

## Sherman County Farmers Discuss Wheat Marketing Quota Program

Farmers and P.M.A. officials held a lively discussion on the operation of the wheat marketing program at a meeting in Stratford Monday. The farmers were much concerned over the methods used in setting up their acreage allotments and the marketing procedure under this program.

R. C. Buckles, local P.M.A. Chairman, presented the marketing quota program and led the discussion, assisted by Marcella Gillis, P.M.A. administrative officer, and E. Goule. Mr. Buckles, in his introductory remarks, pointed out the reason for the marketing quota program. He stated the law granting government support prices for wheat required the Secretary of Agriculture to declare acreage allotment and marketing quota programs when the U. S. wheat supply on hand exceeded the normal wheat supply by 20 percent. He explained normal wheat supply as of July 1 to be 705,000,000 bushels consumed and used in the U. S. plus 300,000,000 bushels exported, plus an additional 15% reserve of 151,000,000 bushels, giving a total of 1,156,000,000 bushels for this year's normal supply. When the U. S. wheat supply exceeds the 1,156,000,000 bushels by 20%, which would be in this case 1,387,200,000 bushels of wheat on hand, it is mandatory that the Secretary of Agriculture declare a marketing quota program in which the farmers vote in a referendum for or against putting such a program in operation for the following year. He stated that on July 1 this year, we had a wheat supply in the U. S. of 1,760,000,000 bushels, which is 373,000,000 bushels above normal supply, which makes it mandatory for the marketing quota program.

He announced polling places would be open at the Stratford Court House, Texhoma, Texas School and the Spurlock Chapel, August 14, from 7:00 A. M. to 7:00 P. M. for farmers to vote. Farmers and their wives were encouraged to come out and vote. He stated that farmers who have an interest in wheat crops this year are eligible to vote. In Texas both husband and wife are eligible to vote in the marketing referendum this year.

In explaining the wheat acreage allotment, Mrs. Marcella Gillis told the procedure used by the local committee in determining the wheat acreage allotment for a farm. Some of the farmers present complained about the method used in arriving at allotments where summer fallowing was practiced on the farm. Mrs. Gillis stated the county wheat acreage allotment amounted to about 53% of the total cultivated land in the county.

Particular emphasis was placed on how a farmer would operate under wheat marketing quota programs. Three different ways a farm may be operated under the program was explained.

First, if a farmer does not plant more wheat on the farm than his wheat acreage allotment, he will be issued a marketing card at the local P.M.A. office and may market all of

the wheat harvested in 1954.

Second, if the farmer plants more wheat than his wheat acreage allotment, he may comply with the program by calling at the local P.M.A. office before planting wheat and designating on paper where he intends to plant wheat that will be in excess of his wheat acreage allotment. In this case, the farmer has a choice of disposing of the wheat planted on excess acres designated before it matures by plowing it under as a green manure crop, grazing it out, or cutting it for hay. After disposing of the wheat planted on excess acres, he can get a marketing card from the local P.M.A. and market all of the wheat harvested on this farm.

In either of the above two cases, it was explained, that the farmer is a cooperator and eligible for government loans at a rate of 90% of parity.

Third, if a farmer plants more than his wheat acreage allotment and harvests it, he is not considered a cooperator and is not eligible for a government loan. This farmer has three methods of getting a marketing card so he can sell his wheat. A farmer will need a marketing card on his 1954 wheat before he can sell, trade, feed, or use the wheat for planting seed. He can pay the local P.M.A. office a penalty on wheat harvested off excess acres and they will issue him a marketing card. The amount of penalty will be the results obtained by multiplying the excess wheat acres by the normal wheat yield per acre, then multiply this result by 45% of the parity loan rate next May 1. (This parity rate was estimated as \$1.10 a bushel this year.) The farmer may choose to store this excess wheat on the farm, under seal, and give the P.M.A. a surety bond, or he may choose to place this excess wheat in the elevator and give the local P.M.A. office a warehouse receipt. Upon satisfying the P.M.A. Committee by either of these three methods, they will issue him a marketing card and he may sell the balance of the wheat produced that year on the open market, trade it, feed it or use it for seed. But he would not be eligible for a loan under the government support program.

It was explained that farmers who planted more wheat than their wheat acreage allotment, may secure a marketing card by paying the penalty on any excess acreage, but in so doing, they were not eligible for a loan of 90% of parity under the government program. Whereas, if planted within their wheat acreage allotment, they could harvest all the wheat they produced and would be eligible for a loan of 90% of parity. The farmers were given a small leaflet covering some of the details of the program and its operations, and encouraged to cast their ballot for or against the marketing quota.

Mr. Buckles explained that if the marketing quota was voted down, then the cooperators would be eligible for support price on wheat at 50% of parity instead of 90%. There would be

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## Marriage Solemnized Saturday



The lovely garden at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bennett was the scene of the marriage of their daughter, Nancy, to Bill Salisbury, son of Mrs. J. G. Salisbury of Vici, Oklahoma Saturday.

Rev. T. Edgar Neal, pastor of the First Methodist Church, read the impressive single ring service. The wedding vows were exchanged at 9:00 o'clock in the morning before an improvised altar of white gladioli and greenery in the presence of members of the families and a few close friends.

Miss Shirley Finch and Hop Salisbury, a brother of the groom, attended the couple. The bride wore a gray tailored suit with white accessories and a corsage of orchids. Her only jewelry was a gold necklace set with diamonds which be-

longed to her great grandmother Pronger.

Following the wedding an informal reception for the wedding party was held in the home of the bride's parents, Mrs. Martha Harrison, pianist, played continuously during the social hour.

The couple left immediately for a short honeymoon in the mountains of Colorado. They returned home Tuesday and are at home in the King Apartments.

Mr. Salisbury is a graduate of Oklahoma A. & M. College of Stillwater, Oklahoma. He is an instructor in the Veterans Vocational Agriculture School and operates the Stratford Feed Store.

## Kirkpatrick Hurt In Gas Well Accident

Don Kirkpatrick of Liberal, Kansas, a driller working on a gas well near Keyes, Oklahoma was seriously injured Saturday afternoon. A cap blew off of the well resulting in a fractured skull and lacerations of the forehead. He was rushed to an Elkhart, Kansas hospital for first aid treatment before being taken to St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo for observation and further treatment.

Kirkpatrick was removed from the critical list this week, and he hopes to be released from the hospital in a short time.

Donna Jean, Billy and Jimmy Blazier are visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Bessie Hodges, while their mother is in Amarillo with her husband.

## School Teachers To Plan Term Policies August 26

Members of the Stratford School faculty will meet in the school auditorium Wednesday, August 26, at 9:00 A. M. to begin orientation and indoctrination studies of the school policies and plans for the coming year.

## First Graders Must Have Birth Certificates

Children entering school for the first time on August 31 must have their birth certificates and must have been vaccinated against smallpox.

no penalty for harvesting wheat off excess acres and the non-cooperator would still be ineligible for any loan.

## Turner Reunion Held Sunday In Ada

A reunion of the G. T. Turner family was held Sunday in the home of the eldest sister, Mrs. Luther Lynn of Ada, Oklahoma. Ten of the thirteen children were present. Mrs. Loury Galaway and Mrs. Elmer Vaughn, (the twins), of Liberal, Kansas, and J. L. Turner of Stratford were unable to be present.

This was the 26th annual reunion of the family.

## Son Defeats Father To Win Tourney

In a private family affair, Don Riffe took the championship of the North Plains Golf Association annual tourney by defeating his father, Earl Riffe, in a match played Tuesday afternoon.

Don was the winner 2 and 1 in a 36 hole play-off for the championship. He shot even par golf for the eight holes of the final round when the match ended.

Rev. M. E. Upchurch and Kenneth Kendrick played in the tournament, losing their flights to the winners by one stroke.

## Cunninghams To Tour Europe On Vacation

Mr. and Mrs. Sam L. Cunningham will sail August 26 from New York on the Queen Mary for a tour of Europe.

The Cunninghams have been residents of Stratford for the last 12 years. He has been employed with the Santa Fe Railroad as freight and passenger agent. Previous to that time they made their home at Malvern, Arkansas.

The Cunninghams plan to worship in the historical Lansdowne Methodist Church at Malvern, Worcester County England on September 6 by invitation of the Rev. B. V. Richardson, pastor of the church, when an invitation of welcome will be given and a brief response made by the visitors from America.

Stratford-on-Avon of course will be a must on their trip as Stratford, Texas was named by Col. Colton of the Mother Country in 1900. As Methodists they plan to visit the graves of the Wesleys and Aldersgate Street in London, where John Wesley in his early ministry had his heart strangely warmed.

Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham plan to visit Mildred Bennett, an International Exchange student from Stratford, who is now at work near Bonn, Germany. They also plan to visit other Texans and friends from Arkansas who are stationed in the armed services in England, Italy, Austria and Germany.

After a 31 day tour of sight-seeing in 10 or 12 nations abroad, the Cunninghams will sail from Southampton October 1, on the Queen Mary for New York City. They will visit relatives and friends in Orlando, Florida and Malvern, Arkansas before returning to their home in Stratford on October 18.

The Cunninghams look forward to a wonderful time. They have spent months in preparation for the trip and consider it their first real vacation in 12 years.

The permanent mail address of the Cunninghams while they are in Europe will be: % Cunard Lines, London, England.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Frizzell, Jr. are the parents of a 6½ pound daughter, Rebecca Ann, born Friday in Dumas Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Frizzell and baby were brought home Tuesday.

## Plan Plains Irrigation District

Plans were made at a meeting in Sunray Thursday night of last week for establishing an Under Water Irrigation Conservation District on the high plains. Representatives of Sherman, Moore, Hansford, Ochiltree and Hutchinson Counties took part in making the preliminary plans.

