

Irrigation Meeting Thursday

The meeting on farm irrigation will be held next Thursday, February 5, at 1:30 P. M. in the Spurlock Community Building basement.

R. V. Thurmond, Extension Irrigation Engineer, will discuss methods of locating a well and the proper development for successful production. Mr. Thurmond is well acquainted with the irrigation development problems in this area. He has his headquarters in Lubbock and has helped with the development of many irrigation wells throughout West Texas. He has been in very close contact with the development problems in the south plains and in the area around Stratford and Sunray.

M. K. Thornton, Agricultural Chemist for Texas A. and M. College and the Extension Service, has given much of his time in running tests of soil samples sent in from this area for analysis. In addition to heading the soil analysis laboratory at College Station, he has done work on commercial fertilizers. Farmers who are interested in using commercial fertilizers in their row crops on both irrigated and dry land farms will have an opportunity to discuss their problems with him.

E. W. Trew, Agronomist for the Extension Service, will discuss crop production on irrigated farms. He will also give a report on experiments being run on eradication of bindweed by planting plots infested with these weeds to certain grasses that have shown some favorable possibilities in this area.

Dr. Charles Whitfield, head of the Amarillo Experiment Station, will discuss bindweed control at the Station and the control of other weeds in irrigation farming.

Following these fellows, who are more or less specialists in their particular field and will deal mostly in research information on irrigation, Jay Boston, a farmer from Hereford, Texas, who has had much experience in irrigation, will discuss the farmers problems in developing irrigation in this area.

Independents Have 2 Games Scheduled

Stratford's Independent Basketball team will play at Stinnett Saturday night. The game will be called at 8:00 P. M. Stinnett is the only team that has defeated the Independents this year.

Tuesday, February 2, the Independents will play Spearman, one of the top teams in the NPAA League, in the high school gymnasium at 8:30 P. M.

The NPAA League playoffs are scheduled to be played February 27 and 28. The four top teams in the league will play in these games.

No admission is charged for games played by the Independents but a free-will offering is accepted to help pay the expenses of the team.

Playing with the Independents this year are: Tuffy Thompson, Bill French, Marion Brannan, Billy Keener, Edward Brannan, Bucky Walters, William Allen, Gene French, Bill Reed and William Glen Hart. The team expects to lose Marion Brannan to the armed services but hope to replace him with Pinky Jackson who is expected to arrive back home from military service in the near future.

The Independents have played 8 games, winning 7. Monday night of last week they won over Textline by a score of 77 to 42. Bill Allen and Marion Brannan were high point men with 22 and 19 points.

Monday night the Independents defeated Cactus 54 to 46. Bill Allen was high point man with 18 points.

Pfc. Leslie Dodson Expected Home Saturday

Pfc. Leslie Dodson is expected to arrive in Stratford Saturday for a two-day furlough. He is being transferred from Memphis, Tennessee to El Toro, California. Dodson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McDaniel.

Miss Cunningham To Be Married In February

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Cunningham announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Adele, to Sgt. Gordon B. Fedric, son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Fedric of this city. The wedding will take place in early February.

Miss Cunningham is a popular member of the senior class.

Dale Knight Promoted To Sergeant

With The 3rd Infantry Div. in Korea — Dale H. Knight, whose wife, Betty, lives in Stratford, was recently promoted to sergeant while serving in Korea with the 3rd Infantry Division.

During the winter of 1951, this outfit cracked the Communists' line in the battle of "Bloody Angle," one of the bitterest engagements of that year.

World War II veterans will remember that the 3rd was the only American division to fight the Nazis on all fronts. It hit the beaches at Anzio in January 1944 and maintained a toe-hold for four months against furious German counter attacks.

Sergeant Knight arrived in Korea last May and is now serving as a clerk typist in Headquarters Company, 15th Infantry Regiment. He entered the Army in April 1951 and received basic training at Fort Hood, Texas.

A 1949 graduate of Stratford High School, he was engaged in farming in civilian life. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Knight of Stratford.

Local Teams Win And Lose In Cage Tilts

Stratford Elks won over Stinnett by a score of 56 to 50 in a game played here Friday night. High point men for the Elks were Benny Bidy with 19 points and Fin Ramon with 17 points. Williams of Stinnett scored 22 points and Ballard of Stinnett scored 12 points.

Stratford Elketts lost to Stinnett in a 19 to 32 game. The Elketts guards played a good defensive game but forwards failed to muster sufficient points to win the game.

At Clayton Saturday night Stratford Elks lost a game by the score of 39 to 55. Lyall Wakefield was high point man with 15 points. Trujillo of Clayton scored 15 points.

Stratford Elks bowed to Dalhart in a game played at Dalhart Monday night. The Dalhart Wolves held the lead in the score of a 64 to 60 game. Douglas Carter was high point man for the Elks with 17 points. He scored 8 points on field goals and 9 points on free throws. Nickel of Dalhart was high point man for his team with 20 points. Sanborn of Dalhart scored 19 points.

Dalhart girls won over the Stratford Elketts in a 36 to 28 game. Jean Garoutte was high point forward with 12 points. Adele Cunningham was in second place with 10 points. Stratford guards held the Dalhart forwards to one of their lowest scores of the season. Dalhart's 6 foot 2 inch forward was allowed to score only 4 field goals.

Stratford Teams To Play In Cactus Tourney

Seven Stratford basketball teams plan to play in the Junior High League basketball tournament to be held at Cactus next week.

Junior High boys, Junior High girls, 7th and 8th Grade girls, 9th Grade girls, 6th Grade girls, and 6th and 7th Grade boys basketball teams plan to participate in the tournament.

J. D. Flowers will accompany the Sixth Grade girls team. Hugh Stewart will coach the 6th and 7th Grade boys teams. Baker Duggins will coach the other teams entering the tournament.

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City Council Fetes Volunteer Fire Department

Stratford Volunteer Fire Department members were entertained with a fried chicken dinner Tuesday night at the Palace Cafe by the City Council.

The annual election of officers was held. Officers elected include Claude Fedric, fire chief; Jimmy Jackson, assistant chief; Jim W. Farris and John Haney, hose captains; L. F. Denney, president; and Leon Guthrie, secretary-treasurer.

Rev. Reaves Speaker At Lions Club

Rev. John Reaves was the principal speaker at the meeting of the Stratford Lions Club at the Palace Cafe Monday night. Twenty-three members attended the meeting.

Miss Parrish Will Marry In February

Mr. and Mrs. Orval R. Parrish of Claude, Texas announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Katrina Louise, to A3/c Clyde O. Kleinsmith of Luke Air Force Base, Phoenix, Arizona. Mr. Kleinsmith is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Olson of De Witt, Iowa. The wedding date is set for early February.

Presented Awards In Court Of Honor

At a court of honor held in the American Legion Hall Tuesday night of last week Stratford Boy Scouts were presented awards they had earned.

Pins were awarded to the following boys who have made advancements: Star pins to Lance Harrington and Bobby Byrd; 1st class pins to Paul Aduddell, Teddy Oakley, Hoy Harrison, Wayne Cummings, and Robert Walker.

Second class pins were presented to Henry Harrison, Park Hammond, Joe Dale Reising, Dwayne Plunk, Jack Walker and Raymond Self.

Alaska is more than twice as large as Texas.

March Of Dimes Letters Mailed This Week

March of Dimes letters are being mailed this week with enclosed envelopes for contributions to the present drive. The quota for Sherman County is \$3,050.00. Approximately \$600 has been raised by a partial canvass of the Stratford business district. Drives in other sections of the county are in progress.

Trap Shoot Saturday

The trap shoot planned for Tuesday morning of this week and postponed because of inclement weather, will be held Saturday. The shoot will begin at 10:00 A. M. Ten to 14 pound hams and boxes of sliced bacon will be given to winners of the shoot. Proceeds above the cost of shells will be given to the March of Dimes.

Sam H. Ross Funeral Saturday At Willow, Oklahoma

Funeral services for Sam H. Ross of Stockton, California, were held Saturday at Willow, Oklahoma. Frank Ross went to California to accompany the body of his brother to Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ross and son, Richard, Guy Ross, and BT3 Gardner L. Ross, U.S.N., attended the funeral.

Gardner Ross, serving aboard the Battleship Iowa in Cuban waters, flew to the states on emergency leave. He is a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ross.

