination possible," and "truly a hand-picked candidate . . . of Harry Truman."

These are very difficult charges to effectively answer, and Governor Stevenson obviously knows that. In his acceptance speech he made a point of saying that the Democrats must not try to excuse or becloud corruption and wrong-doing but must thoroughly clean house themselves. He also said, in effect, that it is not necessary to burn the house down to clean it. It is doubtless true that the governor's refusal to be a volunteer candidate, and his insistence on a draft if he was to run at all, stemmed from his strong desire to be disassociated from the personalities of the present Administration.

Even so, and in spite of Governor Stevenson's excellent record of honesty and integrity in administering the affairs of Illinois, he has a hard job ahead. No one believes that he would countenance corruption, whether it be of the mink-coat, deep-freeze type or something much greater. The Republicans will not attack him as an individual. But they can and will make a strong case to the effect that no Democrat would be able to effectively shake-up and change a machine that has been entrenching itself for 20 years. The machine, they will argue, would be stronger than the President, and he would be largely helpless no matter how good his intentions. They will thus argue that Governor Stevenson would bring in new faces at the top—but that he couldn't do much on lower levels where most government corruption is almost always found.

So it is quite likely that General Eisenhower's strongest talking point—unless the foreign policy debate is developed to where it overshadows everything else—will be in the nature of "turn the rascals out." He is excellently fitted for this role. His experience has been in the military field, where an honest effort is made to pick the best man for each job, re-

gardless of pull or influence or friendship. In an imperfect world, that effort isn't always successful but it is the principle under which Eisenhower was trained.

On Labor Day the campaigns swung into high gear. Then we begin to get the answers to many questions which are foggy now.

## Today's Meditation

"I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."—John 8:12. Read Matthew 5:13-16.

Sir Harry Lauder, it is said, related the following incident at a service club luncheon to illustrate the power of influence. He said that one night he was watching an old lamplighter passing along a dark street, lighting the gas lamps with a torch on a long pole. "I could not see the old man himself," said Sir Harry. "It was entirely dark at the foot of the lamp posts, but I knew where he was by the row of lights he left behind him."

It does not matter much whether or not the world sees the individual as an important person. It does matter greatly, however, as we pass along life's often darkened ways, that each of us is as a torch to pass on some of Christ's enlightening spirit. Not only does He say that He is the Light of the world, but also He tells His disciples, "Ye are the light of the world." His command to us is: "Let your light so shine."

### PRAYER

Eternal God, we accept fellowship with Thee through our faith in Thy blessed Son. Grant to us such humility and sincerity that Thy light may be reflected in our daily lives. May we live so close to Thee that our next-door neighbors may see in us from day to day some of Thy radiance and power. In our Redeemer's name. Amen.

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Today I will let my light shine for Christ.—George May Coe.

## School News

First Grade—There are 13 children in the first grade: Rosemary Bush, Mary Jean Cano, Secoro Cortez, Linda Daugherty, Jimmy Dean, Gary Hubbard, Mary Hidalgo, Iris Joan Hunter, Cecil Madron, Gerald D. Madron, Harold Lee Madron, June Milam and Sammy Teel.

There are 11 children in the second grade: Pauline Bush, Mary Helen Cano, Linda Casabonne, Lupe Cortez, Spencer Henderson, Lonnie Madron, Lavada McCabe, Ann Parker, June Seely, Jerry Stephen and Karen Teel.

All seats are full and if any more children arrive, guess we'll have to put them on the floor.  
WMAUmeg

Tom Dean who has been working on the highway near Pinon has moved back to Hope so the children can go to school. Tom is now working at the Potash mine near Artesia.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Forister left for their home in Nebraska last Sunday. They have been here visiting relatives.



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## The Low Down From Hickory Grove

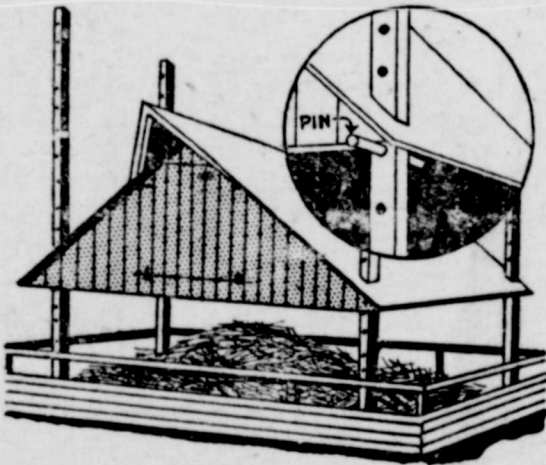
I wash my hands today of republicans and democrats, and take for my theme, "Education." And before some body jumps at any conclusion that I am against knowledge, and learning an d wisdom, I hasten to correct such idea and add that I am also for horse sense and that is something not included in any curriculum that I have perused—first grade to Ph.D. AEsop is the one book that should be in the U.S.A. best seller. A student who gets a passing grade in AEsop is the one I would select as most likely to make the best citizen. Anyway, he would not be an out-and-out sucker—duck soup for a politica l platform founded mostly on wind.