A temporary Board of Directors consisting of a Vice-President and Board Member from each county was elected. Burton Craig was elected Vice-President and Luther Browder was elected as a Board Member to represent Sherman County.

The Under Water Conservation District Board of Directors will meet in Spearman Monday to request State Engineers to establish the boundaries of the plains reservoir.

After the boundaries of the district in the interested counties has been established an educational program will be launched. After a properly prepared petition has been presented to the County Commissioners' Court they will be empowered to order an election for the purpose of establishing a district.

## McGaughey Is New School Principal

Thomas J. McGaughey has accepted the position as principal of the Stratford High School. Mr. and Mrs. McGaughey and their 5-year old daughter arrived in Stratford Saturday.

The new principal has had about nine years of experience in school work. For the past six years he has been associated with the school at Fletcher, Oklahoma in the capacity of a teacher, coach and principal.

Mr. McGaughey did his undergraduate work at Central State Teachers College at Edmond, Oklahoma. He completed his graduate work at the University of Oklahoma at Norman, Oklahoma.

## To Exchange Wedding Vows Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Wright Davis request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Mary Nan, to Thomas Edward Wakefield, Sunday, the ninth of August, at 3:00 o'clock in the First Baptist Church of Stratford.

Personal invitations will not be mailed.

Mt. McKinley in Alaska is the highest in North America.

## Mrs. Stublefield Has Fractured Hip Bone

Mrs. Ollie Stublefield, age 81, is in the hospital at Boise City, Oklahoma receiving treatment for a fractured right hip. Mrs. Stublefield was visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stublefield at the time of the accident. Physicians were inclined to believe that the bone gave away and resulted in her fall.

Mrs. Stublefield underwent an eye operation in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo recently.

## Death Takes Mrs. Harbour

Mrs. W. W. Harbour of Mineral Wells, Texas was found dead Thursday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Harbour at Kerrick where she had been a guest for several days.

Mrs. Harbour is survived by her husband, W. W. Harbour, of Mineral Wells, and one son, Dawson R. Terry, of Tyler, Texas.

Funeral arrangements are pending.

## Married In Clayton

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Albert were re-married in Clayton, New Mexico Sunday. Mrs. Albert and their sons, Russell and Raymond, have moved to Stratford to make their home.

## County 4-H Club Girls Bake Show Friday, August 21

The annual Sherman County 4-H Club Girls Bake Show will be held Friday, August 21, at 3:00 P. M. in the club room at court house in Stratford, according to Miss Lucile King, County Home Demonstration Agent.

Each 4-H Club girl, nine years of age, will enter a laticed top cherry pie. All other 4-H Club girls will enter a laticed top cherry pie and an uniced sponge cake. The pies may be baked in an eight or nine inch pie pan and the cakes in a tube pan.

All entries are to be on the tables by 2:30 P. M. ready for the judging.

## Mrs. Keener Is Hospital Patient

Mrs. M. L. Keener was admitted to Dumas Memorial Hospital Sunday as a medical patient. Little change has been reported in her condition.

Mrs. Keener was taken to Dumas in the Wilson ambulance.



From the Rising Star Record, Rising Star, Texas: "Sure Fire Way to Kill Your Home Town"—Get all the city will give you, but don't give anything in return. Talk cooperation, but don't cooperate. Never accept an office. It is easier to criticize than to do things. Don't do any more than you have to, and when other people willingly and unselfishly give their time and ability to make a better town, howl because the town is run by a clique.

Don't pay your taxes. Let the other fellow pay his and then you ride like a parasite on his money, then fuss because the streets are not kept up. Never attend any of the meetings that are for the town. If you do, arrive late, don't have anything to say. Wait until you get outside and then cuss the ones who tried. Or, when there, vote for everything and then do nothing.

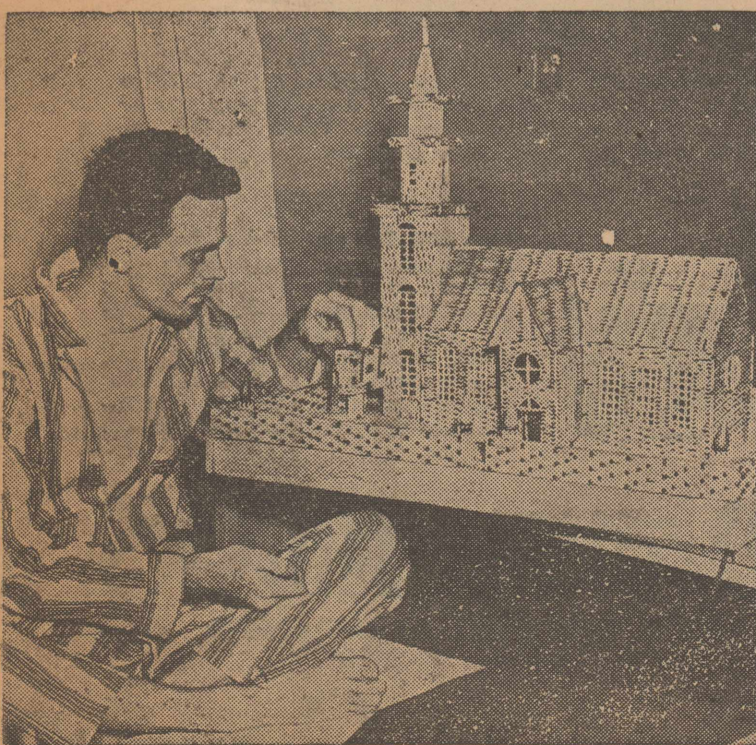
Look at every proposition in a selfish way. If you are not the one that gets the most out of it, vote against it. Never consider what it will do for the town as a whole. Don't do anything for the youth of the town. Just forget that they are the leaders of tomorrow. Keep your feet on them. If you have good leaders, don't follow them. Don't work on any committee. Don't say anything good about your town.

From the Kankakee Journal, Kankakee, Illinois: The custom of having civilian and military executives doing duplicate jobs in the Pentagon is now being blamed for much of the Defense Department's manpower troubles.

Newsmen covering the Pentagon say it is common to find a \$750-a-month Colonel and a \$600-a-month civilian sitting at a tandem desk doing work which probably could be done by either. The Colonel generally is in charge but the civilian furnishes the know-how.

From the Lake County News, Hammond, Indiana: Americans ought to recognize that the sentiment for some kind of high-level explorative effort to find common ground with the masters of Soviet Russia is deep and widespread in Britain and western Europe. It is simply a fact of which any realistic planning must take account.

Yet when diplomacy gets down to terms and cases, the essence of the matter is that Britain, America and their North Atlantic allies seek the same objectives and are not far apart on their methods. It is better the differences of view be voiced and discussed in good temper—than be bottled up. But remembering that Stalin pinned his expectations of Communist success on divisions among the free nations.



MAKES MATCH CHURCH . . . Alexander E. Brooks, Jr., of Capital Heights, Md., patient at Mt. Wilson Sanitarium, used three months and thousands of matches to build this model church.

**Want Ads**

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

FOR SALE: My 7-room residence on Fourth and Maple. — Paul Aduddell. 18-tfc

FOR SALE: Virtue Brand Chrome Dinette Suite, table has 2 leaves. — J. B. Stublefield. 44-tfc

WILL CARE for children in my home. — Mrs. Bill Fothergill, at Mrs. Lena B. Keenan's residence. 44-1tp

UNUSUALLY scratches and fender dents repaired for nominal costs. Let us paint the top panel to convert your car into a flashy two-tone. — C & E Paint & Body Shop. 42-tfc

WESTAR WHEAT SEED, cut in '52, free of bind weed and joint grass, \$2.25. — W. C. Harbour, Kerrick, Texas. 44-2tp

WANTED: Housekeeper; must have references; house available; excellent salary. — Mrs. W. N. Price, Phone 3071. 19-tfc

FOR RENT: 3-room furnished modern house. Minimum bills paid, 6th and Wall. — R. E. Minis. 44-tfc

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

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

SERVEL ICE MAKER Refrigerators in both gas and electric models. — Van B. Boston. 25-tfc

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

FOR SALE: Wichita Wheat Seed, second year from foundation seed, 93.3% purity, 96.5% germination, \$3.00 per bushel. Also baled Alfalfa Hay. — E. J. Philippe & Son, 9013F12, Guymon, Oklahoma. 44-3tp

LOST: Two white face yearling heifers, weigh about 350 pounds, branded with connected lazy JT on left hip. — Jack Pugh. 44-3tc

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Sealed bids will be received in the office of the Superintendent of the Stratford Independent School District at Stratford, Texas until 10:00 A. M. Thursday, September 3, 1953, on the motor and chassis of two school buses to be offered for sale to the public.

Vehicles for sale are described as follows: one 1950 GMC one ton chassis with Motor No.

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B-228313270, and one 1950 one ton Chevrolet chassis with Motor No. AHCA-21585.

The Board of Trustees of the Stratford Independent School District reserves the usual right to reject any or all bids.

**New Drouth  
Loan Setup  
Explained**

Farmers Home Administration offices throughout the Tri-State Empire next week will accept applications for drouth emergency loans under the new 150 million dollar revolving fund set up by Section 2 of Public Law 38.

According to directives from Secretary of Agriculture Erza Taft Benson, FHA loans, at 5 per cent interest, may be granted for a wide variety of farm and ranch operations.

They include loans for feed, grazing lease charges, crop land rentals for production of feed; purchase, hire and repair of farm machinery; building or repair of fences, transporting cattle to and from grazing lands, replacing and restocking livestock, water supplies and living expenses.

Loans also may be secured for paying one year's interest on debts secured by liens on chattels or real estate, and paying one year's taxes on real and personal property.

