

The Baird Star

Our Motto, "Tis Neither Birth, Nor Wealth, Nor State, But the Get-up-and-Get That Makes Men Great."

BAIRD, pop. 2,000. On "The Broadway of America." Has beautiful homes, fine churches, modern schools, friendly people, and healthful climate— "where there ain't no poor, and there ain't no sick; where the fat get fatter, and the thin get thick."

CALLAHAN COUNTY, in Central West Texas, organized 1877; area 882 square miles, pop. 11,600. Rolling prairies, and wooded areas of mesquite, post oak, live oak. Soil sandy to chocolate loam. Elevation 1800 feet. Annual rainfall about 24 inches.

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New County Officials In

The new Callahan county officials, clerks and deputies were moving into the courthouse Tuesday and County Clerk Leslie Bryant administered the oath of office to all the new officers December 31st. New Year's day was a holiday for most people but it was moving day for Callahan county's new sheriff, treasurer, tax assessor-collector, county clerk, district clerk and one commissioner.

Sheriff S. S. Nichols, former Eula grocer, relieves W. A. Peterson. Joe Pierce will be his deputy in Baird and George H. Clifton will be deputy sheriff in Cross Plains. Clifton Hord, Baird deputy sheriff under Sheriff Peterson, is now Baird's new city secretary, taking over that position with former secretary Tee Baulch going into the tax assessor-collector's office as first deputy.

Bob Joy, of the Cottonwood-Rowden section, became the new tax assessor-collector, to succeed Mrs. T. W. Briscoe, who is accepting a position as receptionist for Steek company at Austin. Beside Tee Baulch, Miss Hazel Reynolds will be a deputy in Mr. Joy's office. Miss Reynolds was employed there by Mrs. Briscoe.

Bruce Bell succeeds Leslie Bryant at County Clerk with Bryant withdrawing his candidacy early in the race. Bell is retaining Mrs. Johnie Robinson as first deputy and Miss Joyce Tyson as second deputy in the clerk's office. Bryant had served in the clerk's office for six years, and now will devote his full time to his business interests in Baird.

Presley Reynolds became county treasurer to succeed Mrs. Will McCoy, who had served in that capacity for nine terms.

Laymond Young is devoting his time to his abstract business since turning duties of the district clerk's office to Mrs. Corrie Driskill January 1st. Mrs. Driskill has had previous experience as district clerk, having served two terms in that office thirteen years ago.

Claud Foster succeeds J. M. McMillan as county commissioner of precinct 4, Cross Plains.

LEGIONEERS DANCE OUT OLD YEAR

Among the gala events at the year's end here was the American Legion dance on New Year's Eve at the old USO building. About ninety persons enjoyed old time and modern dancing. Hot coffee was served as refreshment.

Had the CPA ruling not stopped work on the new Legion hut, the New Year's dance would have been held there as was planned months ago. Since restrictions on building have been lifted, construction is going forward with new goals set for the completion of the beautiful new structure. A grand opening is now being planned when the hut is completed.

MRS. FULTON HONORED

Mrs. R. L. Alexander entertained at her home Tuesday, at 3 p. m., in honor of Mrs. E. C. Fulton, the occasion being Mrs. Fulton's birthday. All present reminisced on the days gone by and entered into a sing-song. Miss Rachael Moore of Fort Worth sang a solo. The group sang "Happy Birthday" and presented Mrs. Fulton with a beautiful white wool blanket. The hostess served a delicious refreshment plate to the guests.

MOVIE CHARACTER VISITS PLAZA AT BAIRD

Phil Reagan, starring in the picture at the Plaza Theatre on New Year's night, visited the theatre in person while en route to Chicago Saturday morning. Mr. Reagan congratulated the Plaza management on showing his latest picture. "Swing Parade of 1946." He was travelling the sunny trail from California to Chicago.

E. J. Barton Dies At Hospital

In the passing of Evan J. Barton, which occurred at the Callahan County Hospital Saturday, December 21st, this county lost one of its most civic minded citizens and benefactors. Mr. Barton had spent much time working in civic organization for the betterment of Callahan County. During the recent war he was a member of the ration board and assisted our citizens greatly in that capacity. He was a member of the Clyde Booster Club, the Development Association of Callahan County and also a member of the Denton Valley school board. He was a member of the Masonic lodge.

Mr. Barton had been in ill health for the past two years and was moved to the hospital a week before his death, which resulted from a paralytic stroke.

Funeral services were conducted from the Denton Valley Methodist church at 3:00 p. m., Monday, with Rev. Hester of Abilene and Rev. Williams of Clyde, officiating. The Masons conducted rites at the graveside.

ATTEND BARTON FUNERAL

Among those who attended the funeral of Evan J. Barton at Denton were Joe McIntosh and family, Novice; Homer McIntosh, Odessa; Mrs. Sallie Clemmer, Chawchilla, California; Mrs. Dora Phillips, Monahans; Estes McIntosh, Midland; Miss Estelle McIntosh, Weldon, Arkansas; Jesse McIntosh and wife of Abilene; Joe Russell and son, Bill, Knox City; Clifford Coker and Elzie Cox, Royce City; Earn Frazier and son, Mack, Rockwall; Miss Jewel Barton, Big Spring.

FUNERAL MONDAY FOR MRS. AMANDA BENNETT

Funeral for Mrs. Amanda Bennett, 78, was conducted at 4:00 p. m., Monday at the Wylie Funeral Home in Putnam, with burial in Putnam cemetery.

Mrs. Bennett, a resident of Putnam for the past twenty-seven years, died at 2:50 a. m. Monday at Callahan County Hospital, after two weeks illness.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. M. M. Little, Putnam; one son, George Bennett, Hawaii; two grandchildren and one great grandchild.

SURPRISE!

Glynn R. Gibson surprised his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Gibson by calling them on the telephone from Long Beach, Calif., Sunday night. He told them that he and his wife are well and happy, but a little homesick at Christmas time. They plan to visit here some time this year.

JENNINGS VISITORS AT CHRISTMAS DINNER

Among those who enjoyed the Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Will Jennings, Clyde, were: Bob Jennings, Las Vegas, N. M.; T. W. Jennings and family, Olney; Ralph Jennings and family, Maryneal; Jack Jennings and wife, Eskota; Jack Collins and wife, Maryneal; Buster Adams and family, Maryneal; Frank Drake and family, Midland; Junior Collins and wife, Sweetwater; J. A. Jennings and family, Clyde; Ernest Scarbrough and family, Abilene; Raymond Barton and family, Clyde; Melvin Adams and family, Palo Pinto; the Willford family, Weatherford.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Standeford and children, Nowata, Okla., were guests of Mrs. Standeford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Weldon, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burnett of Amarillo spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Weldon.

Mr. and Mrs. Newt Trotter, Eula, spent Christmas day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Weldon.

Christmas guests of Mrs. Myrtle Edwards were her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jode Crutcheff and daughter, Mary, Breckenridge.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Walls and family moved Monday to Eastland, where Mr. Walls took charge of a grocery store.

Two Crash Victims Die

As a result of a bus-auto accident on the Coleman highway 10 miles south of Baird Friday, December 27th, two of three sisters are dead, the other sister and the bus driver are recovering from injuries. They were brought to Callahan County Hospital where Miss Della Wall, 55, died the following day, and Miss Cora Wall, 51, died December 30th. The other sister, Miss Delia Wall, 57, is recovering from a broken left arm and internal injuries. The bus driver, Jimmie Stovall of Wichita Falls, also sustained injuries and is at a Wichita Falls hospital.

Miss Della Walls was a teacher in the DeLeon schools, Miss Cora Walls taught at Lott, and Miss Delia Wall is a teacher in the Brownwood system.

The accident occurred when the bus crashed into the rear of the car in which the sisters were riding. There were no passengers on the bus at the time of the accident.

A charge of negligent homicide in the first degree was filed by Callahan County Attorney F. E. Mitchell against the bus driver.

FUNERAL WEDNESDAY FOR L. S. MCCORMICK

Funeral for Legal S. McCormick, 52, Callahan county rancher, who died early Tuesday morning in an Abilene hospital, was held in the Eola Baptist church at 3 p. m. Wednesday, with burial in Eola cemetery.

Mr. McCormick had been ill for several months and entered the hospital last Thursday.

Born in Comanche on March 4, 1895, Mr. McCormick spent his early life in Mills county. After his marriage to the former Vesta Wallace at Mullin Dec. 10, 1919, the couple moved to Eola in Concho county and lived there 18 years. They moved to Callahan county, making their home on a ranch near Oplin, nine years ago.

Survivors are the widow; three children, L. S. McCormick Jr., of Fort Worth; Bobby and Joyce McCormick of Oplin; two brothers, D. W. McCormick of Midland, and W. L. McCormick of Bakersfield, Calif.; and one sister, Mrs. H. H. Seal of Seminole.

RECITAL

Mrs. V. E. Hill will present her music pupils in recital at the high school auditorium Friday, January 10, at 7:30 p. m.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Odum, Dec. 15, at Abilene, a 9½ lb. boy. Mother and baby are just fine at the home of the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Corn.

Mrs. O. T. Nolan, Mrs. Rachael Moore and daughter, Rachael, Ft. Worth, are visiting Mrs. Lee Estes this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Thompson, Abilene, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Fulton and Mr. and Mrs. Bonnie Thompson, over the holidays.

Linton Hughes, Ruston, La., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hughes, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Anderson spent Christmas with Mrs. Anderson's sister, Mrs. S. C. Parrnell, at Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Buckner and Linda Kay of Oklahoma City visited Mrs. Buckner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hughes, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Hughes of Lubbock, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Warren, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bunkley and children, Jimmie and Nancy, Pasadena, and Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Hoover, Dallas, visited Mrs. Lee Estes during the holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. V. E. Hill, Lewis Hill, and Mrs. Ernest Hill spent the weekend in Fort Worth. They were joined there by Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Hill of Houston, and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Massa, of Pampa. They all attended the Bardin-Hill wedding at Webb Sunday.

Heavy Snow Spreads Blanket Over Area

The blanket of snow that is spread over this area is said to be the heaviest to fall here in fifty years. Beginning Sunday night, snow has fallen 10 or 12 inches deep. The heaviest snow fall occurred Wednesday night. With the ground being frozen and very little rain, the snow will probably remain for days after the cold wave passes. Although livestock is suffering somewhat, the snow is fine for the range and farm lands throughout this section.

FUNERAL FOR CALLAHAN NATIVE

Norvin Orlando Holland, 58, native of Callahan County, died in a Wichita Falls hospital Sunday, Dec. 29, after several weeks illness. Funeral was conducted at Denton Methodist church at 2:30 p. m. Monday. Burial was in Denton cemetery, under direction of Wylie Funeral Home.

Mr. Holland was a resident of Dudley community, having lived at Denton and Dudley all his life.

Survivors are a brother, Dormand Holland, Los Angeles, Cal.; a sister, Mrs. Ora McGee, Santa Monica, Calif.; and a sister-in-law Mrs. G. P. Holland, Abilene.

DUDLEY H. D. CLUB

Dudley Home Demonstration Club members were entertained with their annual Christmas party and a covered dish luncheon in the home of Mrs. Dolph Hodges.

A reading was given by Mrs. H. E. Baldrige, Jr. The group joined in singing Christmas Carols. Christmas gifts were exchanged from a beautifully decorated tree.

Present were: Mrs. Thurman Roberts, Mrs. John McKinzie, Mrs. H. E. Baldrige, Jr., Mrs. J. E. Nabours, Mrs. Dolph Hodges, Mrs. L. L. Atchley, Mrs. H. M. Burleson, J. L. Morgan and Sonny Burleson.

4-H CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Tuesday afternoon of the 17th of December, the Cottonwood 4-H Club girls entertained the 4-H Club boys, in the home of Mrs. Bob Joy. Rooms were bright with Christmas decorations, including a tree. The girls exchanged gifts, and a comb for each boy was on the tree, presented by the girls. A cake, gayly decorated in Christmas colors with the four-leaf clover and "1946 girls" was served with hot chocolate to John and Weldon Bennett, Frank Lassiter, Durdard Everett Coffey, Dee Robbins and their sponsor, H. S. Varner.

Girls entertaining were Rosa Marie Robbins, Retta Jo Brown, Treassa Fern and Neva Lee Luster, Louise and Rosalea Bennett, Helen Jo Coffey, Louise and Mollie Dell Lassiter, Joan Archer, Vivian Robinson, Geneva Joy, their sponsor Mrs. Floyd Coffey and co-sponsor and hostess Mrs. Bob Joy.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. McElroy and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gray spent Christmas with Mrs. Gray's and Mr. McElroy's father, J. T. McElroy at Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Forson of Portales, N. M., were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reed spent a few days with their grand-mother, Mrs. G. E. Supten, and also visited Claude Sweatt and daughter in Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Odie Priddy, of Houston visited their mother Mrs. Joe Mitchell. Arthur Mitchell was also a visitor in the Mitchell home.

Mrs. N. W. Eaton and Billy Ray spent the holidays visiting Mrs. Anna Tanner in Borger. Mrs. Tanner is Mrs. Eaton's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Dunlap and little daughter, Margaret, of San Benito, visited relatives and friends here during Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Kehrer, Big Spring, visited Mr. Kehrer's mother, Mrs. Kehrer, and her brother, Okie Dunlap and family and Silas Dunlap, during the holidays.

Locker Plant Gets Underway

O. C. Yarbrough reports work starting on the new frozen food locker plant, which will be located in the old USO building on Market street. Part of the material has already been received and contract has been let on installation of the plant. Mr. Yarbrough believes the plant will be in operation by March 15. The plant will have 300 lockers of both door and drawer types, with spaces provided in the building for that many more to be installed later. The demand in Baird is estimated at approximately 500 lockers, but the plant will operate on 300 lockers until more can be installed. Mr. Yarbrough is taking orders for lockers now, and the list already reaches up near the 300 mark. Those who desire to rent a locker in the new plant should get in touch with Mr. Yarbrough as soon as possible.

APPOINTED DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

Sidney Harville, secretary of Tecumseh Masonic Lodge at Oplin, has been appointed District Deputy Grand Master of the 74th Masonic District. This district has Callahan and Shackelford counties, with Masonic Lodges in Albany and Moran in Shackelford county, and in Baird, Cross Plains, Putnam, Clyde and Tecumseh lodge at Oplin, with a total membership of about 600 Masons.

EULA H. D. CLUB

The Eula Home Demonstration Club members were entertained with their annual Christmas party in the home of Mrs. A. L. Barnes.

A covered dish luncheon was served at the noon hour.

During the afternoon, a business meeting was held with Mrs. Grayson Miller, president, presiding. Plans were made to have a dish towel presentation on each club member's birthday during 1947.

Gifts were distributed from the Christmas tree to the following visitors and members: Loreta Allen, H. D. Agent, Mrs. John Bagby, Mrs. Estes Farrer, Mrs. A. G. Black, Mrs. George Crook, Mrs. Hilton Edwards, Mrs. F. L. Smith, Mrs. Fred Farmer, Mrs. Grayson Miller, Mrs. Robbie Farmer, Mrs. Vina Wallick, Dorothy Ann Crook, Grady Merle Edwards, Mrs. N. H. Stephenson and son Franke, and the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Kimmell and daughter, Nelma Joyce of Houston visited last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Alexander.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Melton, Austin, spent Christmas with relatives here.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Cotton, Clyde, were Miss Nita Cotton, San Antonio, and Mrs. Cotton's mother, Mrs. Fannie Richardson, Dallas.

Miss Bettie Lou Hamilton, Abilene, was visiting friends here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Freeland made a trip to Ft. Worth during the holidays.

Miss Pencie Work returned home Sunday after a visit in California.

Mr. and Mrs. John Work visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Work during the holidays before returning to Austin, where John will resume his studies.

S. Sgt. and Mrs. D. S. McGee spent several days before Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. McGee, at Roscoe. His parents were Christmas guests of S. Sgt. and Mrs. McGee.

Mrs. L. L. Blackburn left Tuesday to visit her sister, Mrs. B. O. Jones and family at Big Spring.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Denney were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Denney and son, Jimmy, College Station; Mr. and Mrs. Warren Fillmore, Chickasha, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. John Fisher, Putnam, and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stiffler.

Mrs. N. A. Smedley Of Rowden Dies

Mrs. N. A. Smedley, 81, of Rowden community died at 2:06 a. m. Tuesday in the Callahan county hospital, after an illness of nine days.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p. m. Wednesday from the Admiral church, with burial in the Admiral cemetery, under direction of the Wylie Funeral Home.

Mrs. Smedley was born Jan. 31, 1865, in Clay county, Ala. She was a member of the Rowden Baptist church.

Surviving are her husband, of Rowden; six sons, J. O., W. B. and R. L., all of Rowden; N. L. and J. P. of Comanche; and W. A. of Salem, Ill.; three daughters, Mrs. W. B. Gibbs and Mrs. Warren Price of Rowden and Mrs. W. J. Russell of Clint, Texas; one sister, Mrs. W. C. Thompson of Cross Plains; 25 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

RED CROSS MEETING

The local Red Cross will hold the regular monthly meeting Friday, Jan. 3rd, at the county library at 4 p. m. At this time service awards will be presented to Mr. and Mrs. Erie Hall and certificates of merit will be presented to Mr. Justin Anderson and Mr. Bailey Johnson.

A large attendance of the executive board and also of the county Red Cross members is urged.

Mrs. Vida Hill, Co. Chairman.

LEGION AUXILIARY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mrs. Ace Hickman entertained the American Legion Auxiliary, Thursday afternoon, with a Christmas party.

The living room and dining room was beautifully decorated with Fir branches, red bows, silver bells, and a gift laden tree.

Games were played under the direction of Mrs. Will Walls.

Gifts were exchanged and Christmas Carols sung.

A delicious refreshment plate was served to the following: Miss Burma Warren, Mmes. Clyde White, Felix Mitchell, J. T. Loper, Donald Melton, M. L. Stubblefield, Arthur Johnson, Terrell Williams, T. O. Dulaney, Alfred Brown, Will Walls, John Shrader, Bill Brage, H. A. Warren, Sparks, Olton Pool, Lee Loper, Dale Glasson, Beta Freeland, Justin Anderson, Ellen McGowen and Fred Hart.

NEW GRANDSON

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Warren, Sr. have just received word of the arrival of a grandson, born on Dec. 25, to Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Warren, Jr., at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Mrs. Warren and children, Judy and Johnny, flew to Hawaii on Nov. 14 to join "Hub" Jr., who is in the Navy Air Corps, stationed at Pearl Harbor.

Gobels Observe Golden Wedding

This Christmas marked the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Goble, and the occasion was appropriately celebrated with a family reunion and open house on Christmas Day between the hours of 3 and 6 p. m., at the Goble home in Baird. Their five children and nine grandchildren were present to make the affair most enjoyable. The reunion was complete with exception of one granddaughter and one great granddaughter.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Tony Goble and daughter, Ann, of Mt. Calm; Mr. and Mrs. Tad Goble and son, Fred; Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Brame and children, Buddie, Martha, Mary and Charles; Leslie Goble and Patsie; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Goble and children, Jackie and Tommie, all of Baird. The granddaughter and great granddaughter who were unable to be here were Mrs. Stanley Adled and daughter, Pattie, of San Pedro, Calif. Forty-one registered at the party.

Mr. and Mrs. Goble were married in Llano county December 25th, 1896 and Rev. Isaac Hoover performed the ceremony. Mr. Goble was born in Llano county, and Mrs. Goble, who was Kate Smith before her marriage, was born in Burnet county.

LUNCHEON CLUB WILL ELECT OFFICERS

The annual election of officers will take place when the Callahan County Club meets at the Methodist church basement Wednesday noon, January 8th. The election usually is an interesting affair and well attended.

