

THE WASHINGTON SCENE

Special Committees Circumvent Intent of Reorganization Act

(Editor's Note: This is the seventh in a series of articles dealing with new congressional committees and their chairmen.)

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WASHINGTON.—Although the merits of the reorganization act, designed to improve congressional efficiency, are being tested for the first time in the 80th congress, various loopholes already have been discovered to circumvent the intent of the measure. One of the most obvious of these is in regard to special committees. Intent of the act was to prohibit all special committees except by a two-thirds vote in an emergency. The act specifically gives the standing committees appropriations and personnel with which to conduct special investigations.

Despite this fact, resolutions have been introduced in this congress to create a dozen odd special committees and to retain others which were operative during the preceding congress.

In addition, there have arisen several heated rows regarding jurisdiction over some controversial legislation. With all, however, standing committees have assumed greater importance under the terms of the reorganization act. The list of standing committees in the house together with their chairmen follows:

Public Lands

RICHARD J. WELCH (CALIF.) heads the public lands committee, which replaces the former committees on public lands, territories, irrigation, mines and mining, insular affairs and Indian affairs. Through his continuous service in the house since 1926, Welch has become ranking Republican on the committees on labor, merchant marine and fisheries, and insular affairs. His choice of the public lands chairmanship probably was dictated by western interest in this field, since he is the only Republican with much seniority west of Kansas.



Welch

Nominally a Republican, Welch is a political independent, who voted with the majority of his party on only 11 per cent of the controversial roll calls in 1946. He has had both Republican and Democratic nominations for some years. Many of Welch's few floor speeches have been on subjects in the fields of labor and merchant marine, but he also has spoken on public land policies.

Welch, who is about 70, has long been a political figure in California. He was a state senator from 1901 to 1913 and a member of legislative bodies of the city and county of San Francisco from 1921 until he was elected to fill an unexpired term in congress in 1926. He has been returned each succeeding election by large majorities.

The 5th California district which Welch represents is entirely within the city of San Francisco. It is chiefly residential, with a sprinkling of light industry. Both CIO and AFL are well represented in the population and both back Welch, who was one of the few Republicans to have PAC support in the last two elections.

Un-American Activities

J. PARNELL THOMAS (N. J.), who heads the un-American activities committee, has been active in its work since the days of its predecessor group headed by Martin Dies. He has assailed a number of organizations, including government agencies, for alleged Communist domination. He has declared that, although the committee under his leadership will concentrate on Communist activities (particularly in Washington and Hollywood), it will spare no individual or organization that seeks to destroy the American form of government, specifically mentioning the Columbians, Inc., of Georgia.



Thomas

Thomas voted with the majority of his party on 96 per cent of controversial roll calls in 1946. He was vigorously opposed to the McMahon atomic energy bill. His opposition was based in part, he said, on the "totalitarian" nature of the proposed atomic energy commission and partly to the alleged Communist tendencies among scientists on the Manhattan district project which produced the atomic bomb.

Thomas, who is 51, was born in Jersey City and is now a resident of nearby Allendale. After attending University of Pennsylvania, he served with the AEF in France. Later he became a bond salesman and now is a partner in a firm of insur-

ance brokers. He was mayor of Allendale from 1926 to 1930 and member of the New Jersey house of assembly from 1935 until his election to congress in 1937.

Ways and Means

HAROLD KNUTSON (MINN.), chairman of the powerful ways and means committee, which handles tax bills, has been in the house longer than any other Republican. Elected from the 6th Minnesota district in 1916, he has been returned at every subsequent election.

Knutson long has been convinced that the government costs too much and began early in the 79th congress to predict lower taxes if the Republicans gained control. Knutson voted with the majority of his party on 19 out of every 20 controversial roll calls in 1946. He was strongly anti-OPA. Himself a union member, he voted for the Case bill and for overruling the veto of this measure.

Knutson, 66 years old, lives in Manhattan Beach, Minn. He learned the printer's trade as a boy and became editor of the Wadena (Minn.) Pioneer Journal, which he now owns. Head of the Republican party organization in Minnesota, he is beginning his 16th term in the house.

The 6th Minnesota district consists of 16 rural counties northwest of Minneapolis and extending up to the edge of the iron range. The area is completely rural-agricultural, with only one city, Brainerd, over 10,000 population in 1940. There is a thriving and well-organized dairy industry. Organized labor has no strength.

Because of the tax angle, the ways and means committee has jurisdiction over tariffs and social security. It also handles matters relating to the public debt, the deposit of public money and revenue measures relating to insular possessions.

LEO E. ALLEN (ILL.), new chairman of the rules committee, becomes by virtue of that job one of the most important men in congress. With rare exceptions, no legislation can be considered on the floor of the house without prior approval of the rules committee, which also dictates the conditions under which it is to be debated and the type of amendments to be allowed.

Allen is a regular Republican who constantly votes with his party. He is 48 years old. He was graduated from University of Michigan in 1923, taught school for a few years and then served as a court clerk. He began the practice of law in 1930 and is now a member of the law firm of Allen and Heer in Galeana, Ill. Allen was elected to congress in 1932 despite the Democratic landslide of that year, and has been consistently re-elected ever since.



Allen



SERMON IN PICTURE... Dramatically portraying the theme of National Sunday School Week, this illustration will be the focal point of window displays and exhibits throughout the country during the week of April 14-20.

CALL TO CHURCH

Sunday School Week Stresses Value to Youth

Marking the annual observance of National Sunday School Week, parents of the country's 30 million children of all races and creeds between the ages of 6 and 16, will give their offspring a last-minute grooming and send them off to neighborhood churches during the week of April 14 to 20.

Sponsored by the Laymen's National committee of New York, a non-sectarian, non-profit patriotic and religious organization, National Sunday School Week was established three years ago to stimulate church school attendance and to utilize religious training as a basic method of combating juvenile delinquency.