Oris R. Bruner, FHA district supervisor, said "there are only four things we can't grant loans for" under the new setup. There can be no loans for expanding normal operations, nor may loans be granted after July 13, 1955, the expiration date for the revolving fund.

Bruner said FHA office hours are from 8 AM to 5 PM, Monday through Friday.

L. J. Cappleman, state FHA director, sent out the new directives from his office in Dallas. Repayment of the loans must be scheduled within 3 years, he said.

Money is also available for buying seed and other supplies to start new farm crops and to care for the normal needs of farmers and ranchers during the drouth emergency.

**Same The  
World Around**

In a book entitled "The Passing of Parliament," Professor G. W. Keeton deals with some of the fruits of socialism as they have flowered in England. He points out that before they come to power socialist writers and spokesmen paint the rosiest conceivable picture of what the future may be expected to bring. Then he contrasts the actuality with the theory in these words: "What the socialist has got, as distinct from what he aimed at, is the exact opposite of those noble aspirations. He has got a rigid mechanism, remote from and indifferent to public opinion, operated at a handsome loss by departmentally appointed officials with salaries as large as

**TINKER McCOY**

By James D. Harsh

TINKER McCoy was quick to remember the face of Buck Waters on the "wanted" poster in front of Sheriff Mace Collins' office. A violent hate took hold of the giant blacksmith. He remembered the lean drifter with the tight lips and the pigeon-toed walk from a scuffle up Flint Ridge some four months past. Tinker was remembering how Buck had

gunned his best friend, Clay Manners. Clay had stood with his hands in his pockets and had taken the lead without having a chance to draw.

Toward nightfall a light rain, kicked up by an unusual wind, set the air and ground cool. He turned to go inside and close up shop when he felt the cold barrel of a .45 jammed against his back. Then the man spoke and Tinker remembered Buck Waters' whiney voice. "Don't turn around or I'll plug you," he mumbled deeper into the shadows. "My horse threw a shoe and she's foot sore." Buck was breathing hard like he was scared of something he couldn't see. "I'll be needing a new shoe. And make it snappy!"

"One dollar, my friend," Tinker said after he had driven the last nail into place.

"It's on the house when I'm holding the gun, stupid," Buck said. Then he turned and topped his horse. He rode out of town fast, like he was running from the devil. Tonight the ground was damp and there was only the faint sound of the horse's hooves hitting against the sodden earth.

Sunlight came early to Clear Creek. By the time the rays of light had fully spread over the country Tinker was in the back room of the sheriff's office. He shook the sleep from Mace Collins. "Had a customer last night, Mace." The sheriff was still half asleep. "It was Buck Waters." "Tarnation, man, where is he?" Collins was on his feet and already pulling on his boots.

"I reckon he's somewhere between here and the Lobos range, those ever paid to capitalist directors, with the added advantage that their losses and official expenses can be underwritten by a beneficent state."

This experience is certainly not confined to England, essentially, it is true of socialistic ventures everywhere, including the U. S. A. Socialized enterprise is, to all practical purposes, completely beyond effective control. It is wasteful and inefficient. And it almost invariably creates huge losses which all the people must help pay.

**It Isn't True**

"TB runs in his family." When you hear anyone make that statement, speak right up and say, "It isn't true."

Tuberculosis is not inherited. It is a disease caused by a germ which is passed on by people who have the disease to those about them.

You may have known of families where TB seemed to be inherited, passed down through the generations like the family silver. Grandfather had it, and his sons, and his sons' sons. But it was not because of anything in the family blood.

Tuberculosis seems to run in families because, naturally, family members come in closest contact with a TB patient. If anyone is going to catch the germs he coughs up, they are the most likely victims.

This is why it is so important to find all cases of tuberculosis early, so they can be placed under treatment for their own sakes, as well as to prevent spread of the disease. An annual physical checkup and chest X-ray will help make certain that TB is found before it has done too much damage.

When TB is discovered, the tuberculosis hospital is the best place for the patient. There he can receive all the benefits of the most modern methods of treatment. There he can be cured with the certainty that he is not spreading his disease to those he loves.

**Mildew In Summer**

Mildew is caused by molds that thrive on household products like tablecloths, bathmats, dish towels and articles made of leather and wool.

Miss Lucile King, County Home Demonstration Agent, says fortunately, mildew spots are easily removed if you get to them before the mold has a chance to rot the material.

Fresh mildew stains on washable goods can usually be removed by washing at once with soap and water, rinsing well and drying in the sun.

If any stains remain, moisten with lemon juice and salt, spread in the sun to bleach, and then rinse thoroughly and dry. Be careful when you use this treatment on colored material.

Another safe bleach for household articles is sodium perborate which can be bought at drug stores or in commercial bleaches at most grocery stores. Sponge the mildew spot with a solution of one tablespoon of sodium perborate to a pint of lukewarm water, or sprinkle the powder directly on the stain which has been dampened with hot water. Let stand a minute or two then rinse well. Test the bleach on a sample cloth if it is colored.

**Rains Fell  
Over District  
Tuesday Night**

General rains fell over most of the territory Tuesday night. At Stratford 1.10 inch of moisture was recorded. In the vicinity of Kerrick rains ranging from 1.4 to 2 inches were reported. At Atenon about two inches of rain fell. The south and western portion of the county received the first moisture which fields in those sections have had since the first of the year. In most localities of this dry season rainfall ranged from 1 to 3 inches.

**Circle One Meets  
With Mrs. Bryant**

Circle One of the Christian Womens Fellowship met with Mrs. Odys Bryant Wednesday afternoon.

After the business meeting which was conducted by Mrs. T. L. Wakefield, a study course on "How to Study the Scriptures," and "Divisions of the Old Testament," was led by Mrs. Bryant. Mrs. Herbert Folsom dismissed

the group with prayer. During the social hour that followed, refreshments were served by the hostess to Mrs. J. R. Pendleton, Mrs. Frank Judd, Mrs. J. W. Hodges, Mrs. Herbert Folsom, Mrs. T. L. Wakefield and Mrs. Leslie Parker.

**Adults Flock  
To Beginners  
Swimming Class**

An estimated crowd of 140 to 150 adults flocked to the Stratford indoor swimming pool Tuesday morning to participate in the Red Cross sponsored beginners swimming class which is being taught by B. A. Duggins assisted by Mrs. I. D. Wall.

The class has been divided into two groups. One group will meet at 10:00 A. M. and the other at 11:00 A. M. Classes will be held on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

The enthusiasm of local adults in taking part in the swimming class exceeded all expectations.

**Recipe of the Week  
Salmon Casserole**

3 tablespoons butter or margarine.  
6 tablespoons chopped onion.  
1-4 cup diced celery.  
1-4 cup chopped green pepper.  
1-2 cup sliced mushrooms (optional).  
3 tablespoons flour.  
1 1-2 teaspoons salt.  
1-4 teaspoon pepper.  
1 cup milk.  
1 cup cream.  
1 can salmon (1 pound can).  
2 cups frozen, fresh or canned peas.  
2 cups crushed potato chips.  
Saute onion, celery, green pepper and mushrooms in margarine or butter until lightly browned. Add flour, salt and pepper. Gradually stir in milk and cream and cook until smooth and thickened, stirring constantly. Arrange layers of sal-

**RAIL FACTS**

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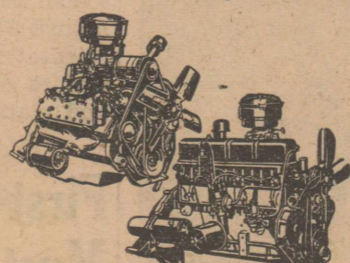
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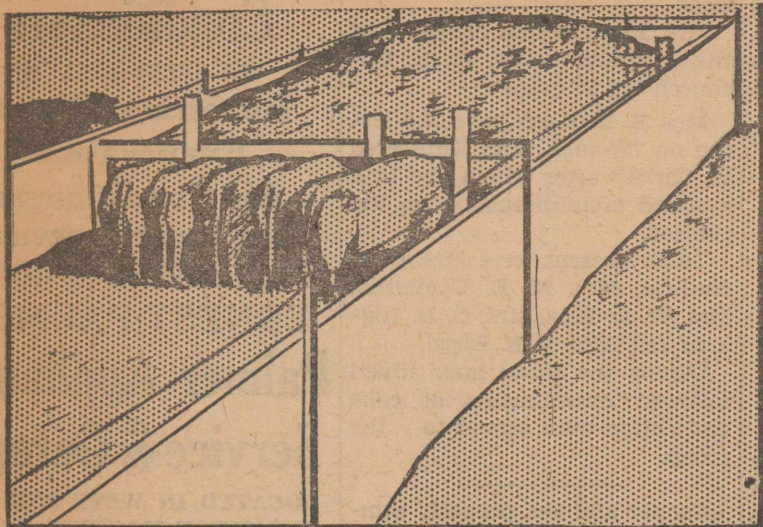
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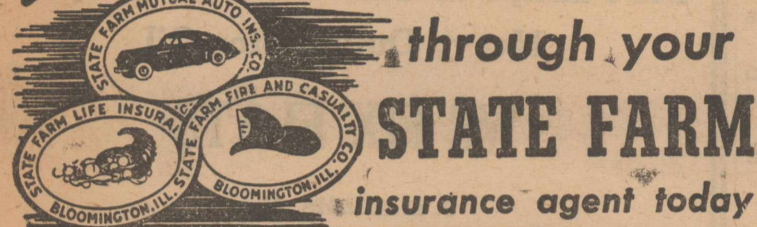
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OF STRATFORD**

## FENCE LINES



**SILAGE FEEDER . . .** This 20x100 foot concrete silo will hold 300 tons. The walls are 6 inch wide and 4 feet high. It is an easy way to feed cattle, requiring occasional cleaning around trench and moving feeder gate every few days.