Recruiting Sergeant To Be In Stratford On Fridays

AMARILLO — A United States Army and United States Air Force Recruiting Sergeant will be in Stratford every Friday at noon, it was announced by the Public Information Office of the Army and Air Force Recruiting and Induction Main Station of Amarillo.

The sergeant will talk to, and answer questions for young men and women who are interested in serving with the United States Army and United States Air Force.

He will also interview applicants for enlistment on the day he is here.

The sergeant may be contacted at the Sheriff's office.

Make Plans For Boys District Cage Meet

Stratford will be host to the boys district 1-B basketball tournament to be held February 12, 13 and 14.

The district tournament will be held under the rules as adopted by the district committee. No passes will be issued except to players competing in the games. Admission for the regular sessions will be 25 and 50 cents. Admission for the final games will be 50 cents and \$1.00. The cost of the tournament will be paid from the gate receipts and the remainder of the money will be divided equally among the nine competing teams.

In arranging the brackets Stratford was chosen for first place, Stinnett second, Gruver third, and Morse fourth. Other teams drew for the places in which they would play.

Stratford will have a bye in the first preliminary game. Textline and Sunray will meet in the first game of the tournament Thursday, February 12, at 6:00 P. M. Stinnett and Channing will play Thursday at 7:15 P. M. Morse and Spearman will play at 8:30 P. M.

Games will open Friday at 12:30 with Stratford playing the winner of the Textline-Sunray game. Gruver and Hartley play Friday at 1:45 P. M.

Evening games Friday will be played at 7:15 and 8:30 P. M.

Saturday afternoon games will be played at 12:00 P. M. and 1:15 P. M.

The consolation final game will be played at 7:00 P. M. Saturday and the winners final game will be played at 8:30 P. M.

Clayton Boys To Play Here Friday Night

Clayton, New Mexico A and B boys teams will play Stratford Elks here Friday night. The games will open at 7:00 P. M.

APPRECIATION

We wish to express our thanks to everyone who had a part in presenting us the greatly appreciated gift.

Mrs. M. R. Robinson And Chucko.

John Adams was America's first minister to England.

Last Rites Held Wednesday For S. P. Foster

Funeral services for S. P. Foster, 98-year old pioneer resident of the Texas and Oklahoma Panhandles, were held in the First Christian Church at Textline Wednesday. Rev. Eugene Wilson, pastor of the church, conducted the last rites.

Burial was made in the Stratford Cemetery.

Mr. Foster was born January 11, 1864 and passed away in Textline on January 26, at the age of 89 years and 15 days.

Obituary

Sterling Price Foster was born near Anna, Collin County, Texas on January 11, 1864. He passed from this life January 26, 1953 at the age of 89 years and 15 days.

On July 1, 1894 he was united in the bonds of Holy Matrimony to Miss Birdie McDoniel at Truscott, Knox County, Texas. To this union were born three children: T. N. Foster of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Mrs. Madge Lowe of Stratford; and Mrs. Filma Billington of Textline. Also surviving his passing are 6 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. He was preceded in death by his wife on December 17, 1934.

Mr. Foster accepted Christ as his Lord and Master early in life. He had been a member of the Christian Church in Textline since 1943. He was a member of the Christian Church in Stratford, Texas before moving to Textline.

Corsages Net \$50 For 'Girls Town' Support

Christmas corsages made and sold by members of the Beta Sigma Phi, netted \$50.00 which was sent to aid Girls' Town at Girls Town, Texas.

Projects of the Beta Sigma Phi for the coming year are being discussed at a meeting of the organization which is being held tonight.

March Of Dimes Coffee Goes On Sale February 6

Stratford Cafes will serve March of Dimes coffee Friday, February 6, at 10 cents a cup. All of the money will be turned in on the current March of Dimes drive.

Pvt. Bobby Reynolds Home On Furlough

Pvt. Bobby R. Reynolds arrived home Sunday for a 13-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Reynolds of Stratford. He has been stationed with the 6th Armored Engineer Division at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. After his basic training, he was sent to Tractor Scrapper School where he received his diploma. He is to report to Tacoma, Washington the 9th of February.

Band Members To Visit Dalhart Saturday Morning

The Stratford High School Band will join with other high school bands in the area Saturday, January 31, at Dalhart for a special showing of the film depicting the life of the marching John Philip Sousa entitled "The Stars and Stripes." The bands will play several marches together at 10:00 A. M. Saturday morning in downtown Dalhart before seeing the film as guests of the Dalhart Theatre.

Band Parents Will Meet February 5

The Stratford Band Parents Club will meet at 7:30 o'clock next Thursday night, February 5, in the school auditorium. A special feature for the evening will be the showing of the Indiana University color film "The Marching Band."

The Department of Labor was created in 1913.

President's Ball To Be Held February 7

The annual President's Ball held for the purpose of securing money for combatting infantile paralysis will be held in the American Legion Hall Saturday, February 7.

Music for the dance will start at 9:00 P. M. Nickelodion music will be used. This will save the cost of securing an orchestra and will boost the fund by the amount of about \$200.00, according to Harold Oquin, chairman of the dance committee.

Musicians To Participate In Tulia Meet

Stratford High School Bands under the direction of John H. Schnabel have accepted an invitation to participate in a marching, concert playing and sight reading contest to be held at Tulia, Texas on Saturday, March 7. According to advance information, trophies will be awarded for the best concert bands, the best marching bands and the best sight reading organizations. There will also be a sweepstakes trophy to the outstanding group at the contest. In addition to the band contests there will be solo and ensemble auditions. Schools participating in Class A and B Inter-scholastic League classifications have been invited. These classifications indicate schools under 225 in enrollment.

BRONTE BANK LOSES \$8,000 TO ROBBERS

BRONTE — Two armed men took \$8,000 in cash from the First National Bank here Tuesday afternoon after blindfolding and tying up two bank employees.

Cashier B. D. Snead, a brother of Mrs. H. A. Nichols, and Mrs. W. W. Millikin, assistant cashier, were in the rear of the bank working on the books when one armed robber approached them. They didn't see the other robber but heard his voice after they had been bound and blindfolded and placed in the bank vault.

The men took the \$8,000 from the vault — overlooking another \$30,000 in currency, the bank president, L. T. Youngblood, said and escaped, leaving behind one of their guns.

Snead said the robbery occurred at 3:20 p. m. as he and his assistant were preparing to close the bank for the day.

It is believed the bandits made their getaway through the back door.

Snead related he and Mrs. Millikin were tied for perhaps 15 or 20 minutes before he was able to get free and contact Sheriff Paul Good at Robert Lee.

The bank is located on U. S. Highway 277 and one Bronte resident reported seeing four men driving up and down the highway in a Chevrolet about the time of the robbery.

Otherwise none of the town's 1,000 residents apparently noticed the robbers.

Bronte streets were unusually empty at that time. Ben Oglesby Jr., editor of the Bronte Enterprise, reported, because most townspeople were attending a funeral.