As in past years, National Sunday School Week has been proclaimed by mayors throughout the nation as well as by the governors of the 48 states. Civic, educational and fraternal organizations with national memberships have signified their support of the week-long religious training period.

To permit hospitalized children and those invalided at home to join in the observance, the Laymen's National committee has arranged with radio networks to conduct special religious programs during the week.

Further amplifying the endeavors of National Sunday School Week, Rear Adm. Reginald R. Belknap (USN, Ret.), World War I naval hero and chairman of the Laymen's National committee, declared, "Constant religious training that is begun early in the life of every child will be instrumental in thwarting juvenile delinquency. A broad concept of God and the teachings of the Bible will aid our youths in readily distinguishing between right and wrong. Early religious training is the responsibility of every parent."

"It is time," Admiral Belknap said, "to popularize the fact that a boy or girl who regularly attends Sunday School and who is obedient to his parents and teachers is not a 'sissy,' but a real American."

Army Check Places Sergeant in Dither

PITTSBURGH, PA. — For two cents, Edward Wilson, former army sergeant, won't cash a check. Wilson received \$475 in bonds and a check for two cents from the government as his terminal leave pay. Army officials explained the two-cent check was the only means of satisfying the law, which requires that as much as possible must be sent in bonds, the balance by check. If Wilson cashes the check in a bank, he must pay 10 cents. Wilson balked at returning the check because it would involve a three-cent stamp.

Modern Jesse James Pays Taxes in Nickels

ROCKHOLD, KY. — A Whiteley county citizen has two claims to distinction—his name, Jesse James, and the fact that he pays his taxes with nickels. For more than 13 years, James has paid his taxes with nickels taken in for candy and soft drinks at his service station. Again this year he counted out 457 five-cent pieces, took a receipt and went home to start saving more nickels.

"Off We Go" AVIATION NOTES

AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION Airport construction in the fiscal year beginning July 1 will require an outlay of 85 million dollars, according to an estimate of Civil Aeronautics administration.

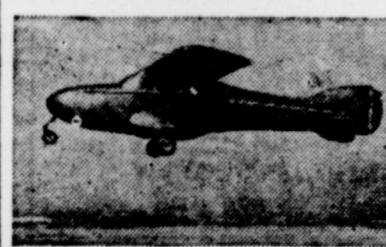
The funds, to be provided by congress, would be made available to local sponsors on a matching basis under terms of the federal airport act. No recommendation for federal airport aid was included in the budget for the 1948 fiscal year submitted to congress by President Truman since the CAA had not completed its survey of airport needs in time.

The CAA survey recommends construction of 4,431 airports in the next three years, although because of cost, administration officials stated that program probably will require considerably more time for completion. The federal airport act approved last year limits federal funds to be provided in any one year to 100 million dollars. It authorizes a total expenditure of 500 million dollars over a seven-year period.

Grants approved for the current fiscal year, ending July 1, 1947, total 45 million dollars, with construction scheduled to begin this spring. These grants include only the three smallest classes of airports.

NO MALNUTRITION If the Brooklyn Dodgers weaken in this year's National league pennant race, it won't be from malnutrition. The Durocher men, while limbering up in sunny Havana, had juicy American steaks flown to them by Pan American Airways Clippers. The top sirloins, obtained from a Miami meat dealer at \$1.50 a throw, were imported because of Cuba's dearth of prime beef.

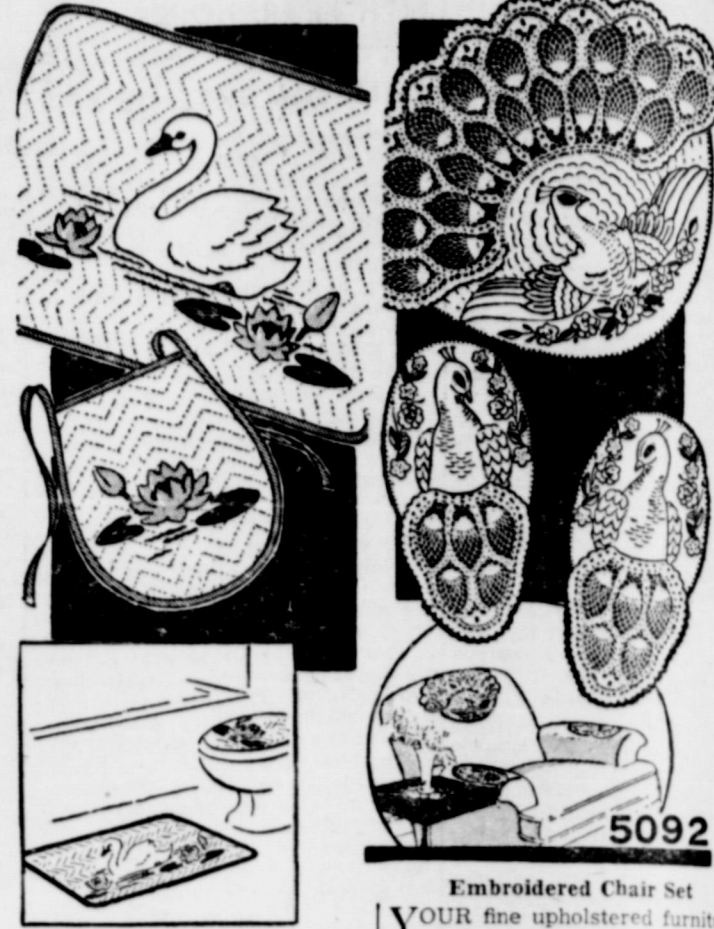
STRAW HANGAR Not even a shortage of building material could prevent H. H. Forney and Son, ranchers near Lakeside, Neb., from building a hangar for their light airplane. Unable to procure materials, they resorted to baled straw for the side walls of the hangar, coating them with cement and covering the structure with metal roofing.