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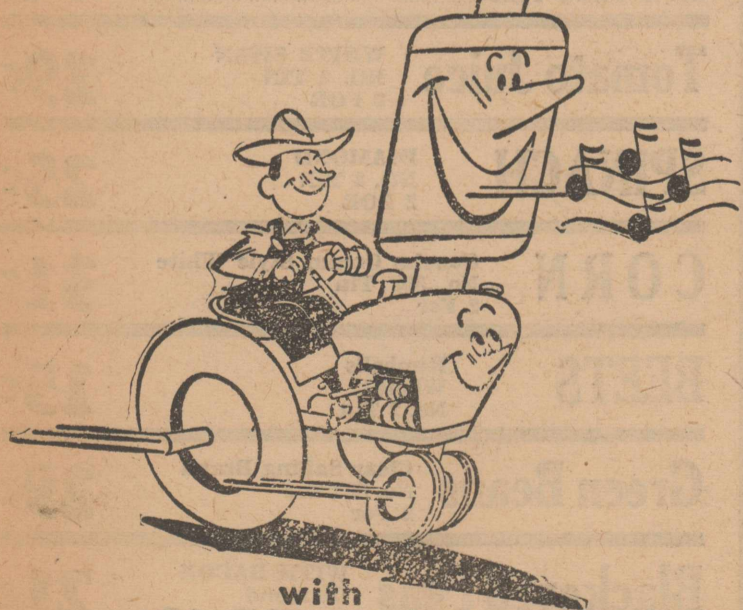
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## ANOTHER INVASION OF SUMMER INSECTS



## Scanning the NEWS

THE excess profits tax, which the senate and house have extended for a six month period after strong administration pressure, is one of the most controversial and little known of our federal levies. Even the Eisenhower administration, while insisting upon it, called it a "necessary evil".

Here are its basic facts:  
Who pays it—Less than 12 per cent of the nation's 424,000 corporations with taxable income.

How much money will be raised by the six-months extension—About \$800 million will be added to the government's till in fiscal 1954.

How do corporations compute the tax—They figure earnings during 1946 through 1949 and report average earnings during the three most profitable years of that stretch. Eighty-three per cent of that average is "normal profit" congress decided. Earnings over that amount are liable to the excess profits tax of 30 per cent. This is on top of regular corporate income taxes.

What is the purpose of the EPT—It was designed to limit the profits of businesses involved in defense work.

What percentage of corporation tax receipts comes from the EPT—The Ways and Means Committee estimated \$2 billion out of a total take of \$23 billion in corporate taxes come from the excess profits levy. That's about 8.7 per cent.

Why was extension urged for what Treasury Secretary George M. Humphrey called a "bad tax"—It will help shrink the deficit of

\$9.4 billion, a record for the government to be in the red. Also the administration has said it didn't want taxes on business cut before taxes on individual income, which are to become lower Jan. 1, 1954.

Why is it a bad tax—President Eisenhower said the EPT is "especially hard on successful small businesses which must depend on retained earnings for growth." Assistant Secretary of Commerce Craig R. Sheaffer said the tax "purposely hits hardest on new and growing enterprises" and encourages "wasteful management."

• The Post Office Department is again asking congress to grant an increase in postal rates in an effort to get the long-time money losing service out of the red. If the move is successful here's what will happen to mail users:

1. A deep pink four cent stamp will be required for out-of-town letters. (The familiar purple three-center still will be good for in-town first class mail.)

2. Airmail rates will go up—from six to seven cents per ounce.

3. Book rates will increase from eight to ten cents for the first pound and four to five cents for each extra pound.

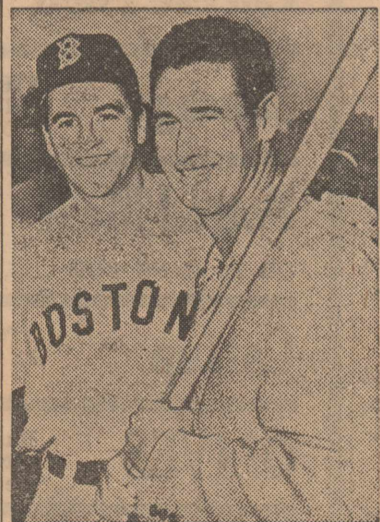
4. Varied boosts will prevail for different types of second and third class mail.

The mail rate increase may eventually become law, but at the moment congressmen, although talking a lot about "economy" and "balancing the budget," show no signs of haste in putting it into effect.

## SPORTS CORNER

### How They Stand

At mid-season here's how baseball's big ten shaped up. National League: Team—Brooklyn (by 1½ games); Pitcher—Staley, St. Louis (12-4); Batter—Schoendienst, St. Louis (.341); Runs Batted In—Mathews, Milwaukee (75); Home Runs—Mathews, Milwaukee (27). American League: Team—New York (by five games); Pitcher—Parnell, Boston (12-5); Batter—Kell, Boston (.329); Runs Batted In—Rosen, Cleveland (72); Home Runs—Rosen, Cleveland (22) . . . Tom Fool, the horse that did not run as a three-year-old, has won his first five starts this year and is fast earning the name of top handicap horse of history. A "dream" race is being talked between the four-year-old and Native Dancer, the champion three-year-old. On a weight-for-age basis, Tom Fool would carry 126 pounds in a mile race, the Dancer 116 pounds . . . David Power completed his cross-country walk (3,160 miles) from Santa Monica to New York in 73½ days, for an average of about 41 miles a day.



**BACK FROM WAR . . .** Ted Williams, great slugging outfielder of Boston's Red Sox, shoulders a bat at All-Star game in Cincinnati, after return from flying 39 jet missions. Ted discusses 1954 prospect with manager Lou Boudreau.

## YOUR brain budget

1. Burlap is made from jute. The U. S. imports most of its supply from (a) Pakistan; (b) the Philippines; (c) Korea.
2. A plane figure formed by four right lines, of which no two are parallel is (a) a trapezium; (b) a trapezoid; (c) a trapezohedron.
3. Thoth is the (a) God of love; (b) God of hate; (c) God of wisdom and magic.

## Looking Up!

(By John Gipson)

Men today look around about themselves and say, "Look what the world is coming to." The early Christians possessed an entirely different attitude as they would say, "Look what has come to the world." There is a vast difference between these two attitudes. It is true that the world is in bad shape today, but turn and read the second chapter of Romans and you will find that the world was in an

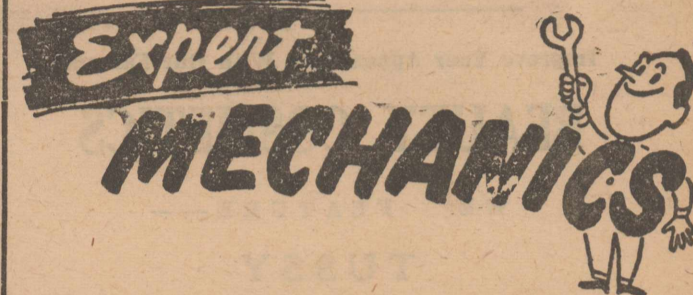
awful condition in Paul's day. The unique gospel of Jesus Christ offers the solution to man's problems. Look! see what has come to the world, God's revelation of himself in all of His power, love and wisdom through His son Jesus Christ. Certainly this is glorious news. It is no wonder that Christians are radiant with joy. They have found the treasure all men are seeking for. They see what the world is in bad shape today, and are working for the advancement of His kingdom until he comes again.

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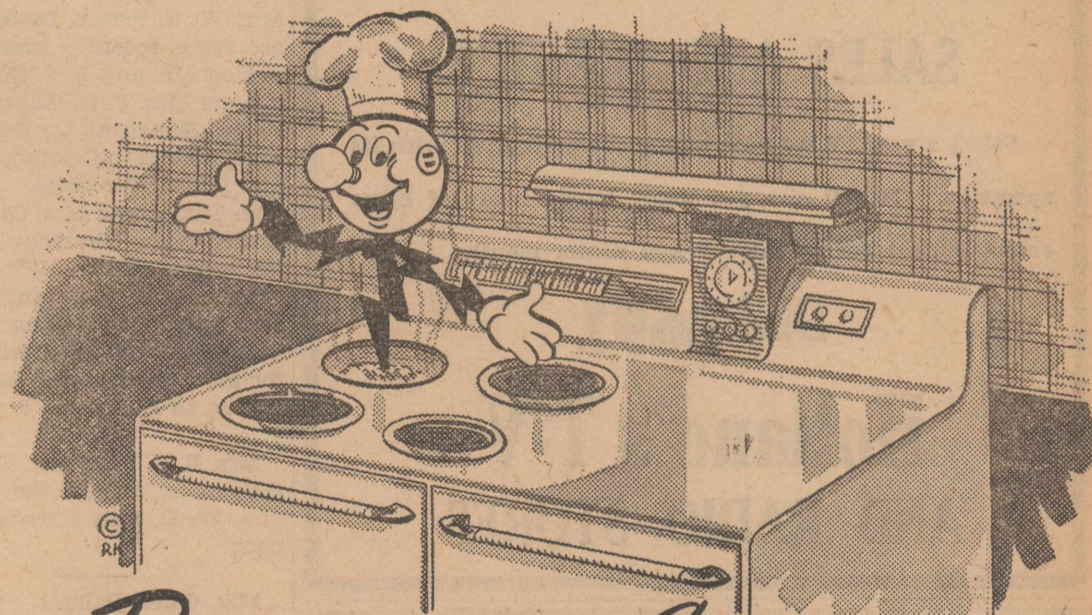
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**Local News**

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Collins and children of Lubbock, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim B. Warren and children of Guymon, Oklahoma, were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Ross Turner over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wisdom and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Armstrong visited relatives in Denver, Colorado Monday.