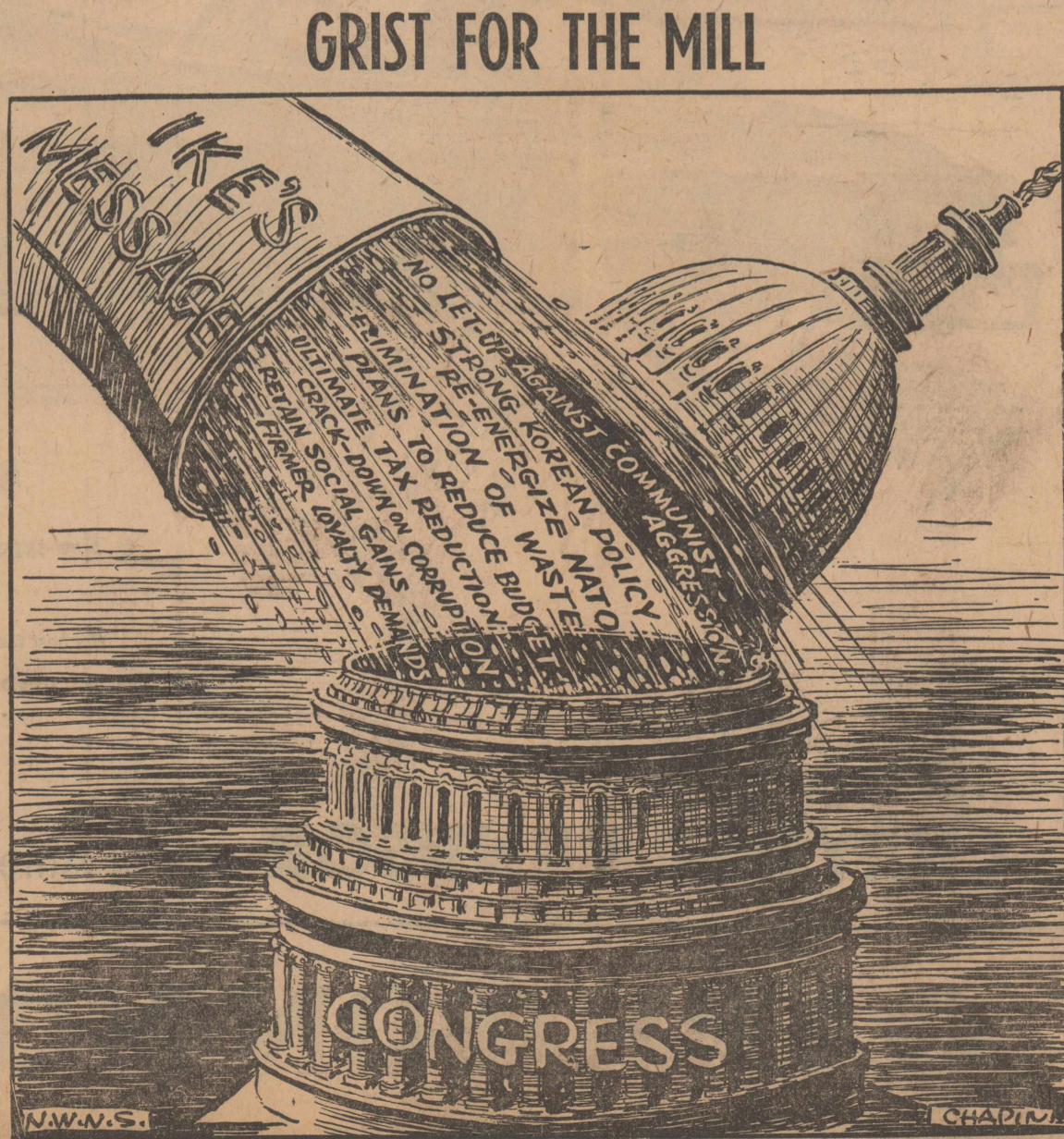
Highway patrolmen and Texas Rangers from San Angelo, 33 miles south of here, have joined Sheriff Good's staff in the investigation and roadblocks were immediately thrown up all over the West Texas area.

Funeral Services Friday For V. C. Winn

Funeral services for V. C. Winn, a brother of Mrs. T. L. Taylor, were conducted Friday at 2:00 P. M. in Temple, Texas.

Mr. Winn died suddenly Thursday of last week. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor left Thursday evening to attend the funeral. From Temple they drove to Charlotte, Texas for a visit with her mother, Mrs. W. H. Winn, and other relatives.

Vacant public lands in the U. S. total some 169,506,842 acres.



Want Ads

TWO 3-Room Apartments for Rent, Sale or Trade. — F. A. Judd. 10-tfc

FURNISHED Modern Apartment for rent. Phone 2941 or see Mrs. E. Hill, 7th and Maple. 15-4tc

FOR SALE: My home in Stratford. — Art Ross. 12-tfc

HOME For Sale: Furnished or unfurnished. Home has 3 bedrooms, 2 bath rooms, extra large living room and kitchen, 2 room basement, carpeting, venetian blinds, draperies. Double garage and other buildings. Located 1-2 block from school. — Claude Sloan. 50-tfc

FOR SALE: Story and half stucco house. Nine rooms and tile bath with floor furnace, electric hot water heater. Double garage, storm cellar and storage building 20x40. Located on four lots at Chestnut and 6th. Cash or terms. Phone 2611. — Leo L. Smith. 1-tfc

FOR SALE: On North Maple, 2 lots in Hudson addition. East front, curb and gutter. Worth the money. See Bill Martin. 4-tfc

NEW MODELS of the Kelvinator Refrigerators and Home Freezers now in stock. — Van B. Boston. 42-tfc

FOR SALE: 1949 3/4 Ton International Pick-Up, 1949 Plymouth Sedan, child's roll top desk and chair. — Hollis Harrington. 5-tfc

FOR SALE: Two good used Ford Tractors, several other models and makes. — Stratford Tractor Co. 3-tfc

LOST: Diamond engagement ring Tuesday. Liberal reward. — Mrs. Ross Wells, Phone 2471. 11-tfc

IF YOU HAVE any kind of carpenter work, cabinet or shop work, see Earl C. Garoutte. 13-tfc

SAWS sharpened with a power saw sharpener. See E. E. Hamilton at Hamilton Machine Shop. All work guaranteed. 25-tfc

AVON PRODUCTS are in good demand. Customer acceptance highest in history. Stratford open now for woman over 35 who needs to earn good income. Write Box 1054, Amarillo immediately. 13-6tc

FOR RENT: Four room modern house. — Joe Walsh. 15-tfc

Long distance household moving. Years of service your guarantee of satisfaction. — Bruce & Son Transfer and Storage, Phone 192, Borger, Texas. 29-tfc

NEW and Used Sewing Machines for sale. Repairs and parts for any make of machine. Also machines for rent. — Dalhart Sewing Machine Exchange, 105 West 2nd Street, Phone 70, Dalhart, Texas. 52-tfc

FOR QUICK SALE: 640 acres wheat land, all minerals. This land must be sold soon. One-third of the wheat goes. Half of the present wheat is in summer fallow wheat, half is stubble wheat. Wonderful prospects with sufficient amount of moisture for a good crop this year. Mineral lease written so that all that the producing well must produce, at least, \$640. Location near Liberal, Kansas. The ground is flat and one-quarter suitable for irrigation. 12,000 bushel bin for grain storage. Elevated water tank. 30 foot stock tank and ample pens for cattle. Four room house and garage. Two windmills on the 640 acres. Contact Thomas F. Boles, Realtor. Call or wire collect 3861, Liberal, Kansas. 15-3tc

WE HAVE available for lease, a brick, two story building, with an approved roof. This building has 3,900 square feet and is located one block from the heart of Liberal, Kansas near two banks and two utility offices. There is an attached warehouse with 875 square feet. Ample parking space, both on the sides and rear of the building. The building has dimensions of 120 feet by 37 1/2 feet, outside dimensions. Has four entrances, including one in the warehouse on the northwest corner of the building. The building is located one block west of the Hotel Warren, which is in the heart of Liberal. The space is available for rent and we will entertain an attractive lease to those interested. Call or wire collect, 3861, Thomas F. Boles, Realtor, Liberal, Kansas. 15-3tc

FREE PICK-UP on dead stock. — Dalhart Rendering Co., Call Collect 417-W. 16-tfc

WANTED AT ONCE — Rawleigh Dealer in Sherman and North Moore Counties. Write Rawleigh's Dept. TXA-20-F, Memphis, Tenn. 16-6tp

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY — \$250 MONTHLY SPARE TIME. Refilling and collecting money from new type 5c candy vending machines in this immediate area. No selling; to qualify for work you must have car, references, \$600.00 cash, secured by inventory. Devoting six hours week to business, your end on percentage of collections will net up to \$250.00 monthly with very good possibilities of taking over full time. Income increasing accordingly. For interview,

Want Ads

include phone in application. Write P. O. Box 1054, Dallas, Texas. 16-6tp

FOR SALE: 20-inch Columbia bicycle; 24-inch boys bicycle; used breakfast set. — Mrs. Wayne Harding. 16-tfc

FOR SALE: 12 good coming 3-year old Black Angus Bulls, priced at \$275.00 each. — S. R. and D. G. Cluck, Gruver, Texas. 17-2tp

COLORADO RANCHES FOR SALE: 640 acres about 30 miles East of Colorado Springs. A good 5 room house, grade A Barn. 190 acres under cultivation and balance in grass. 60 acres in wheat. Plenty of water, excellent possibilities for irrigation. Sale price \$35.00 per acre and 29% down will handle. 360 acres irrigated — Modern Six room house — semi modern tenant house. 100 acres in alfalfa. Located only 12 miles from Colorado Springs. Will handle 150 cows the year around. Sale price \$55,000.00. Half down will handle. — Melzner Realty, 127 1/2 S. Tejon St., Colorado Springs, Colorado. 17-2tc

CARD OF THANKS

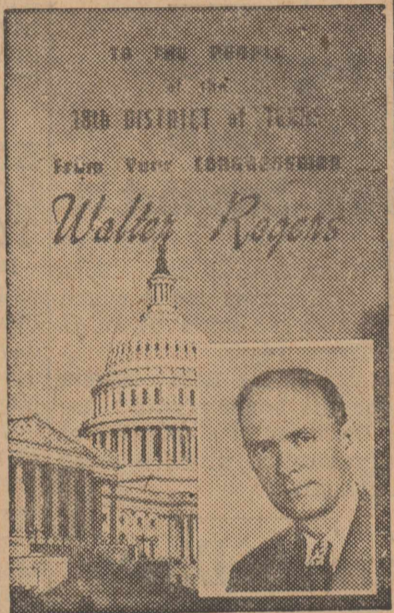
We wish to express our sincere appreciation to our many friends who remembered us at the passing of our father and grandfather.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lowe and Sons, Mr. and Mrs. Stacy Billington and Miqula, Mrs. F. W. Smith and Children.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank my friends for the cards and flowers which were sent to me while I was in the hospital.