ANNIVERSARY MODEL... Test flights have been completed on Waco Aircraft company's Aristocrat, which marks the 25th anniversary of the building of the company's first plane. The four-place plane is designed to meet demand for a fast and roomy plane for business and pleasure.

'FRIENDLIEST GREMLIN' A revolutionary new aircraft instrument which precludes the possibility of a pilot stalling his airplane inadvertently has been developed by CAA. The device, which shines a red light and blows a horn when a stall is imminent, has been termed the "pilot's friendliest gremlin" by experienced flyers who have operated planes equipped with it. The warning device, which is mounted on the instrument panel, is actuated by a small tab of metal or "vane" protruding through the leading edge

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ASK ME ANOTHER? A General Quiz

- 1. How can a new state be created?
- 2. What is the difference between ingenious and ingenuous?
- 3. To the ancient Hebrews Palestine was known as what?
- 4. What was the first newspaper published?
- 5. Which is the only state in the Union to give a condemned man his choice of death by hanging or in front of a firing squad?
- 6. Is a woman member of congress referred to as "congressman" or "congresswoman"?
- 7. Prince Otto von Bismarck led Germany into how many wars?
- 8. Buffalo Bill's real name was what?

The Answers
1. Only by congress.
2. Ingenious, having an aptitude for invention; ingenuous, open, frank.
3. The "Land of Canaan."
4. The earliest known newspaper was the Acta Diurna, published in Rome several centuries B. C.
5. Utah.
6. She is referred to as "the congresswoman from (her state)."
7. Three (with Denmark, Austria and with France).
8. William Frederick Cody.

Atomic Energy Subject of English Stage Play in '29

Although knowledge of atomic energy was chiefly theoretical until 1938, a stage play on the subject was produced in London in 1929, says Collier's. In this drama, Wings Over Europe, a man who discovered how to control this energy offers the secret to the British cabinet. As they consider him a crack, he threatens to blow up the earth and is murdered. A group of scientists then announce that they too have the secret but will keep it to rule the world, if necessary, for the good of mankind.

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A garden fence will do double duty when pole beans are planted against it. When a garden is watered, a deep and thorough soaking, as by a fairly heavy rain, is better than more frequent light sprinklings.

....NEW MOORE

DELAYED
The pie supper was a success; proceeds were about \$115. Miss Joan Rogers was voted the prettiest girl. Thanks to all who helped make it a success.

The boys and girls both won in ball games last week with Wells & T-Bar.

Mr and Mrs. Doc Crutcher visited relatives in Roswell last week end. New Moore's merchant, J. F. Rogers, Jr. has added a new ice cream box to his store.

The new trustees are H. L. Webb, Virgil Adams and E. W. New. C. L. Taylor visited his Dad and mother, who are ill in a Slaton hospital with pneumonia.

Mrs. Ted Rogers and Virgil Adams visited in Big Springs and Sea graves Saturday on business.

Mrs. Herbert King and Jerry of Big Springs were Easter visitors in the J. F. Rogers home; Herbert was here Sunday.

Mr and Mrs. Troy Clark of Dora N. M. visited her parents, Mr and Mrs. R. D. Wilson; the Wilsons returned home with them for a visit.

Mr and Mrs. Lon Light, Joan and Frances Mae Rogers visited the Jesse Murphys at Sand and had an Easter egg hunt.

Mrs. Jack Dotson and children visited at West Point Sunday. Mr and Mrs. J. W. Bentball of Anson visited relatives here this weekend.

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FACTS GIVEN ON CANCER

By proclamation of President Harry S. Truman, the month of April is Cancer Control Month thru out the nation. Dr. Geo. W. Cox, the State Health officer, is asking each citizen to consider the danger signals and secure medical advice at the first appearance of any suspicious symptom. There are many causes of cancer; the most common form of which is chronic or prolonged irritation.

One of the questions often asked is whether or not cancer is hereditary in human beings. Tendencies to form cancer may possibly be inherited; however since the method of inheriting such tendencies is obscure, the presence of cancer in one or both parents should be merely a cause of greater alertness in looking for and recognizing suspicious symptoms on the part of family members. There is no need of a fatalistic attitude. The fact concerning heredity do not justify them.

At the first warning signs recognized, consult your physician. The early symptoms are any sore that does not heal, particularly about the tongue, mouth or lips; a painless lump or thickening, especially in the breast, lip or tongue; irregular bleeding or discharge from any natural body opening; progressive change in the size or color of a wart mole or birthmark; persistent indigestion; persistent hoarseness or difficulty in swallowing; and any change in normal bowel habits. See your doctor about any of these signals.

Early recognition of cancer symptoms will lead to early diagnosis & treatment, and in many cases the victim can be entirely cured and live out a normal life span.

HAS YOUR SUBSCRIPTION EXPIRED ?

STATEMENT TO THE PEOPLE OF LYNN COUNTY

Up to midnight March 31, 1947 the office of Tax Assessor and Collector registered a total of 200 motor vehicles and trailers as compared to 2813 registrations at the time last year.

A breakdown of the figure shows 2209 passenger cars registered, 50 truck tractors, 230 trucks, 45 trailers, 384 farm trucks, 6 motorcycles and scooters and four dealer vehicles.

A 20 percent penalty is due on all registrations after April 1, 1947 unless the vehicle was not operated on the state highways, in lieu of the penalty an affidavit has to be signed.

By the last of April it is estimated that a total of 3300 vehicles and trailers will be reached. Notice has been given by the State Highway Patrol that all passenger cars, farm trucks, commercial trucks must display a front and rear license plate.