Mrs. Lelah Boney returned home Tuesday from a short visit with her son, Russell Boney, in Denton, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown, who have been making their home at Embudo, New Mexico, are guests in the home of their

daughter, Mrs. Joe Jnapp and husband, who recently moved to the Arthur Milton place, formerly known as the old Reeder place.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Haffey and Bernard Ray went to Halstead, Kansas this week, where Mr. Haffey was to have a physical examination.

Kay and Gwen James of Boise City, are guests in the Newton Crabtree home this week.

N. D. Smith was a business visitor in Sayre, Oklahoma this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Cummings visited in Borger Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Cummings and Cynthia, who recently went

to Borger to make their home. Mrs. Delbert Cummings and Cynthia returned with Mr. and Mrs. Cummings. Delbert, who is associated in business with his father-in-law, Jess Sammons of Borger, came Saturday night for a visit, and took his family home Sunday.

Pfc. Gene Ross, Camp Carson, Colorado, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ross.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Stilwell, New Sharon, Iowa, and Miss Hazel Harris were dinner guests in the G. L. Taylor home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Larrick and daughters, Karen and Claire, of Haven, Kansas spent last week end with Mrs. Tom Hodges and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hankey.

Sgt. and Mrs. Richard Albert and children of Lubbock, Texas were guests Sunday in the home of Mrs. H. M. Brown. Mrs. Brown had been a guest in their home for several days, and came home with them Sunday. Little Sandra Albert remained for a longer visit with her grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Baskin Brown and Joe Ray, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Gore and family of Dalhart, Mr. and Mrs. Dickie Nobles and family of Boise City are camping in the Cimarron Canyon in New Mexico this week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Chisum, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Blake and Tommy, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wilson of Dumas, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parker of Amarillo, Mrs. Violet Beard and Clyde Harper of Amarillo enjoyed an outing in Palo Duro Canyon Sunday.

Mrs. Lorraine Mehner and little daughter, Ann Frances, and Mrs. Arthur Ross took their guests, Mrs. Don Prytulack and little daughter, Lorraine, to Dalhart Thursday, and visited in the L. B. Steel home. Mrs. Prytulack and daughter were enroute to their home in Denver.

Joe Cleveland, Amarillo, who formerly lived in Stratford is enjoying Young Peoples Week at the Baptist Glorieta Encampment in New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Langford, Weslaco, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Potter, Denton, Texas, came recently and accompanied Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Taylor and Mrs. V. O. Gilbert to the Taylor Ranch at La Veta, Colorado, and on to Colorado Springs and Denver for visits. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Gilbert returned home Thursday night of last week. Mrs. Winnie L. Tinnin, of San Antonio, Texas, who has been visiting her son in Denver, returned with them for an overnight visit before going on to Dallas for a visit.

Mrs. E. F. Hamilton, Texhoma, Oklahoma, visited her mother, Mrs. W. D. Ellis Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Owen Palmer was in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo three days last week for an examination.

Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Howe and Albie Howe of Stafford, Kansas visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Corley Wednesday and Thursday of last week. N. J. Howe is a nephew and Albie Howe is a brother-in-law of Mr. Corley.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Halle and daughters, Marian and Lorelyn, attended the Air Fair in Amarillo last week.

Earl Bammes, St. Francis, Kansas, was a week end guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Bammes.

Mrs. May Placey of Truth or Consequences, New Mexico is recuperating in the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. C. Harbour, of Kerrick. She had a major operation in Amarillo last week.

Mrs. C. V. Collins accompanied Mrs. Hilma Cleveland of Amarillo to Lubbock, Texas Sunday where they joined Mr. and Mrs. Edward Watkins (Mrs. Watkins is the former Miss Patty Martin) and continued with them on to Santa Barbara, California, where they are visiting Mrs. Hazel Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown.

**Circle Three Meets With Mrs. Arnold**

Circle Three of the Christian Womens Fellowship met at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Archie Arnold with four members present. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mrs. Arthur Folsom.

The lesson study on "The Bible As The Word of God," was given by Mrs. Retah Lowe. Each member joined in the discussion of the study. A collection of \$4.00 was presented, and reports were made of three books being read and four daily devotionals being conducted.

The meeting was dismissed with the Missionary benediction. A social period was enjoyed by those present and refreshments were served by the hostess.

**Honors Guest With Party**

Mrs. Lorraine Mehner entertained with a bridge party Wednesday of last week honoring Mrs. Don Prytulak of Denver, Colorado. Mrs. Robert Fergu-

son won high score. Guests present were: Mrs. Prytulak, Mrs. R. M. Buckles, Mrs. L. J. Davis, Mrs. Robert Ferguson, Mrs. Gene Wilson, Mrs. Art Ross, Mrs. Bill Martin and Mrs. Virginia Rogers of San Antonio, Texas.

**Baptist Circle Met In Green Home Wednesday**

The Mollie Davis Circle of the Baptist Church met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. W. D. Green for Bible study. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mrs. E. B. McQueen. The devotional was given by Mrs. L. J. Davis and the Bible study was taught by Mrs. M. J. Carter.

Refreshments of cake and punch were served to Mrs. Joe Brown, Mrs. Ed McQueen, Mrs. M. J. Carter, Mrs. L. J. Davis and Mrs. Arthur Milton.

The meeting was dismissed with a prayer by Mrs. L. J. Davis.

**Mrs. Ingham Is Circle Hostess**

The Ealon Norvell Circle of

the Baptist W. M. U. met at the home of Mrs. O. H. Ingham Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock.

Mrs. Ingham had charge of the program. Mrs. M. E. Upchurch led in prayer.

Mrs. E. E. Riggs gave the lesson on "Women Who Ministered to Christ" after which she led a round table discussion on the subject.

Those present were Mrs. C. L. Guthrie, Mrs. M. E. Upchurch, Mrs. W. D. Ellis, Mrs. O. H. Ingham and Mrs. E. E. Riggs.

During the social hour which followed refreshments of cake and coffee were served to the group.

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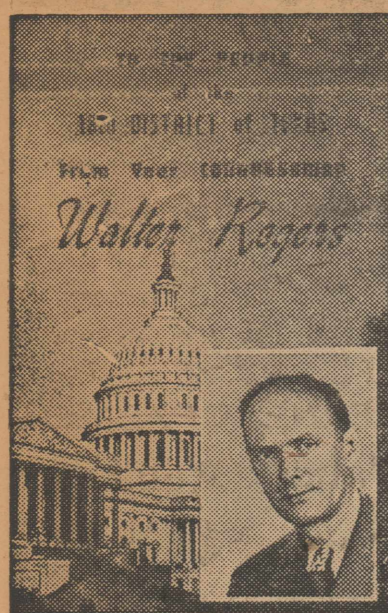
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**The President's Hat**  
On July 30th I presented a West Texas hat to the President. The hat came from an anonymous donor on behalf of the people of Pampa, Texas, and was handled by the Chamber of Commerce there. When I took it out of the box, the famous Eisenhower smile came out in

full bloom. He said, "That's just the kind I like. It is what I call a five-gallon hat. This is one that will sure get some wear." He expressed deep appreciation for the hat and his admiration for West Texas.

**The UN And Red China**  
Pressure will begin to mount for recognition of the Mao Chinese government to replace the Chiang government in the UN as representing China. Many here fear that some secret agreement was entered into binding the U. S. to not vigorously oppose such recognition. China is a UN member. The question is — "Which is the true government of China?" If this question is treated as procedural matter, recognition of Mao government would not be subject to veto. U. S. Congress unanimously adopted resolution opposing recognition of Red Chinese government. England and other European countries appear to favor recognition of Mao. Basic reason behind this is that those countries need a market for their goods. China is the

largest market in the world and has natural resources with which to pay for goods.  
**Satellite Communism**  
Communism is undoubtedly beginning to crumble in the satellite countries. Unless Russia can stop this decay and strengthen these underpinnings, the house will fall down on her. This will be the results of free world stopping the spread of communism. Unless communism can spread, it can not live. Had China been saved from communism, Russia would already be on the ropes. Recognition of Red China and trading with her will give communism the help it needs. We must continue to keep it confined until it is completely dead.  
**Closing Days Of Congress**  
For the past few weeks Congress has been working at a killing speed. This pace has been detrimental to the health of many of the members. The recent deaths of Senator Tobey and Senator Willis Smith were no doubt precipitated by this pace. It is impossible to eat regularly or properly. Most of the members begin their workday before eight and continue far into the night. This procedure has been more or less traditional with Congress during the past two decades. It is foolish and should be changed. The work can be done in an orderly and proper manner during normal work days.

Business is transacted so fast during the last weeks before adjournment, that it is almost impossible to keep up with the bills that are voted upon. This accounts for many amendments that are slipped into bills that later cause trouble. Even the Speaker's tongue gets twisted. Yesterday one of the members asked for unanimous consent to speak out of order. (This means that he wanted to speak on a subject not then under discussion.) The Speaker, in recognizing him, said, "The Gentleman is recognized for five minutes to speak without order." The members always get a laugh out of these slips because the tension is so great that any momentary relief from it is welcome.

Many of the members felt that our speed-up for adjournment was in vain when the President asked for an increase in the debt limit. This is causing great concern in Congress. It simply means that the debt will go to 290 billion dollars, which is pretty far above the national income.

What we need is the courage to cut back the spending and keep the debt limit where it is, at 275 billion dollars. If this course is taken, as it should be, Congress will be in session for several months.