Mrs. Tincy Oakley



83rd Congress Moves

You will recall that in an earlier letter I told you about the stalemate in Congress between the convening of the Congress on January 3 and the inauguration of the new President on January 20. The inauguration is over and the Congress is completing its organizational problems. Most of the committees have met and organized for the tremendous amount of work that will be necessary in the coming two years.

The committee to which I have been assigned, Interior and Insular Affairs, had its first meeting January 22, and proceeded in due order to promptly organize. This committee is actually a combination of six committees which were placed under one head and named the Public Lands Committee. Subsequently the name was changed to the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee to conform with the name of the same committee in the Senate. The six committees combined in this one committee are Irrigation and Reclamation, Insular Affairs, Mines and Mining, Territories, Public Lands, and Indian Affairs. The Committee deals with the internal resources of the United States and its territories and insular possessions. It is organized in five sub-committees, Public Lands, Territories and Insular Possessions, Irrigation and Reclamation, Mines and Mining, and Indian Affairs. It is the committee from which the Department of Interior obtains its legislative authority. The Department of Interior employs approximately 60,000 people and is responsible for expenditures in the neighborhood of 600 million dollars a year. It has under its jurisdiction the public lands of the United States, which consist of approximately 820 million acres. This does not include the vast reaches of Alaska and the other territories. In Alaska alone the Government owns above ninety per cent of the territory. The management of these public lands creates many and varied problems. The leasing of oil and minerals on public lands

brings into the U. S. Treasury approximately 200 million dollars per year. There are 179 national parks and monuments visited annually by more than 40 million people. These include the Statue of Liberty, the Petrified Forest, a volcano in Hawaii, the Gettysburg Battlefield, and other points of interest. The public lands owned by the Government consist of everything from bald mountain peaks to fertile valley land. Much land was acquired by the Government in recent years as submarginal land. The price paid for this land was low because the land was just not worth anything. Some government departments began to employ methods to restore the fertility of this land so that its production would not be lost. A vast amount of it has been restored and is now producing. At the time the Government acquired these lands it also acquired most of the mineral estate thereunder. Since it has come into the Government's hands, a great deal of it has been proven as oil producing properties. In view of these discoveries there has been much agitation in the past few years for a return of these lands to the persons from whom they were originally purchased or to private ownership regardless of prior interests. This will be a difficult problem to be settled in this and perhaps the next Congress. Many people are concerned about the vast land holdings of the Federal Government and want to see something done to restore some of these lands to private ownership and put them back on the tax rolls. Of course there is much land owned by the Government that is wholly unfit for use by individuals and that have little or no value for tax purposes, such as arid and semi-arid areas, mountainous terrain and swamp lands, among others. Much research has been done on the arid and semi-arid areas, and these lands will no doubt turn up as big producers in the not too distant future. In this connection it is well to note that irrigation projects can well be the salvation of this country insofar as agricultural production is concerned. Also the proper use of surface water could help

solve this problem. A recent survey indicates that there are about 319 million acre-feet of stream run-off annually and only about one-fifth of the run-off, or 78 million acre-feet, has been utilized.

The 1950 Census

The 1950 census shows the population of the 18th Congressional District as 289,449. Of this number 146,636 are males and 142,813 are females. There are 86,545 households, 14,691 farms, and a labor force of 114,582. 79.1 per cent of the farms have electricity and 11,929 of them have tractors. The value of the land and buildings is fixed at \$753,945,000. The farms produced and sold products in the amount of \$242,112,000. This looks like a pretty good report for the Panhandle and a forerunner of greater things to come.

Agricultural Power

Few realize how deeply the roots of agriculture are embedded in our life. George Washington was acclaimed the "first farmer of the land." Thomas Jefferson devoted much of his time to agricultural experiments, studying seeds, soils, fertilization and crop rotation, and was among the first to use contour plowing. That great early American statesman Daniel Webster operated a model farm at Marshfield, Massachusetts. Andrew Jackson, seventh president of the U. S. was a plantation owner and took great pride in the fact that the reaping machine was invented during his administration. And Lincoln as, every school child knows, experienced in full measure hard work on the land. He signed the Homestead Law of 1862, that gave thousands of American

families the chance to settle on public domain land.

With this background and our great industrial development it is small wonder that with only seven per cent of the world's people and six per cent of its land, America is able to produce much more food per capita than other parts of the world. American industrial development has meant high production per farm worker through the use of modern farm equipment. In fact the history of farm mechanization is the history of America's brilliant victory over famine. If farmers everywhere could be blessed with the knowledge, the freedom and the machines so typical of America, the hunger and famine which have stalked mankind since time began would be only a hazy memory.

Our forefathers who loved the soil were wiser than they knew

when they founded a system of government that inspired in the breast of the individual the will to attempt to achieve the impossible.

One Case In District Court

Judgment was placed on record in the case brought before District Judge Harry Schultz Thursday of last week. Lola Parker was granted a divorce from Jim Roland Parker.

An element, in science, is a substance not separable into substances different from itself.

Kites in the shapes of birds, animals and fish are flown by Chinese children.

IT'S TIME FOR YOUR
Midwinter Car Checkup

SURE! You had your car put in shape for winter driving last fall — but that was many weeks ago! Don't wait till spring to take care of it — it may mean a costly overhaul. Right now — when cold weather is punishing your car worst — is when it needs a midwinter tonic most. Bring it in today.

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Nation's Tuberculosis Death Rate Declines; Case Numbers Remain Same

Although tuberculosis remains a major medical and public health problem in this country, the disease took only one-third as many lives in the U. S. last year as 20 years ago.

There are now 1,200,000 cases of tuberculosis in the nation, according to the latest estimates, and in 400,000 of these the disease is active. About 250,000 of the active cases are outside of hospitals and sanatoria, and of them 150,000 are either undiagnosed or unreported.

In addition, each year approximately 115,000 new cases occur which require medical treatment and supervision.

The number of known tuberculosis cases has changed little, although there has been a rapid decline in the number of deaths.

One reason is that many more cases have been discovered due to the great increase in chest X-ray examinations, especially in hospitals, in pre-employment and periodic medical examinations industry and in community-wide tuberculosis detection campaigns.

Moreover, persons with tuberculosis now live longer, thanks to the increase in facilities for treatment, the employment of effective surgical methods in advanced disease, and the use of antibiotics and other drugs.

The death rate from the disease last year was approximately 18 per 100,000, less than half of the 1946 rate. Only 15 years ago it was nearly three times as high.

The death rate in the United States from all causes last year was 9.6 per thousand, the fifth year in succession with a rate lower than ten.

Watch The Children's Shoes

Watch the way your child's shoes are wearing. This will give you a clue to whether the soles are still the right size.

Miss Lucile King, Home Demonstration Agent, says when the soles curl at the tip they are getting too short. When the edges of the soles wear badly the shoes are becoming too narrow. If you find toe nail creases in the lining, the shoes are getting too short.

When you notice any of these signs of wear, the agent says it is time to discard the shoes for the sake of your child's foot health.

City Ordinance

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING SOLICITORS, peddlers, hawkers, itinerant merchants or transient vendors of merchandise in the city of Stratford, Texas; declaring it to be a nuisance for those engaging in such pursuits to go in or upon private residences without having been requested to do so; providing penalties for the violation thereof, repealing all ordinances in conflict herewith.