COUNTY GROUP GOING OVER TO OPLIN

Tuesday night, January 7th, is the date for the next meeting of the Development Association of Callahan County which will be held at the school building at Oplin. An interesting program has been arranged and a large crowd is expected to attend. Those who are interested in the betterment of things in rural areas of this county should be present at this meeting. A good time is in store for all.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

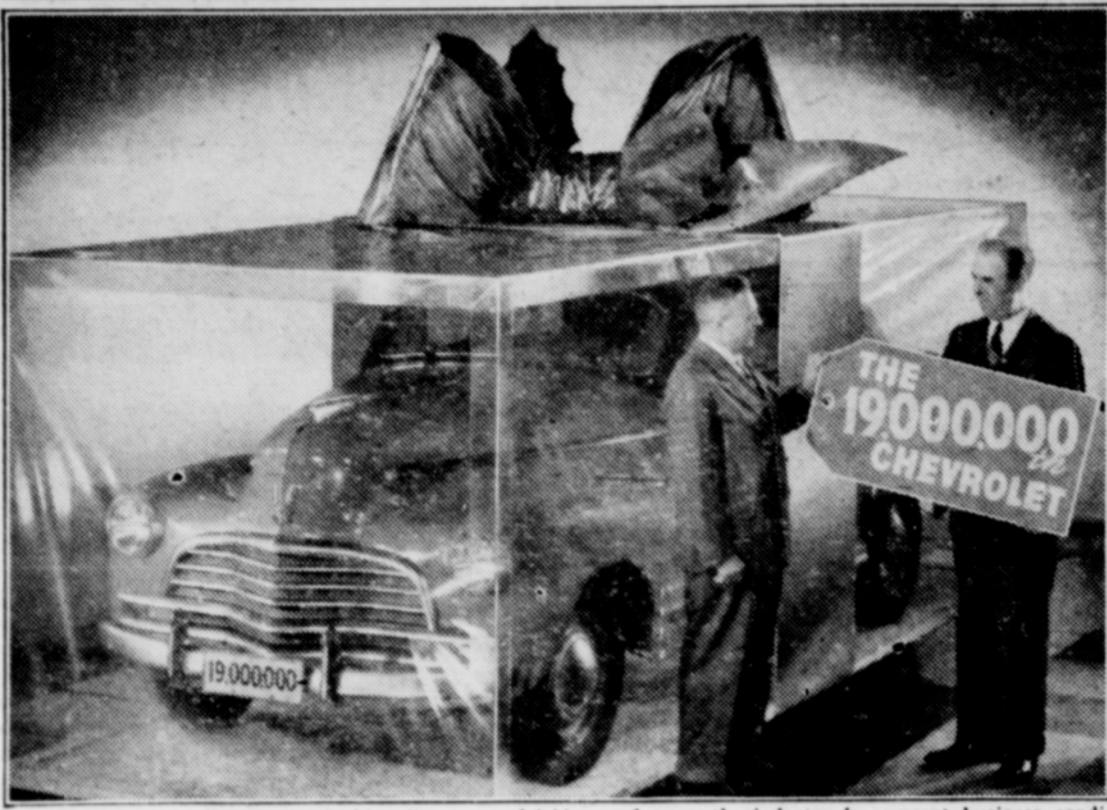
J. C. Strickland, minister of the Baird Church of Christ, announces that his sermon subjects for this Sunday morning will be "The Day of Pentecost." At the evening hour he will preach on "A Three-Fold Religion." Everyone is cordially invited to attend both morning and evening services. Morning services at 10 and 11 a. m., evening services at 7:30.

Mrs. W. P. Bonner and Mrs. L. G. Barnhill spent from Saturday until Tuesday in Oklahoma.



PIXIES . . . Little Margaret in this scene from "Three Wise O'Brien tries to give Lionel Poole," comedy-drama playing at Barrymore and Edward Arnold the Plaza Theatre Sunday and an idea of what pixies look like Monday.

Milestone Car "Sealed in Cellophane"



An "orchid" among motor cars is this milestone model, the 19,000,000th Chevrolet built in the 35 years of the division's history. Production of this car early in December highlights the endeavor of automotive manufacturers of America to supply a car-hungry nation within the limits imposed upon the industry by current business conditions. Top-ranking executives of Chevrolet who "delivered" this welcome souvenir "wrapped in cellophane" are Nicholas Dreystadt (left), general manager, and T. H. Keating, general sales manager.

County H. D. Agent's Column By Loreta Allen

REFRIGERATORS NEED TENDER CARE

With a plentiful supply of new refrigerators still six months to a year in the future, it's up to homemakers to treat the old box with tender care until new ones start coming off assembly lines in large quantities.

Loreta Allen points out tips to follow in keeping the refrigerator in good shape: keep cool, clean, defrosted, repaired and checked regularly.

The refrigerator should be in the coolest convenient spot in the

kitchen, out of the sun, away from the radiators and kitchen stove. Air must circulate between the wall and the box to carry away the heat generated by the unit, so there should be at least two an a half inches of space between the box and the wall, she explains.

All spilled food should be wiped up at once, and the refrigerator cleaned thoroughly each time it is defrosted. In cleaning the inside, one level tablespoon of baking soda mixed with a quart of water makes a good cleaning fluid. Defrosting should not be put off until the frost becomes thick on the evaporator; it should be done when the frost is a quarter of an inch thick. The conden-

ser must be kept free from dust and lint, and may need cleaning every month in some refrigerators.

In repairing the refrigerator, changing a fuse is about the only repair job the homemaker should attempt. Only an authorized service company should be allowed to make further repairs. Housewives shouldn't forget that these rules of refrigerator care apply just as much to new refrigerators, when they get one, as to the old box.

TREAT VACUUM CLEANER WITH CARE

Along with other electrical appliances, vacuum cleaners should be handled carefully and user correctly. Loreta Allen suggests the following simple rules for good care of cleaners.

Remove all bits of glass, pins, string, tacks and similar objects from the floor before using the cleaner. The device has not been designed to pick up such large items, and they may cause damage to its internal mechanism.

The dirt container needs frequent emptying. Both containers and filters should be kept clean. Otherwise suction is reduced, lessening the efficiency of the cleaner.

Handle the plug carefully when disconnecting the cord from the wall. Never pull on the cord itself or wrap it too tightly when putting the sweeper away. Rough usage can loosen connections and break wires and insulation.

Brushes, on cleaners that have them, need to be kept free of thread and hair for most effective sweeping.

The manufacturer's instructions about lubrication and general care should be studied and always followed. If possible, it is good to have a vacuum cleaner checked at least once a year by a reputable service man.

Kenneth Wagner, Tulsa, Okla., spent the Christmas holidays with his wife and son and Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Meredith. Mrs. Wagner and Butchie accompanied him back as they will make Tulsa their home.

Lacy Meredith and daughter, Carlene, and Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Meredith, Abilene, spent Sunday in Ft. Worth visiting relatives.

Mrs. Perry Hughes, who has been ill at her home, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith visited in Colorado City during Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Presley Reynolds and daughter, Marilyn, were holiday visitors in Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Keilty moved to Odessa this week.

CONSTRUCTION IS STARTED ON THE BAIRD FROZEN FOOD LOCKER

All who wish to place their order now for Locker Rental may contact O. C. Yarbrough at USO building in Baird. Reserve Locker Now - Rental will begin when plant is in operation.

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CITY PHARMACY

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Those home for the holidays are Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bennett, Arnott Bennett, Ralph Fulton, Chief Petty Officer Grady Ramey and Voris Kelly.

Mr. and Mrs. Blondie Robbins of California are visiting his parents, the Kem Robbins.

Fred Purvis and son, Richard, left Saturday for California where Richard will probably enter the State University there.

The George Cliftons have for the holidays, their children, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Clifton of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Spencer and children of Garden City, and Rev. and Mrs. Roy T. Clark and children of Littlefield.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Robbins of Dudley are visiting his parents, the Kem Robbins.

Miss Alda Nordyke, who teaches at Clyde, is home with her parents for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Hicks Barnes and baby, of Dallas, are visiting his sister, Mrs. Bill Robbins.

The Earl Archer baby, Mack, was taken to Baird hospital last Thursday with pneumonia, but was returned home Saturday much improved. Earl, himself, who has suffered with pneumonia for three weeks, is somewhat improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Coffey went to Brownwood last Tuesday night to attend Eastern Star meeting.

Mrs. Floyd Coffey received tulip bulbs from Holland, sent by her brother, W. P. Everett.

Mr. and Mrs. Chuch Woody are the parents of a new boy born Dec. 21. The young man has been named Don Allen.

Mrs. Bryan Bennett went to Bryan to visit her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Frenchy Bennett and Diane, before they went to New York to embark for Germany. They will join Lt. Frenchy Bennett in Germany where he is with the occupation forces.

Vernon Strahan and family of Ft. Stockton visited Miss Missouri Strahan over the weekend.

Blondie Robbins and Oliver have returned to California.

Captain and Mrs. Van Larence visited his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Fulton this week, on their way to Manila, P. I.

Those enjoying turkey dinner at Mrs. Mollie Murry's Thursday were Mrs. Laura Jones and two daughters, Mrs. Barrett, Mrs. Evans and daughter, Wanda, all of Weatherford, and Mrs. Baker of Floydada.

Rev. W. B. Gilliland and Mrs. Gilliland had as their out-of-town guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Batton Gilliland and her niece, Nancy, of Georgetown, and Miss Vada Gilliland and Miss Emeree Purse of Ysleta.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Thomas, Harley, Dock, Mary and Eunice Hembree went to Sipe Springs one day this week to visit the Rev. Charlie Myrick and family.

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H. D. COUNCIL MEETING

The Callahan County Home Demonstration Council met in the County Court Room in Baird, on Dec. 21, with 15 members, Loreta Allen, County H. D. Agent, Mrs. W. P. Brightwell and Mrs. M. C. McGowan, visitors, present.

Reports from various committees showed that 162 dozen pineapples and 350 yards of down satin had been purchased cooperatively through the organization during 1946, and that 150 year books had been printed for use in 1947.

Mrs. W. P. Brightwell asked the Home Demonstration women for cooperation in 1947 with the Tuberculosis Association, that better health records might be

had for school children in this county.

The next meeting will be held in Baird on Jan. 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Powers and son, Don, DeLeon, were Baird visitors Monday.

SORE THROAT—TONSILLITIS! YOU WANT QUICK RELIEF!

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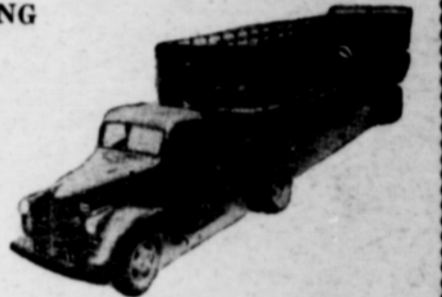
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NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF CALLAHAN:
TO THE RESIDENT QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1 OF CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS, WHO OWN TAXABLE PROPERTY IN SAID DISTRICT AND WHO HAVE DULY RENDERED THE SAME FOR TAXATION:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in Road District No. 1 of Callahan County, Texas, on the 28 day of January, 1947, on the proposition and at the places more particularly set forth in the election order passed by the Commissioners' Court on the 27 day of December, 1946,

which is as follows: AN ORDER CALLING AN ELECTION ON THE PROPOSITION OF ISSUING ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$150,000.00) OF BONDS OF ROAD DISTRICT NO. ONE OF CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS.

WHEREAS, there has been presented to this Court the petition of W. O. Wylie, Jr., and 170 other persons, representing themselves to be resident, qualified electors of Callahan County Road District No. 1, who own taxable property in said District and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, praying that this Court order an election in Road District

No. 1 of Callahan County, Texas, to determine:

"Whether or not the bonds of said Road District No. 1 of Callahan County, Texas, shall be issued in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$150,000.00) Dollars, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed 3% per annum, payable semiannually and maturing at such time as may be fixed by the Commissioners' Court, serially or otherwise, in not to exceed 22 years from the date thereof, for the purpose of the construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes or in aid thereof throughout Road District No. 1 of Callahan County, Texas; and whether or not taxes shall be levied annually on all taxable property in Road District Number One sufficient to pay the annual interest on said bonds and provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the bonds at their maturity."

which said petition was heretofore filed in this Court; and

WHEREAS, heretofore on the 11 day of December, 1946, the Commissioners' Court passed an order fixing a time and place for a hearing of said petition, to-wit: December 27, 1946, and directed the County Clerk to issue a notice of such time and place of hearing to inform all persons concerned of their rights to appear at such hearing and to contend for or protest against the order of such election; and

WHEREAS, the County Clerk has heretofore duly executed said notice by posting true copies of said order of hearing in three public places within said Road District No. 1, and another copy thereof at the Courthouse door of said County for ten days prior to the date fixed for the hearing, and said notice has also been published in a newspaper of general circulation published in said Road District No. 1, namely, The Baird Star, one time, on the 20 day of December, 1946, which was at least five days prior to the date fixed for said hearing; and

WHEREAS, this Court, having met at the time and place set for the hearing of said petition, proceeded to hear such petition and all matters in respect to the proposed bond election, to hear the contentions for and protest against the calling of such election, and it is found by the Clerk that the said petition is signed by more than fifty legally qualified electors who own taxable property in Callahan County Road District No. 1, and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, and that the notice required by law to be given of said hearing has been given; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the hearing held on said date and from the evidence submitted at said hearing, the Court has determined that the proposed improvements would be for the benefit of all taxable property situated in such Road District No. 1, and that it is desirable and necessary to issue the bonds of said Road District No. 1 in the

amount of One Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$150,000.00) Dollars to construct said improvements, and that said election should be ordered; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court further finds that the amount of said proposed bond issue, together with all outstanding bonds of the same nature heretofore issued on the faith and credit of Callahan County Road District No. 1, will not exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of said District; and

WHEREAS, said Callahan County Road District No. 1 has heretofore been legally created by an order passed by the Commissioners' Court on the 14th day of November, 1917, which order is of record in the minutes of the Commissioners' Court;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS:

That an election be held in said Callahan County Road District No. 1 on the 28 day of January 1947, which is not less than thirty days from the date of this order, to determine:

"Whether or not the bonds of said Road District No. 1 of Callahan County, Texas, shall be issued in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$150,000.00) Dollars, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed 3% per annum, payable semi-annually and maturing at such time as may be fixed by the Commissioners' Court, serially or otherwise, in not to exceed 22 years from the date thereof, for the purpose of the construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes or in aid thereof throughout Road District No. 1 of Callahan County, Texas; and whether or not taxes shall be levied annually on all taxable property in Road District Number One sufficient to pay the annual interest on said bonds and provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the bonds at their maturity."

The metes and bounds of Callahan County Road District No. 1 as created by the Commissioners' Court on the 14th day of November, 1917, are as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING on the West boundary lines of Callahan County, at the S.W. Corner of the Anthony Bates Survey No. 9, (Abst. No. 12) for the N.W. Corner of this district. Thence with the S. boundary line of said Anthony Bates Survey to the most Northerly N.E. corner of Section No. 29, S. P. Ry. Co. lands, in Block No. 8, at the point on the W. Boundary line of Sur. No. 80 B.B.B. & C. Ry. Co. land, (Abst. No. 1182) Thence S. to the S.W. cor. of said Sec. No. 80, Thence E. with the S. boundary line of said Secs. No. 80, (Abst. No. 1182) and Secs. Nos. 57 (Abst. No. 61) 56, (Abst. No. 1241) B.B.B. & C. Ry. Co., Surs. to the S.E. Corner of said Sec. No. 56 (Abst. No. 944) to the N.E. cor. of Sec. No. 56 (Abst. No. 944) B.B.B. & C. Ry. Co. lands; Thence E. with the N. boundary line of Sur. No. 56 (Abst. No. 944) the N. boundary lines of Sec. No. 57 (Abst. No. 32), Sec. 70, 71, 84, 85, 98, 99, 114 and 115 of B.B.B. & C. Ry. Co. lands to the N.E. corner of

said Sur. No. 115, B.B.B. & C. Ry. Co. lands; Thence S. with the E. boundary lines of Sur. No. 115 and 116, B. B. B. & Co. lands to the S.E. corner of said Sur. No. 116; Thence E. with the N. boundary lines of Sur. No. 138, 143 of said B. B. B. & Co. Ry. Co. Survey of the N.E. cor. of Survey 143; Thence E. across the J. Pointevent Sur. and Sur. No. 1 T. & N.O. Ry. Co. lands, to the center of W.B. lines of Sur. No. 63 B.O.H. lands; Thence E. with the center lines of said Sur. Nos. 63, 64, 65, B.O.H. lands and the center lines of Sections Nos. 7 and 8 D. & D. Asy. lands; Thence E. with the S. lines of Sur. No. 133, University lands to the S.W. corner T.E. & L. Sur. No. 2041; Thence E. with S.B. lines Sur. No. 2041, to the S.E. corner of same; Thence S. to the S.W. corner Survey No. 2972, T.E. & L. Co. lands; Thence E. with the S.B. line of said Surs. Nos. 2972, and 2299 T.E. & L. Co. lands to the S.E. cor. of Sur. No. 2299; Thence S. with the E.B. lines of T.E. & L. Co. Sur. No. 2298 to the S.E. corner of same;

THENCE, E. with the S.B. lines of Surveys Nos. 2272, 2280, 2288, 3151, T.E. & L. Co. lands to the S.E. corner of said Survey No. 3151; Thence S. with the E. B. lines of Sur. No. 3152, T.E. & L. Co. lands to the S.E. corner of same; Thence E. with the N. B. lines of Surveys Nos. 3158, 3166, and 3171 T.E. & L. Co. lands to a point on the E. boundary line of Callahan County; Thence S. with E. boundary line of Callahan County to the S. boundary line of Survey No. 129, H. & T.C. Ry. Co. lands; Thence W. with the N.B. lines of Sur. No. 128, H. & T. Ry. Co. lands to the N.W. corner of the M. Cherry Sur. (Abst. No. 110); Thence W. with the N.B. line of Sur. Nos. 21, 19, and 18, B.O.H. lands and N.B. lines of Sur. Nos. 315, 316, 317, S.P. Ry. Co. lands, and N.B. lines of Surveys Nos. 36, 37, 38 and 39, of the D. & D. Asylum lands to the N.W. corner of said Survey No. 39; Thence N. to the Middle W. line Survey No. 32, D. & D. A. lands; Thence West to the N.E. cor. of Sur. No. 148, B.B.B. Ry. Col; Thence W. with the N.B. lines of surveys Nos. 148, 130 and 125, to the N.W. corner of said Survey No. 125, B.B.B. & C. Ry. Co. lands; Thence S. with the W.B. lines of Sur. No. 125 to the S.E. corner of the Thomas Ashur Sur; Thence

W. with the S.B. lines of said Ashur Sur. to the S.W. corner of the W. Gattlin Sur; Thence N. to the N.E. corner of the J. D. Gibbs Sur; Thence W. with the N.B. line of the said Gibbs Survey, to the N.E. corner of Surveys Nos. 1, B.B.B. & C. Ry. Co. lands, continuing West with the N.B. lines of said Surveys Nos. 1, 4, 9, 14 and 19, to the N.W. corner of said survey No. 19, B.B.B. & C. Ry. Co. lands; Thence N. with the W.B. lines of Survey No. 20, to the center of the W.B. lines of Sur. No. 21, B.B.B. & C. Ry. Co. lands; Thence W. with the center lines of Surveys Nos. 22, and 31, to the W.B. lines of Surveys Nos. 31, B.B.B. & C. Ry. Co. lands; Thence N. to the N.W. corner of said Surveys No. 31; Thence W. across Sur. No. 35 S. P. Ry. land to the N.E. corner of Survey No. 13, S. P. Ry. Co. lands (Block 8); Thence W. with the N.B. lines of said Section No. 13, and the N.B. lines of surveys Nos. 32 and 31, Lunatic Asylum lands, to the intersection of the W.B. lines of Callahan County; Thence N. with the W. boundary line of Callahan County to the place of beginning.

The said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 3, Title 22 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1925, as amended, including the provisions of Chapter 16, Acts of the First Called Session of the Thirty-Ninth Legislature;

All persons who are legally qualified electors of this State and of this County who own taxable property in the District and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, shall be qualified to vote, and all such electors shall vote in the election precinct of their residence and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue the bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF."

And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF."

The polling places and the presiding officers of said election are as follows, to-wit:

- regular voting place - B. L. Russell, Jr., Presiding Judge.
 - Sallie Eastham, Clerk. Vada Bennett, Clerk. L. L. Blackburn, Clerk. Clerk.
 - Clyde, Precinct No. 5, at the regular voting place - Earl Hayes, Presiding Judge. T. O. Dulaney, Clerk. Ed Hampton, Clerk. Pete Bouchette, Clerk. Clerk.
 - Eula, Precinct No. 10 at the regular voting place - Lee Smith, Presiding Judge. N. H. Stephenson, Clerk. Bill Ferguson, Clerk. Paul Shanks, Clerk. Clerk.
 - Putnam, Precinct No. 8 at the regular voting place - John D. Isenhower, Presiding Judge. Will Jobe, Clerk.* Benson Sandlin, Clerk. Vella Sandlin, Clerk. Clerk.
- The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the General Laws of this State regulating general elections when not in conflict with the provisions of Chapter 16, Acts of the First Called Session of the 39th Legislature, hereinabove cited.
- Notice of said election shall be given by publication of a copy of this order in a newspaper published in Callahan County Road District No. 1 for three successive weeks before the date of said election. And in addition thereto, there shall be posted copies of this order at three public places in said district, and one at the Courthouse door of the County for three consecutive weeks prior to said election.
- The County Clerk is hereby ordered and directed to post said notices and to cause same to be published as hereinabove directed. Further orders by this Court are reserved until the returns of said election, executed by the duly authorized election officers, are received by this Court.
- PASSED AND APPROVED this 27 day of December, 1946.
- J. L. FARMER, County Judge, Callahan County, Texas.
- LESLIE BRYANT, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners' Court, Callahan County, Texas. (SEAL) Jan. 3-10-17.

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WORSE THAN POLIO

Nearly every parent in the United States is familiar with the menace of poliomyelitis and the campaign that is waged annually to secure funds to aid the victims of this dread disease.

It may come as something of a surprise, however, to learn that in 1944 whooping cough caused the death of more children than polio. The U. S. Public Health Service recorded 1,878 deaths from whooping cough in that year compared with 1,361 deaths from polio.