**Flora Foreman Circle Selects Study Course**

The Flora Foreman Circle of the W. S. C. S. met in the parlor of the First Methodist Church at 9:30 Wednesday morning for their regular meeting. Mrs. Emil Blanck presided and read the devotional from the "Upper Room." After the devotional a short business session was held. Study courses were discussed and it was decided to take up the study of "Spanish Speaking Americans." No further meetings of the circle will be held until the first of September except the joint meeting to be held at the church August 19 at 9:30 A. M. Mrs. J. W. Elliott gave the financial report. Mrs. A. L. King gave a review of the book, "Here Is Peter Marshall."

Ladies present for the meeting were: Mrs. A. L. Harrison, Mrs. J. W. Elliott, Mrs. Ruth Hargis, Mrs. A. E. Pronger, Sr., Mrs. A. L. King, Mrs. F. B. Mullins, Mrs. W. P. Cummings, Mrs. C. W. Moon, Mrs. T. Edgar Neal, Mrs. M. Dortch, Mrs. J. G. Cummings, Mrs. J. K. Richardson, Mrs. Hattie Flores, Mrs. C. R. Foster, Mrs. Emil Blanck, and Mrs. J. B. McWilliams. Mrs. F. B. Mullins dismissed the meeting with prayer.

**Review Status Of Taxpayers Dollars**

Taxpayer's Dollar, a publication of the Chamber of Com-

merce of the United States, recently summarized the government's present financial situation and speculated on what may be expected in the near future. Some of the facts involved are depressing, others give grounds for optimism.

First of all, during the fiscal year which ended on the last day of June, the U. S. Treasury took in more money in taxes than in any year in our history. Yet when the books were closed, the deficit was the largest in history, save for when we were engaged in world wars. One reason for this was that revenues, great as they were, did not reach the estimates. A second is that even though a new Administration was in power for five months of the fiscal year, the spending was a reflection of the programs and policies established by the preceding Administration.

June is always a big spending month, and this June lived up to past precedent with a vengeance. According to Taxpayer's Dollar, of 59 budgets carried in the Daily Treasury Statement, 32 were higher this June than last. It is a matter of interest that 25 of these 32 concerned non-defense activities. Spending actually declined on some defense projects, including the atomic energy program. The biggest jump of all was registered by the Commodity Credit Corporation, up 1109 per cent over June, 1952. Second was the Production and Marketing Administration, up 634 per cent. Other rises included the Forest Service, 68 per cent; Office of Education, 48 per cent, and the Legislative Branch, 28 per cent. By contrast, spending increases by the military services were smaller, ranging from 13 per cent.

So much for the past. What of the fiscal year that began July 1st?

To quote Taxpayer's Dollar again, "Budget cuts now being made for fiscal 1954 offer more than a little hope for real economy within a very short time." The publication then went into what has been done so far, and what can be anticipated.

On the first 10 appropriation bills passed by the house, the handsome sum of \$2,987,000,000 was cut from the requests made in the budget submitted by President Truman just before he left office. Many of the cuts were suggested by President Eisenhower — others originated in the House.

The House Appropriations Committee has approved an appropriation for the Defense Department which is \$6,286,000,000 under the Truman request. Moreover, the appropriation includes more than \$2,000,000,000 for the Korean War, which was taken care of in a separate measure up to now. So that \$2,000,000,000 should be added to the reduction.

Mr. Truman proposed \$7,600,000,000 for foreign aid for the current year. It looks now as if the actual appropriation may be around \$4,500,000,000. If that turns out to be the case, the slash here will be \$3,100,000,000.

So, summing up, there is a possibility that the total cut from the Truman budget may exceed the tremendous figure of \$14,373,000,000. It is a notable fact that, so far, Congress has not only shown a disposition to slash this budget very heavily, but in case after case, has materially cut the revisions proposed by President Eisenhower.

**Opinions On Texas Laws During July**

Attorney General John Ben Shepperd has released a list of all opinions written by his office during the month of July.

Opinions of general interest include the following: A real estate dealer may offer premiums to a property owner who lists his property with the dealer but may not offer premiums to persons who submitted a "lead" which results in the dealer's getting a listing. A County Judge may place defendants convicted of drunk driving on probation for not less than six months in lieu of a mandatory jail sentence. The minimum amount of the bond required of the tax assessor-collector of an independent school district is twice the amount of taxes collected in the

largest single collection period of the preceding year.

Justices of the Peace who get a regular salary may keep fees collected for performing marriage ceremonies and for acting as Ex-officio Notaries Public.

Fees may not be paid to a sheriff in advance for serving citations on delinquent taxpayers who are non-residents of a county.

A County Commissioners' court may make valid county tax levies even if one of the Commissioners is absent from the meeting because of duties in one of the reserve branches in the armed forces.

A County Commissioner serving in a military reserve capacity is entitled to his salary during his absence on military duty.

A contract to purchase stationery and printing for the legislature which was not let on competitive bids and approved by the Governor, Secretary of State, and Comptroller is not valid.

A County Judge acting as Ex-officio County Superintendent is entitled to keep the additional money paid him for such office.

Shepperd said that his office is continuing to win approximately 98 per cent of all cases tried since the first of the year. During the month of July, 94 cases were won out of 104 tried or appealed.

**Poll Results Announced**

Final returns in the July public opinion poll of Facts Forum were announced today by President Robert H. Dedman, showing the percentage of "yes" votes on each question. The difference between the percentage shown voting "yes" on each question and 100% is the percentage voting "no."

Should we settle in Korea with all troops to be withdrawn? 33 per cent. Are tariffs necessary? 79 per cent. Should taxes be lowered now? 45 per cent. Are the increased interest rates good for economy? 59 per cent. Are the pink segments of the press losing their power? 54 per cent. Should the former number of mail deliveries per day be restored? 40 per cent. Should we enact more stringent laws dealing with subversion? 86 per cent. Can pinks filch the word freedom as they have others of fine U. S. tradition? 77 per cent. Can Japan survive without trade with communist occupied territory? 66 per cent. Can refusal to testify on the grounds of the Fifth Amendment be construed as guilt? 68 per cent. Should we aid the underground movements behind the Iron Curtain? 87 per cent. Is the appropriation for an Air Force less than 143 wings adequate? 62 per cent. Is the Administration living up

to its pledge to economize? 57 per cent. Should literature favoring Communism be supplied free to readers? 14 per cent. Was Ike's ruling making possible a reduction in Civil Service rolls sound? 86 per cent. Do you favor Ike over the man likely to be the next Democratic nominee? 80 per cent.

The voting which reflects President Eisenhower's popularity is broken down between the Solid South and outside the Solid South. Surprisingly, 82% in the Solid South are for Ike, while only 78% outside the Solid South say they would vote for him against the probably Democratic nominee.

The President's percentage when this question was first posed in January was 89 per cent, in March 85 per cent, in April 87 per cent, in June 81 per cent and for July 80 per cent.

**Circle Two Meets With Mrs. Billington**

Circle Two of the Christian Womens Fellowship met Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 in the home of Mrs. Joe Billington with nine members present. Mrs. L.

L. Lyon led the opening prayer.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved during a brief business meeting.

Mrs. John Knight acted as leader for the lesson on the subject, "Knowing God." Following a prayer by Mrs. John Reaves, Mrs. Lyall Murdock presented a question and answer study of the first two chapters of the book. Mrs. John Knight reviewed chapter three of the book on "How To Study The Scriptures."

The group was dismissed with the Missionary benediction.

The next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. R. C. Buckles with Mrs. John Reaves as leader.

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Rev. Robert H. Harper  
The Christian's War (Temperance)  
Lesson for August 9: Ephesians 10: 20; Romans 14: 19-21  
Golden Text: Romans 14: 21

This lesson is a fine example of the fact that evil can and should be overcome with good, and that the good can supplant the bad. Men are to put on the whole armor of God in battling the foes that contend for the mastery over them. Paul shows that he is familiar with the arms and accoutrement of the Roman soldier. From that soldier he draws a picture of the Christian warrior. His girdle must be the truth, his breastplate righteousness, his sandals the preparation of the gospel of peace, his shield faith, his helmet salvation, and his sword that of the Spirit.

Along with these, there must be constant dependence upon the Higher Power. Verse 18 is ample proof of this.

And Christians are admonished to follow after those things that make for peace. Beverage alcohol is surely not one of those things. In Paul's time, there was a question that proved quite troublesome among converts—the question of eating meat that had been offered to idols. In respect to this, Paul urges that men abstain from the use of such meat if in eating it they might make others to stumble. He also (verse 21) enlarges his admonitions to include wine. What would he write, if he were living now, of distilled beverages?



SCOUT GETS HONOR . . . Despite broken leg, scout Alan Koosed of Portugese Bend, Cal., smiles as Vice Pres. Richard Nixon autographs cast at Jamboree City, Cal., where 55,000 Boy Scouts encamped.