Passed and approved, this the 8th day of January 1953.

H. M. FLORES
Mayor
W. P. FOREMAN
City Clerk.
(Pub. 15-16-17-18.)

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TO: Ed G. Sheldon, Lloyd Noland, Thomas J. Noland, Mary Alice Hutton and husband John Hutton, Truda McBride and husband E. A. McBride, Pearl Miles and husband W. H. Miles, Sheldon Foster, Rob Roy McAdams, Norville C. LaMar, Grester R. LaMar, Dana LaMar, Anna LaMar, J. A. Kerr, Zora Bennett, J. L. Blackwell, Oscar Blanton, Archie Blanton, Nova Bagwell, C. J. Gaffney, J. W. Blanton, T. L. Lipscomb, T. D. Lipscomb, George S. App, the husbands of any of the foregoing female defendants who may be married, the names of such husbands being unknown, the unknown stockholders and directors of The First National Bank of Stratford, a dissolved corporation,

removal of cloud and for general and special relief, in law and in equity, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

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LIFE IN AN IRON LUNG

16% need mechanical aids 3 years or longer

Average patient spends 16 HOURS A DAY in an iron lung

Care of average patient costs MARCH OF DIMES \$18 A DAY

UNDER 20 years of age majority male

OVER 20 years of age most are female

Of 260 long-term patients in respirator centers 81 freed from iron lungs 52 freed of all aids in 2 years or less

By steadily prolonging the life expectancy of polio patients in iron lungs, March of Dimes research has intensified the problem of long-term patient care. Now the March of Dimes seeks to win release for patients condemned to these iron homes. The past two years have seen progress in this direction with many more patients being freed from "lungs."

Crossword Puzzle

HORIZONTAL

1 Coin
2 Reach across
3 Pastry
4 Expanse of land
5 Fitting comment
6 Danish territorial division
7 Note of scale
8 Girl's name
9 Form of "to be"
10 Perform
11 Operates
12 Agitate
13 Confined
14 Bright sayings
15 Before
16 Kind of tie
17 Petitions
18 Note of scale
19 Pertaining to a stage setting
20 Indonesian of Sumatra
21 Direction
22 Food (slang)
23 Apartment
24 Finnish
25 Freshwater annelid
26 Pierce with pointed weapon
27 Light
28 Hawaiian bird
29 Part of body
30

VERTICAL

1 Stream
2 obstruction
3 Opalescent
4 To bring forth
5 To play on a stringed instrument
6 Musical instrument (pl.)
7 Form of "to be"
8 Recent
9 Sticky compound
10 I sin (contr.)

PUZZLE NO. 217

11 French for "and"
17 Correlative of either
19 White
21 A single occasion
23 Kind of pen
25 Not endowed with reason
26 Was full of noxious vapors
27 Goes by
28 Secret society
30 Body of water (pl.)
33 To weary
35 To stupefy
38 Rudely concise
40 Chinese money of account
43 Cook in certain manner
46 Ventured
48 More certain
51 Prefix: twice

ANSWER TO PUZZLE NO. 216

S P A R S P A P A N T
P A R E T A W E R U I
A G E P O I N T T I N
T E D E A N O E N S E
A G E N T K O R E A
A N E N T T I L S N A
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Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Cloyce Box and sons, Don D. and Gary D., who live in Waco, Texas, were guests in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Cunningham, the past week. They returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. C. R. Foster has been visiting her sons, Sheldon and John Foster, and their families in El Paso, Texas this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parker of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. R. A.

Wilson of Dumas, were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Chisum Sunday.

Mrs. J. K. Richardson left Monday for Sweetwater, Texas for a visit with her son, Dr. Kenneth Richardson and family.

Jackie Kelp visited his sisters in Amarillo over the week end.

Mrs. L. M. Price returned home Wednesday of last week from Houston, Texas, where she has been receiving medical care and visiting her daughter, Mrs. Latimer Murfee and Mr. Mur-

fee. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Watson of Spearman, Texas were guests of Mrs. Watson's cousin, Judge Bob Ferguson, and also in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Taylor Sunday.

Frank Smith returned to Veterans Hospital in Amarillo Tuesday after spending a week at home in Stratford.

Dr. and Mrs. Ezra Ingham, of Lincoln, Nebraska, who lived in Stratford 43 years ago, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Pendleton, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Taylor and other friends Friday night and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Butler left Monday for a vacation in San Benito, Texas.

Gene Ross passed through Stratford Tuesday afternoon, enroute from Fort Sill, Oklahoma to Colorado Springs, Colorado, where he is stationed.

Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Smith and daughters, Joan, Carol, Margaret and Mrs. Clifford Garoutte, and her children, Buddy and Sue, have returned from a few days visit with Mr. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. U. Smith, in Sayre, Oklahoma. The elder Mr. Smith is seriously ill in an Elk City, Oklahoma Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Pendleton, La Veta, Colorado, visited relatives in Stratford from Saturday until Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kendrick left Tuesday for Omaha, Nebraska to attend the convention of the National Wheat Growers Association.

Mrs. Osa Gamble was brought home Sunday from Dumas Memorial Hospital where she had been a medical patient.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Turner and Mr. and Mrs. G. Ross Turner visited relatives in Hooker, Oklahoma and Liberal, Kansas Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Foster and sons, Dalhart, visited Mrs. Sallie V. McAdams over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Keener returned Monday from Wichita Falls, Texas where they have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Heydrick and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Cummings and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Cummings attended the Hereford Breeders sale in Dalhart Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Van B. Boston left Tuesday morning for a visit in Port Isabel, Texas.

Mrs. Ross Spencer and daughter, Janice, of Cactus, were guests in the home of Mrs. V. H. Sanders Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Steinberger visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Garoutte in Liberal, Kansas Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Neary, Cumberland, Iowa, Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Dickey, Glendine, Montana, Mrs. C. O. Trantham, Big Spring, Texas, and Mrs. Alpha Blankenship of Amarillo were visitors in Stratford Tuesday.

Patricia Ann and Vicki Gillis are ill with influenza.

Hoyt Davis will leave Sunday for Fort Worth to resume his studies at T.C.U. after spending the mid-term holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Davis of Conlen.

Miss Jo Anne Hess, Bucklin, Kansas, visited over the week end with friends in Stratford.

Boy Scout March Of Dimes Food Sale Saturday

Stratford Boy Scouts will sponsor a March of Dimes pie and cake sale Saturday night at the Roxy Theatre. Citizens are invited to aid the boys by donating pies and cakes. They must be at the theater by 8:00 P. M.

FIRESIDE GARDENING

Fireside gardening is a pleasant pastime for many persons. Reading flower catalogs often carries one into dreams of spring and summer gardens that materialize.

Miss Lucile King, Home Demonstration Agent, suggests practical planning for the enjoyable flower garden. How will the flowers be used — corsages, cut flowers, for the home or church? Winter bouquets, or color in the landscape? Will you choose hardy annuals, or those that require much care? Other questions might be — how much space do you have for growing flowers? Is there enough water? Will you need help for cultivation and care? "Remember, Miss King advises, flower gardens require digging, planting, weeding, cultivating, dusting, spraying, and mulching."

"You can have an attractive flower garden during the spring and summer without too much work," the agent adds. First of all, plant flowers in one or two well prepared beds. This not only improves the design of the landscape, but saves time when you need to water, dust or do any of the other necessary jobs of caring for the flower garden. Or, if you are a very busy person, plant one or two rows of flowers in the vegetable garden. You prepare the soil for flowers as you would for growing vegetables.

For varieties, the agent recommends larkspur, poppy and cornflower to grow in most of the areas of Texas. These can be planted in the fall and winter for early blooms, and then replaced with others such as gallardia, cone-flowers, coxcomb, globe-ararath, periwinkle and salvia and straw flowers. Many bulbs and perennial flowers are useful in corsage making or as cut flowers. Gladioli and chrysanthemum which come in different varieties and colors are useful for church or other places where you need large arrangements. The smaller size makes flower arrangements and corsages. When you're doing your fireside gardening this winter, use a practical labor saving approach to the plans for spring and summer blooms. You'll find it more pleasant and profitable if you do not have to over work yourself to make the flower garden a success.

an organized sewing center that is comfortable and efficient. You will need sharp cutting shears 7 or 8 inches long and small scissors with very sharp points for snipping thread and cutting buttonholes. You may find pinking shears desirable for some finishes.