Health experts assert that hundreds of unnecessary deaths occur annually because parents do not take elementary precautions to prevent exposure of their children to the dangerous ravages of whooping cough. Most of the fatalities in uncomplicated cases occur among infants, but among older children inflammation of the brain accounts for one-third of the whooping cough deaths.

WILL VETERANS BUILD?

There seems to be general agreement among the builders and manufacturers that the relaxation of housing controls will result in a decided increase in home construction.

This may be correct but the question of what removal of controls will do in the effort of veterans to secure low-cost homes is unanswered.

Some authorities say that the relaxation of controls will bring a "temporary rise" in costs but that, in the future, a decline will follow the rise. Certainly, the relinquishment of the curbs will make it possible for anybody to construct a home if the money is available.

The peculiar problem that faces the veterans of the nation, however, is that most of them have a limited amount of funds for home construction. They are not in a position, as a rule, to compete with wealthier individuals, nor are they able to contemplate present construction costs without serious qualms as to the value of their homes after a few years.

JUST ANOTHER COMMITTEE

We see by the papers that committee of thirty-eight persons, described as being prominent in newspaper publishing, business, labor and agriculture, have formed a bi-partisan group for the purpose of "strengthening Congress."

There is a way in which these worthy citizens and others who may be interested can strengthen the Congress of the United States. This is by keeping the people of the nation well-informed about matters pertaining to their Government. The information, it should be added, should be given in a non-partisan manner.

The government of the people of the United States will be only as good as the people demand. To secure good government, it is necessary to support those who practice good government. This requires definite information on the part of voters and some courage in standing firm for principles despite the lure of congressional hand-outs.

THE EDITORS ARE CONCERNED

It is worth noting that the American Society of Newspaper Editors has appointed a special committee to study the "character and policy" of the news sent out by the United States government for the purpose of getting the American viewpoint into the minds of the people of other lands.

A previous committee of the association decided, after due consideration, that there was justification for the efforts of the government to make known its activities and policies but saw some danger inherent in governmental dissemination of news, even to foreign lands, and suggested that there be periodical examinations of the work of the governmental agency.

This is amusing. No news that the government sends out to foreign countries can be classified as propaganda in this country and inasmuch as practically nobody in the United States will hear or read the government's reports, there is no competition with domestic news agencies. That the newspaper brethren think it incumbent upon them to pass judgment upon the efforts of the government seems to imply that

they have the right to veto any plans that the government makes in this direction.

There is no editor with greater appreciation of the benefits of a free press, absolutely divorced from ulterior influences, including that of officials, but we suspect that the editorial conferees are unduly concerned.

The people of the nation would be much more impressed if the editors appointed a committee to study the policy of the news associations in the United States and that of some of the leading newspapers, magazines and radio circuits. How these agencies handle news as a matter of concern to the people of the nation and, unless it is always free of pressures of any kind will adversely affect the fundamental interests of the newspapers, publishers and broadcasters.

A SOIL CONSERVATION PROGRAM

Because the nation faces the loss of 50,000,000 acres of fertile farmland and serious damage to another 100,000,000 acres in the next century unless something is done to conserve our natural asset, Dr. Hugh R. Bennett, Chief of the U. S. Soil Conservation Service, proposes a program to treat 1,000,000,000 acres.

The cost would be six dollars an acre, according to his plan, with Federal and State governments putting up one-third and the owners of the land the other two-thirds. The value of the land, thus saved, he says would be \$20,000,000,000 and the nation would gain much by the continued production of the acres treated.

Because soil conservation is vitally important to the entire population of the United States, as well as the farmers, we call attention to the suggestions made by Dr. Bennett. He would:

- (1) Drain 30,000,000 acres now too wet for tillage.
- (2) Develop water resources on 12,000,000 acres in subhumid areas.
- (3) Complete a nationwide land survey.
- (4) Expand conservation activities through present district system.
- (5) Acquire land in immediate danger of losing fertility and subsequently return it to private ownership by open sale.
- (6) Educate the public to the needs of the country's basic agricultural sources.
- (7) Determine by research the relationship between soil health and human nutrition.
- (8) Improve range and pasture lands.

Consideration of the suggested program will promptly result in cries of "socialism" by those who believe that government should do nothing for the people. This is a short-sighted criticism in view of what the government has done for some of our basic industries. The fertility of our soil may prove to be the basic security of the American people. Certainly, this as a concern of the government and should be promoted whenever necessary by positive governmental cooperation.

NEW WAGE DEMANDS

There will probably be another round of demands by labor for increases in wages and the nation is quite likely to witness large scale strikes in 1947.

This is not reassuring but present indications are that the effort to secure additional wage increases will meet with stronger resistance from management. Certainly, there will be a tendency on the part of employers to develop the attitude of the new Congress before making concessions.

The United Automobile Workers through its President, Walter P. Reuther, assert that a pay hike is necessary to restore to workers what has been taken from them by the rise in the cost of living since the beginning of the year. The organization wants a 17.8 per cent increase which would add 23½ cents an hour to the present \$1.33 and it has other demands in mind.

If the 900,000 workers represented by the organization get what they ask, there will be similar demands from other groups. The facts will be obscured, as usual, and the public will find it difficult to determine just what are the fundamental equities involved. As a beginner, the U. A. M. asserts that auto makers can increase wages 25 per cent without increasing the prices of automobiles and that profits in the industry topped pre-war rates during the current quarter.

The demands of the C. I. O. organization are criticised by some A. F. of L. labor leaders who take the view that this is not the time to initiate new wage increases that will upset the tendency of costs to stabilize. They point out that wage increases result in price increases which means the cost of living goes up and the endless cycle of increases begins.

BEAR FACTS

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EDITORIAL

After having ten days off for the Christmas season, the students are back in their studies again. Since New Year has just passed, we wish every one a very successful and prosperous year.

SOCIETY

Who's Who

Fannie Waggoner was born in Clyde, Texas, December 1, 1929. She attended school at Midway 1½ years, and then went to Clyde 8 years when she moved to Baird. She has played volleyball 4 years and tennis 2 years. Her favorites are:

- Drink — Lime.
- Dish — Fried Chicken.
- Color — Blue.
- Show — Night and Day.
- Actor — Cary Grant.
- Actress — Alexis Smith.
- Sport — Tennis.
- Weakness — Studying.
- Ambition — Be a bookkeeper or beauty operator.

Who's Who

Johnny Munson was born in Dallas, Texas, December 5, 1929. He lived there 4 or 5 years and then moved to Baird and has attended all 11 years at Baird school. He lettered in football 1 year and played baseball all 4 years in high school. His favorites are:

- Drink — Milk.
- Dish — Fried Chicken.
- Color — Blue.
- Show — Gone With The Wind.
- Sport — Football.
- Actor — Gary Cooper.
- Actress — Betty Grable.
- Weakness — Girls.
- Ambition — To finish school.
- Best of everything to you, Johnny.

SPORTS

County Championship Girls Basketball Tournament will be held in our gymnasium, beginning Tuesday afternoon of February 4th, and Tuesday night. There will be a recess until Friday afternoon. Sessions will be Friday afternoon and night, February 7th, and Saturday all day. Finals will be Saturday night, February 8th.

Teams entered will be Baird, Cross Plains, Bayou, Oplin, Denton, Moran, Clyde, and Eula. Trophies will be awarded to

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WHAT IF ???

We had got two weeks off for Christmas.

We didn't look forward to mid-term examinations.

The basketball boys and girls won the tournament at Bayou this weekend.

Fred Goble didn't know where Nell's locker was.

Old Santa wasn't good to Mr. Pritchard. Huh, Mr. Pritchard? (What is that sitting on Mr. Pritchard's desk?)

The Seniors kept their lockers clean.

Sue Edwards and Gene Yeager went steady all time.

The boys didn't get to take girls to the football banquet.

JOKES

A drunk was leaning against a building, a cop growled, "Move on, move on, move on. What do you think you're doing -- holding up the building?"

The drunk staggered away and the building fell down on the cop.

An undertaker found a donkey lying dead in front of his premises and went to inform the police.

"What am I to do with it?" he asked the officer in charge.

The officer had a sense of humor.

"Do with it?" he asked with a grin. "Bury it, of course. You're an undertaker, aren't you?"

"That's true," replied the undertaker, "But I thought it only right to come around and inform the relatives first."

Sure enough, we don't get to come to school Wednesday, January 1st. We are glad for this additional holiday. We will be back to school Thursday morning, Jan. 2nd.

TRIO OF MURDERS SOLVED BY 'FALCON'

Further thrilling adventures of Michael Arlen's suave sleuth form the basis of RKO Radio's newest offering, "The Falcon's Alibi," with Tom Conway as the Falcon.

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County Agriculture Agent's Column

By A. R. Grote, Jr.

SUMMARY OF WORK

At the end of each year, a report is compiled on the past year's work done in the county by the County Home Demonstration Agent and the County Agent. The following is a summary of the county agent's work for the period from December 1945 to December 1946, under the agents, Robert L. Shults, J. C. Shockey, and A. R. Grote, Jr., present agent.

In order to give as complete a picture as possible, there were 277 days devoted to the work and of these days 153 were devoted to adults and 124 to 4-H Clubs and older youth; 59 days were spent in the office and 218 in the field and to further breakdown the days, 53 days devoted to agricultural planning; 26 days to crop production; 50 days to conservation of natural resources; 5 days were devoted to farm management; and 95 days to livestock production.

Soil Building Crops Increased

The answer to the farmers for a soil building crop seems to have been found. Hairy vetch and Austrian Winter Peas are the answer. The fall planting of these two crops has seen an increase of 8,220 acres over 1945. The AAA office, the SCS, FSA, the vocational agriculture instructors, and the county agent have been primarily responsible for the increase. From the trial plantings of Jim Faircloth of Baird, L. M. Stewart of Clyde, John Jordan of Oplin, C. F. Browning of Baird, C. H. Siadous of Baird, S. O. Whitmire and R. T. Burk of the Eula community, have all had very good results and through their demonstrations the people have seen vetch grow and produce. Olin English of Rowden has been the main demonstrator of Austrian Peas. C. F. Browning estimated that he turned under 10 tons of green manure per acre in his orchard. Others have realized an acreage return of \$40 to \$72 dollars. It has been shown that it pays to fertilize and inoculate the vetch and pea seeds before planting. Fertilizer should be applied at the rate of 150-200 lbs. of 20% superphosphate per acre.

Registered Sorghum Breeder In County

Raymond Sprawls of Putnam has entered the certified and registered seed breeders list. He bagged 500 heads of Plainsman Maize, 1000 heads of Hegari and 150 of Beaver Milo. The agents have assisted farmers in ordering 2,000 lbs. of registered and certified seeds, and in securing seed oats and wheat.

Ranchers Treat Cattle For Insects

For the first time in the history of the county, steps have been taken to rid cattle of hornflies. Demonstrations were conducted on eight ranches in five communities on the use of DDT for the control of hornflies and lice. Tom Hayden, Clarence Gay, and Fred Wylie of the Hart community used dipping vats in their control; R. L. Murphy of Cottonwood, C. B. Snyder and E. W. Moutray of Baird; M. E. Fry of Admiral, and J. N. Williams of Putnam sprayed their cattle with a 20% DDT solution in their hornfly demonstrations and practically every rancher in the county sprayed cattle for hornflies following these demonstrations, with good results.

The Number of Ranchers Treating Cattle for Grubs has Increased

The number of ranchers treating cattle for grubs has increased over last year. The agent supplied all interested with information concerning grub control and distributed circulars to all ranchers besides rendering individual aid.

4-H Clubs

There are seven 4-H clubs in the county with 107 members. These clubs were met 8 times during the year and the boys received training in crops, livestock, and soil conservation and the feeding and care of farm animals. Eight registered gilts were distributed to boys in Eula, Clyde, Denton and Oplin communities. Howard Johnson showed the grand champion gilt of the district show in Abilene in September. He also won a \$125 registered Jersey calf.

Terraces Still Being Built

Terraces and contour lines have been run for thirty-five farmers and ranchers by the agents on approximately 3,600 acres. Nearly all lines have been built by local contractors to date. The agents made 281 different farm home visits and visited 568 total farms in conducting extension work. There were 82 news articles published, 636 bulletins distributed, and had 843 office calls during the year.

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Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Jordan included Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Jordan and children; Mr. and Mrs. Cleo McCraw and children; Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Jordan Jr., and son; Albert Jordan, all of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jordan and children of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Alva Turner and children; Mr. and Mrs. Arrie Franklin and children of San Angelo; Lavonne and Charles Kirkendall of Big



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Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Arden Jones of Rowden; and Mrs. Austin Cooper of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Smith of El Paso have been visiting with home folks during the holidays.

Mrs. Ella Farrar of Baird visited in the home of Mrs. Susie Miller, Christmas evening.

Mrs. Billy John Edwards of Hamlin, Mrs. W. C. Edwards and son, Bill, of Baird, and Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Edwards and daughters spent Christmas Day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Cole Warren and children, and Mr. Warren's aunt, Mrs. Ella Farrar of Baird, have just returned from a vacation trip to the lower Rio Grande and Old Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Edwards and children, Virginia Lee and James David, of Sweetwater, visited in the home of his brother, R. G. Edwards and family, Sunday.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tee Baugh were their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Baugh, El Paso; Mrs. Baugh's brother, J. W. Smith and Miss Jean Smith, San Angelo; and Mrs. Baugh's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mitchell and children, Dick, Don and Marilyn of Lamesa, Texas.

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Midway Musings
Miscellaneous Melange and Minor Mention of Men and Women.
By Mrs W. B. Tarver

Rev. Cohen of Colorado City filled our pulpit Sunday. Mrs. A. A. Davis, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Atcheson, Floy McCaw, of Baird and Edna Cook and Evelyn Britton of Abilene attended church here Sunday.

Pvt. Gene Faircloth of Kessler Field, Miss., came in Saturday night for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Faircloth.

Pvt. Maurice Tarver of Boca Raton, Florida, arrived Sunday night for a ten-day visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Tarver.

Mrs. C. D. Craighead and children, Carole and Carl Ray, of Collinsville, Okla., are spending the holidays with her parents, the Tarvers.

Several from this community attended the Christmas tree at Clyde Methodist church Sunday night.

Gordon Mosley is visiting relatives here.

Miss Lois Nelson of Clyde has recently visited her brother, Mr. E. S. Nelson, Sr., and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schaffrina visited lately near Breckenridge. Dorothy Schaffrina has chicken-pox.

Love baskets are being filled by our church group for our elderly neighbors, as a token of esteem. Baskets are also being sent to sick friends.

Mrs. Sidney Strain and grandchildren, Butch and Jimmy, of Grandbury are visiting in the Tarver home.

W. T. Faircloth and sister, Mrs. Frazier, visited in Lawn during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Faircloth of Lawn visited relatives here recently.

Oplin Observations
Odds and Ends Opportunely Offered in Open Order.
By Joretta Gwin

Our community was greatly grieved by the sudden passing of a native son, Donald Floyd, who was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde T. Floyd.

Mrs. G. A. Gwin spent a week with her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Watson, who is ill in Kermit.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint McIntyre has as their guests during the Christmas holidays their children, Mr. and Mrs. John McIntyre of Sweetwater, and Mr. and Mrs. Randall McNeise and Buster of Big Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mason are the proud parents of a son born at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene on Dec. 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Peevy have as their guests during the holidays, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnson of California; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Johnson of Rhode Island, and Mrs. Donald Christie of Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Connel and children of Denver City visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Gwin on Dec. 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McWhorter and son of Fort Worth visited their parents Mr. and Mrs. A. D. McWhorter and Mr. and Mrs. Claud Morse and family during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Johnson and Ray spent the holidays visiting Mrs. Johnson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Washburn of Gatesville.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Betcher had as their guest during the holidays, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Clouse and family, Venita, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Betcher of Rosebud, Ore.; and John Betcher of San Bernardino, Calif.

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JO RUTH ARVIN, RUSSELL WARREN WED

Jo Ruth Arvin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Arvin, and Russell Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Warren, were married at the First Methodist church, December 21, at 8:00 p. m., with Rev. A. A. Davis, pastor of the First Baptist church, reading the double ring ceremony.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was dressed in a white satin frock with chantilly lace yolk, bustle effect and short train. Her veil of English illusion and fingertip length was held with a coronet of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of gardenias showered with Stephanotis. She wore a strand of pearls, a gift from the bridegroom. For something old she wore an antique watch, a gift from her uncle, M. A. Arvin, which had been a gift to his wife 45 years ago.

Mrs. Frank Sullivan of Brownwood, an aunt of the bride, served as matron of honor. She wore a rose crepe dress and carried a bouquet of rose carnations.

Burma Warren, sister of the bridegroom, was maid of honor and wore a pink crepe dress as did Mrs. W. A. Banks, a bride's maid. Mrs. Fred A. Thompson of Abilene, and Mrs. Durward B. Varner, bride's maids, were dressed in blue crepe. The bride's maids carried nosegays of pink and white carnations.

Yvonne Melton, junior bridesmaid, wore a blue crepe dress and she carried a nosegay of white carnations. Mary Ross, flower girl, was dressed in pink taffeta and wore a headdress of carnations and illusion.

Mrs. Viva Tucker played the pre-nuptial music and accompanied the high school choral club, which sang "Ah Sweet Mystery of Life" and "I Love You Truly." Mrs. Tucker played "Always" during the ceremony. The church was decorated in white bridal flowers and white cathedral tapers burned in the candelabra.

Fred Thompson of Abilene served as best man. Ushers were Bruce Bell, Steve Warren, W. A. Banks, Donald Melton, and Larry Dunwoody.

The mother of the bride wore a black lace frock with white gardenia corsage and the bridegroom's mother wore a black faille with white gardenia corsage.

At the reception held at the home of the bride's parents, guests were received by the bride's mother, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Warren and Mrs. Frank Sullivan.

Burma Warren presided at the guest registry and Mrs. Fred Thompson invited guests in the dining room where the three-tiered wedding cake was served by Mrs. W. A. Banks. Mrs. Durward Varner ladeled punch. The table was decorated in an all white theme, using the bride's bouquet for a centerpiece.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sullivan of Brownwood; Mrs. A. Favors of Hobbs, N. M., grandmother of the bridegroom; Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Varner of Cottonwood, grandparents of the bride; Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Varner of Chicago; Mrs. C. E. Trammell of Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs. Lanham Falls of Bowie; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Coppinger of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Arvin and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nesmith of Cross Plains.

Mrs. Warren as a graduate of Baird high school and North Texas State Teachers College. She taught in Cross Plains and Baird high schools and is now employed as bookkeeper at Baird Refinery. Mr. Warren, graduate of Baird high school, spent four years in the Army, 27 months being spent overseas with the 36th Division.

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For the first time in five years the S. I. Smith family was all together at Christmas time. Sam Smith, Jr., came from Waxahatchie, and Mr. and Mrs. Parker Coppinger and little son, Johnnie came from Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Coppinger and two daughters, of Kansas City, Mo., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Freeland during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ault and children of Clyde visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Day in Breckenridge last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Woodley returned home Sunday after a week's trip to Lake Charles, La., and Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Simpson and son, Gary, of Omaha, Neb., were weekend visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ault of Clyde.

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Visitors in the Sarah Magill home during Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Magill and children, Marlene and Don; Mr. and Mrs. Horace Carter and two sons;

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BARDIN-HILL WEDDING

Miss Janie Marie Bardin, of near Arlington, and Mr. Lewis E. Hill of Baird, son of Dr. and Mrs. V. E. Hill, were married at the Webb Baptist Church Sunday, December 29, at 12 noon. Webb is a community about ten miles south of Arlington.

Dr. J. M. Price read the double-ring ceremony before a large congregation of friends and relatives. Miss Norma Ruth, of Dallas, sang "Because" and "I Love You Truly." She was accompanied at the piano by Mr. Guss Barry, Jr., of Dallas, who also played the traditional wedding music.

The bride wore a beige-grey dressmaker suit and white satin blouse, with gold sequins. Her off-the-face hat was brown as were her other accessories. She wore a corsage of orchids. Mrs. Bardin, matron of honor, wore a teal blue suit with brown accessories. Her corsage was of pink split carnations.

Mrs. Roscoe Bardin, mother of the bride, wore an all-black ensemble. Mrs. Hill, the groom's mother, wore a blue suit with accessories of black. Both mothers wore white gardenias.

Immediately after the wedding a buffet dinner consisting of turkey and all the trimmings was served to a host of friends and relatives at the Bardin home.

After a brief honeymoon, the Hills will be at home at 1409 West Avenue, Austin, where both are students of Texas University.

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HUGHES-BRYANT WEDDING

Mary Beth Hughes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Hughes, was married Friday night, Dec. 20, to Lynn Bryant, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bryant.

Rev. A. A. Davis, pastor of the Baptist church, performed the ceremony, as the couple stood between baskets of chrysanthemums and carnations, in the living room of the Hughes home. The bride wore a grey suit with black accessories. She wore a carnation corsage.

The bride is a graduate of Abilene high school and has been employed in Big Spring.

Bryant is a graduate of Baird high school and attended McMurry College, before entering the Navy in August, 1941.

The immediate family and a few close friends attended the ceremony.

The couple left Dec. 22 for Chincoteague, Va., where Bryant reported back to his base Dec. 27th.