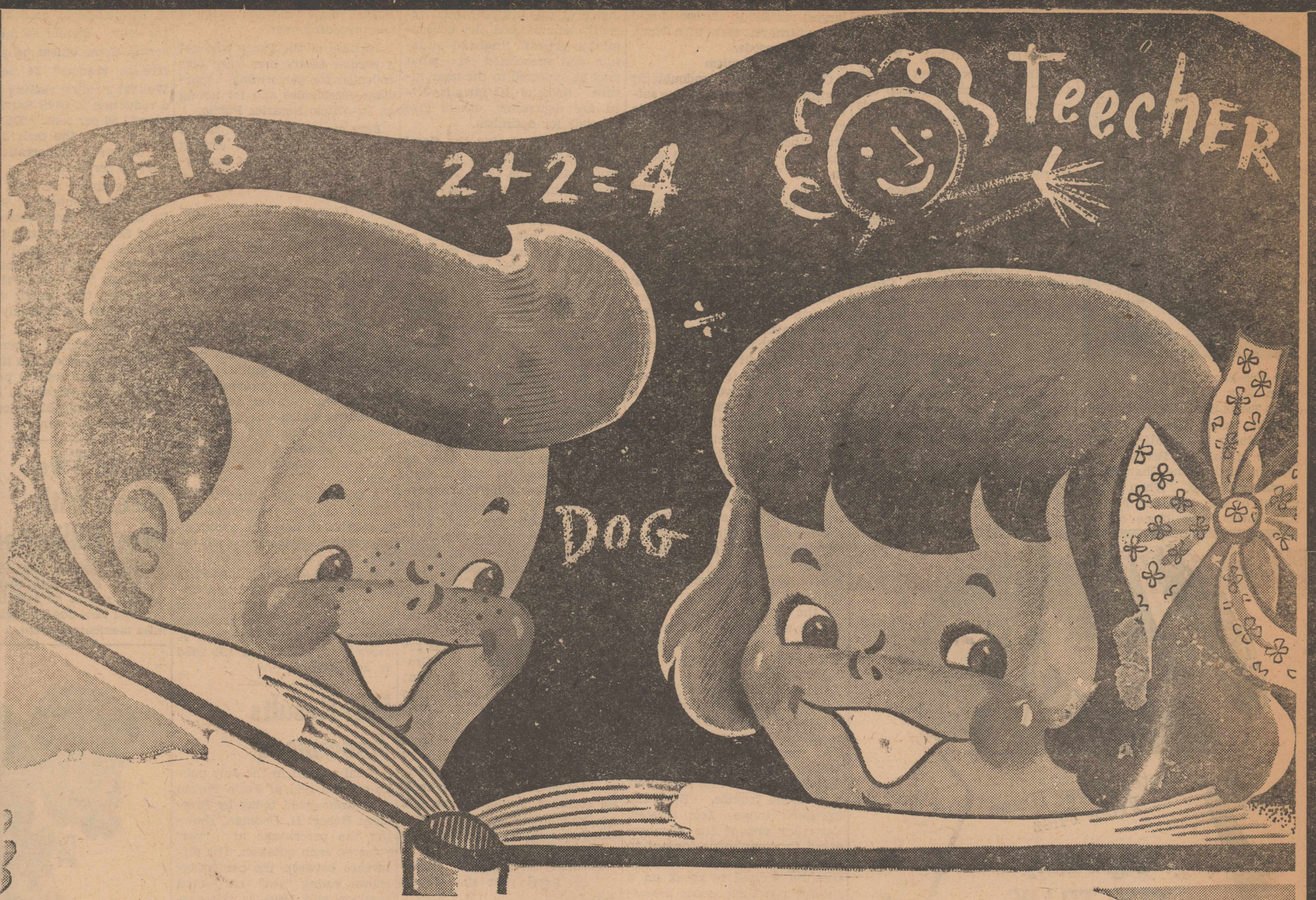


WHEN you're baking, remember these tips and you'll get better results by putting this information to actual use.

Generally speaking, if you're supposed to bake a product for 30 minutes or less, it's best to pre-heat the oven. Roasts, oven meals, etc. which take longer to cook can be placed in a cold oven.

Leave at least an inch of space between pans and the inside wall of the oven as well as an inch in between pans themselves. This al-

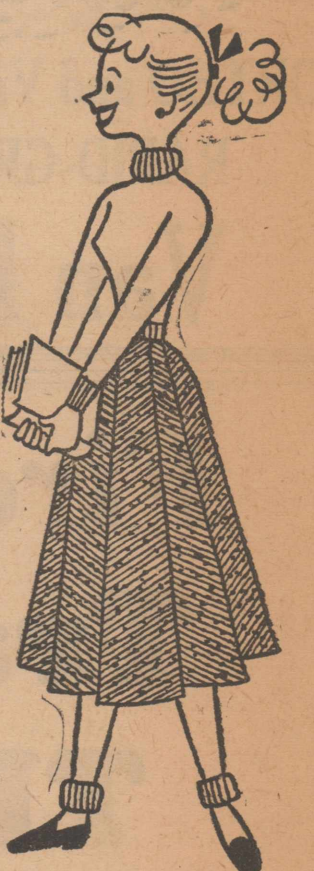
lowers for even heat distribution and gives uniform browning.  
Discard warped and discolored pans unless you want uneven browning results in your baking.  
Cookies and biscuits rise higher and bake more evenly if you bake them on cookie sheets without any sides, than in pans with high sides.  
Pans with warped or dented sides will heat more slowly than those with perfectly level bottoms and sides.  
Scorched food which has stuck to the inside of the oven can be loosened by simple means. Dampen a cloth with ammonia and place in the oven after it has been turned off, but is still warm, for a few hours.  
The shortage of hotel rooms in London at the Coronation is expected to be so great that some travelers from abroad plan to stay in Paris and commute to the ceremony by air.



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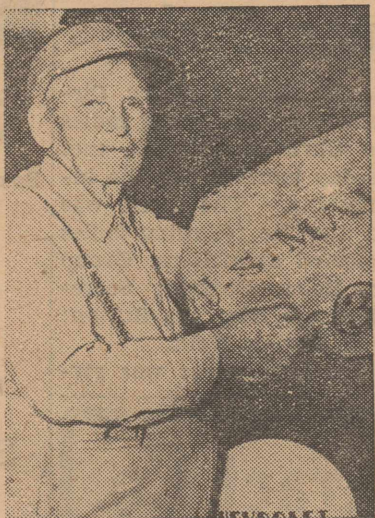


WINS TV ROLE . . . Tommy Rettig, 10, grins at famous movie dog "Lassie" after Tom was chosen from 500 boys to star with "Lassie" in television series.



AUSSIE BOXER . . . Five-month old "Winnie", Australian kangaroo, dons boxing gloves to rehearse for his part in movie being made in New York city.

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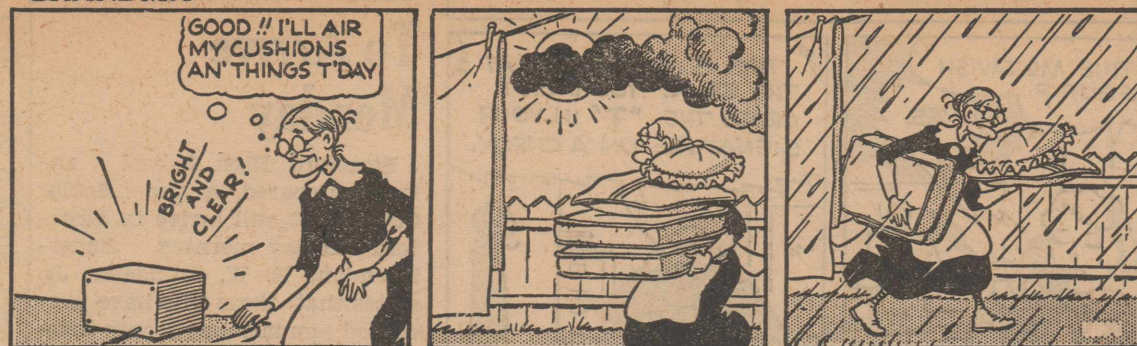
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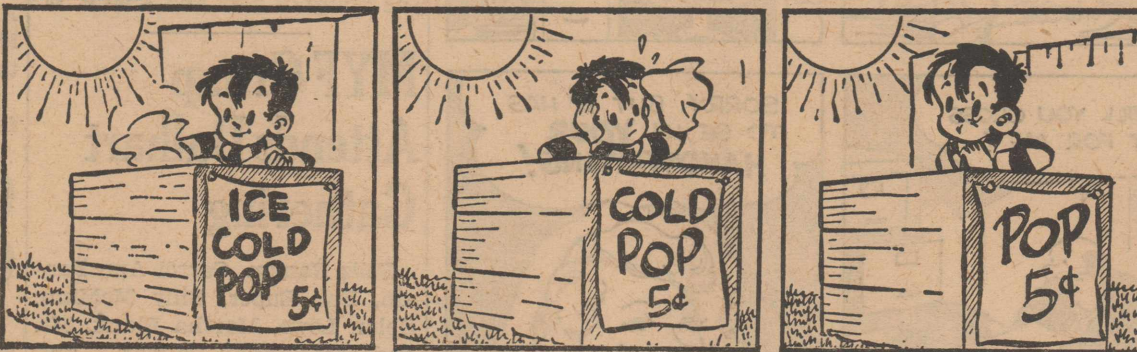
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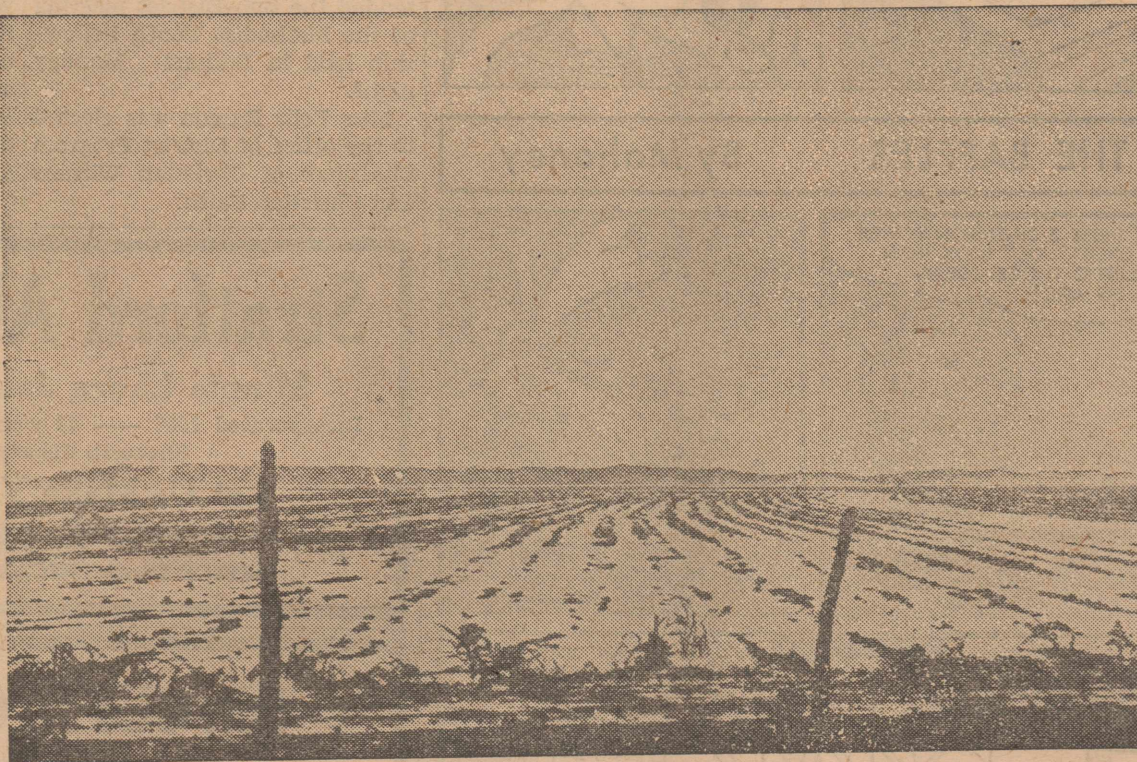
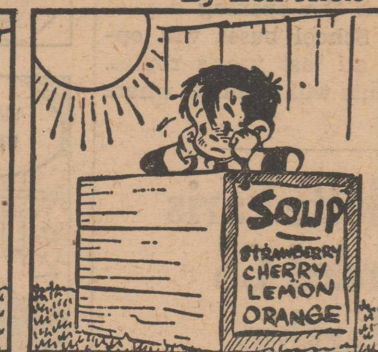
By Charles Kuhn