Select needles and pins of the correct size. Fine needles ranging in sizes from 7 to 10 are best for sewing and basting. Brass dressmaker pins, number 14, are a good size to use. Dressmaker's carbon, tracing wheel and tailor's chalk are useful when transferring pattern markings to the fabric you are cutting. You will also need a measuring tape, yardstick, short ruler and hem gauge. The agent recommends a seam guide on the sewing machine for accurate sewing.

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Mrs. De Pue Is Surgical Patient

Mrs. Clarence De Pue underwent a major operation in Dumas Memorial Hospital Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Eugene McDaniel was called to Hugo, Colorado Thursday of last week by her daughter's illness. She brought her to Stratford Sunday and took her to Dumas Tuesday where she underwent surgery Wednesday.

Mildred Crabtree Circle Meeting Wednesday

The Mildred Crabtree Circle of the Baptist Women's Missionary Union met in the home of Mrs. A. O. Patterson Wednesday for Mission Study.

The opening devotional was given by Mrs. Arlyn Halle and Mrs. L. J. Davis gave a review on the book "The West Is Big." The scenic west was described in the book and missionary work among the Indians reviewed.

Delicious refreshments were served to Mrs. P. C. Adkins, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Mike Burgess, Mrs. H. B. Norris, Mrs. L. J. Davis, Mrs. John Lavake, Mrs. Ivan Bammes, Mrs. Arlyn Halle, Mrs. Joe Brown and the hostess, Mrs. A. O. Patterson.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, February 4, in the home of Mrs. E. B. McQueen at 3:00 P. M.

Good Sewing Equipment

Good sewing equipment is essential to fine tailoring and home sewing.

Miss Lucile King, Home Demonstration Agent, says your working tools are important "musts" to good dressmaking.

Before you begin to sew, check the sewing machine for good running order. If it needs oiling, do this well in advance of the day you plan to sew, otherwise you may get oil spots on the fabric. Test the tensions on a double thickness of fabric and regulate the stitch length to suit your fabric. Group the sewing machine with the smaller equipment for

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Highlights and Sidelights FROM Your
State CAPITOL

AUSTIN — Maybe you don't realize it, but as a taxpayer you have 40,000 employees.

These people are state workers. And it looks like you are going to increase their salaries. All depends on the legislature. A bill to hike the pay of state workers has been introduced by the Austin delegation: Representatives Obie Jones, Pearce Johnson and C. L. Sandahl Jr. and Senator Johnnie B. Rogers.

If it passes, the measure will give "temporary emergency" wage boosts of 15 per cent on all state salaries up to \$3,600 per year and 15 per cent on the first \$3,600 of higher salaries.

Robert B. Baldwin, Shivers' budget director, proposed a job by job, cost-of-living increase, on an equalized basis.

In his opening message to the legislature, Governor Shivers asked that an increase in workers pay be included in the budget bill, but that can not become effective until September 1 when the fiscal year begins. Hence the emergency legislation.

It is Edward Clark, Austin attorney, who bosses the legislature, says Leslie Velle, writing in the February Reader's Digest. Velle charges that some of the state's most important laws are written in Clark's office and in his capacity as lobbyist for Herman Brown of the firm of Brown & Root.

Velle says Clark has and uses the power to sell potential political candidates "not to bother" to run, and that he can tell the lawmakers "what they should bother with."

In reply to all this, Clark snapped that Velle's story was a "false, foul, and infamous smear." He added that he was "shocked and surprised" that the Digest would print a story so "very definitely off-color and completely untrue."

The source for the story, Clark believes, is a "well known radio propagandist who has been working closely with the radical wing of the labor movement."

Another to take the issue with Velle was Reuben Senterfitt, speaker of the house, who said he considered the Texas legislature "the most independent body of people I know."

A number of bills going into the hopper for legislative consideration are familiar — they have been introduced at previous sessions.

One of these is the so-called fair-trade bill. This time its author is Representative Lamar Zively of Temple. The measure would prohibit advertising or selling of goods below cost.

Proponents of this bill argue that it would prevent a big merchant's running a little one out of business by ruinous sales. Opponents contend that the public benefits when such sales permit purchases at bargain prices. This is one bill that will affect the women, who do about 80 per cent of the buying nowadays.

Also familiar was a bill to legalize race track betting in Texas.

The author of this one, Representative Ed Sheridan of San Antonio, declared it would raise many millions of dollars in tax revenue.

More money will be needed for a variety of items, some of which are listed above. Also, funds will be required to give increased pay to members of the legislature themselves, if a bill introduced by Representative Charles Murphy of Houston is successful.

Murphy's bill would give the lawmaker \$25 per day during the first 120 days of the legislative session and \$5.00 per day thereafter. The solons now receive \$10.00 per day for the first 120 days and \$5.00 per day thereafter.

No sooner is one set of state officials inaugurated than the political forecasters in Austin begin speculating about who is going to run in the next election.

Last week some of the experts thought they saw in Lieutenant Governor Ben Ramsey's speech indications that he will be a candidate for governor next time.

There has also been speculation that Attorney General John Ben Shepperd might seek the chief executive's place. Another mentioned as a likely candidate is Land Commissioner Bascom Giles.

Those three, or any two of them, would make it a brisk race. Ramsey, by the way, set a record when he received 2,001,709 votes for the office he now holds. That's more votes than any Texas candidate received before — for any office.

There is a surplus in the Confederate pension fund of \$4 million, and the amount is growing every year. There are now only two Confederate veterans left in Texas: Thomas Riddle, 106, who lives at the Confederate home here; and Walter W. Williams, 110, who lives on a farm near Franklin. The state also contributes to the support of 535 widows of Confederate veterans.

The Legislature can, if it so desires, free the surplus in the Confederate pension fund for other use.

Even before the legislators hit town the streets of Austin are crowded with cars, particularly around and near the capitol.

Now comes a proposal from R. C. Lanning, chairman of the State Board of Control, that the state-owned half-block of vacant land between the capitol and the Governor's mansion be leased for a parking lot.

It will accommodate 220 cars, he says, and can be made ready for \$4,500.

Lanning figures it will rent for \$151 a month and net the state over \$6,000 in a very short time.

Another way to get more money for the state would be to put a tax on natural gas compressors, says Representative Dolph Briscoe of Uvalde.

So, he introduced a bill to levy that kind of a tax, which he feels will bring in \$60 million per year.

Briscoe's proposition is to assess \$60 per year for each horsepower of capacity of each compressor used to move natural gas in pipelines. The great bulk of the tax would be paid by people outside of Texas who use Texas gas, the bill's author said.

Revenue would be doled out this way: \$24 million a year for highway construction; \$15 million per year for public schools; \$15 million per year for city streets; and \$6 million per year for building dams in the water conservation program.

Representative Stanley Banks of San Antonio has introduced a bill to regulate optometry. It would prevent those who sell glasses from advertising their services, capabilities or prices and keep any doctor or firm from examining the eyes free.

Optometrists who believe in informing the public are opposing this bill.

A bill calling for the holding of a presidential primary, such as is done in numerous other states, is now in committee — Resolutions have been introduced proposing constitutional amendments to provide four-year terms for constitutional state officials and pay increases up to 100 per cent — An administration-sponsored proposal has been introduced to provide a \$200 million water conservation program, through state assistance based on a tax on the right to use surface waters — Among the big bills pending is one to raise the pay of each school teacher \$600 a year — Another bill calls for congressional redistricting. It avoids the confusion that was created during the last session by simply designating Harris county as the 22nd Congressional district. Harris county would get the extra congressman anyway because of its big increase in population.

An "Official Memorandum" signed by the Governor this week signalled the launching of a statewide better citizenship campaign spearheaded by the State Bar of Texas. At the same time Governor Shivers invited every Texan to attend a meeting of the Texas Legislature, a session of the state Supreme Court, and to make a tour of the various State Capitol offices. "An active, informed interest on the part of all Texans in the affairs of their state and local governments would be a distinct aid to public officials," the Governor stated. Theme of the 1953 citizenship crusade, "Good Government Is Your Business — Take An Interest In It," will be carried forward through a series of monthly observances stressing various phases of the program, Houston attorney Vick Gould has indicated. Gould shares the chairmanship of the State Bar committee on American Citizenship with David A. Witts, Dallas Attorney.

Get Acquainted In '53 With Your Government

Gov. Allan Shivers has designated 1953 as "Get Acquainted With Your Government Year."