For the first Christmas since 1941 Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Walls had all of their children home. They are Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Davis and children, Sweetwater; George Fred Walls, recently returned from Paris, France; Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Walls and children, James, Gene, and Gayle Walls.

Mr. and Mrs. Fabian Bell spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Bell, at Big Spring.

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Truman Black has accepted a position at Consolidated Air Craft at Ft. Worth. He has been employed at The First National Bank here.

S.Sgt. and Mrs. Morris Cook and children, San Antonio, were holiday visitors here.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Mauldin were Mr. and Mrs. Lester Griffith and son, Dale, Gustine; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Evans and son, Harold Joe, Corpus Christi; Ray Hawk, Fort Worth; Chas. Alexander, Stephenville; Mrs. Irene Evans, Mingo; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Warren, Sweetwater; Mrs. Kent and daughter, Linda Beth, Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mauldin, Stephenville; Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Bullard and Mr. and Mrs. Hoot Allphin, Baird.

Miss Sybil Ann Elder, student at Texas University, visited her grandmother, Mrs. Cora Work, and other relatives during Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hamilton and son, Gene, Ranger, spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Meredith.



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MENS FELT HATS	
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Six 5c spools, only	25c
KOTEX, box	19c
OVERALLS	
Painters White Overalls, \$3.45 value	\$2.98
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Our Motto—"Tis Neither Birth, Nor Wealth, Nor State, But The Get-Up-And-Get That Makes Men Great."

BAIRD, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JANUARY, 1947

NOTABLE NEWS EVENTS IN PICTURES



DOLLS ENROLL AT WELLESLEY—Marilyn, MacGregor, Warren, Ohio; Winifred Corey, Buffalo, N. Y., and Marion Weis, Pittsburgh, are shown left to right among a few of the 1,000 dolls dressed by Wellesley College co-eds for a holiday distribution among the poor and needy children of several cities. The co-eds, some of them worked long hours in order to have the dolls ready by Christmastime.



CHALLENGES MRS. AMERICA—Publicity given Mrs. America and how U. S. women keep their looks and figure after rearing a family has decided Mrs. Delia Walter of Rottingdean, England, to do some challenging. British mothers, says Mrs. W., are as beautiful mothers as they were brides—and she sends along a picture of herself and family to prove it.



BRING ON THE CRANBERRY—Joe the "The Fat Ranzazza," age 15, of Gloucester, Mass., who holds the heavy-weight championship for his age with 455 pounds, picked his Christmas dinner.



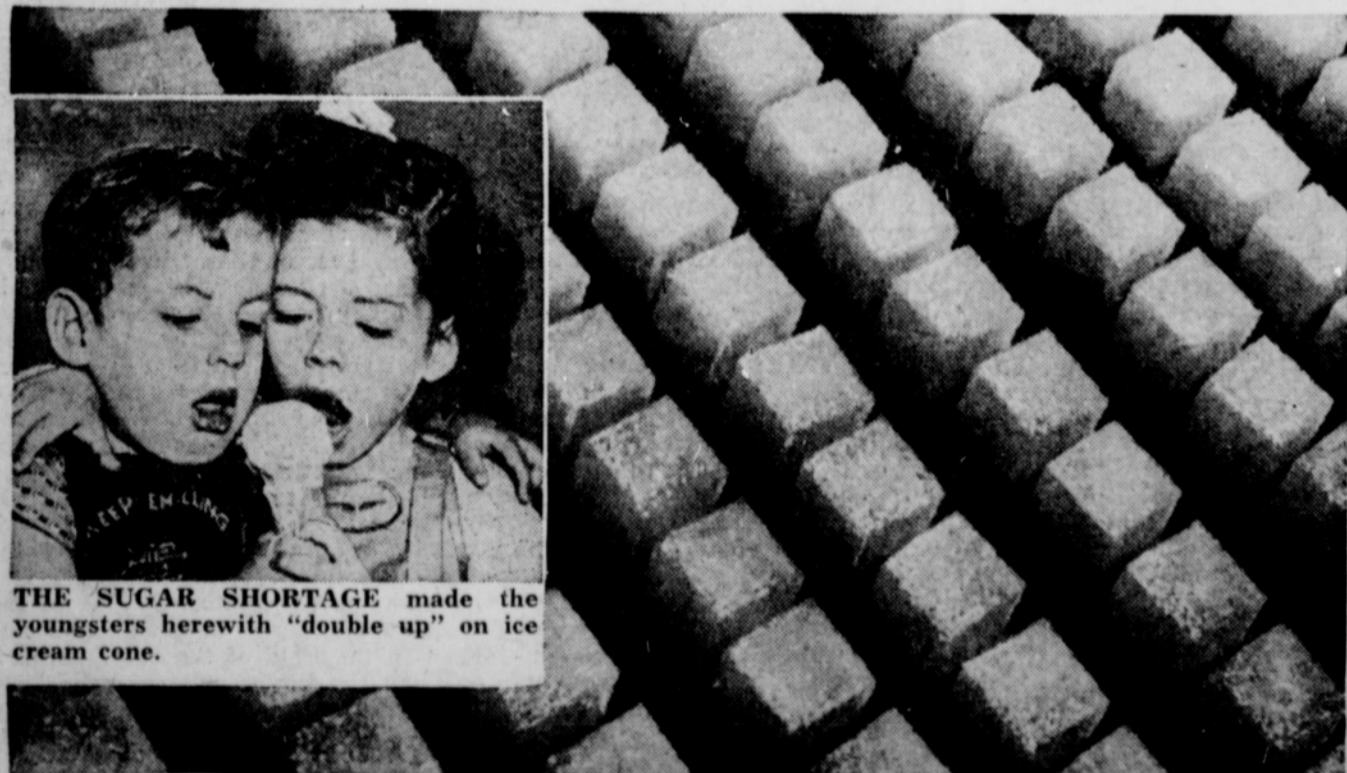
HONORS REVOLUTIONARY DEAD—Australia's Sister Elizabeth Kenny places a wreath before the tomb of the unknown soldier of the Revolutionary War in Alexandria, Va. Some Americans do not know that the Revolutionary War, which began between Great Britain and the United States in 1775, lasted 8 years and was the longest war ever fought by this country.



DEAR SANTA—Little Pamela Mary Dane, of Alexandria, Va., got her demands off to Santa in a big way.



FATHER FLANAGAN AND FRIEND—Rev. Msgr. E. J. Flanagan, the beloved "Father Flanagan" of Boys Town, Neb., makes friends easily with this Miami Beach boy.



THE SUGAR SHORTAGE made the youngsters herewith "double up" on ice cream cone.

REMEMBER WHEN a bowl of sugar cubes was a familiar sight? Both sugar cane and sugar beets produce the identical product—sucrose, which is the chemist's name for table sugar. Sugar is best known as a sweetener, but it also has many commercial uses. It is needed in explosives, cement manufacturing, flypaper, shoe polish and even golf balls.



MOURNS PAL—Rex mourns the death of his chum, Queenie, killed by Detroit auto. The two dogs were devoted to each other and, since the death of Queenie, poor Rex would sometimes refuse to eat the food placed before him.

BIG FOUR Foreign Ministers Complete Peace Treaties in New York

(Condensed from New York Times)

LAST month in New York City the Big Four Foreign Ministers successfully completed the first task set for them after the cessation of hostilities in World War II. This was the writing of peace treaties for Italy, Rumania, Hungary, Bulgaria and Finland. The task was completed fifteen months after the opening meeting of the Big Four Ministers in London. When Secretary of State James F. Byrnes arrived in London for that conference on Sept. 10, 1945, he said: "There will be a lot of work and there will be a lot of talking, which I hope will turn out successfully."

His prediction as to the amount of work and talk has been borne out in succeeding events. Now, however, the work has been done. The work of the Foreign Ministers probably will not go down in history as a monumental achievement; the five treaties are only a beginning toward peace. But, at any rate, the Big Four demonstrated that they could reach important agreements, even after much discord and seemingly irreconcilable pronouncements.

Treaties Still to Be Signed

These first peace treaties following World War II are to be signed between February 1 and 15—after a final drafting and publication.

Settlements reached at the New York City meeting cover these main points:

The issue of Trieste: The Adriatic port and its immediate vicinity will be taken from Italy and made a Free Territory. The United Nations Security Council will appoint a Trieste Governor, with strong powers, including control of the police. His "legislative arm" will be a popularly elected Trieste assembly. Occupation troops—American, British and Yugoslav—will be evacuated from the area after the Governor decides that they are no longer needed to keep order.

Territorial adjustments: Italy's Dodecanese islands go to Greece. Two-thirds of the province of Venezia Giulia go to Yugoslavia, and France receives minor Alpine regions. Italy loses her African colonies, but their final disposition is postponed. Hungary is to cede Northern Transylvania to Rumania and a tiny border area to Czechoslovakia, and Rumania is to cede Northern Bukovina and Bessarabia to Russia and Southern Dobruja to Bulgaria. Fin-

land's 1944 cession of Petsamo to Russia is confirmed.

Reparations: Italy is to pay \$100,000,000 to Russia, \$125,000,000 to Yugoslavia, \$105,000,000 to Greece, \$25,000,000 to Ethiopia, \$5,000,000 to Albania. Rumania is to pay \$300,000,000 to Russia. Bulgaria is to pay \$45,000,000 to Greece, \$25,000,000 to Yugoslavia. Hungary is to pay \$200,000,000 to Russia, \$50,000,000 to Yugoslavia, \$50,000,000 to Czechoslovakia. Finland is to pay \$300,000,000 to Russia.

Freedom of the Danube

The Danube: The principle of freedom of navigation on the Danube—a principle long supported by the West-

as the Big Three for 12 days in Moscow last December; worked as the Big Four in Paris for 22 days last spring and for 28 days in the summer. And the New York meeting lasted for more than five weeks.

Next Meeting in Moscow

The Council will meet again in Moscow beginning March 10, 1947. Prior to that meeting, small nations will be given full opportunity to present their proposals for German and Austrian settlements to boards of deputy foreign ministers of the great powers.

The agenda for the Moscow conference provides for the following actions:

(1) Consideration of reports from the

taining to German frontiers, the Ruhr, the Rhineland and other questions.

(4) Consideration of the proposed American draft of a disarmament and demilitarization treaty and other measures for the political, economic and military control of Germany.

(5) Consideration of a report already submitted by a committee of experts on German coal production.

(6) Work on an Austrian treaty.

As the Big Four meeting adjourned in New York, American experts on Germany predicted that it might be the spring of 1948 before the German peace treaty is ready for signing. They feared it might take at least as long, and possibly longer, to write the peace for Germany as it took to write the treaties for Italy, Rumania, Hungary, Bulgaria and Finland—and that job lasted 15 months and a day.

The Atom's Test

At Flushing Meadow, New York, on December 16, the delegates of the Unit-

ed Nations General Assembly, amid a burst of applause, unanimously approved a historic resolution for the outlawing of the atomic bomb and the general reduction of armaments.

At Lake Success, New York, later, the first move was taken toward translating the words of the resolution into action—and in this move the difficulties facing the disarmament program became evident. The United Nations Atomic Energy Commission approved the principles of the "vetoless" American plan to control the atomic weapon. But it was a qualified approval and the action was taken over Russian opposition. Soviet delegate Andrei A. Gromyko would not vote. His objections turned on the question of the veto.

The veto problem has pervaded all discussions of outlawing the bomb since the first meeting of the Commission on June 14. On that date Bernard M. Baruch, the American delegate, announced that the United States would surrender its atomic weapon under a plan based on three minimum essentials: (1) an international control over all phases of atomic energy; (2) a system of international inspection not subject to veto; (3) a system of enforcement and punishment not subject to veto.

Mr. Gromyko rejected the United (Continued on Page 5, column 2)



STATESMEN'S HEADS GET TOGETHER—In New York, left to right, Sir Hartley Shawcross of Great Britain, Bernard M. Baruch and Herbert B. Swope of the U. S., discuss Baruch's suggestion to surrender the A-bomb fate to United Nations general assembly.

ern powers and long opposed by Russia, which has dominant interests in the economic and political affairs of the Balkan river states—is established. The principle is written into the peace treaties for the Balkan countries. An international conference will be called to establish a regime to administer the free-navigation agreement.

The agreements on the treaties for Italy, Rumania, Hungary, Bulgaria and Finland came at the end of many weary days of conferences. The Council of Foreign Ministers met for the first time as the Big Five in London on Sept. 11, 1945. The Council held meetings in London for a total of 22 days; worked

Allied control council at Berlin on German demilitarization, de-Nazification, democratization, economic principles and reparations. In this connection, Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov has assured his American, British and French colleagues that when the time comes he will report fully on Soviet reparations removals of property from Germany.

(2) Study of the form and scope of a provisional political organization for Germany.

(3) Preparation of a peace treaty with Germany, including consideration of the work of the Big Four deputies in London and also basic directives per-

BIGGEST Home Town Circus in the World

By CAROL HUGHES

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THE town of Gainesville, Texas, population 12,500, has one of the most unusual circuses in the country, a gala show in which the whole community participates, from six-year-olds to grandma. The performers are the butcher, baker, banker and law-maker, housewives, typists, school-teachers and soda-jerkers.

The circus has no professional entertainers, no elephants, no tigers or side show, and yet it is rated the fourth largest circus in the United States. From time to time it has been offered fabulous sums to join the professional

little juvenile delinquency: its youth is too busy with circus ambitions.

It all started with A. Morton Smith, city editor of the local newspaper, the Register. Smith had two great loves as a youth—newspaper work and the circus. He wanted to be both a reporter and a circus performer. When he had achieved the position of city editor, he decided to combine his two loves by having his own circus at home. So he created one of the best.

The first circus started out as a burlesque. No one in Gainesville, including Smith, even believed that a real circus could be produced. They had no professional bareback riders,

Florida. It cost \$15,000 to produce and grossed \$25,000. The publicity had put Gainesville on the map in a big way, and local folk had had the time of their lives learning to be performers.

The community show is much more fun than most circuses because all the performers are neighbors. When some unusual incident occurs, it's twice as funny to local people. On one occasion, County Judge B. G. Mitchell, a clown cop, was in the middle of his famous "Firemen Save My Child" act. The routine called for Judge Mitchell, a dignified gentleman of 65 years, to rush into the big tent, followed by a host of clowns with makeshift fire apparatus. Some old lumber forming the side of a house was set afire and another clown appeared at the window, screaming "Save my child!" Then the judge would mount the ladder and in a daredevil clown act grasp the child under his arm.

They Forgot the Judge

One night Mitchell fell off the ladder, wrenched his back and lay unconscious on the sawdust. The other clowns, thinking it was an act, rushed him out in their makeshift ambulance and promptly forgot all about him. The judge lay unconscious for hours, while the circus went hilariously on. For the next two months he conducted court room from his bedroom.

There have been many accidents, fractured limbs, broken fingers, backaches and headaches in the process of turning ordinary people into circus artists. But none has deterred the performer from coming back as soon as the damage healed.

One serious accident was almost turned into comedy. Dr. S. M. Yarborough, one of the better clowns, also serves as the show's medical doctor. Playing an out-of-town engagement, one performer fell from a high wire and was rushed to the local hospital. Dr. Yarborough, still dressed in clown suit, ran up the steps to the operating room, calling to a nurse: "Get me some gloves quick! There's been an accident."

The nurse looked stonily at the clown-clad doctor. "This is no time for fun," she said. "Don't you think we'd better get a doctor before we get the gloves?"

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JUNIOR COLLEGES of Texas and Oklahoma

By BOOTH MOONEY

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FOR many years the junior college has been, and still is, the fastest growing unit in American education. From about eight junior colleges in 1900 the number has grown to about 650 in operation this year—and their total enrollment is approximately 355,000 students.

The Southwest has participated fully in this growth of the junior college movement. As a matter of fact, Texas has the oldest junior college in the world—Decatur Baptist College, in Decatur, Wise county. And both Texas and Oklahoma are leaders among the States in this type of education.

What Is a Junior College?

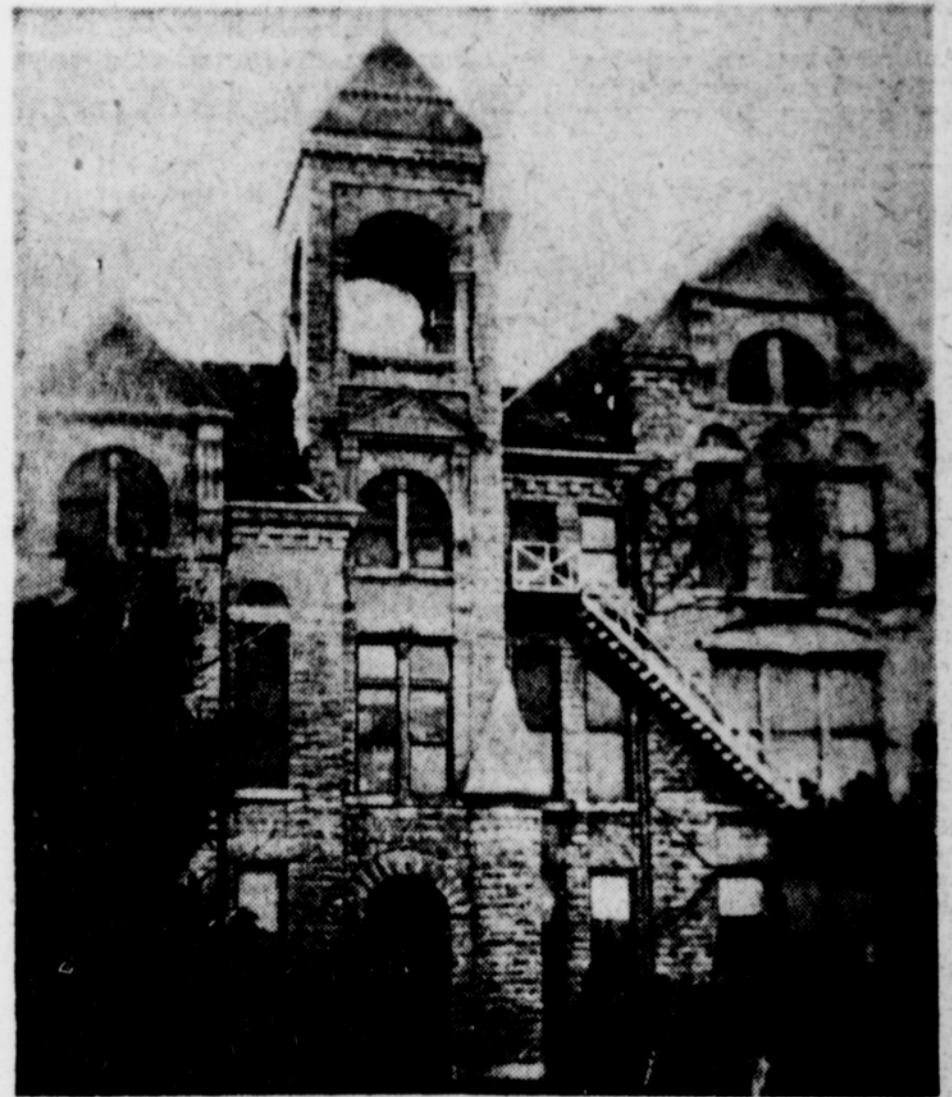
The junior college movement is a unique and significant educational development in American higher education. It is unique in its organization of

junior colleges than any other State with the single exception of California. Oklahoma has 21 junior colleges, the oldest of which is Muskogee Junior College, established in 1920.

Both Texas and Oklahoma showed gains this school year over last year in the number of junior colleges in operation. Texas, with eight new colleges, led the nation in the number of new junior colleges opening for the 1946-47 term. Oklahoma was fourth among all the States with four new colleges.

Enrollment Up

The junior colleges have shared in the general postwar boom in higher education. Their enrollment this year is approximately 75 per cent above that for the 1945-46 term. The 355,000 students who entered junior college last fall are just short of half as many students as were enrolled in all higher education institutions in 1943-44. Ap-



Administration building of Decatur Baptist College, Decatur, Texas, founded in 1897, and the oldest junior college in Texas or the world. Dr. J. L. Ward has been president of the college for 40 years.

a college course only two years in length and in the rapidity with which it has developed. It is significant in its popularization of collegiate education for the masses and in its adaptation to varied community needs.

The junior college, offering two years of education beyond the level of the secondary school, is largely a product of the twentieth century—although Decatur Baptist College, referred to, was established as a junior college in 1897, just 50 years ago.

The junior college aims to meet the varied educational needs of the community in which it is located. These needs include preparation for advanced work in a university; general education for students not planning to attend a university or similar institution; specialized preparation for particular occupations; and appropriate courses of college grade for adults in the community.