Respectfully Submitted, FRANK MCGLAUN, JR. Tax Assessor - Collector

NOTICE TO PEOPLE OF LYNN COUNTY: All property and school taxes not paid by July 1, 1947 will run delinquent and a penalty of 11 percent will be charged together with redemption costs.

If taxes are paid this month a penalty of only 4 1-2 percent will be charged. If you have lost your tax statement drop the Collector's office a card or letter and we will send another statement to you.

Most of the assessing of the Lynn County property must be done this month. If we failed to assess you and leave the rendition blank at your home, please fill it out and mail it to this office.

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Respectfully submitted, Frank McGlaun, Jr. Tax Assessor - Collector Lynn County

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- 3 Avoid glare from bare bulbs. Don't sit facing the light. Glare strains eyes.

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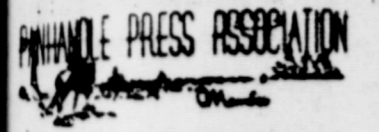
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A cynic says, "Life isn't fair to
us men. When we are born, our
mothers get the compliments and
the flowers. When we are married,
our brides get the presents and the
publicity. And when we die, our
widows get the life insurance and
the winters in Florida."
If only the other industries could
have been reconverted as promptly as
the fireworks factories did!
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newspaper in a Nevada mining
town and the readers ranked him,
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bring color and beauty to the garden for years to come. Most perennials grown
from seed bloom the second year after sowing.

Seed should be started at about the
same time as that of the annuals, such
as zinnias and marigolds. The secret
of success is to get the seedlings to
transplanting size early enough so that
when set in their permanent places in
garden or border, they will get a good
root-hold before cold weather comes on.

A specially prepared seed bed or seed
box is best for starting perennial seeds.
A seed bed can be easily prepared by
knocking the bottom out of a good-
sized shallow wooden box and sinking
the sides into the ground. The top
should be about two or three inches
above the surface. Use finely prepared,
crumbly garden loam containing plenty
of humus. It is important to locate
the seed bed where it will be sheltered
from strong winds and from sunlight
during the hottest part of the day. A
seed box or flat may also be used, with
holes bored in the bottom for drainage.
This has the advantage of being move-
able to sheltered locations when nec-
essary.
Some perennial seeds are very small.

cause he once worked on the same
paper with Mark Twain.
And Abraham Lincoln was once
defeated for the legislature — but
nobody knows the name of the man
who beat Lincoln.
The author of the following lines,
entitled "Liquor and Longevity"
is unknown but it is strongly sus-
pected that he is not a member of
the Anti-Saloon League.
The horse and mule live 20 years
And nothing know of wines and
beers.
The goat and sheep at 20 die
An dnever taste of Scotch and
rye.
The cow drinks water by the ton
And at 18 is almost done.
The dog at 15 cashes in.
Without the aid of rum and gin.
The cat in milk and water soaks
And then at 12 short years it
croaks.
The modest, sober, bone dry hen
Lays eggs for nogs, then dies at 10
All animals are strictly dry.
They sinless live and swiftly die
But sinful, ginful, rum-soaked
men

Survive for three score and ten.
And some of us, thou mighty few
Stay pickled 'til we're 92.

If U. N. is really out of work,
something tells us that it could get
that Palestine job for the asking.

Moscow seems to think our arms
proposal doesn't have a leg to stand
on.

Smarter politicians might have
made that obsolete draft card good
for ten pounds of sugar.

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alyssum, and the violets.
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seed is sown.

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The Country

Editor
After an absence of 7 or 8 weeks during political "dead" week, the Country Ed is back in business. We have refrained from editorial comment in order to give all candidates an even "shake" — although the writer doesn't believe all he sees in the print, he believed it was best to leave the editorial field for the period mentioned above.

At a called meeting of the Council Thursday night, the three newly elected aldermen, Paul Mansell, J. B. Terrell and Jake Gates were certified as officially elected, and all lifted as dishes washed for the clean and the regular meeting incoming men. Thursday, April 10th, the new officials will say "I do" on taking the oath of office — and they will start rocking their new baby — THE CITY OF O'DONNELL. The City has the colic at times and has to go to Jumbo for a financial aspirin, but in the words of a retiring City Dad, (Mr. Earls) "It has been a pleasure to do what I could."

In the persons of the retiring officials, John Earls, E. T. Wells and Roy Gibson, the community have 3 of their finest and most faithful public citizens. WITHOUT the slightest bit of over-statement, it is the opinion of the ed. that there is not a man among us who doesn't feel deeply appreciative to these business men who have given of time and intelligence in attending to the public business giving the same careful attention as they would to their own business affairs.

Mr. Earls, a veteran of fourteen years service, seven terms, took office under the most trying and difficult of economic conditions. The credit of the City, as we understood it, was darn near nil. The City, at that time was in hock to the tune

LOOKING AHEAD
By GEORGE S. BENSON
President—Harding College
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Profits Fallacy

The profit incentive is widely misunderstood and maligned. Many folks talk about profits as though they were injurious. These folks indulge in side-glances, as if profits were a vicious imposition upon the people. Profits, to some who are misled or misinformed, have assumed a negative sound. The fallacy is that industry arrives at selling prices by piling onto production costs as much profit as the traffic will bear. This is not the way profits are calculated.

Sales prices on the tags are the prime consideration. In a free competitive market, the price tag is not marked according to preconceived notions of what the profit ought to be. Another fallacy, that free enterprise makes goods for profit rather than for use, comes to light here. The consumer is king in a free market; the price tag is slave to the demands of a price-conscious buying public. This is one game in which the consumer takes the sweepstakes.

Efficiency Is King

You and I manufacture radios. We meet squarely in the market, where mine is priced at \$100 and yours at \$75. If the quality is the same, I must either lower my selling price to compete or give to the customer one-third greater value than you do. The lower the price and the more quality included, the better off each of us will be—saleswise. And the first one of us to achieve quantity sales, or real mass production, will be the first one to give the customer lower prices and better quality. Competition thus regulates the selling price regardless of my costs.