A little overhauling of our system in the school houses, I say, could do good. A picket line made up of teachers is a sad sight. If a teacher sets the example no wonder we see youngsters grow into walking delegates—even goons. The school trustees need some iron in their spines. A teacher who pickets should get the gate. And the mamas and papas who pay the taxes, they could get off the dime, too—give more attention to little Dutch and little Blossom. They could even review their AEsop. Being 40—fair, fat and frisky, especially frisky, is a dangerous age, too.

This country will be okay again—we just been having too much fun, which breeds neglect of important things.

Yours with the low down,  
JO SERRA.

### Hay Barrack



This unusual hay barrack with a roof that can be raised or lowered to various heights was built by one farmer in his cattle-feeding yard. The hay is pitched from the top of the stack to a manger fenced off around the bottom. As the height of the haystack decreases, the roof is lowered to provide the greatest possible amount of protection for the hay. The four long poles at the corners of the barrack are drilled at convenient intervals to take pins which support the roof at the desired height. A door and a short hay track are built into the gable. A block and tackle is used at each corner to raise the roof.

## Bright Colors Help Prevent Farm Accidents

Color can save lives on the farm! Used for many years to prevent industrial accidents, color is now considered just as effective in saving lives and limbs in rural areas.

For instance, one hazardous area is the stairway leading from the loft to the barn floor. For better visibility, the front edge of each step should be painted white or bright yellow with black stripes.

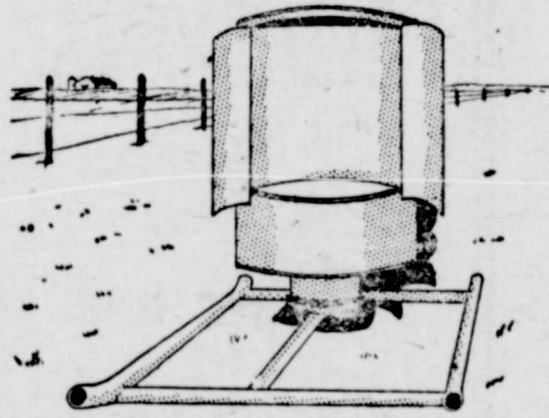
And one of the best investments in safety is a hand rail for these stairs. If painted white or red, it almost shouts "grab me."

Tools such as pitchforks, rakes, and shovels often find their way to the ground or to dark corners of the barn, even on the best regulated farms. In this case, they are easy to spot and are not likely to be stepped on if their handles are painted bright yellow.

To provide adequate visibility in work areas, good lighting should be supplemented with light background. The wall behind a work bench in a shed or barn will reflect more light and make work conditions safer if painted white.

A farmer should study his barn and other buildings carefully, then apply color where color can prevent accidents.

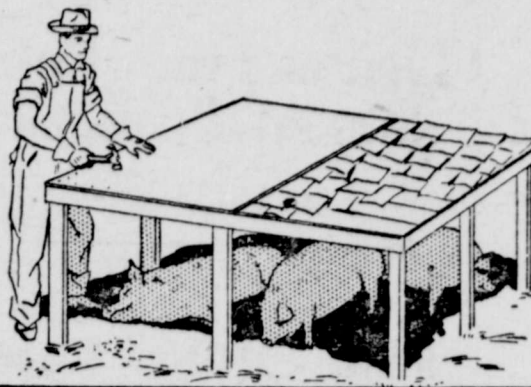
### Windproof Feeder



This feeder will prevent loss of salt and mineral mixtures from wind. Split a 55-gallon barrel and mount it to rotate on a frame. Flared sides keeps it turned away from the wind. It can be moved easily since the frame acts as a skid.

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### Keep Hogs Cool



Hogs like some shade. The above sunshade is easily constructed, the framework of 2x4 lumber. The roof in this particular case is pressedwood, nailed to the frame. Most any surplus material around the farm will serve the purpose.

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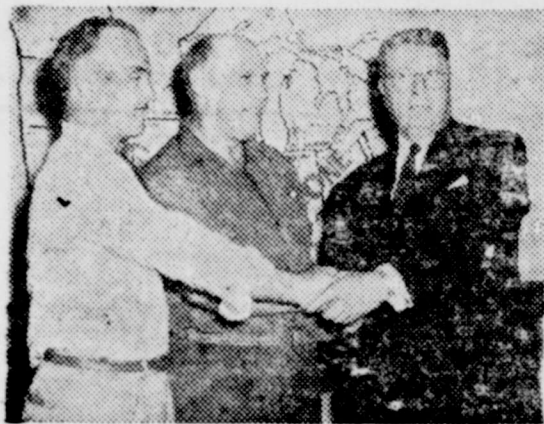


## Winners of Truckers Safety Prizes Named

### 5,000 Drivers Compete In 7-Month Contest

Top honors and prizes in the second Chicago Livestock Truckers Safety Contest were awarded recently to John Simpson of Earlville, Ill., and R. Vandevier of Lebanon, Ind., the two truckers posting the best records for safety in hauling livestock to the Chicago market in their respective zones of competition. Both had taken top honors in their states in last year's contest.