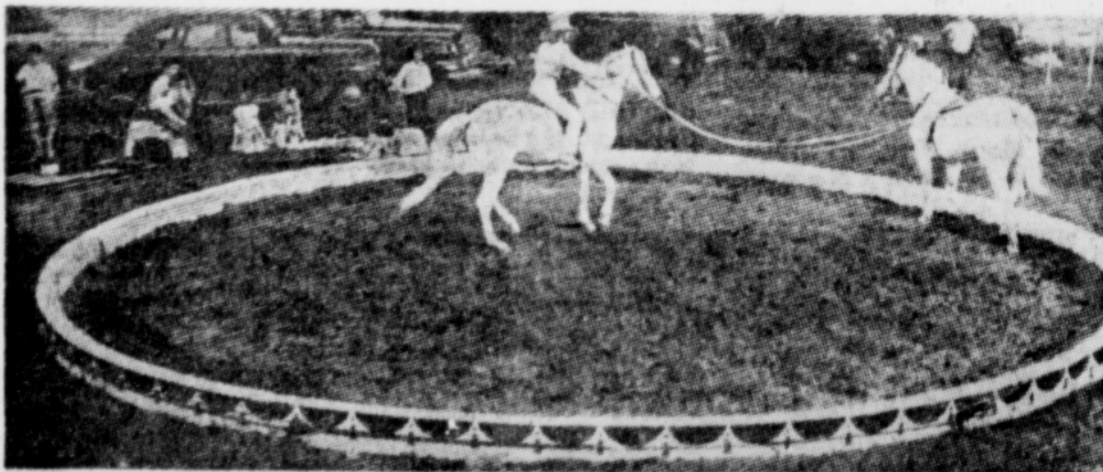
Texas, with 56 of these two-year institutions of higher learning, has more

approximately 153,000 of this year's students are veterans.

While the increase in enrollment has been sensational this year, it is noteworthy that junior colleges have shown a steady growth ever since they were established. In 1900 the colleges had less than 100 students as compared with this year's 355,000. Even in the war year of 1942-43, when all types of colleges were hit by the draft of young men, the junior colleges had 325,150 students.

It is not only with enrollment of students, however, that the junior colleges have shown development. One of the most outstanding developments has been in the field of the curriculum.

When the junior colleges were first established, the curriculum was a copy of the first two years of the senior college offerings. At first, such offerings in the junior colleges were the first two years of the liberal arts program. Later, the traditional freshmen and (Continued on Page 5, column 1)



Gainesville, Texas, Community Circus, "only show of its kind in the world."

big-time circuit. The offers, however, have had no takers. Gainesville folks prefer to stay at home.

A Circus Town

Most of Gainesville's homes are a living testimony that the town is a circus town. Every back yard sports a trapeze bar, ropes rigged for aerialist action, or some evidence that the house has a circus performer. Auto license plates read "Gainesville, Home of the Community Circus." The high school annual uses a circus theme, while animals adorn the dome of the gymnasium. Circus parties are frequent, and the hope of every youngster in town is to "make the circus." Since no one is barred from trying, the effect on the local "boys from the wrong side of the street" is tremendous. Gainesville has

clowns, elephants or horse trainers. But to Smith's amazement, when he began training the local people he found they took it seriously.

Clowns Out of Bankers

Soon he discovered that bankers, butchers and county politicians could be very funny clowns. Soda-jerkers, typists, stenographers and schoolteachers made very good tightrope walkers. And high school boys turned out to be wonderful acrobats.

When the first circus came off on May 1, 1930, costing \$300 to produce, it grossed \$420, and was no burlesque. It was a darn good circus. By 1941 the show was a rousing success, so much so that it gave 24 performances—nine in Texas, a couple in Oklahoma and had invitations from far-off

CURRENT COMMENT

By STAFF EDITOR

Used Car Market Slumps

THE used car market has drifted into the doldrums, according to a recent national survey by the New York Used Car Dealers Association. The Association attributes the slump to the fact that prospective buyers want to pay less and sellers want to receive more.

The Association also says that stringent Federal financing laws have reduced the purchasing power of potential customers, while the appearance of more and more new automobiles on the streets makes selling of used cars more difficult.

School Plan Urged

Paul R. Hanna, professor of education at Stanford University, has declared that America's schools should revise their curricula to meet the demands of the coming "Air Age."

"The courses of study now followed in the educational institutions of this country and the world are inadequate, and for the most part unrelated to developing citizens for the air age," he said.

"Never has the world needed a greater educational effort for survival and seldom has the education offered been less suited to the demands of an era."

Vets Draw for Farms

The State of Oregon held a dignified version of the Oklahoma land rush last month when 1,035 World War II veterans drew lots to see who would receive the 86 valuable small farms opened up on the Klamath Basin irrigation project.

The veterans were carefully "screened" for war service, farm experience, integrity and financial dependability. The farms are valued at \$15,000 each at present market prices.

Building Costs Balk Construction

Soaring construction costs have stopped the public works programs of many cities in their tracks, according to the International City Managers Association.

A survey shows that nearly all cities questioned reported work stoppages because of 100 per cent rises in building costs.

Typical case cited was Bartlesville, Okla., which reported that water will have to be rationed next year, in all probability, because cost of constructing a new pumping station is now prohibitive.

Austin, Texas, has postponed construction of new municipal buildings for which plans have been completed.

Combat Vets Best Students

A test taken in all departments of the University of Buffalo, N. Y., shows that veterans who have actually seen combat make the best students of all. They seem to want to get their money's worth out of a college education.

On the other hand, students who had joined the Army in the latter stages and had merely done occupation duty are doing worse than ordinary civilian students.

The University aptitude tests show that combat veterans average 5 per cent higher in general intelligence than others, have a vocabulary that is 15 per cent more extensive, can reason 5 per cent more clearly and their grammar is 5 per cent worse.

President of I. C. C. Issues a Statement

Wintrop W. Aldrich, president of the International Chamber of Commerce, has issued a statement saying that "until sufficient supplies become available, an attempt to improve the people's standard of living merely by raising wages is doomed to failure. It will simply lead to a rise in prices which will tend to inflation and imperil the integrity of national currencies," he said.

The Rockefeller Gift to United Nations

The \$8,500,000 gift that the Rockefeller family recently gave the United Nations as a site for its future home in New York City is small compared to total Rockefeller donations. The family has given away more than a billion dollars to worthy causes in the last 90 years.

Vets Get More Jobs

Employment of veterans in industry grew from 1,200,000 to 2,600,000 during the first eight months of 1946 and is still on the rise, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The record would have been much better if employment had not been adversely affected by strikes and work stoppages, the Bureau added.

Most veterans in industry are employed by the iron and steel manufac-

turers and their wages average better than \$45 a week.

Nations Must Prove Need for Aid

The United States plans in the future to give aid to nations only when they can prove a definite need, according to the State Department.

"The United States does not believe that post-UNRRA relief should be conducted by an UNRRA-type organization," the announcement said. "Nations receiving free relief must prove their need for it and they can be held to a much closer and fairer accountability of the use of food and other free supplies."

Because of the economic revival of many liberated countries, it is expect-



ed that only three or four countries in Europe will require free relief in order to avoid suffering and hardship.

Conservation Pledge Pays Off

Secretary of the Interior J. A. Krug recently presented a \$3,000 award to L. L. Foreman, of Santa Fe, N. M., for composing a national conservation pledge. The prize was offered by the magazine Outdoor Life.

Foreman's winning pledge was as follows: "I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully to defend from waste the natural resources of my country, its soil and minerals, its forests, waters and wildlife."

Biggest Aerial Camera

The largest camera ever built for aerial photography, developed by the Army, is now undergoing tests by the Army Air Forces Photographic Laboratory.

The camera weighs 575 pounds, has a 100-inch focal length and incorporates unique features to reduce it in size to four feet in height and five in width.

The camera is said to catch details even when used ten miles above the surface of the earth.

National Income Estimated for 1947

On top of this year's estimated national income of \$100,000,000,000—it would have been five or six billions more had it not been for the recent soft coal strike—Washington fiscal experts are saying that the national income for 1947 may reach the record high of \$175,000,000,000, assuming of course that strikes will not again set us back.

The huge figures quoted above may not mean much to the average American. Like the national debt they soar into stupendous figures. But they can be reduced to something more understandable.

A national income of \$175,000,000,000 next year means that employment will have to reach, possibly pass, the 60,000,000 job mark. This means work for virtually every one who wants it. Moreover, it means top wages and salaries for those 60,000,000 jobs if we are to create such an income, for wages and salaries are 75 per cent of it.

Munitions Board to End Plan in 1947

The Army and Navy Munitions Board expects to complete by next fall its two-year job of drafting the government's detailed plan to mobilize American industry in the event of an atomic war.

Richard R. Deupree, chairman of the board, said, however, that the plan was being made in the light of experience gained from World War II and would be subject to continual revision.

The plan thus far includes formation of another War Production Board, but streamlined so as to avoid red-tape as much as possible.

Quads Offered a Home in Texas

When Mrs. Charles Henn, of Baltimore, gave birth to quadruplets, her husband told a radio audience that he had no idea where he could take his family to live. Joseph M. and C. M. Haddad, brothers, of Tyler, Texas, heard the broadcast and offered the family a home in the Lone Star State.

Huge Telescope to Be Built

Construction will start this year on the 120-inch reflector, the world's second largest telescope, for the Lick Observatory of the University of California at Mount Hamilton. It will take at least four years to build.

When completed, the mirrors will take astronomers 900,000,000 light years out into space, bringing within visibility fainter stars and stellar systems beyond the reach of all but the 200-inch telescope now being constructed on Mount Palomar, California.

Gas Tax Switch Opposed

Representative Robinson, (Democrat), of Utah, urges State highway executives to oppose any moves to abandon Federal gasoline taxes in favor of State levies.

Robinson, author of the present highway construction act which requires the Federal government to pay at least half the cost of highway construction, claims that any attempt by the States to interfere would result in Federal insistence that the States bear all the costs of highway construction.

The American motorists now pay \$560,000,000 a year in Federal gasoline taxes and almost all the money goes right back into highway construction.

The Voice of Senator Byrd

Senator Harry F. Byrd, of Virginia, turned his verbal guns on the Federal payroll. Irked because only half-hearted attempts have been made to cut down the number of government workers, the Democratic senator declared that "the only remedy for swollen payrolls is additional legislation which will make further cuts mandatory."

He pointed out that in October, 1946, for the fifteenth consecutive month since the war ended, Federal payrolls increased (by 7.902). Since war's end, he said, 29 Federal establishments have increased employment and 17 have cut payrolls, while 5 new agencies have been added to the top-heavy list.

Coast to Coast Flights in One Hour

One hour commercial airplane flights from New York City to the Pacific Coast for \$75 are foreseen within the next three years by one of Germany's leading scientists.

"The present speed for transcontinental planes is much too slow and the costs are much too high," says Dr. Alexander Lippisch, formerly chief designer for the Messerschmitt Aircraft Works. "A supersonic (faster than sound) plane would be much easier and cheaper to build and much simpler to maintain, and one plane could make three times as many trips as the best transcontinental plane of today."

Lippisch is one of 86 German scientists who volunteered to continue their experiments in the United States under contract to the Army Air Forces.

More War Surplus to Be Sold

The Army and Navy are planning to let loose a hoard of more than \$110,000,000,000 worth of scarce civilian supplies in expectation of a probable slash in military appropriations. The supplies are slated to be earmarked for disposal by June.

Among the supplies will be billions of dollars worth of textile, clothing, trucks, automobiles, lumber, machinery, electrical equipment, drugs and surgical goods, and other scarce civilian items.

Cheaper to Drive on Good Roads

It costs you nearly twice as much to drive your car on dirt roads as on concrete.

Results of recent extensive driving tests showed that it cost the car owner four cents a mile in gas, oil, tires and maintenance and depreciation of his car to drive on an earth surface road. On a paved highway, the cost is only a little over two cents a mile.

The cost figures were computed after more than 330,000 miles of driving.

Cost of Soft Coal Miners Strike

Government statisticians said the nation's 400,000 soft coal miners strike cost \$26,662,500 in wages during the strike in late November and early December. In addition, the Federal Court fined the miners' union \$3,500,000, bringing the total cost to \$30,162,500. The loss to the nation in soft coal production was approximately 30,000,000 tons.

Bond Sales Total Over 59 Billion

Americans have bought \$59,348,000,000 worth of United States savings bonds in the five years since the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, according to an announcement by the Treasury Department.

Bond sales through 1945 totaled more than \$52,000,000,000, and during the first 11 months of 1946 amounted to another \$7,000,000,000.

Steel Is Still Supreme

Much work was done during the war with plastics and aluminum, both considerably lighter than steel, but automotive designers cannot foresee the use of plastics or aluminum as a substitute for steel at any time before the distant future. Steel is still the material that can be fabricated most economically. Cars generally are much lighter than 10 or 15 years ago, but vehicles of the near future are much more likely to be heavier than they are to be lighter, the industrialists say.

Many production short-cuts were evolved during the Second World War, but few of them have any practical application to making civilian motor cars. Much was learned, too, of new uses for aluminum and magnesium, but little of it can be used in manufacturing new cars for the public.

Balanced Budget Is the Key

The United States Chamber of Commerce urges immediate balancing of the national budget as a check against further inflation and a step toward reduction of "the oppressive tax burden" on both corporations and individuals. "An increase in production of goods would follow tax reduction," the Chamber said. "This will check inflation. An adequate supply of goods and services for civilian consumption is the most effective antidote for inflation."

Senator Sees No Chance of War

The United Nations has virtually eliminated any danger of a war with Russia, according to U. S. Senator Tom Connally, of Texas.

"The U. N. has made a very definite contribution to the settlement of disputes in a spirit of accommodation and co-operation," Connally said. "The mere fact that you can get people together and talk things over brings about a spirit of greater co-operation."

Connally said he would like to quit his role as advisor to Secretary of State Byrnes because he felt he had "contributed about all I can toward the creation and progress of the United Nations." He added, however, that his future plans would depend on the wishes of President Truman.

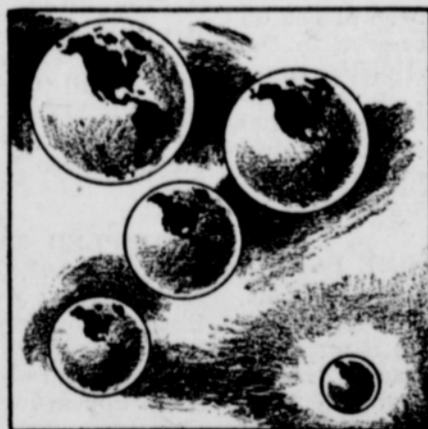
Grass Root Reveries

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THE Old Year had its ups and downs and so will the New Year. As we go up and down we shall have heights of joy and depths of despair. That's the way of life and that's the way God planned it. He never intended this to be a perfect world no more than he intended man or woman to be perfect. Reminds me of an old rhyme: "We come into the world naked and bare; we go out of the world with sorrow and care; if we have been good sports here we will be good sports there."

Some one has designed a good sport as a man who can take it on the chin and come up smiling; who looks for the good, not the bad, in others; who plays the game fair even when losing; who pays his debts and fears no one but God Almighty.



At the New Year, merchants start taking inventories to find out what they have gained and what they have lost. This is a good rule that everybody should follow. I tried it the first of this year and was surprised to find that I had gained two litters of pigs, three bull calves from three Jersey cows, a balky mule, an old army jeep and two in-laws.

I am taking the New Year in stride—for "better or wurser." May make a million or I may make a flop, but I am gonna stay in there and pitch. Last New Year I started out with two strikes on me—I owed the bank several hundred dollars and I helped another sucker drill a dry hole that was surrounded by gushers. Howsoever, I am a bit optimistic about the New Year and will plow and plant as usual in great expectations of harvesting bumper crops.

Out our way we had a freeze just before Christmas and that was the time

for all farmers to kill a hog or two. So we are now feasting of spareribs, backbone and sausage. People rave about baked turkey, broiled tenderloin steaks and fried chicken, but I have never found anything the equal of spareribs from a cornfed hog killed in your own backyard. Spareribs taste better when roasted in front of a fireplace heaped high with logs that send forth a pleasant odor while burning. My Aunt Bettie used to roast spareribs that way. She would fasten three or four slabs of spareribs onto a wire and hang them in front of her wood-burning fireplace. She turned the ribs around and around until they had thoroughly roasted. Then she served them with sweet 'taters and corn pone. That to me was and is yet the quintessence of good eating.

Aunt Bettie was a farm woman who lived in the piney woods of East Texas in the early days when food was plentiful and cheap. Fruit, including wild fruit, was also plentiful, for the land produced bountifully. Aunt Bettie's cupboard was never bare, but filled with canned fruits and vegetables. Once a year I visited her and always had a happy time. She was a pioneer housewife without modern conveniences and did all her work the hard way. Despite this handicap, she reared 13 children of her own, was a leader in her community and lived to be 90 years old. Aunt Bettie has gone to her celestial home. While here she feared no evil and walked in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

The world grows smaller each day. It was a pretty big world during covered wagon days, but now is shrunken to where the latest army rocket plane, traveling 750 miles an hour, can fly around it in 33 hours. At the rate a covered wagon traveled—about 3 miles

an hour—it would take 8,333 hours for the wagon to go around the world. I wonder sometimes if all this speed is worth what it costs.

Automobile accidents killed 24,400 persons in the U. S. in the first nine months of 1946, a jump of 30 per cent above last year's figure, the National Safety Council reports. Highway patrolmen and street traffic policemen say that about 60 per cent of the accidents that caused these 24,400 deaths could have been avoided. Civilization comes high in human lives as well as money. If no way can be found to stop this carnage, then we had better outlaw the automobile and go back to the horse and buggy until men and women have more caution and more sense of responsibility. This may sound fantastic—outlawing the automobile—but it would wake up the American people, and it will take something drastic to wake them up to the fact that thousands are being slaughtered needlessly each year by automotive vehicular accidents.

Film drinking scenes add to juvenile delinquency problems and should be culled from motion pictures, a grand jury at Chicago advised Hollywood recently. Some other scenes should be culled from motion pictures, such as safe-cracking, hold-ups, gambling and lewd glamour. Motion pictures, as a rule, are entertaining and educational, but can be dangerous when lacking in proprieties.

Santa Claus was back in a big way this past Christmas despite the many shortages of toy materials. Some toys were not only educational but scientific, including the Bailey bridge, which was reproduced as a toy in sections and which our troops used for crossing the Rhine river to invade Germany. The manufacture of toys is a huge business. It is estimated that 250 million dollars worth of toys were manufactured in 1946 for the Christmas trade. Most toys for children are bought by grown-ups who get a kick out of buying them. Many grown-ups are still children and don't know it.

TEXAS BRIEF NEWS --- from Over the State

NEW CANNERY OPENED

A new \$85,000 cannery has been opened at San Juan, Hidalgo county. It is one of the largest in that area.

SAFETY MEET IN MAY

Fert Worth, Tarrant county, will be host to the eighth annual Texas Safety Conference on May 1 and 2. More than 1,000 delegates are expected to attend.

REVIVES TRADE DAY AUCTION

The town of Mesquite, Dallas county, revived its once-famed Traders Day and now holds a free livestock auction on the fourth Monday of each month. Auctions begin at 2 p. m. at a sales ring on the town square.

HUGE TEXAS LEMONS

Mrs. Ida Zeiss, of Brenham, Washington county, grew three dozen lemons on one tree in her front yard which were the size of ordinary grapefruit. The average lemon weighed a pound and a half and was fourteen inches in circumference.

HAY FEVER FELLOWSHIP FUND

A \$1,000 fellowship to North Texas State College has been granted Dr. Price Truitt, professor of chemistry at the college. The fellowship was given by the Parke-Davis Pharmaceutical Co. and will be used in an attempt to find a remedy to offset the ravages of hay fever.

CARRIES FERTILE SOIL TO SEA

The lazy-looking Brazos river carries more than 16,000 acres of the most fertile Texas soil to the sea each year, Texas A. & M. agronomists estimated. More than sixteen million tons of wasted loam and clay pass the agronomy station of the University each year.

GOLDEN RULE \$1,000 AWARD

Frank E. Burkhalter, of Texarkana, Bowie county, has been awarded \$1,000 for his essay on the Golden Rule, written while he was in the Army at the Biarritz American University in France. The award was made by the Palmer Foundation, in Arkansas. P. W. Loucks, a Dallas school teacher, won honorable mention.

STATE FAIR DATE SET

The 1947 State Fair of Texas will be held in Dallas from October 4 to 19, according to W. H. Hitzelberger, executive vice-president of the annual affair. Hitzelberger said the Midway next year will be bigger than ever before and that the amusement park will be greatly augmented. The executive recently met with Fair executives from all over the nation to exchange ideas.

BUYING SPREE RECORD

The Texas retail stores undoubtedly set a State sales record during 1946, according to Dr. John Robert Stockton of the University of Texas Business Research Bureau. Stockton's figures show that the State's buyers had broken all previous records by 29 per cent during the first 10 months of 1946 and, although complete figures are not yet available, they undoubtedly reflected the same trend during the Christmas buying spree in November and December.

SUDDEN WEALTH

James Carter, of Beaumont, Jefferson county, recently bought \$500 worth of travellers' checks when he went to New York. When he started to cash his first one, he found that the checks were not made out for \$100 apiece, as he had expected, but for \$100,000 apiece. Somewhat shaken to find that he was carrying half a million dollars around with him because of the bank's mistake, he sent the checks back uncashed and came home.

HIJACKERS, BEWARE!