The cycle is just that simple. To keep factories running, the goal of our industries is to make a better product available to a larger number of people through mass production and lower selling costs. After deducting costs from the customer's price the result may or may not be a profit. When the margin is uncomfortably close, the next logical step will be toward more efficient production.

Efficiency of operation means to industry the ability to keep down costs of making and selling a product. The object is a favorable position on the open market. This means that factories must be busy constantly, taking up the unemployed, supplying products at lower costs to an ever increasing buying public. Not only idle men, but idle money, is called for to provide the tools to increase output.

The Public Profits

Winner of this game is the buying public. Because of the profit incentive and free competition, the public reaps huge dividends in the form of better merchandise at fair prices. To the average citizen of socialist and totalitarian countries, where I have observed that these things are never duplicated, these simple facts seem an unattainable dream. What American would wish to exchange this system for methods that have never succeeded half so well? Profit is no parasite feeding on our economic system. Profit is the life blood of the industrial and business enterprises responsible for the highest level of civilization the world has known. Freedom to compete against skill and efficiency by using better skill and more efficiency means a progressive civilization—not a static economy that either withers away or makes spoilage for the spoilers.

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of \$119,000 plus hundreds of dollars of Scrip outstanding. Along with John taking over at this critical time were Messrs. Doak and Mansell and a Mr. Henderson. If our facts are straight, by careful husbandry of resources the new administration refinanced the debt & began retiring at a regular pace the debt. The veteran alderman left office with only \$20,000 outstanding in bonded city debt.

Paying off a debt is neither as pleasant nor as popular politically as spending, but it was necessary—and more important, it was done.

As an aside it took the writer 2 years to pay a \$200 doctor bill in 1941 when the writer was an SCS employee. The wife and I missed many a picture show, party, etc to pay the debt, but more important our medical bills have made us advocates of socialized medicine even if Mac Nobles doesn't believe in sharing and share alike.

So, although some of us new comers only see a part of the past administrations works including the brain work of numerous city dads, many whom we only know by name, the foundation has been carefully laid for our future, our incoming officials, and our future officials.

The foundation is solid, a little money in the bank, and lots of work to do.

Ranking next in length of service, dating from 1941 is one of our best friends, Therman Wells. In our opinion, he has contributed mightily to the fine city we have today and his judgement is sound, never giving up judgement but thinking along logical lines to reach a decision that is both fair and just. Maybe the best reason we like him is his rare gift of a belly laugh and his sense of humor. Council was never dull with our friend there.

Probably the most successful business executive in O'Donnell, Roy "Hoot" Gibson was unanimously appointed by the Council to serve out the unexpired term of Mr. Doak, who resigned last spring. Hoot made a sacrifice in time need for his business to serve. His very good judgement and a wide knowledge of water problems along with Earls, Bradley and Wells was noted.

The above is being written not as "flowers", nor as insincere flattery for any motive, but merely as a true and sincere statement of fact. The standards of these men can well be used by all future officials to measure up to, —and work to equal.

Our new officials will have much to master in the details and the projects put on the fire and "cooking" at the time of the election. Probably the ranking problem in point of

urgency is WATER. A new source of wet stuff must be tied on or some of us might forego our Saturday night bath during the summer.

Also while we're thinking of it; city dads receive not a red cent of pay and pay taxes at the same rate as others. City purchases have been and, of course, will be continued, on a dispersed basis with all firms selling; so far as we know there is no motive to serve on the Council except a friendly rivalry to make a "hand".

Only one veteran, Mr. Bradley, remains on the Council, who is well informed on past and present problems. It will fall his duty as dean of the group to brief the new men.

From where we stand it would seem a good idea to have an advisory group along the lines of a City Board of Development with each alderman nominating a fellow citizen to serve on a board of five and advise and plan with the Councilmen, with the Council not bound to enact the plans, but to use this Board as a source of council. A great number of West Texas towns are using the Board of Development plan or a similar plan. Also this Board would be a training school for future candidates as aldermen, and assure the city a source of trained civic material.

In the words of N. Saleh: "What we need is not city elections; but 2 months of rain!" So, maybe that closes the subject of the '47 election which surprised us as much as this month's grocery bill.

Next week: Our bonded debt and refinancing at lower interest.

ARMY WEEK

Major Robert W. English, commanding officer of the South Plains Army Air Field of Lubbock has announced that Army Week will be celebrated at this installation April 6th thru April 12th.

This celebration is of national scope and will be observed by all installations in this country during the designated week. South Plains Army Air Field will conduct open House daily and visitors will be permitted to enter the field and inspect planes and equipment as well as army procedures. Theme of the celebration will be a "Strong America is a Peaceful America."

Gates of the field will be open daily Monday thru Friday from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. The exhibits will be near the black hangar close to the main entrance of SPAAF. Aircraft to be on display will include the following: B-25's; AT-6's; B-17's; C-46's; L-4's. Visitors will be given ample opportunity to inspect these warcraft which are being processed at this huge storage base.

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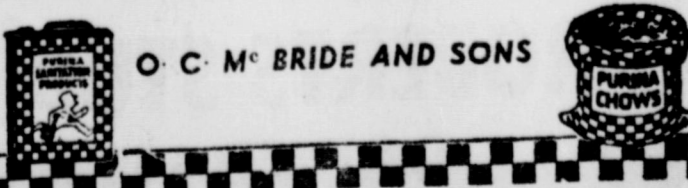
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Altogether, more than half of the company's customers will be benefited by the reductions, which range from 1 per cent to 23.8 per cent — from \$2.50 to \$300 per item, based on list prices. F. O. B., Chicago.