Along with the safety distinction of topping nearly 5,000 competitors each received a \$1,000 U.S. government bond at the "Truckers' Day" celebration in the Chicago Convention Building and International Amphitheatre at the stock yards. Simpson won first honors in the zone designated as "Short Haul" comprising 62 counties in Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin and Michigan;



William J. O'Connor, vice-president and general manager of the Union Stock Yards (right) congratulates the two grand prize winners in the Chicago Livestock Truckers' Safety Contest, Robert Vandevier of Lebanon, Ind., (left) and John Simpson of Earlville, Ill.

Vandevier topped the "Long Haul" zone, all territory beyond the short zone.

Iowa truckers again came through with outstanding safety records, claiming the six next places, second through seventh, behind the grand prize winner in the long haul competition. Last year, Iowa won the first six awards. Illinois virtually captured the prizes in the short haul zone, taking most of the honors.

Safety awards totaling \$12,000 in bonds were awarded to 130 winners (65 in each zone), climaxing the seven-months contest. The bonds ranged in value from a top of \$1,000 down to \$50 value. Truckers from 23 states and Canada who had hauled livestock to Chicago for sale between September 1 last and March 31 of this year, were enrolled. The contest was sponsored by the Chicago Stock Yards company, in cooperation with firms engaged in or associated with the industry.

Mrs. Sy Bunting and Mrs. Dave Bunting of Artesia spent Monday afternoon with Ada Bell Trimble and Ethel Altman.

## LANDSUN

FRI. - SAT.

**"Lion and the Horse"**  
with Steve Cochran

★—————★

SUN. - MON. - TUES.

**"Lovely to Look At"**  
with Kathryn Grayson  
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WED. - THURS.

**"INVITATION"**

with Van Johnson  
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**"Junction City"**  
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**"Fixed Bayonets"**  
with Richard Basehart  
Gene Evans

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## Circle B Drive-In

FRI-SAT

DOUBLE FEATURE PROGRAM  
**"Roll On Texas Moon"**

with Roy Rogers  
and Trigger

**"Konga the  
Wild Stallion"**

with Fred Stone  
and Rochello Hudson

★—————★  
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**"Annie Get Your Gun"**

with Betty Hutton  
and Howard Keel

★—————★

WED-THURS

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**"Father Was a  
Fullback"**

## Farmers Report on Raising Pigs on Synthetic Milk

Much has been written in recent months on raising pigs on synthetic milk. It has been tried successfully and unsuccessfully in many areas of the country by practical pig farmers.

One Illinois farmer started with 106 pigs and weaned 103. It was the second litter he had raised on synthetic milk and he reported they gained faster off the sows.

Another Illinois farmer reported he lost only one pig out of 124 and that was due to an accident.

Another side of the picture was given by an Illinois farmer who lost 65 pigs. He said the loss was due mainly to overfeeding.

Another farmer, Iowa this time, lost 250 out of 450 pigs. The loss was caused by lack of forced ventilation, the farmer explained. He suggested that farmers try a few pigs on the synthetic milk plan before taking a big plunge and thus learn by experience.

On the whole, the new system appears to be here to stay.

Most farmers who have tried the system report many improvements in technique must yet be worked out. As the problems are solved more producers will turn to the new system.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carrol spent their vacation in Hope and Artesia visiting friends. Last Sunday they attended a birthday dinner for Mrs. Lovejoy at Hope.

The supervisors of the Penasco Soil Conservation District enjoyed their annual dinner last Thursday night at the Altman Cafe. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Clem Weindorf, Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Williams, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Carson, Mr. and Mrs. Orris Cleve and Mr. Beane. Bryant Runyan and George Casabonne were unable to attend.

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Here are the five necessary steps:  
1. Clean the walls as you would if you were applying cement wash. Apply a plaster coat, if the wall is rough, and allow it to dry thoroughly before you apply the linseed-oil treatment.

2. Use boiled linseed oil because it will dry quicker.

3. Thin the oil with equal parts of turpentine when you put on the first coat, and be sure to allow it to dry thoroughly.

4. Apply the linseed oil without thinning, when you put on the second coat. Spots where the oil is absorbed, leaving a flat surface, should have a third coat of linseed oil.

Allow the final coat to dry two weeks before you fill your silo. One gallon of linseed oil will cover about 200 square feet with two coats.

## Agriculture Faces Big Task in Next 25 Years

Agriculture faces a tremendous task in the next 25 years. U.S. population is now growing at the rate of 2½ million a year and will reach 190 million by 1975. If the nation continues to consume food and fiber at the current rate, the nation will need the equivalent of an additional 115 million acres of cropland, assuming yields per acre continue at about 1950 levels.

How is this to be accomplished?

Experts say the nation can expect to have 15 million acres of land for food production by 1975 that is now producing feed for mules and horses. In addition another 30 million acres will be added by irrigation, drainage, clearing and flood control.

The deficit will have to be made up by better use of the land we now have. This calls for greater efficiency in production on farms and improved distribution, utilization, and marketing after the products leave the farm.