The 12 face cards in a deck are symbols of the 12 signs of the Zodiac and the calendar months.

Edward VI, Mary I and Elizabeth I, all rulers of England, were children of Henry VII.

The people of Texas should always be conscious of the responsibilities of good self-government," Gould stated. "Simply because the elections are over and public officials have taken office, the citizen is not re-

lieved of further responsibility until the next election. He must keep himself informed and counsel with his representatives."

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Give to the March of Dimes this year! Give what you can. Give any time during the current drive. Send your contribution to March of Dimes, Stratford, Texas. Remember — if what you give helps save one life this year, it's the best investment you ever made!

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1. Which is the boiling point on a centigrade thermometer: (a) 212 degrees, (b) 132 degrees, (c) 100 degrees?
2. Which is fastest on a calm day: (a) tug, (b) scow, (c) barge, (d) raft?
3. Which is suggested by a gong: (a) preliminary, (b) debut, (c) preview, (d) premiere?
4. Which would be eaten more likely on a Friday: (a) chili, (b) tartar sauce, (c) catsup, (d) mustard?
5. A sachet appeals to which: (a) hearing, (b) smell, (c) sight, (d) touch?

ANSWERS

- 1—(c) 100 degrees
2—(a) tug
3—(d) premiere
4—(a) chili
5—(b) smell

LATE WARNING

By Roscoe Epstein

HELOISE sat with her elbow resting on a corner of the desk and her chin cupped in her hand.

"And that," she said, "is your way of saying it's all over? You're giving me the go-by; letting me down without trying to hurt my feelings? Well, this is a shock! And yet I should have known. Men of your stripe haven't been exactly missing in my young life!"

Duane Lamont, who sat on the opposite side of the desk, tapped a cigarette on his thumb nail.

His fingers trembled slightly as he applied the match; the screen of smoke from his cigarette served as a curtain from behind which he could scrutinize the girl, at the same time shielding his own face.

But the screen was soon wafted away, and the full power of the girl's eyes were upon him.

Duane Lamont dropped his gaze. "No need to take it so hard, Heloise. After all, we mean nothing to each other."

"So that's it. I'm a show girl, and you're the son of an eminent citizen of our fair city. That combination doesn't work, eh? You're letting me down—after all we've been through together. People are beginning to talk, and you're afraid. Well, you did have the courage to face me with the news."

"You make me feel like a criminal, Heloise. After all, I was loyal to you during the time we were engaged."

"Which means?"

"Which means, if I wanted to be nasty, I could point to several, shall we say, irregularities, in your devotion to me."

"Such as?"

"Grant Eastman. I have reason to believe you played around with Grant a good deal, supposing, of course, that I was unaware of the fact."

"Have you spoken about the matter to Grant?"

"Of course not. Grant is a gen-

tleman. His family and mine have been friends for years. I—that is, Grant would never understand that it was serious between you and me. He wouldn't believe that it mattered to me whether or not he was interested in you."

"Duane, you're despicable! You're vile! Your mind is so rotten that you've come to believe other people's minds are no better. Fortunately I've been able to see through you, to realize what a weak, sniveling, minus-sign you really were. I've been able to read the handwriting on the wall, and I've prepared for it."

A slow, red wave mounted in Lamont's cheeks. He stared at her stupidly, incredibly, shocked.

"Heloise," he said at last. "I'm glad you said that. I'm glad you've shown your true colors before it's become too late."

"Too late for what?"

"Too late to warn Grant, to advise him of the true type of girl you are, to advise him to stop seeing you before you involve him with some underhanded method!"

Heloise was on her feet. And now Lamont saw that she was laughing, saw that her sorrow had been all a ruse, saw that she had been playing with him. There was only contempt in her eyes, contempt and aloof pity.

She leaned forward and tweaked his chin. "Little boy, you'd better run home now and tell mamma you've been naughty." She stepped back, abruptly began to laugh. One hand on the door; the other, slim and graceful, she extended outward so that the youth could see the white gold band that encircled the third finger.

"But I wouldn't say anything to Grant," she was saying. "I wouldn't tell him all those nasty things. He might not like it. In fact, I'm sure he wouldn't. For, you see, all this past month during which you've been punishing me by letting me alone Grant and I have been married!"

The Sleeve Board

The sleeve board is one of the most useful pieces of pressing equipment. Often while sewing you can do all your pressing on the sleeve board instead of having to set up the ironing board.

Miss Lucile King, County Home Demonstration Agent, says it is useful for pressing the garment body as well as seams in sleeves. If you use it on a table, the garment rests on the table while you are pressing.

The sleeve board is easily made from two boards 24 inches long, four and a half inches

wide at one end and tapered to two inches at the other. Set these about four inches apart, using a piece of hardwood and screws. Pad and cover with wool cloth for pressing wool.

Amelia Earhart made the first solo flight from Honolulu to California.

An Era Begins

WASHINGTON — Within the span of a few historic moments, shortly after noon on January 20 Dwight David Eisenhower became President of the United States, the avowed disciple of a new national unity, and the man to whom the free half of a viciously divided world looks for leadership in its struggle for survival and ultimate peace.

After reviewing a five-hour parade, sticking by his post till the last marcher had passed, long after darkness had settled over Washington; after his first, quick meal in the White House (served on a tray); after attending the two Inaugural balls; President Eisenhower was at his desk at 8:00 next morning to begin his first full day at the

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in the mind of a leader who had humbly and devoutly asked: "May cooperation be permitted and be the mutual aim of those who, under the concepts of our Constitution, hold to differing political faiths; so that all may work for the good of our beloved country and Thy glory. Amen."

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HOUSEKEEPERS . . . Thomas J. Kennamer (left), doorkeeper, greets William F. Russell, newly-appointed sergeant-at-arms of House of Representatives. Russell holds mace, symbol of his authority.

Popular Recipe

PICTURE glass is easily cleaned with a cloth wrung out of hot water and then dipped in alcohol. Polish the glass immediately with a chamois until dry and glossy.

Corks in glue bottles won't stick if you coat the cork in melted paraffin and let dry evenly before inserting into the bottle.

If your shoes have a tendency to get wet soles easily, try coating them with several coats of shellac. This will waterproof them fairly well. It's also a good trick to try on children who won't wear rubbers.

Clocks can be oiled easily and safely by taking a piece of cotton and soaking it in kerosene. Place the cotton inside the clock case.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Hot Horseradish Sauce

(For Beef)

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 3 tablespoons flour
- 2 cups beef broth
- 3/4 teaspoon sauce
- 3 tablespoons horseradish soaked in 1/4 cup water
- 1/4 teaspoon worcestershire sauce

Melt butter, add flour and stir until well blended. Add broth and salt. Add horseradish which has been soaked for 10 minutes, then the worcestershire sauce. This may be used over boiled beef, or leftover roast beef. (Beef broth may be made with two bouillon cubes dissolved in two cups hot water).

Table pads will not leave lint on a well polished table if one side of the pad, that with the felt on it, is covered with a piece of muslin.

Ink spots on the fingers from a leaky pen? Remove them easily by rubbing with a mixture of vinegar and salt.

If castors drop out of the legs of furniture, fill the holes with melted paraffin wax and insert the castors again. This fills the hole and holds the castor.

Exposed water pipes will not freeze if they're coated with a mixture of equal parts of melted paraffin and glycerine.

Glass on windows, electric bulbs and headlights is easily frosted by dissolving three tablespoons of Epsom salts in a glass of water. Add one teaspoon liquid glue, stir thoroughly and apply with a brush.

The U. S. National Park System originated in 1872.