...Since the people have demanded that the government withdraw from price control in peacetime, the responsibility to keep prices in check is back where it should be — in the hands of business and industry. The business outlook makes it possible for us to move forward toward the goal of lower prices, and we have felt a duty to act as promptly as possible.

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LOOK! SUMMER TIME NEARS

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Swimming and water sports are beneficial to good health provided one's physical condition justifies this type of exercise, nevertheless, they possess dangerous possibilities if the rules of safety, thru carelessness or thoughtlessness are disregarded.

The health department outlined the following simple rules for bathing and swimming in safety: when swimming be alert and careful of unknown depths and currents; at least one hour should elapse after a meal before entering the water; upon the first indication of fatigue, come ashore and call it a day, if you become chilled, leave the water immediately; do not enter the water

when overheated; learn to float, this is most important; never attempt to rock a boat in a spirit of fun; never swim in water that may be polluted. Swimming close to or even a few miles below sewage outlets is inviting the possibility of acquiring disease.

Excursions, picnics, and swimming parties contribute much to a healthy, happy, normal life, which is always desirable. It is by no means advisable to eliminate these excursions from our summer program, but it is important that they prove beneficial and not disastrous.

ACTION TAKEN ON COTTON INSURANCE CLAIMS

Congressman George Mahon reports from Washington that final payment of all approved cotton crop insurance claims is now virtually assured. He advises that the House of Representatives passed a bill early this week providing adequate funds to pay all outstanding insurance claims on the 1946 cotton crop.

Mahon, a member of the Appropriations Committee, was able to get the money included in a deficiency bill which was approved by the committee last Friday. Senate action must yet be taken, but the action of the House paves the way for early and successful termination of the matter.

In commenting on the situation, Mahon said, "The 20 million dollars for crop insurance which was placed in the bill on my motion and at my insistence will enable the government to pay off all approved outstanding cotton insurance claims. There are 17 thousand such claims in Texas, a great part of which come from West Texas, the heaviest insured area. About one-half of this money will be used in paying Texas claims. I do not have accurate figures before me,

Thin The Vegetable Garden Row



—Photo Courtesy Perry-Morse Seed Co.

It is next to impossible to sow vegetable seed thinly enough so that the young plants do not crowd each other in the row when they come up. This is particularly true when the seeds are very small.

Carrot seedlings, for example, should be thinned to stand about an inch apart when two to three inches tall. Otherwise the roots cannot develop as they should. Radishes are of better shape, too, if the plants are thinned to stand about an inch apart while still tiny seedlings. Green onions can be thinned by pulling and using the extra spears for the table when they come up too quickly.

Beet seed should be planted at least 1 1/2 to 2 inches apart for each little pellet usually contains two to four seeds. When the plants are four to five inches tall, every other one can be pulled for greens. If this is done at intervals while tops and roots are small, space will gradually be left for some of the roots to reach good size.

Sowing leaf lettuce seed sparsely helps to avoid the extra work of later thinning. Even when the stand is fairly thick, instead of thinning the plants some home gardeners prefer to cut the larger outer leaves, leaving the inner

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This army recruiting district has received a directive from the War department announcing that it will receive letters or applications for regular Army commissions thru April 15th from former officers who left the service in order to complete their education.

This is a busy season for hatcheries — especially those turning out rumors.

One effect of putting airplane fares up will be to keep some passengers down.

Something to be said for government by OGPU and Gestapo. Think what could happen to a weatherman who turns up a blue norther with the vernal equinox.

but I estimate that the 1946 program will mean in excess of 10 million dollars to the cotton producers of our Congressional District.

"I realize that the cotton insurance program has been very imperfect and that it will be drastically modified for the crop year 1948. But the claims on the 1946 crop are obligations of the government and ought to be immediately honored. The total net loss to the government on the 1946 cotton crop insurance program will be 42 million dollars.

"Manager Gus Geissler of the crop insurance program advises that he wants to rewrite and greatly restrict the 1948 cotton crop insurance program, probably placing it in only a few counties and on an experimental basis. Congressman Clifford Hope of Kansas, the chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture, has begun work on a revision of the present law. However, producers who went into the 1947 crop insurance program will undoubtedly be protected on their contracts."