A 190-pound highwayman recently had cause to regret his choice of a victim when he attempted to hold up and steal the auto of a mild-looking little fellow who had given him a lift. The little fellow resented the big guy's attitude so much that he walloped the tar out of him and turned him over to the police. The efficient little fellow was the famous Audie Murphy, of Farmersville, Collin county, the most decorated soldier of World War II. Murphy is not a man to be pushed around by any hijacker.

KIOWA INDIANS KIDNAPPED HER

At a family reunion, eighty-four year old Mrs. M. F. King, of Wichita county, recently told her 43 descendants about the time she was kidnapped by Kiowa Indians back in 1872. The Indians scalped and killed her father and mother and murdered her sister before her eyes and then dragged her off to their camp in the mountains. She lived with the Kiowas until soldiers from Fort Griffin, in Shackelford county, made them release her. Mrs. King is still active and mentally alert. Not long ago she flew to New York City in an airliner.

RATS INCREASE

Texas' rat population has zoomed upward 200 per cent within the last five years, according to H. O. Abel, president of the Texas Pest Control Association. It cost Texans \$200,000 last year to rid their homes of pests.

PLANT THAT TRAPS INSECTS

Grady Webster, of Cedar Valley, Travis county, has found a Texas variety of Drosera, a plant which traps and eats insects. The plant absorbs the bugs for their nitrogen. As soon as an insect settles on the plant, the tentacles of the plant bend swiftly downwards and towards the center, trapping the insect. Then the plant covers the insect with a sticky substance, which keeps it in place until absorbed.

FRESH BUTTER WITHOUT REFRIGERATION

The J. J. Slider family, of Jacksonville, Cherokee county, recently had two-year-old butter for breakfast and enjoyed it very much. It seems that two years ago Mrs. Slider had a butter surplus, so she filled several fruit jars with butter, sealed them and cooked them in a pressure cooker. Then she set them on the pantry shelf just as if they were ordinary vegetable or fruit jars. After two years without any refrigeration at all, the butter was as sweet and good as new.

NICKEL A MONTH PENSION

The Veterans' Administration of Dallas claims it pays one veteran the lowest pension in America—five cents a month. The former GI was allowed \$13.80 monthly for his disabilities, but he asked the V. A. to take \$13.75 a month out of the pay for his insurance premiums. To cut down paperwork the vet said it would be O.K. to pay the remainder on a yearly basis.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATED

Uncle John Calvin Matthews, of San Antonio, recently celebrated his hundredth birthday by recounting his experiences during the '49 Gold Rush and the Civil War. He was carried out to California by his gold-seeking parents, who were accompanied by a train of 200 slaves. Matthews also fought at Mansfield, where the Yankees were whipped, and at Vicksburg, where the decision was reversed. He participated in the fight to rid Texas of carpetbaggers during reconstruction days and once shook the hand of General Sam Houston.

\$1,000,000 CAUSEWAY TO BE BUILT

A contract for immediate construction of a \$1,000,000 causeway from the mainland below Corpus Christi, Nueces county, to the Gulf Beach at Mustang Island, has been awarded to Brown & Root, Inc., of Houston. Construction of the 25,000-foot structure will be completed by August.

ROUGH RIDER DIES

Sloan Simpson, age 80, who once charged up San Juan Hill with Theodore Roosevelt's Rough Riders, died recently. Simpson, a close friend of the former President, was born in Weatherford, Parker county. He was postmaster of Dallas from 1907 to 1912 and retired to enter the banking and cotton brokerage business.

TEXAN COYOTE CHAMP

A. B. Bynum, of Uvalde county, has been awarded the title of world's champion coyote hunter by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Washington, D. C. Operating in Maverick county, Bynum caught 522 coyotes in October, a catch 60 per cent greater than any other recorded monthly total. During the last fiscal year 24,842 coyotes were killed in Texas, most of them by a new bait lure which injects cyanide directly into the animal's mouth.

SANTA RIDES A TRAIN

Santa Claus rode a train between Houston and Denison, Grayson county, last month. A Denison woman on the train was remarking how much she would have enjoyed having enough money to buy a toy for every poor little child in Denison. Santa Claus, disguised as a traveling man from Oklahoma, was sitting in the next seat on the train. "I feel the same way, madam," he said. Then he placed a \$100 bill in her hand and told her to buy presents for poor kiddies, and walked away. So the poor children in Denison got some extra toys at Christmas.

VETERAN SOLON RETIRES

After 34 years in Congress, Representative Hatton W. Summers, of Dallas, came home to stay last month. He voluntarily retired this year. J. Frank Wilson, prominent Dallas attorney and outspoken anti-Communist, will succeed him in the House.

THREE KINDS OF DRIVERS CAUSE MOST ACCIDENTS

Fifteen per cent of Texas drivers cause 85 per cent of the accidents, according to Capt. H. C. Smith, Jr., head of the drivers license division of the Texas Department of Public Safety in Houston. The accident-causers are divided by Smith into three classes: Those who don't know how to drive, those who are not physically equipped to be good drivers and those who just don't care.

COLLECTS TIME

Daniel H. Sparks, of San Antonio, has a hobby of collecting time. His collection of clocks and watches is valued at \$25,000. It includes a French watch, 300 years old, which measures only an inch in diameter, and a mantel clock with hand-carved wooden mechanism decorated with a Currier & Ives painting. He also owns numerous Swiss watches, one of which lights up in bright colors whenever it stops running.



OPERATION HIGH JUMP, the U. S. Navy's expedition to the Antarctic, will be Admiral Byrd's fourth visit to this region. Above, Byrd, left, plans the trip with Vice-Adm. Forrest Sherman, center, and Capt. Richard Cruzen.

EAGLE MOUNTAIN BASE SOUGHT

A National Guard ordnance maintenance depot will be placed near Fort Worth if the Eagle Mountain Air Base can be obtained for training purposes. Efforts are being made to sub-lease the field from the Navy.

SOIL CONSERVATION SPREADS

As president-manager of the Texas Soil Conservation Association, W. E. Moncrief reported there now are 143 districts organized in Texas to promote soil improvement through terracing and other measures. The districts cover 125,000,000 acres and include 700,000 members, or 87 per cent of all the farmers in Texas.

"SALT OF THE EARTH"

W. E. Gilpin, nicknamed "Salt of the Earth Gilpin" by his friends, and for 45 years district sales manager for the Morton Salt Co., of Dallas, retired from business on January 1st. Gilpin began work as a clerk in the Lone Star Salt Co. at Grand Saline, Van Zandt county, when bulk salt only was produced the crude way by the brine process. He advanced from clerk to bookkeeper and later district sales manager for the entire Southwest, which position he has held since 1924.

Mr. Gilpin is succeeded by B. W. Carrington, Jr., of Dallas, a veteran of World War II, who survived the sinking of the carrier Hornet at the Battle of Santa Cruz. He also served three years as a naval flyer.

THE FLOP FAMILY



OYSTER SHELLS MAKE CEMENT

Construction of a \$5,000,000 Portland cement plant in Corpus Christi, which will use oyster shells dredged from Nueces Bay rather than limestone, was announced recently. Company officials said it is hoped to start production of 5,000,000 sacks of cement, starting in 1948.

TEXAS FIELDS GET RADAR

Radar ground controlled approach units will be in operation by summertime at three Army Air Force fields in Texas. The fields are Fort Worth AAF, Kelly Field and Biggs Field. There will be 56 fields equipped with the device this year. The radar enables pilots to land in foggy weather with almost perfect safety. Biggest bottle-neck now is finding and training personnel to operate the sets.

MIDGET RACE STARTED

Mr. and Mrs. August Swenson are delighted that their daughter, Gayle Swenson, is a midget. The reason is that Gayle, born June 14, is the only third-generation midget of recorded history. The Swensons and the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Clifton, are all midgets and now they have hopes that they have started an authentic midget "race." The Swensons live in Austin.

EMBARRASSING NAME

There is a young basketball player in the Texas Tech quintet who has been plagued all through his life by bearing a famous name. He is Winston Churchill, of Sterling City, Sterling county, Texas. The 20-year-old athlete says he has most trouble cashing checks or placing person - to - person calls on the telephone, but hotel clerks and policemen also are hard to convince. Churchill usually gets around the situation by telling folks his first name is George.

NEW ALFALFA PLANT

Machinery has been received for construction of an alfalfa dehydration plant at Brownwood, Brown county, and is expected to be in operation for the first spring growth of alfalfa in 1947.

TECHNICOLOR DREAMS

Chester M. Rowell, Jr., University of Texas botanist, says that anyone who eats the Texas peyote, or mesquite, buton cactus will have beautiful dreams in wild colors. The cacti are spineless and contain an alkaloid that causes the person who eats it in quantity to have technicolor dreams. The peyote cactus was used in religious rites by Piute Indians.

STOCK DEER IN PRESERVE

Two truckloads of deer from the State Game Commission have been placed on the 15,000-acre game preserve in the White Oak water shed in Hopkins county. The eighty-four deer in the shipment are forerunners of a herd of 200 which will be used to stock the preserve. Wild turkey breeding stock will also be brought into the preserve.

SHERIFF HAS BUT ONE FEAR

Sheriff Jess Sweeten, of Athens, Henderson county, is a six-foot four-inch he-man who has shot it out with bad men from the Panhandle to the Border. But, when he stayed at a Dallas hotel recently, he also showed that he was a man of caution. He handed a bell-boy \$10 and told him to get 200 feet of the best rope in town. He explained by saying that he had a room on the eleventh floor of the hotel and he didn't intend to get caught in one of those disastrous fires like the recent one in Atlanta, Ga.

AUCTION RING CLOSÉS

When the weekly auction sales at Llano, Llano county, came to a close for 1946 it was estimated that more than 20,000 head of cattle had been sold at auction during the twelve months. Buyers were attracted from all over the State.

COLLEGE GROUP GETS CHARTER

The Sul Ross Institute of Business Relations, at Alpine, Brewster county, has received its corporation charter under the laws of the State of Texas. The charter, good for 50 years, is the first of its kind ever to be issued to a college group in the United States.

GROWS AND SERVES STRAWBERRIES IN DECEMBER

Police Officer L. L. Sides, of Tyler, Smith county, served his family fresh strawberries during the Christmas season. He had a hard time convincing his brother police officers that he was growing the fruit himself, so he had to invite the entire force out to his home to show them that he wasn't kidding. The crop was the third he had grown in 1946.

CLAIMS BIGGEST EGG LAID

Ira Robbins, of Athens, Henderson county, thinks one of his hens has laid the largest egg in history. It weighed eight ounces and measured seven and one-half inches around the short way and nine and one-quarter inches around the long way. The former American record, held by a Missouri hen, was seven and a half ounces. Robbins' prodigious layer was a White Leghorn.

STILL IN LOVE

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Steele, of Houston, recently celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary in the Christian Old People's Home in Houston. The Steeles came to Texas in 1896 from Pennsylvania and operated a farm in Harris county until old-age overtook them. "After 66 years of marriage together we are still very much in love," Mrs. Steele said.

WOMAN KILLS BIG RATTLERS

Two forty-pound rattlesnakes were killed last month on the Kaesler farm, near Cameron, Milam county, by Mrs. William Koenig. The two snakes were part of a bag of fifteen which Mrs. Koenig destroyed in an exciting battle on the rim of a deep ravine. She shot several of the snakes and killed the remainder with a hoe. The rattlers were hibernating at the time.

ROSE FESTIVAL REVIVED

Tyler, Smith county, will resume its annual Rose Festival next autumn after six years of inactivity because of the war. The Festival, a nationally-known affair, is usually held in the second week of October and lasts three days. There will be the usual parade and rose-decked floats as well as a collegiate football game. Tyler claims the distinction of raising and selling more roses than any other city in the world.

LIKE MANNA FROM HEAVEN

George Heuffner, of Waco, McLennan county, recently saw two wild geese flying low overhead, carrying a wounded goose buddy between them. As the three geese passed over the Heuffner house the wounded one slipped from the other two and landed with a dull thud on the roof. Heuffner found it had been wounded by a shot from a hunter's gun. The Heuffners ate the goose for their Christmas dinner.

CRIPPLED KIDDIES CHRISTMAS

Big-hearted Dallasites entertained 51 kiddies at the Dallas Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children just before Christmas. The all-star cast of the Early Birds radio program made a personal appearance and Santa Claus led Christmas carols on the front lawn. Gifts were sent from Cub Scout groups, schools and Girl Scouts as well as from adult clubs and organizations. The hospital is currently running a drive to collect \$180,000 in order to maintain its free surgical treatment for physically handicapped children and polio victims.

Colleges

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sophomore courses in engineering, pre-medicine, pre-law and business were added.

Curriculum Broadened

Such large numbers of students began to attend the junior colleges that there began to develop a demand for an expansion and broadening of their curricula. In 1917, a survey showed that 18 per cent of the semester hour offerings of the junior colleges were terminal courses—that is, courses which proposed to prepare a junior college student in one or two years to earn a living without the necessity of further formal education. Sometimes these terminal courses carry credits which may be transferred to senior colleges; sometimes they do not. Many senior colleges are discovering, however, that students who make satisfactory grades in junior college terminal courses also make good grades if they transfer to a senior college for further work.

The most important aspect of the junior colleges in Texas and Oklahoma is that they offer a definite opportunity to the many high school graduates who, for the reason or another, cannot attempt to complete a college course four years in length. The junior colleges offer two years of general education designed to develop citizenship and broad social understanding through courses of study that emphasize breadth, unity and comprehension.

The average junior college course, therefore, offers its students two distinct types of curricula, side by side: (1) Transfer curricula of a variety of kinds, designed for those students who will continue their education in senior college after graduation from the junior college, and (2) terminal curricula, both general and semi-professional in character, designed for those students who will complete their formal education with junior college graduation.

The junior college, in other words, is designed not to supplant but to supplement the traditional American college and university. It thus occupies a unique position in the American educational system and is undoubtedly a permanent addition to that system.

In normal years, junior college enrollment is divided about equally between the sexes. During the war, however, women students predominated due to the draft of the 18 and 19-year-old youths. This year, on the other hand, the large veteran enrollment has brought about the opposite result; present enrollments average 68 per cent male students.

Forty-six per cent of the nation's junior colleges are publicly controlled and financed, while 54 per cent are privately controlled and financed. Oklahoma, however, has only two privately controlled junior colleges—Bacone College for Indians and Monte Cassino Junior College in Tulsa. A little more than half of Texas' junior colleges are privately controlled.

Faculty standards for the junior colleges are high. The almost universal requirement for junior college faculty appointment is the Master's Degree, with further graduate work usually required for heads of departments and administrative officers.

Students of the higher educational system in Texas and Oklahoma predict that within the next 25 years at least 50 per cent of the youth of junior college age will be enrolled in junior colleges. They believe, also, that many universities will begin their work at the junior year, leaving the freshmen and sophomore years to the junior colleges.

The service the junior colleges are rendering the veterans has been recognized by Gen. Omar N. Bradley, Administrator of the Veterans' Administration. Here is what General Bradley has said about these two-year colleges:

"The junior colleges of America are well equipped to furnish the answer to the educational problems of our young veterans. They are able to furnish a higher education in the veteran's own home town, thus relieving him of the problems of housing. They are able to make up his deficiencies in high school credits. They are able to give him the best possible foundation for specialized university training."

The oldest junior college in Texas, the Decatur Baptist College, was founded in 1896. According to Dr. Frederik C. Eby, of the University of Texas, who made a study of the junior college movement, the first junior colleges founded anywhere in the world were founded in the United States. Decatur College was one of the first few founded and the others have since closed, thus leaving Decatur College the

oldest junior college in the world.

In view of such a commendation as this, the Southwest has reason to be proud of its possession of the oldest junior college in the world and of the lead it has taken in junior college work and development.

PRESIDENTIAL FIRSTS

John Tyler had to borrow money to go to Washington for his first inaugural, and Andrew Jackson rode horseback to Washington for his inaugural.

The first inaugural ball was held during President Madison's administration. The Tafts began the custom of having musicales after state dinners.

John Quincy Adams was the first President to wear long trousers at the inaugural and the first to have a billiard table.

The first President to have a travel expense account was Theodore Roosevelt. In 1907 Congress appropriated \$25,000 a year for the purpose. Congress later combined this travel expense account with household allowances. The total amount is now \$30,000, and the two funds are still combined.

President McKinley had his ship, the Dolphin, and President Cleveland had a Navy boat, but it was Teddy Roosevelt who had the first presidential yacht provided at the expense of the government for pleasure and recreation.

Coolidge was the first President to speak over the radio, in 1925.

People began calling it the White House when Andrew Jackson whitewashed the executive mansion. But the name was not officially changed to that until Theodore Roosevelt's administration.

Presidents before Harding usually wrote their own speeches. Harding hired Judson Welliver to write his speeches and messages. Now various aides contribute to the shaping of a speech for Presidents.

Big Four

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States program "in whole or in part." He called for a system of control directly under the Security Council, insisted that the United States destroy its A-bombs, argued that the veto question was irrelevant. For some seventy meetings of the Commission and its committees there was deadlock.

In the Assembly the debate over general disarmament followed closely the specific United States proposals on the principles for atomic control. There came a series of Russian concessions to the American point of view. But one issue was left untouched—the question of vetoless punishment. The American delegation did not press the point in the Assembly.

An opportunity to make an immediate start toward carrying out the principles of the Assembly's resolution, the United States apparently felt, was presented in the Atomic Energy Commission. This position was based on the belief that if the atomic question could be solved as a "first thing first," the remaining elements of the entire disarmament program would fall into place.

Baruch Hits Veto

The United States told the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission December 27 to accept the American program for atomic energy control or else the United States will not give up secrets of the atomic bomb. Bernard Baruch, United States delegate, crashed headlong into Soviet objections by insisting that the treaty banning atomic weapons provide automatic punishment of any country violating the treaty. Russia has asked that the Big Five Powers have the right to veto punishment.

Baruch, addressing members of the UN Atomic Energy Commission, said he could not ask the United States to give up its "tremendous knowledge in the field of atomic energy" unless it receives greater assurance that the knowledge will not be misused.

"I do not see why a nation which intends to keep the treaty would want the veto," Baruch said. "Only those nations which may intend to violate the treaty would want the protection of the veto. . . . Let all nations that willingly set their pens to the terms of this treaty realize that its willful breach means punishment and, if necessary, war."

Watch therefore; for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. Mat. 24:42.

A LITTLE FUN

Jokes to Make You Laugh

Accommodating Landlord

"But it's so small," protested a prospective tenant who was inspecting an apartment.

"Never mind," said the landlord. "We'll make it larger for you; we'll scrape off the wallpaper and wash the dirt from the windows."

Located!

A grandparent who believed in reincarnation made an appointment to meet his grandson at a certain time after he passed on. When the time came, the boy went to the prearranged spot, where he made contact with his grandpa.

"Are you happy, grandpappy?" the boy asked.

"Why, son, this is the most wonderful experience I have ever had. The sun is shining brightly, the grass is green and tender and would you believe it, there are twenty-five of the most beautiful females lying on the grass in front of me. They have the sweetest faces, and their big brown eyes look up to me in adoration."

"Gee, grandpappy," the boy said, "I didn't know heaven was like that."

"Heck, son," the old man replied. "I'm not in heaven. I'm a Holstein bull out in Western Oklahoma."

One circus elephant says to the other: "I'm getting sick and tired of working for peanuts."

Alice Finds a Way

Alice, who was five years old, was often asked to run errands for her mother. She went willingly if she could pronounce the name of the article wanted, but dreaded the laughter which greeted her attempts to pronounce certain words.

"Vinegar" was one of the hardest for her. She never would go for it if she could help it, but one morning her mother found it absolutely necessary to send her.

Entering the store she handed the jug to the clerk and said: "Smell the jug and give me a quart."

The Milkman Cometh

A milkman's life is never dull, and some milkmen have learned not to be surprised at any sort of request. Here are copies of notes actually left by customers:

Dear Milkman: "My back door is open. Please put milk in refrigerator, get money out of cup in drawer and leave change on kitchen table in pennies because we want to play bingo tonight."

Dear Milkman: "When you leave the milk please put coal on the furnace, let the dog out, and put the newspapers inside the screen door. P. S. Don't leave any milk."

Marked Man

Asked where her husband might be found, the wife replied that he had gone fishing. "Just walk down to the bridge," she suggested caustically, "and look around until you find a pole with a worm on each end."

Poultry News

Plan Now for 1947

The American Poultry Journal says: It is good poultry management to plan the coming poultry year well in advance. Decide how many chickens you will raise, where you will raise them, when you want to start them, and the kind of chicks to get. Since it's the wise chick grower who makes arrangements early for buying his chicks, now is a good time to start writing to hatcherymen and breeders for their 1947 chick catalogs and chick prices. It will pay to shop around by mail so all the desired information about stock is obtained and an early decision can be made on buying.

Keep the Best Turkeys for Breeding

At the time of the holidays and high prices for turkeys, plans should be made for next year's breeding stock. Usually those early maturing birds that are in the finest shape and show the highest quality for market are the very ones that should be kept for breeding. So it is a wise plan to select breeders first before selling off the best birds to market.

Get After Lice and Mites

Farmers will make \$36 more for every \$100 of investment by controlling chicken mites, according to W. N. Bruce of the University of Illinois.