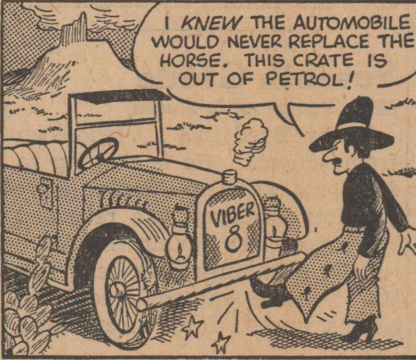
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By Arthur Pointer

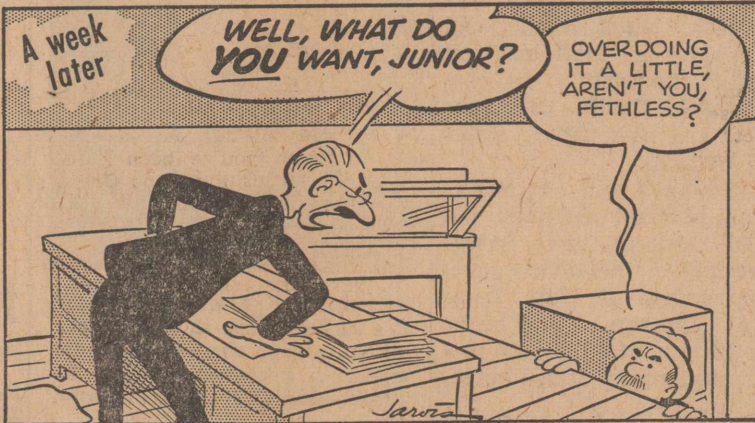
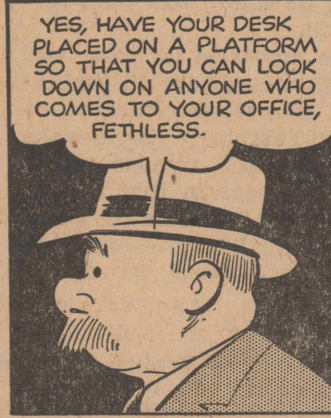
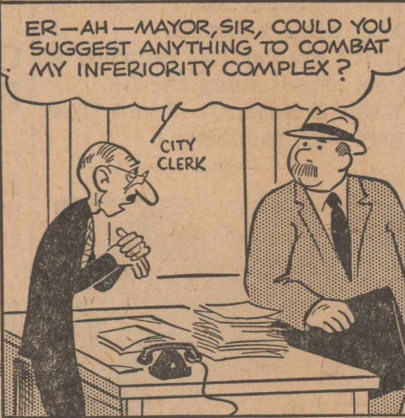
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STRATFORD GRADE SCHOOL NEWS

Class Rooms Have March Of Dimes Iron Lungs

Thirteen miniature March of Dimes iron lungs have been placed in the class rooms of the Stratford Elementary School. Pupils in these rooms are attempting to win honors for securing the most money for their room in aiding the county drive

to secure a quota of \$3,050.00. The March of Dimes program in the Stratford School will close Friday.

Sixth Graders To Enter Cactus Tourney

Sixth grade boys and girls basketball teams will play in the Cactus Kids tournament to open at Cactus Monday, Feb-

ruary 2, and continue through Saturday, February 7. Names will be drawn Friday afternoon for the schedule of games. Teams will be notified Monday morning of the games they are matched to play.

First Grade

Mrs. Gardner's Room
We are learning some poems from "A Child's Garden of Verses." They are: Time to Rise, Bed in Summer, My Shadow, Rain and The Land of Counterpane by Robert Louis Stevenson.

Mrs. Russell's Room

Some are back after being absent, although they still have coughs. Others are out with colds. We hope all will be normal soon.

We are finishing our North and South project this week. We have learned something from each part of the country that makes us glad to live in our part of the world.

Second Grade

Mrs. Peterson's Room
We still have from three to five pupils absent daily, on account of "flu." But no one, so far as we know, has been seriously ill.

Since mid-term is past and our report cards are all back at school, we are now looking forward to February. Besides the interesting and famous people we learn about in that month, there is the St. Valentine's Day party. We like to exchange Valentines — some we make; some we buy. Also, we may make them for our mothers.

Pat Donelson's mother, who is one of Mrs. Barker's room mothers, has already made and brought to school a pretty Valentine box. Each room will have one for a "mail box" on the day of the party.

Roy Harold Boldin is very proud of his new baby sister named Brenda.

Mrs. Peterson and Mr. Peterson and Michael attended a beautiful wedding last Saturday evening in the little chapel on the campus of West Texas State at Canyon. The bride, Donna Brown, of Allison, was a former student of Mrs. Peterson's.

Fourth Grade

Miss Cox' Room
Those making 100 in Spelling for the week were Lela Hampton and Natacha Morris.

We completed our Science books last semester and are now studying health this semester.

We are glad to have Ida Nell Hemphill and Max Roque back in school this week. Max missed last week with the flu.

Fifth Grade

Mrs. Flowers' Room
Those making perfect papers in Spelling last week were Bill Casey, Charles Clements, Linda Sue Coffman, Molly Ann Davis, Rex Palmer, Kay Pickins, Jessie Jean Riggs, Sharon Gamble and Dixie Lee Knight.

We have several in our room absent on account of illness.

During this week we will have two members of our class visiting in Port Isabel, Texas. Hal Bennett has been there about two weeks. Molly Davis will accompany her family for a visit this week.

With the approach of February 14 we have a Valentine scene on our bulletin board.

Last Thursday the boys and girls met for a 4-H meeting. The girls studied about the types of dresses suited to their figures. The boys had a movie on "cattle."

The band students have extra practice sessions during the noon hours. All clarinets meet together, then trumpets, and saxophones.

The Weekly Readers were all about the Inauguration of President Eisenhower and Vice-President Nixon. Our class listened to the inauguration on the radio through the loudspeaker in our room.

Mrs. Elliott's Room

(By News Committee)

For the next three weeks our Health Unit will be "Good Fun and Health." We are making a survey of play interests. We are trying to lay a foundation in our work plan whereby the needs of each of us may be met. We will work on the following concepts: recreation, work, hobbies, leadership, citizenship or the acceptance of responsibility along with a given privilege and a worthy standard for each individual.

We are very happy to have

Eliane Crabtree, La Ruth Kendrick, Doris Dortch and Gay Plunk back in school with us. They suffered with "flu" last week.

We only have one pupil in our room who has been neither absent nor tardy. Wayne Lavake is the lucky one. We are proud of you, Wayne, keep up the good work.

We had a real treat in Geography Monday when Ernest Dyess told us of his experiences on his recent tour of Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Florida.

Neil Harris also told us about deep sea fishing in California.

Seventh Grade

Miss Patterson's Room
Bobby Byrd has withdrawn from school. He is moving to St. Louis with his family.

Elliott Crabtree has returned to school after having the flu.

Billy Cummings has been absent. He spent the week end at his uncle's farm near Boise City.

William Gamble has been absent due to illness.

John Lyons was in Colorado last week end. He was visiting relatives.

Fred Sanders has returned to school after being ill.

Betty Bradley has returned to school after having the flu.

Nellie Johnson is absent from school due to illness.



PRESIDENT IKE . . . Facing the difficult task of guiding our nation through war and economic troubles, President Dwight D. Eisenhower, in this recent photo, exhibits courage and hope.

THE DOOR STAYS OPEN

On the heels of recent rumors that President Eisenhower might abandon regular press conferences, or drastically restrict questioning by those in attendance, comes the reassuring news from James C. Hagerty, White House press secretary, that the only change in the time-honored, regular meetings with the press might be the inclusion of a televised press conference about once a month. In the early days of the administration, said Mr. Hagerty, the President may hold press conferences oftener than once a week.

We are further advised that the First Lady will also meet the press regularly, and submit to direct questions about what Mamie Eisenhower has been doing, and what she thinks — except on politics, that's out.

All this will be particularly good news to those who can remember back to the Hoover regime, and recall how the tremendous popularity of Commerce Secretary Hoover curdled soon after he became President Hoover, and was "protected" from the press by well-meaning advisors.

Grapefruit In The Diet

You can have grapefruit in your diet in four different forms — fresh, frozen concentrated juice, canned juice, and grapefruit sections.

Miss Lucile King, Home Dem-

stration Agent, says you can usually find one or all four of these at your local market. The cost may change with the seasons.

All are good sources of ascorbic acid, the important vitamin C needed daily by the human body. Citrus fruit is an excellent source of ascorbic acid, and grapefruit is a popular fruit with many Texas families.

The agent says one serving of grapefruit provides 35 milligrams of ascorbic acid, the normal allowance needed by a moderately active person being 70 milligrams.

Consider the budget, time you

have to market and prepare the fruit, the tastes of your family, and then choose the kind of grapefruit which best fits your needs.

Browned Hash

Here's a recipe for browned hash which, Miss Lucile King, Home Demonstration Agent, recommends.

Brown two cups of cooked ground meat in the skillet, and alternate with three cups sliced potatoes and one chopped onion in a greased baking dish.

Add milk or broth and season with salt and pepper, then bake 30 minutes in a 350 degree oven.

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