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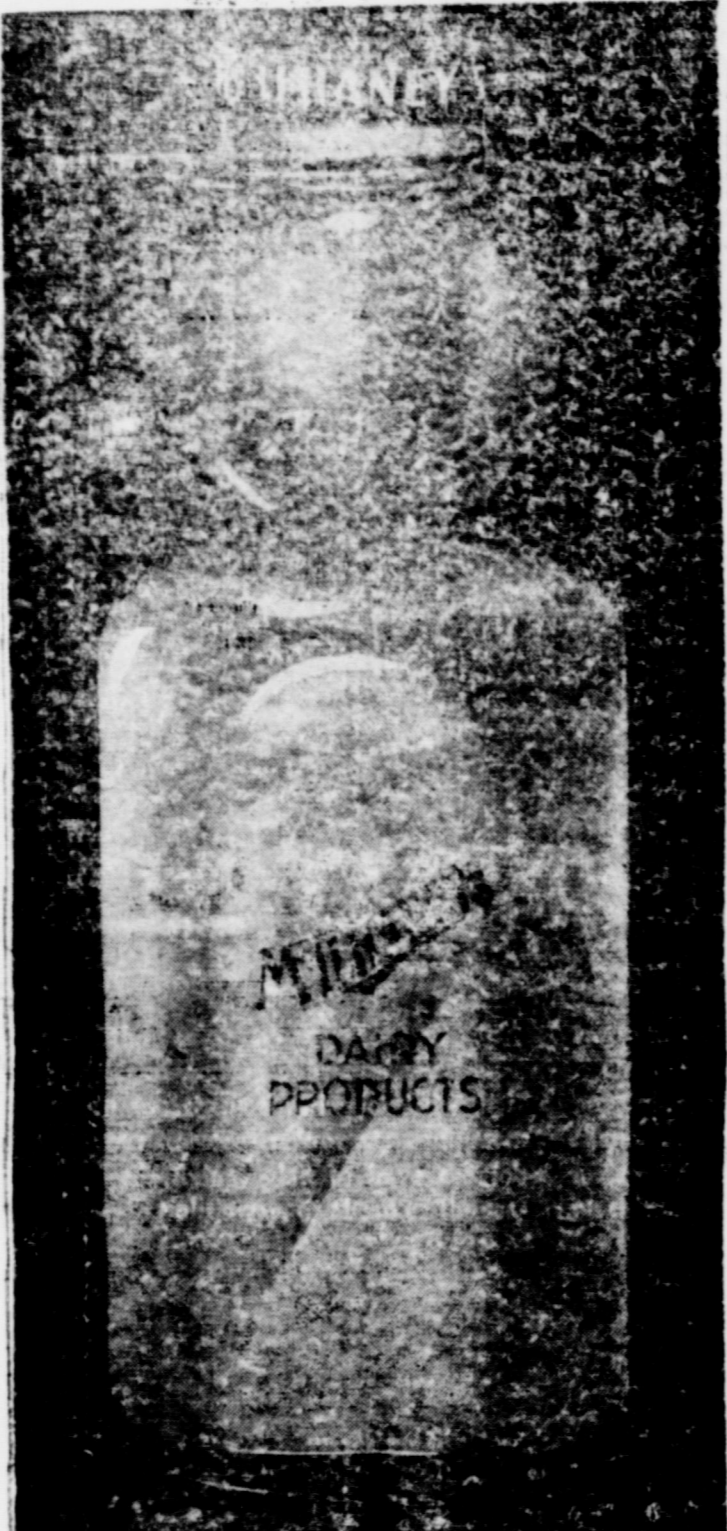
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Fairness Begets Fairness
 Recently I found in my mail an unusual letter. It was an impressive letter, for it came from a well-known manufacturer on the subject of labor unions and their leaders. Omitting the personalities involved, I should like to offer you the letter in full. It is so sane and offers such rich practical suggestions for settlement of some of our huge industrial problems that I want to pass it on to readers of this column.

"Dear Sir: Your description of the labor situation in Sweden almost depicts the labor situation of the (XYZ) industry in our country. Mr. X, the founder of the Union, plus the cooperation of the manufacturers, brought it about. And I dare say this labor leader instilled the spirit of cooperation into the manufacturers by fair play and honest tactics.

Men of Calibre
 "Since the formation of the Union in 1919, no strikes have occurred. The instruments installed by him for orderly settlements of disputes are no doubt well known to you.

"All of this leads to one conclusion. If the leaders of labor are men of right calibre, strikes are almost impossible because employers are invariably reluctant to have their business disrupted and are willing to meet fairness with fairness; hence, my advice is: Urge labor unions to choose wise and business-like leaders; men of high ideals, thoroughly honest.

"All of this may sound silly, but to prove my point: There existed a (XYZ) union before Mr. X's entry which had no influence and accomplished nothing, and if allowed to continue would have perhaps brought disaster to the industry like in so many others.

"If labor were headed by men who are qualified for leadership, labor troubles would eventually be of minor importance."

Horse-Sense
 So ends this very pointed letter from my manufacturer friend, who obviously is no enemy of labor. Actually, the reasons so apparent why management should be the friend of labor are almost the same set of reasons why labor should stand solidly for cooperation with management. After all, the two are the main components of industry, labor and management. Their objectives are the same. Neither can exist without the other. This speaks, with all the logic of plain horse-sense underscored by the compulsion of self-interest: cooperation.

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It's Tit for Tat
 The definite, dynamic relationship which prices bear to wages and wages to prices has been dramatized effectively in recent weeks. To the average American housewife, however, who counts out carefully and apportions out even more carefully her husband's weekly pay, the relationship has been real enough all along.

To Mrs. Pennythrift, the housewife, taking her change out of the crockery pot in the cupboard to exchange it for basic family needs, the fact that prices "down" represents a real "raise" in wages is well understood. With her the basic problem is: How far will the money go? When she has to take out less change to buy a loaf of bread or bottle of milk, that's as good to her as a pay boost for her husband. And cause for jubilation.

The Mass Production Way
 Henry Ford II, whose grandfather practiced so well the mechanics of good economy and who dealt fairly and well with the mass output system, recently started what may become a trend in the automobile industry. In making the first postwar price reduction on cars, Mr. Ford actually gave the equivalent of a wage boost to all Americans who buy Fords, and if other car manufacturers follow, it will mean a boost to all who buy automobiles. And as mass production of automobiles comes to peak, still lower prices will surely follow.

Bigger Pie
 One manufacturer has advertised this balance thus: "If we want a bigger cut out of the income pie either as management or labor, the best way for all concerned is to bake a bigger pie." He continued, "You can't cut bigger pieces out of a smaller pie. You can't continue to raise wages, anywhere, out of shrinking production." That is right.

Keep a Balance
 These thoughts may explain why not all of labor has been willing to get behind the banner that "industry can afford a 25% general wage increase without raising prices." The American Federation of Labor has reported its findings that in 1946 an 18% wage increase brought increases in living costs of equal amount. The balance of wages and prices is just that close in our economic structure.

Strikes are Outmoded
 Orderly settlement of industrial disputes would mean much to the welfare of our nation at this time of crisis when we are reconverting our industry to the ways of peace. Strikes are now too costly, to labor and to management, and to the public, to have any prominent place in the settlement of industrial disputes.

MESQUITE NEWS
 The Mesquite Community is giving a three act play "Meet The Middletons" April 16th; no admission will be charged; everyone is invited.