Steps that can be taken to eliminate mites are fairly simple and very effective. If it has not already been done, now is a good time to paint the roosts, nests and other likely hiding places thoroughly for mites with a good commercial mite repellent. These pests spend only the night hours on the chickens and hide out in cracks and crevices during the day, so be sure the poultry house is well sprayed if complete control is to be realized.

Lice are also a problem to the poultryman and they are easily brought under control. When placing pullets in the laying house it is a good time to delouse them; however, now is not too late, and the extra work will be well repaid. There are many good commercial liquids and dusts on the market that will kill the lice.

It is important to high production to rid the laying flock of both lice and mites. The means are simple and easy when a good commercial liquid or powder is used and the directions on the preparation followed.

Problem in Economy

On New York's lower East Side, an urchin always stopped on his way to and from school to gaze in a jewelry store window at a cheap gaudy brooch. His greatest desire was to present it to his "girl friend," and each day he'd ask the jeweler if it had been reduced. One day while his nose was pressed against the windowpane he was horrified to see the jeweler take it from the display.

Then the jeweler came out with a neatly wrapped package. "Here, kid," he said, "give this to your girl friend. And now please stop pressing your nose on the windowpane. It costs me much more than 98 cents to have my window cleaned!"

It Might Happen Again

A man who had been henpecked most of his married life was burying his wife. As the coffin was being carried out of the house, it bumped against a tree. To the horror of all present, there was a muffled scream. The lid was removed, and the supposedly dead woman stirred. She was not dead at all.

Restored to health, the shrewish woman lived three years longer. Then she really died.

As the coffin was being carried to the hearse, the husband addressed the bearers very solemnly:

"Boys, watch that tree!"

She Did Her Duty As She Saw It

"Why are you so blue this morning?" the lady asked her cleaning woman. "Oh, I've got me troubles, mum," she replied, and began telling about her afflictions.

"Well, cheer up," said the lady. "There's no use worrying."

"How can you say that, mum?" asked the cleaning woman. "It looks to me that when the Lord sends me tribulations, He expects me to tribulate."

Civilization Advances

A captain of Marines from Norfolk, Va., relates that one day while in the jungles he ran onto a tribe of cannibals who were just about to sit down to their favorite repast. "They really love their fellow man, with thick gravy," remarked the captain. Anyway, it seems that the head of this tribe finally confided to the captain that he had actually attended college in the United States.

"Do you mean to say," asked the amazed captain, "that you went to college and that you still eat human beings?"

"Oh, yes," replied the chief, "but of course I use a knife and fork and plate now."

Whistle First

A young matron was enjoying the attentions of her dinner partner, a handsome Westerner. "But how old do you think I am?" she asked.

"Shucks," he replied, "I don't know, ma'am, but if I saw you on the street, I'd whistle first and estimate afterward."

LOST TREASURE IN THE GREAT LAKES

People who spend their evenings poring over ancient treasure maps and planning expeditions to bring up sunken Spanish galleons need not wander far afield to commence operations.

There is plenty of lost treasure for everybody right in the Great Lakes, about \$15,000,000 worth according to Department of Commerce reports.

Like any worthwhile treasure it consists mainly of gold and cash and some jewels, with a few cargoes of iron and copper thrown in, and it's all lying on the bottom of the lakes in the safes and holds of ships which have been sunk there since 1850.

Off Poverty Island in the Big Bay de Noc, for instance, there's a sunken ship with \$4,500,000 in gold bullion in her safe, just waiting for a couple of ambitious divers. Up in the Straits of Mackinac, lies \$100,000 more—in cash, aboard the steamer Westmoreland.

Some day some Boy Scout on Chambers Island or fisherman near Fish Creek, Wis., will unearth or haul up a \$60,000 treasure. The money was stolen fifty years ago from a bank in Marinette. The bank robbers got off to a good start in a row boat, but ran into a storm. The boat went down with all hands.

Any railroad fan with enough ambition to go after it will find a whole cargo of locomotives just below the mouth of the Detroit river. They were being transported aboard the freighter Clarion when she went down. Of course, the engines are a little old-fashioned after all these years, but they would still make excellent souvenirs.

From time to time, people do go after all this wealth, and occasionally they recover some of it. A Detroit businessman once got the idea of entertaining his friends by outfitting an expedition. A good time was had by all, and the guests returned to their desks hale, hearty and \$100,000 richer from copper taken off the freighter, W. H. Stevens, sunk in Lake Ontario.

HOUSING PROGRAM

A new housing program was announced by President Truman to replace the old one that had fallen far short of its objectives. Under the new program, these were the salient points:

Anyone may build a house for his own occupancy. Until now only veterans could get building permits.

Priorities on building materials are abolished.

Some increase in non-residential construction will be permitted.

The price ceiling is removed from new homes built for sale. It was \$10,000 under the old program.

Where houses and apartments are built to be rented, the rent ceilings for all units in the project will average \$80—some may be more and some less. Until now a flat \$80 ceiling was imposed.

The allocation of raw materials to manufacturers of building materials may be dropped April 1 if production continues high.

More federal financing will be given to rental housing.

Mr. Truman said there will be "no major modification in the objective of rapidly and adequately housing our veterans." He said that "more rental units must be made available for veterans. They should not be compelled to buy in order to get shelter."

Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell? Mat. 23:33.

MISSISSIPPI'S "GRAND CANYON" DISCOVERED

A canyon five miles wide with walls more than 600 feet high has been discovered along the lower Mississippi river by oil prospectors. It cannot be seen, however, without a seismograph for studying the geological structure of the area.

The Mississippi's "Grand Canyon" was discovered by Walter J. Osterhoudt of the Gulf Research and Development Co.

Geologists have known for some time that there should be a canyon on the lower part of the "Father of Waters," but where it was or what had happened to it was one of the principal unsolved problems of submarine geology.

The answer, discovered by oil prospecting parties in the Mississippi delta region, is that the canyon is still there, but it has been filled in with sand and mud.

The huge canyon, cut by the river within recent geological history, was first spotted by seismograph readings in the region south of Timbalier Bay in Louisiana that revealed a sharp deepening beneath the surface of the delta. This underground structure proved to be the east bank of the missing canyon.

Further tests revealed evidence of the canyon at three other points near the present river channel from Houma, La., to the Gulf of Mexico.

The Mississippi was once so much more powerful than it is today that it could scour the deep channel far below sea level.

RANGERS NOW FIGHT CATTLE RUSTLERS

Today, as they have for more than a century, the world-famed Texas Rangers still corral cattle rustlers as part of their duties.

As relentlessly as their hard-riding, straight-shooting predecessors fought the marauding raiders of the legendary past, the Rangers carry on their ceaseless war against cattle thieves.

But, though the renowned Ranger traditions of unwavering courage, individual initiative, crack shooting skill, and expert horsemanship remain steadfast, the Rangers now use the added weapons of scientific modern equipment.

The Texas Rangers once rode 1,500 strong, but only 30 Rangers and 15 Ranger investigators now roam the great, sprawling Lone Star State. But they make up in mobility and modern methods what they lack in numerical strength.

The man most responsible for the Rangers' fast-moving, highly efficient tactics is brawny, 44-year-old Col. Homer Garrison, Jr. He is chief Ranger and director of the Department of Public Safety.

PIN RADIO

Two scientists at Johns Hopkins University have accidentally discovered a radio smaller than an ordinary pin.

The "radio" is a piece of columbium nitride which they had frozen at a temperature of about 435 degrees below zero (Fahrenheit). The little piece of metal at that temperature began to play local radio programs with the utmost clarity without benefit of power source, tubes or antenna.

"In a couple of months we may know what we have, but at present it surprises us as much as it surprises anyone else," Dr. Donald H. Anderson, co-discoverer of the phenomenon, said.

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Texas Farm News

The Brownwood, Brown county, pecan season featured high prices but short crops. H. G. Lucas, one of the leading growers in the area, estimates the pecan crop at 1 per cent of normal.

A calf owned by R. A. Brown and fed by Bobby Boyd, both of Throckmorton county, was adjudged grand champion at the county calf show. Sixteen calves were entered and \$120 in premiums awarded. Boyd is an FFA member.

The Anderson county home demonstration club women have put up 50,000 cans of hominy since 1943. Tomatoes are close behind this figure and now the ladies are venturing on hot tamales and chili.

Wheat-pasture feeding of cattle will be on the upgrade in Texas and Oklahoma this winter, the Department of Agriculture says. There will also be a record movement of sheep into the plains counties of Texas with excellent wheat pastures for winter grazing apparently assured.

Sale of the J. A. Milburn Hereford Ranch of 1,351 acres, located in Hood county, to William Smith, of Fort Worth, was announced recently. The ranch, operated continuously by Milburn for 65 years, sold for \$67,550.

The second annual Anxiety Hereford Breeders sale will be held at Amarillo, Potter county, on Jan. 24. The first sale sponsored by the association at Amarillo last year attracted nation-wide attention.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Moore, of Bend, Lampasas county, recently sold their pecan orchard to R. L. Byrd and Lloyd Byrd, of San Saba county, for \$50,000. One of the oldest and best improved pecan orchards in the State, it has been the property of the Moores for many years. Lloyd Byrd is a grandson of the Moores.

Homer Riffe, of Garland, Dallas county, has developed a peanut digger that plows out the goobers, picks them up, shakes them and hurls them into a single windrow at the rate of two acres an hour. The machine, which Riffe has been planning and improving since 1940, leaves the ground smooth after the operation and can be attached to a tractor like any other farm equipment. It costs about \$250 and Riffe has scheduled the Garland Engineering Company to get his apparatus into production.

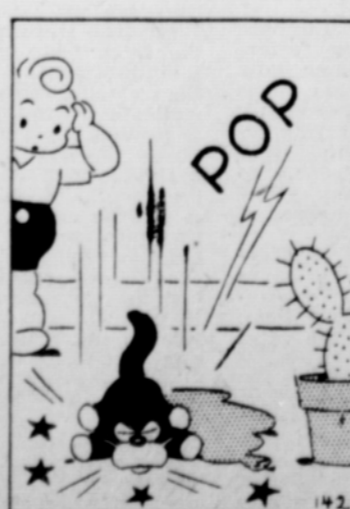
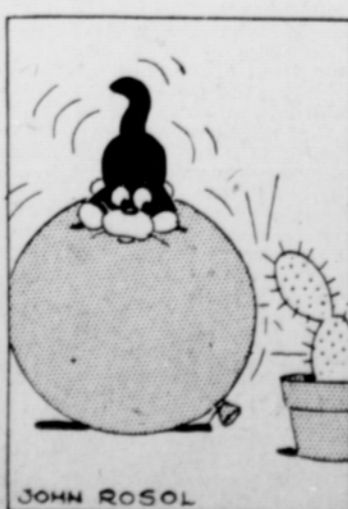
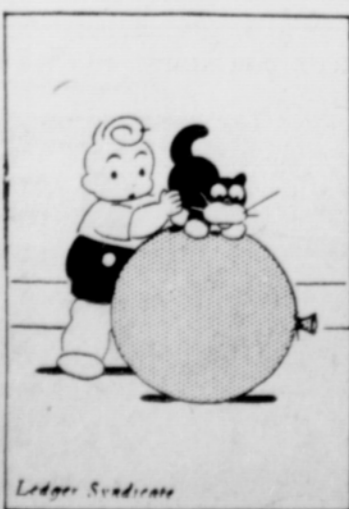
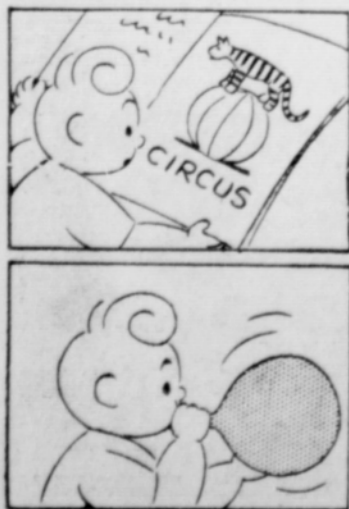
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One of the highest priced bulls ever to go out of the Texas Panhandle has been sold by the W. O. Culbertson & Sons Ranch, near Dalhart, to Dan Thornton, nationally famed Hereford rancher, of Gunnison, Colo. The Culbertson Ranch sold Prince Wilton 2nd, a senior yearling, to Thornton for \$15,000.

Sale of one of the State's most valuable orchard properties at a consideration estimated at around \$25,000 was consummated recently by the owner, Mrs. C. H. Bird, of Fort Davis. Buyer was W. A. Bird, of Tarpley, who said he will operate the 256-acre property, 56 acres of which is in apples.

Austin wheat, the famed new rust-resistant grain, is now en route to Mexico from Denton county. The seeds will be used for improvement of the Mexican crop. They will also aid materially in reducing rust in this country because rust infection is carried by the wind from south to north. Many fields in the Northwest and Canada have become rust-infected by winds blowing from Texas and Mexico, it is said.

Good yields of hybrid corn were obtained last season by 93 Hunt county 4-H club boys who conducted one-acre demonstrations, according to County Agent Uel D. Thompson. The hybrid corn was produced on all types of soil in seven communities of the county. "In all cases where the boy's father had grown native corn, the 4-H club member's hybrid out-yielded the native," Thompson said.

Texas Aberdeen Angus breeders will offer 150 registered animals in cream-of-the-crop sales at the Houston Fat Stock Show on February 6 and the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show on March 3. J. A. McGill, of Paris, Lamar county, president of the Texas Aberdeen Angus Association, said 200 head would be shown and 75 sold at each show. The animals will be selected from the 10,000 head now owned by the organization's 200 members.

Twelve of the 33 highest quality breeding turkey flocks in the United States belong to Texas turkey breeders. Of 33 turkey breeders in the nation who met the exacting advanced breeding requirements of the National Poultry Improvement Plan during the 1945-46 season, 12 were Texas breeders, according to an announcement by the Department of Agriculture. The Texas breeders who met the requirements numbered twice as many as any other State.

Mohair quality must continue to improve if the domestic industry is to keep pace with modern usage and with foreign competition. Sam C. Lukens, of the Collins & Aikman Corporation, Bristol, R. I., warned members of the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association at their recent meeting in Fort Worth. Lukens, whose firm annually buys about 5,000,000 pounds of Texas' 15,000,000 to 17,000,000-pound mohair crop, said: "If the growers can see their way clear to improve the quality of mohair, I see a prosperous future for the industry."

Farmers in Wise county are growing more hairy vetch, Austrian winter peas and clover than ever before because of the scarcity of protein feeds and the high cost of all feeds in general.

Construction of an alfalfa mill has started on the John Nigliazzo farm in the lower section of Robertson county. The mill will have a capacity of two tons per hour and will be one of the largest in the country.

Fifty-nine Denton county dairymen, owners of 800 cows, have elected officers and directors for the county Artificial Insemination Association. The group will not only breed cows artificially but will investigate measures to prevent Bangs disease.

Reeves county farmers are faithful to Alcala cotton and the county is, in effect, a one-variety cotton section. About 99 per cent of the seed is registered and certified and use of this seed has increased the income from the 4,000 acres of cotton in the county by \$25 an acre.

Bowie, Montague county, businessmen recently presented 20 registered Jersey heifers to 20 members of the 4-H and FFA clubs. The project was sponsored by the Bowie Rotary Club. Six-month-old heifers were bought and donated to the future farmers.

The Department of Agriculture reports that Texas produced 66,832,000 bushels of corn in 1945 against an estimate of 67,456,000 for 1946. The 1945 grain sorghum crop totaled 60,921,000 bushels in 1945 and 58,592,000 in 1946. Cotton production in 1945 was 1,794,000 and only 1,750,000 bales were produced in 1946.

Texas may have as many as 200,220 tractors rumbling over its farm lands by 1950 as the result of a nationwide drive to mechanize the farms of America. The drive expects to reach a national peak of 3,000,000. Texas farms on July 1 had 158,066 tractors. Of these, approximately 25,000 are past their usual junking period and 7,000 more are wearing out each year.

Probably the highest price ever paid for feeder steers was recorded in the Amarillo, Potter county, auction ring recently when 39 prime animals sold for \$23.30 per hundred pounds. The steers, which were fed at the Amarillo Conservation Experiment Station, brought in a total of \$8,339.06. Homer Hill, of Castro county, was the purchaser.

County Agricultural Agent Claude D. Emmons reports that irrigation wells are being put in rapidly in Lamb county. Last count of wells was 558 and at least 100 farms have been surveyed for more since that time. The drought caused more people to drill wells than any other previous year.

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An organization for the extermination of cats and wolves in Coryell county has been established by a group of sheep and goat raisers. The group voted to organize a year-round control program with the aid of a government trapper working in each community part of the year.

Two hundred bags of mineral supplement were sold recently to Starr county ranchers to help prevent loss of cattle. The cattle had been dying from lack of minerals and even bone meal and salt proved insufficient. The mineral supplement will be used in greater quantities if results justify.

Two hundred and thirty Rambouillet ewe lambs made up the first shipment of sheep by air recently from San Angelo, Tom Green county, to a coffee plantation in Guatemala. The sheep belonged originally to Marshall Montgomery, of Ozone, Crockett county, and were reported in good shape when they arrived in the Central American republic.

Three Texas cattle breeders will represent the State in the 1946 International Livestock Exposition Horse Show, to be held in Chicago. C. M. Caraway and Sons, of DeLeon, Comanche county, will show in the shorthorn cattle classes; Flat Top Ranch, of Walnut Springs, Bosque county, and W. J. Largent and Son, of Merkel, Taylor county, in the Hereford classes. Largent and Son exhibited the grand champion steer, Texas Special, at the 1932 International Show.

Sweet potato production in Cherokee county is expected to get on a sound basis during the coming season, as a result of plans for the construction and operation of a 100,000-bushel curing, storage and dehydrating plant in Jacksonville. The entire plant is expected to be in operation in time to handle next season's crop. Facilities of the plant will provide an additional market, since the vines, now waste, can be dehydrated to make high-protein stock feed.

The McCulloch county Boys' Fat Stock Show and Breeders' Show will be held in Brady on January 26 and the FFA judging contest is scheduled for March 2, it has been announced. The stock show, an annual affair for all McCulloch county boys, is expected to have one of the biggest years of its history. FFA members from more than 20 counties will be invited to participate in the judging contest, which is being staged for the second year.

A survey by the Texas Extension Service shows a short supply of fall-farrowed pigs in Texas this year. Quality of the pig crop is said to be one of the best ever produced in Texas. The survey was conducted among county agricultural agents and swine breeders in the State to determine the number of purebred pigs available for distribution as future breeding stock.

A plan for increasing Cherokee county's farm income to replace cash lost in the dwindling cotton crop is being arranged by the Cherokee County Agricultural Workers Association. A survey has determined that crops most suitable for production in the county include feed grains, timber and forestry, sweet potatoes, peppers and poultry.

Texas ports shipped an estimated two hundred million pounds of farm products to foreign countries, including the Philippines, during November, according to T. T. Miller, official of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Miller said the extra-heavy shipments were caused by a backlog of food products accumulated during the maritime strike.

The name Lu-Tex has been chosen as the trademark for the famous broad-breasted turkey developed by the Luling Foundation. Nearly 1,000 names were submitted in a contest in which the foundation offered \$250 for a name for the turkeys. The prize money will be divided among four Texas farm women, each of whom submitting the winning name.

Members of the Rotary Club in Richardson, Dallas county, pursuing their campaign for better livestock in the county, have delivered registered Aberdeen Angus calves to 11 4-H club boys. The youthful stockmen signed notes for the calves, payment for which was guaranteed by the Rotary Club. The owners will make periodic reports at club meetings. Average cost per calf was \$100.

Cotton's foreign trade prospects will be the theme of the National Cotton Council's ninth annual meeting, to be held in Galveston, Jan. 28 to 30. Plans for a full-scale program to better the position of American cotton in overseas markets will be worked out by the 250 official delegates, representing the raw cotton industry. A complete program also will be developed during the Galveston meeting for intensified activity in the fields of research and sales promotion, according to Oscar Johnston, president of the National Cotton Council.

Presley Webb, of Hillsboro, Hill county, walked away with a basketful of prizes at the recent Greater New Orleans Poultry Show, in which some 800 fancy fowl were on display. Webb's chickens won prizes in the Buff Plymouth Rock, Columbian Wyandotte and Ancon-Anda divisions and made a strong showing in the Black Langshan class, splitting honors in the latter divisions with Jesse Wheat, of Fort Worth.

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Joe Neil Anderson, member of the Future Farmers of America Chapter at Bells, Grayson county, won the hybrid corn contest sponsored by the Grayson County Agriculture Club. As first place winner, Anderson, who got 23 bushels per acre on his crop, received an award of \$15 and a bushel of seed corn. The average yield of corn per acre in Grayson county is 23 bushels.

The East Texas Chamber of Commerce has set up a temporary office in Lufkin, Angelina county, to speed completion of its extensive survey of the timber resources of the 36 forested counties of East Texas. Tabulated results of the survey, a year-long project, will be turned over to the Texas Forestry Association and the Texas Lumber Manufacturers Association and affiliated industries to form the basis for a brief for stronger support to be submitted to the Fiftieth Legislature. Greater support will be sought by the industry to carry on extended forestry research, to combat forest fires and to increase the scope of education in better forestry practices.