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By Len Kleis



TEXAS GETS RAIN . . . Fields in Jones County, Texas, baked by drought, are now water soaked by heavy rains. Quick growing feed crops will be planted as soon as the ground is dry enough.



NEW VA CHIEF . . . Harvey V. Higley of Marinette, Wisc., has been nominated by Pres. Eisenhower to be head of the Veterans Administration, succeeding Carl R. Gray, Jr., who resigned.

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AS OTHERS SEE US By Elizabeth Hall

GREG HENDERSON looked at the watch on his wrist and continued his indifferent saunter along the shady path of the small park. It was only three o'clock. Too early to find anyone at Pete's though in an hour or so they would all be hurrying in for their first drink of the evening. Janet, his wife, was, of course, at work. Idly he sat down on a bench without noticing the seedy-looking individual occupying the other end until he spoke.

My PET PEEVE By W. Scott Boyd

THE oldest son is playing Little League baseball. In four games he had but one hit. So, I took him home and we had a practice session in the backyard. At the next game, with two men on, he comes up to bat. A hit would drive in the winning run. There I sit, nervous as an old hen and keeping my fingers crossed, when this fellow in front of me says, "Too bad, that kid hasn't had a hit yet. He should still be playing with dolls."

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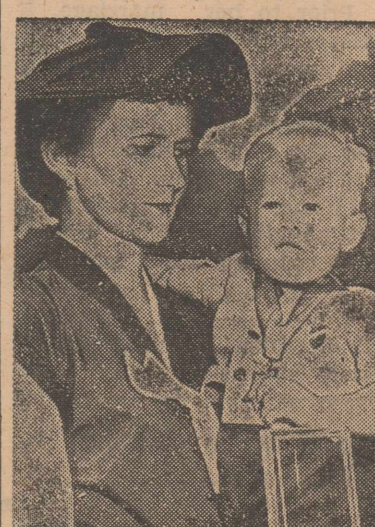
your brain budget 1. After milk, the food that provides the best balanced diet than any other is: (a) beef; (b) oysters; (c) carrots. 2. Paper was invented by: (a) Spaniards; (b) Turks; (c) Chinese. 3. The highest mountain peak in North America is (a) Mont Plana; (b) Mount McKinley; (c) Mount Aconcagua. ANSWERS 1. Oysters. 2. Chinese. 3. Mount McKinley.

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WEARS DAD'S MEDAL . . . Mrs. Dorothy Benfold of Camden, N. J., holds 14-month-old son Edward who wears Congressional Medal of Honor awarded his father, Corpsman Edward C. Benfold, who lost life aiding wounded in Korea.

One Case In District Court

A divorce was granted in District Court Monday in the case

of Gene Burke Ross vs. Helen Elizabeth Ross. The defendant's maiden name of Helen Elizabeth Finch was restored.

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School Term Will Open On August 31

Stratford Schools will open Monday, August 31. Students in all classes of the schools will register on the opening day of school.

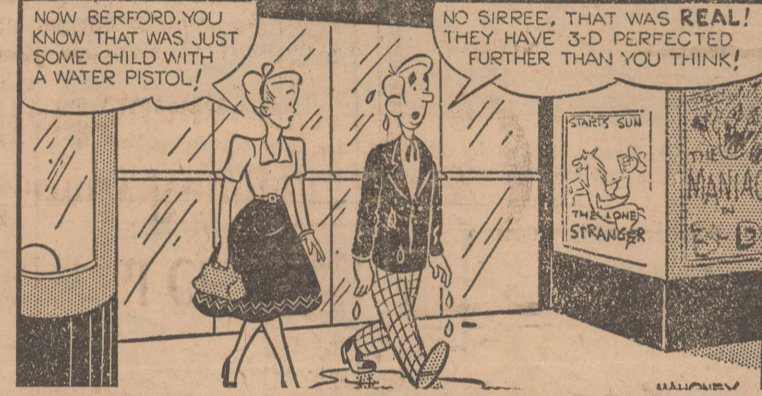
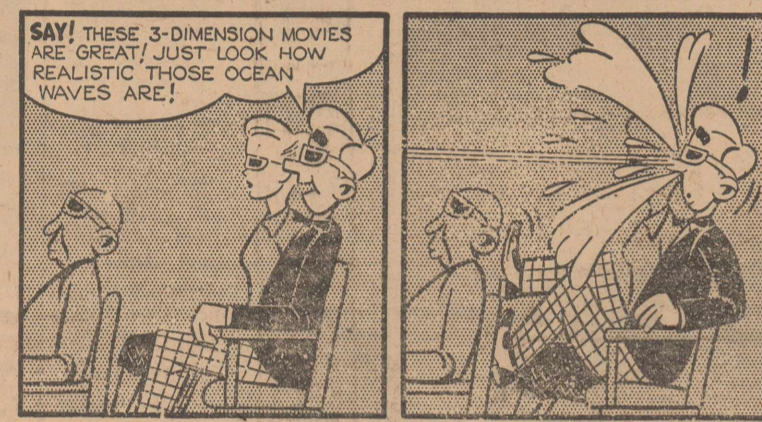
Charlotte Faris Awarded CS Scholarship

Charlotte Faris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Faris of Guyton, has been selected as one of the five high school graduates who are sons and daughters of Cities Service Oil Company employees in this area, to receive a scholarship from the Henry L. Doherty Educational Foundation, a Cities Service supported organization.

MAYOR MCGUP By John Jarvis



THE BAFFLES By Mahoney



SHS Annuals To Arrive Monday

Stratford High School annuals prepared by the Senior Class of '53 will arrive in Stratford Monday morning.

MYF Group Attends Dalhart Gathering

Feliz Ramon, Carrol Ann Parvin, Bob Euper, Billy McMinn, Helen Lowe, Martha Plunk, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Palmer, and Rev. and Mrs. T. Edgar Neal attended the Sub-District meeting of the Methodist Youth Fellowship held in Dalhart Monday night.

Charlie Bishop Dies Suddenly

Charlie Bishop died suddenly at his home in Sierra Blanca, Texas Thursday morning according to a brief message received by his relatives in Stratford.

Organize 20th Century Circle

The Twentieth Century Circle, formed by the young ladies of the Christian Church, met Wednesday morning for the initial meeting.

en by Rev. John Reaves and Joyce Ann Lasley gave the devotional. Marcella Sutton led the discussion on Christian Happiness in the Home.

Coffee and rolls were served to four members and three guests. The next meeting will be at 9:30 A. M. September 2 in the parlor of the First Christian Church with Joyce Ann Lasley leading the program.

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Annual Crabtree Family Reunion Held Sunday

Ellwood park in Amarillo was the setting Sunday for the annual Crabtree family reunion.

An old-fashioned basket picnic was enjoyed. The group numbering about fifty-seven, included Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Crabtree, their daughter, Mrs. Frank (Blanche) James of Boise City, and three sons, Roger of Boise City, Newton of Stratford, and Virgil of Dalhart and their families.

Three of Mr. Crabtree's sisters, who visited here in July, were also present. They were Mrs. Rebecca Graham, Bedias, Texas, Mrs. Georgia Cook and Mrs. D. A. Kirkland and Mr. Kirkland of Tahoka.

Mr. and Mrs. Crabtree have another son, Marshall, Lamar, Colorado, and three other daughters, Mrs. Calvin (Ruth) Wainscott, Boise City, Mrs. J. E. (Ida) Leonard, West Fork, Arkansas, and Miss Mildred Crabtree, a missionary in Africa.

Mrs. Ted Meyer was among the grandchildren joining the group in Amarillo. With her was her young daughter, Theresa. Prior to her marriage, Mrs. Meyer was Ellen Crabtree. She and her daughter will visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Crabtree, in Dalhart until after the XIT Reunion. Ted, a mortician, is with an Abilene funeral home. He will arrive in Dalhart next week for a visit and to accompany his family home.

U. S. President Johnson was a tailor by profession.

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