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IS YOUR PET REALLY TAME?

By ALBERT A. BRANDT
(Condensed from This Month)

The line that divides the tame from the savage is easily crossed. Take your domesticated cat or dog—or horse or cow or pig or goat—and turn them loose in the forest, and they soon revert to savage type. Your pets and beasts of burden will stay tame just as long as they are shielded from the struggle for existence. Left to shift for themselves they are at first bewildered, then desperate. Soon the raw instincts of their ancestors come to their rescue.

The first animal tamed by man is believed to be the dog. Thousands of years ago, some primeval hunter came upon a wolf cub left alone by the death of its mother. Living under the hunter's care, it never learned from the wild pack the power of tooth and claw. The wolf became a dog.

But the dog's savage self is still alive. Not long ago a woman in a Kentucky town was attacked by what looked like a pack of wolves or jackals. A posse went out after the animals, and they turned out to be runaway dogs that had gone wild. Tame dogs will also attack and kill domesticated sheep and goats.

During the war, our fighting men in the Orient saw hundreds of homeless dogs. Many of them had lost their masters in battles and air raids. They lived in packs, scavenging off the city streets and preying on farm poultry and livestock. All of them had reverted in a short time to the ways of their wild ancestors.

In the South Sea Islands, dogs that have been permitted to run wild for any length of time can no longer be trained by the

this small number came most of the wild herds of horses in Mexico and America.

In 1533 De Soto's party left behind another 213 horses. Further south, in Brazil, horses were being brought in by Mendoza while Pizarro was introducing them in Peru. They multiplied so fast that half a century later the white men found themselves fighting native warriors on horseback. Today thousands of wild horses gallop across the pampas of South America.

King George IV of England was unwittingly responsible for the wild horses that range in Africa. Looking around for some suitable gifts for a few African tribal chiefs, he chose several trained thoroughbreds. The local nabobs had never seen such animals and had no idea what to do with them. They solved their problems by driving their gift horses out of their villages—to father the great herds of the Congo and the Niger regions.

Our men in the armed services had their adventures with ferocious pigs in the jungles of New Guinea. An unexpected encounter with a wild boar could be a dangerous business. To the natives such encounters are a stroke of luck, despite the danger, for roast wild pig is to them a dish fit for an emperor. Besides, every pig killed is one less to trample and ruin their fields.

But what about the placid, faithful, domesticated cow in the clover meadow? Turned loose and allowed to roam long enough, even a cow will lose her mildness. Under threat of danger, she is amazingly shrewd and sly, and often savagely aggressive. She hides in fields of tall grain, venturing out only at dawn or twilight in search of food or water.

Even the goat goes wild when left to care for himself. Of all domesticated animals, he reverts most conspicuously, almost invariably changing color. Wild goats avoid contact with man and pine away in captivity.

So the supposedly tame animals of man's world leap back into their savage past. In a short time, the bonds of a thousand years are broken.

That pet at your side, purring or barking joyfully, may have vague stirrings, too. He may break out of his cage of domestication and run away or he may revert to savagery and bite the hand that feeds him.

THE ECHO AND ME

You reap what you sow in business the same as elsewhere. L. B. Mayer, head of MGM studios, illustrates in this manner: "Once I came home after school with a black eye, and while my mother bathed it, I told her it was the other boy's fault. But she said it took two to make a fight, led me to the back porch, and told me to call out some insulting phrase as loud as I could. So I yelled at the top of my voice, and the his sent back the echo. Then she told me to call out: 'God bless you,' and this time the echo returned: 'God bless you.' I've never forgotten that lesson."—Briant Sando in Red Barrel.

BYRON'S TRIBUTE

Lord Byron, the English poet, had a dog named Boatswain that he loved. One day his pet died and Byron wrote and placed this epitaph over the dog's grave: "Near this spot are deposited the remains of one who possessed Beauty without Vanity, Strength without Insolence, Courage without Ferocity, and all the Virtues of Man without his Vices. This Praise, which would be unmeaning Flattery if inscribed over human ashes, is but a just tribute to the Memory of Boatswain, a Dog."

One of the hardest lessons we have learned in this life, and one that many persons never learn, is to see the divine, the celestial, the pure, in the common, the near at hand—to see that heaven lies about us here in this world.—John Burroughs.

Uncle Sam's fleet will be swelled by the addition of five new cruisers, six destroyers, and six submarines within the next five months. All were begun in the final days of the war, and some will have the heaviest caliber automatic guns ever mounted—six and eight inches firing with machine-gun rapidity.



"The cat goes primitive in the shortest time."

tribesmen to be watchdogs or hunters of game. In Australia, wild dogs prowl in great droves, attacking sheep and now and then a man. They have been known in a single year to kill 4,000 sheep.

The cat, the youngest of our tamed animals, goes primitive in the shortest time. In Kansas recently, cats made homeless by owners who had moved away tried foraging in back alleys. Faced with starvation, they began to rove the State, preying on birds of all kinds like their jungle ancestors. They became such a menace that the Forestry, Fish and Game Commission had to take action. Sportsmen with shotguns were mustered out in a campaign to exterminate them.

When the cat—which, it should be remembered, belongs to the same family as the tiger—runs wild, its silk hair coarsens and its eyes take on a vicious gleam. Many wild cats roam in packs. They live in forests, dens or caves.

Or take the horse whom man has groomed for battle, trained for the races, chained to the plow, primped for the circus and harnessed to the milkman's wagon. Give him half a chance and he'll join the wild herds that now range freely in many parts of the world.

Our modern horse was introduced in the Western Hemisphere by the early explorers. Columbus, on his second journey to America, brought a few to San Domingo. Some of them ran wild and their offspring still thrive in great herds led by magnificent stallions.

Cortez, on one of his expeditions, set seventeen horses ashore in Mexico. From

Circus

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The community circus is an organized money-making venture with a board of 12 directors—all business and professional men of the town. A more unusual circus board never existed. The president, Roy A. Stamps, is manager of the Gainesville Ice Company. In the circus he acts as equestrian director and ringmaster, and puts a troupe of trained ponies and a high schooled horse through their paces.

Joe M. Leonard, vice president, is publisher of the Register. He makes all contracts for the show's appearances. Vern Brewer, a truck line operator, is the principal horse trainer and lot superintendent. He is also the choice star performer in high tightrope walking, and the chief rider. C. C. Patterson, rural mail carrier, is head usher.

Although the circus is now a paying proposition, none of the 125 performers gets any salary, all profits going back into bigger and better equipment. The show owns all the necessary equipment, including the "big top" tent, wagons and even a brand new calliope. For out-of-town engagements the equipment is transported on trucks, the performers travel in private cars, and the rest of Gainesville generally streams out behind in an auto caravan.

Unlike professional circuses, the pride of Gainesville does not offer a side show, menagerie, sleeping accommodations or cook house. Neither does it have a concert. But it carries more equipment for the grand entry than any but the biggest professional circuses. In the animal line it has high-diving and high-wire walking dogs, military pony drills, high school horses, high jumping horses and dog and pony riding acts. In the air, the show features a ballet of 17 girls on flying ladders, single and double trapezes, a quintuple trapeze on which five girls perform simultaneously, and other hair-raising acts.

In acrobatics it has contortionists, hand balancers, somersaulters, tumblers, tight and slack wire artists, rolling globe equilibrist and ladder performers. In all of their acts the highly trained but non-professional performers use no nets. True to the tradition of Texas daring, they scorn safety, with teenage high school girls swinging and swaying from the top of the big tent with nothing below but hard ground. They have never had a fatal accident.

To become a member of the show, one merely notifies the program director when the call for members is made each spring. The only requirement stipulated is that the applicant live in Gainesville, have a desire to perform in the circus, and be willing to work hard enough to do it well.

There is no shortage of talent in Gainesville. The high school is a circus beehive with teachers, students, coaches and professors doing their daily dozen at each recess. The gymnasium sports the best circus equipment to produce an aerialist or acrobat. Brown, wiry, healthy youngsters start developing at six years. Occasionally there are spills, bruises, sprained wrists, but actors come back for more.

The show's most versatile performer is housewife Gerry Murrell. One day Virgil P. Keel, grain dealer and circus addict, asked Gerry if she would train to ride his show horses. Gerry, a slim blonde girl of 26, said yes. Today she is the star with her bareback acts, in which as a climax she rides her beautiful white horse in a leap over a flaming barrier to close the show. Every top circus in the country has tried to lure Gerry away, but she prefers a hometown career.

Doris Marie Norman is typical of Gainesville's circus children. At 16, she is a 10-year veteran under the big top. At the age of 6, she was doing trapeze acts, and won fame as "the youngest performer in the world." Now she is not only an outstanding acrobat and aerialist but an excellent student in high school.

There are dozens of instances



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GERMAN SCIENTISTS HELP DEVELOP U. S. ROCKET PLANE

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ALUMINUM BUILDING

One of the most unusual buildings among New York's towering masses of steel and stone will rise under plans of the Aluminum Company of America for the erection of a twenty-story all-aluminum office and showroom structure for its headquarters.

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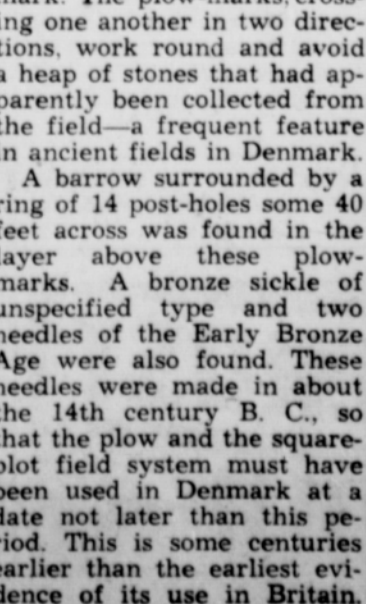
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ACCESSORIES ADD GLITTER TO ALL COSTUMES

By REA SEEGER

Costume accessories of rare and definite distinction make all the difference between a dull or ordinary ensemble and one with the attributes to start a lively conversation or debate. Such eye-compelling collections not only are difficult to find, but have the charm and color that cause them to vanish from stores at first sight. Keen shoppers instantly recognize the potential power of such glittering new things and seldom hesitate while buying them for their own.

Design specialists of bags, gloves, belts, blouses, jewelry, vests, dickeres and gilets, scarfs, and all the important trivias that make such superlatively decorative costume accents often use unusual color—daring, even dashing, contrasts and very subtle combinations for the finished results.

And for the winter season costume accessories they use sequins, fine bead embroidery, paillettes, and hand-painted motifs to dramatically enhance the exquisite sheen of satin, crepe, lace, chiffon, velvet, or taffeta. Fur also is used with almost profligate elegance for small toque hats, headbands, gloves, belts and bags. Excitingly different matched sets of hat, gloves and finger muffs in ermine, effective leopardskin, or civet cat make eye-catching duets and trios. Belts alone provide the background for the most luxurious of furs, from mink to ermine. And when belts are not spot lighted with fur the belts hand-somely jeweled and nail studded in barbaric splendor more than make up for the absence of fur. Semi-precious jewels and massive cut-out motifs, silver and gold kidskin, metals of all kinds, links, interlaced rings, and the extremely wide affairs, copied from the decorative belts of Arabians and far eastern shahs and maharajahs provide some very sensational belts for the avid collector of such loot.

Scarfs of every imaginable color, in tissue thin silks, in gleaming satins, in gossamer woolsens, and very up to date shoulder

scarfs in gay scotch plaids offer a wealth of ideas. These scotch pickups wink with a trim of multi-colored sequins and have long Victorian fringe. Highly colored, hand blocked silk scarfs, a good 36 inches square, are the most irresistible exciting items in the current showing. The designs are exquisitely beautiful, amusing, and conversation-starting. The newest scarf is the much advertised "United Nations" affair, a white background blocked in color-ed reproduction of the seal of every country belonging to the U. N. Fashion prints of Godey's famous ladies, hats, soldiers, transportation vehicles, from the chariot up to the big diesel engine, State seals, and dozens of interesting other motifs make these silken scarfs most unusual.

Blouses, with or without adornment of sequins, with hand painted motifs of white colors or black, are objects of great appreciation by any woman. You'll find long sleeved models and those with brief cap sleeves and the many smart blouses that are virtually sleeveless. Very fine soft hand knitted sweater blouses reach a new peak of elegance with throat line outlined with gold or silver braid with the design picked out with winking rhinestones or delicately highlighted with seed pearls or equally minute fake jewels such as rubies, sapphires and emeralds.

TAKE CARE OF YOUR REFRIGERATOR

By FRANCES AINSWORTH

With a plentiful supply of new refrigerators still six months to a year in the future, it's up to homemakers to treat the old box with tender care until new ones start coming off assembly lines in large quantities.

Here are tips to follow in keeping the refrigerator in good shape; keep it cool, clean, defrosted, repaired, and checked regularly.

The refrigerator should be in the coolest convenient spot in the kitchen—out of the sun, away from the radiators and kitchen stove. Air must circulate between the wall and the box to carry away the heat generated by the unit, so there should be at least two and a half inches of space between the box and the wall.

All spilled food should be wiped up at once, and the refrigerator cleaned thor-

oughly each time it is defrosted. In cleaning the inside, one level tablespoon of baking soda mixed with a quart of water makes a good cleaning fluid. Defrosting should not be put off until the frost becomes thick on the evaporator; it should be done when the frost is a quarter of an inch thick. The condenser must be kept free from dust and lint, and may need cleaning every month in some refrigerators.

In repairing the refrigerator, changing a fuse is about the only repair job the homemaker should attempt. Only an authorized service company should be allowed to make further repairs. Housewives shouldn't forget that these rules of refrigerator care apply just as much to new refrigerators, when they get one, as to the old box.

TIMESAVERS IMPORTANT TO TODAY'S HOUSEWIFE

As I was scanning through my son's history book the other evening, I ran across a very interesting article. It described one of the first loaves of bread... made centuries ago in the Swiss lake-dwellings of the Stone Age. Actually the bread resembled our modern biscuits, and as I read the article, I marveled at the stamina of the women in those days. Why, it took at least a whole day to make bread! Acorns were boiled, then dried and crushed into powder. From this the dough was prepared, laid on flat heated stones and covered with hot ashes for baking.

It certainly makes one thankful for modern housekeeping conveniences, doesn't it? Think of our delicious, flavorful bread coming to us fresh from the ovens. No hot ashes are used to prove our bread. Instead, each loaf is automatically wrapped

in waxed paper to insure its freshness and keep it sanitary.

As for biscuits—well, I use a ready mixed flour. I just add water and the dough is set for kneading and cutting. It takes just a few minutes. I always keep several packages on hand.

Incidentally, I just learned that ready-mixed preparations were almost taken off the market. When first introduced, the shortening in the mixture penetrated the carton and gave a greasy appearance to the package. Then manufacturers began using waxed paper inner linings, and the products immediately gained popularity. Waxed paper kept the carton clean and the contents fresh and sanitary.

You know, it's really fun to keep house and prepare meals, today—but we'd be actually lost without all our modern time-savers, wouldn't we?

TESTED RECIPES

Sausage Spoon Bread

3/4 pound pork sausage links 1 egg, grade B
1/2 cup corn meal 2 cups buttermilk
3/4 teaspoon soda 1 tablespoon sausage fat
3/4 teaspoon salt 1 small onion

Cook sausage in skillet about 20 minutes until brown and nearly done; pour off sausage fat. (If sausage meat is used shape into patties before cooking.) Sift together corn meal, soda and salt; add beaten egg, buttermilk and fat; add minced onion. Pour into 2-quart casserole; add sausage. Bake in moderate oven, 350 degrees F., for 40 minutes. Milk gravy to serve with the Sausage Spoon Bread may be made in pan sausage was cooked in, using some of sausage fat.

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Vegetable With Creamy Tomato Dressing

To use up those left-over vegetables—peas, beans, carrots, potatoes, celery, etc., serve hot for main dish or cold for salads with this Creamy Tomato Dressing. To make the dressing, beat 2 egg yolks slightly, add 2 tablespoons oil; slowly add 3/4 cup scalded milk. Mix 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon dry mustard, 1 tablespoon sugar, 1 tablespoon flour and a dash of cayenne; add 1/4 cup vinegar. Combine mixture in top part of double boiler; add 3 tablespoons tomato ketchup, 1 clove garlic, minced, and 2 tablespoons chopped parsley. Cook over hot water until mixture thickens, stirring constantly. Serve hot or cold with vegetables.

Sweet Sandwich Spread

When you have a little mayonnaise left in the jar, a little peanut butter, a few raisins, prunes or figs, a few nuts or a small amount of cocoanut, plan to use them for a sandwich spread. Chop the dried fruit; put all together in either the mayonnaise or peanut butter jar; stir well. Keep in refrigerator for sandwiches whenever wanted.

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Chocolate Marble Cake (3 egg whites)

1 square unsweetened chocolate, melted
1 tablespoon sugar
2 tablespoons hot water
1/4 teaspoon soda
2 cups sifted flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
6 tablespoons butter or other shortening
1 cup sugar*
3/4 cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
3 egg whites
To melted chocolate, add 1 tablespoon sugar, hot water, and soda and blend. Cool. Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt, and sift together three times. Cream shortening, add 1 cup sugar gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Add flour, alternately with milk, a small amount at a time, beating after each addition until smooth. Add vanilla. Beat egg whites until they will hold up in moist peaks. Stir quickly but thoroughly into cake batter.
Add chocolate mixture to 1/2 of batter. Put by tablespoons into two greased 8-inch (Continued top next column)

layer pans, alternating light and dark mixtures. Then with knife cut carefully through batter once in a wide zigzag course. Bake in moderate oven (375 degrees F.) 25 minutes, or until done.

* You may substitute corn syrup or honey for half of sugar. Use 1/2 cup of each; decrease milk to 1/2 cup.

Beef Croquettes

(Four servings)

Beef croquettes can become lamb or veal croquettes by substituting ground lamb or veal for the beef. Since they're so easy to make, you'll want to serve them often. Variations of flavor can be accomplished with different sauces—brown gravy, tomato sauce, and mushroom sauce, to mention a few.

3/4 pound ground beef
1 cup grated raw carrots
1/4 cup grated onion
1 teaspoon salt
1 egg
Bread or cracked crumbs
Milk
4 tablespoons drippings.

Combine ground beef, grated carrots, onion, salt, and egg. Shape into croquettes. Roll in crumbs, dip in milk and again in crumbs. Melt drippings in skillet; add croquettes. Cook over low heat, turning occasionally, until nicely browned on all sides. Serve with creamed peas.

Cranberry Banana Star Coffee Cake

Ever think of combining tart cranberries with luscious sweet bananas? Somebody did, and came up with this recipe for cranberry banana star coffee cake.

You'll be proud of this cake. It's fleecy-light and makes a colorful complement to your food centerpiece.

2 cups sifted flour
3 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup shortening
3/4 cup sugar
1 egg, beaten
3/4 cup milk
2 bananas, sliced
1/2 cup cranberry sauce.

Sift together flour, baking powder, and salt. Cream together shortening and sugar until light and fluffy. Combine egg and milk. Add to flour mixture. Stir until flour is moistened. Pour batter into greased nine-inch layer cake pan.

Arrange on top of the batter the banana slices and cranberry sauce in alternating lines radiating from the center. Arrange the fruit in such a fashion as to produce the unusual star design. Bake in moderate oven (375 degrees) 40 to 45 minutes. Serve either as coffee cake or with cream as a dessert. Yield: One nine-inch coffee cake.

Orange Custard

Here is a rennet custard dessert that has appeal for everyone.

1 Rennet tablet
1 tablespoon cold water
2 cups fresh milk
3 tablespoons sugar
1/4 teaspoon grated orange rind
1/2 teaspoon orange extract
Few drops of orange food coloring, if desired.

Dissolve rennet tablet by crushing in cold water. Mix milk, sugar, orange rind, flavoring, and food coloring. Warm slowly, stirring constantly. Test a drop on the inside of wrist frequently. When comfortably warm, not hot, remove at once from heat. Add dissolved rennet tablet and stir quickly for a few seconds.

Pour at once, while still liquid, into dessert dishes. Do not move until set—about ten minutes. Then chill.

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Get Your Vitamin C

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On almost every menu these days, citrus fruits are included. They are valuable in vitamin C content.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Dip a piece of cheese cloth in kerosene, rub it over painted furniture to remove film. Dry quickly with a clean cloth to take up excess kerosene.

Keep home electrical appliances and cords out of reach of children. Their hands are usually more or less moist, which increases the danger of electrical shocks.

Glue old rubber rings from fruit jars to the under side of small rugs to prevent skidding. Place the rings edge to edge all around the rug, about one inch from the edge.

Make sandwiches in advance of the hour they are to be served, wrap them in a dry cloth or waxpaper, then in a damp cloth, and place in a tightly covered container. They will keep fresh for a few hours.

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Due to solid plantings that have been made in a number of cities in the Southwest, many of these places would look desolate for years if an uncontrollable disease should strike that particular tree type. For instance, Chinese elms may be endangered by the Dutch elm disease, which is now killing trees in the Eastern United States.

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