THE OLD TIMER WRITES
 As a physical wonder our fellow townsman, Dan Blocker stands way out. Ever since his arrival in O'Donnell back when he was a mere child he has been the wonder of wonders among his associates. At the age of 11 he was featured in Lubbock newspapers while attending a boy scout rally on the Tech campus as the largest scout in Texas at that age, weighing 180 pounds. Dan is now an energetic student in the Sul Ross State Teachers college at Alpine and he now tops the scales at 310 pounds. He is 6 feet 4 in. in height and the end is not yet since he is but 18 years of age.

Height and weight are only secondary characteristics with Dan. He possesses a wonderful disposition—everybody likes Dan.

Since he does things in a big way or not at all, we are not surprised that he has recently grown a set of whiskers such as might be the envy of any Scandinavian fisherman. Dan was born back in DeKalb and we confidently expect trouble between citizens of that town and those of O'Donnell before many moons. They may lay claim in DeKalb to the fact that they gave Dan a fine start, while O'Donnell citizens have put the finishing touch to this fine young fellow.

Biggest apple and pear insect pest in Texas is the codling moth, which can be controlled by spraying with four pounds of 50 percent DDT in 100 gallons of water thru out the growing season.

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Are Your Tomato Vines at Stake?



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 Raising a crop of tomatoes in your garden is something like bringing up a family. Children and tomato vines can both be allowed to go their own sweet way, following their natural inclinations; or, you can keep them from having all the freedom they'd like and wield a firm hand in the direction you want them to head. Both ways of thinking have enthusiastic followers.

Take tomatoes. If you have plenty of space and the ground under the vines is not likely to be wet causing the fruit to rot, you can often get a splendid crop with less work by just letting the vines sprawl. On the other hand there are a number of advantages to training tomato vines.

In a small garden there is real economy of space by staking because the plants can be set closer together and many more grown in the same area. Getting the vines off the ground allows them more sunshine and often prevents the tangled mass of leaves and stems from shading the fruits and delaying ripening. When the vines are off the ground, the fruits usually ripen more evenly and are easier to gather without breaking or pulling up the vines.

There are several suitable ways of staking tomato vines. One of the customary methods is to use poles about six feet long by one inch square, driving them a foot into the ground, one beside each plant. Some like to nail two or three short crosspieces to each pole to form a trellis. Tomato plants set along a fence will sometimes form an ornamental as well as useful border, and the fence posts, if slender, will serve as supports to which the vines can be tied.

Whatever method of staking is used, all the side shoots except the trunk and two main branches should usually be nipped off before the plants are tied to their supports. This encourages stronger growth and better fruits. For tying the plants be sure to use soft string or strips of rag. Hard twine may cut or break the branches, especially when the wind blows.

CHURCH HAS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM AT MESQUITE

The congregation of the church Christ is having services every Friday night. These services are conducted for the whole community of the lessons are general Bible lessons. The little folks have a Bible drill at the beginning of each week. They are enthused with singing the songs and the great characters of the Bible. You will

enjoy this get-together of friends in the Mesquite community. Plan to attend. The new building of the church which has been finished recently is of tile and white stucco. The interior is plastered and painted a very delicate light blue, lemon and white combination. The windows have aluminum venetian blinds enameled white which match the white electric light shades over head. The new pews have been especially made and are on the way to being installed. These good citizens are to be complimented for their zeal. Though they have not made even a fair crop for two years they have built this building, furnished it complete and paid for it all by themselves. A. L. Golden.

MRS. MUTT GILLIAM IS RECENT HONOREE

Approximately 50 guests called Friday afternoon April 4 at the Clyde Edwards home when Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Glenn Clark and Mrs. Cletus Cox entertained with a party in honor of Mrs. Mutt Gilliam.

The receiving rooms were decorated with pink, white and blue cut flowers, and the lace covered punch table was centered with a crystal container of pink and white carnations. Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Clark presided at the two crystal punch services which were placed at either end of the table. Musical numbers were given thruout the afternoon by Miss Wynia Jean Gilliam.

Mrs. O B Lafond of Lubbock and several guests from Lamesa attended the party.

Home gardening calls for a constant fight against insects. Local county extension agents can explain details on spraying and dusting to combat garden pests.

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Mrs. C. A. Lacy and Jim Lacy, Mrs. Claud Mc Kee of San Antonio spent the Easter season here with the Roy D. Smith family. Mrs. John Shaw is improved after a recent illness.

FOLKS YOU KNOW

Miss Louise Edwards of Odessa spent the Easter season with her folks. Mr and Mrs. Don Edwards, Miss Edwards is a teacher in the Odessa schools.

Mr and Mrs. Perry Howard of the lower Rio Grande valley, spent Easter week here visiting their children. Mrs. Ervin Sumrow spent last week in East Texas.

Still have some sweet Sudan seed for sale; The cows ask for it 10c lb G. C. ATEN, rt. 1

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Mrs. Betty Terry and son, Raymond spent Easter with their daughter and sister and family. Mr and Mrs. Rex Marshall of Friona, also visiting were the daughter and husband. Mr and Mrs. James E. Brown and another brother and family. Mr and Mrs. R B Terry and two children of Tahoka.

Henry Smith is much improved after a recent operation at a Lamesa hospital.

THE OLD TIMER WRITES

Those of us who have been bragging about the lack of sandstorms this season really got an eye (and ear) full of the real thing last Friday and Saturday. We suppose that this was the much talked-of Easter spell. The mercury did not reach a dangerous low, so the fruit crop of this section now stands a chance of making the grade. In spite of the propaganda against the Plains as a fruit growing section, we do have fruit about as often as the lower part of the state.

There seems to be no cause for alarm concerning the possible damage done to wheat by last week's Sandle, but we are sure that much of the moisture did get away. Wheat is capable of making a remarkable recovery on the Plains even after it is apparently dead -- and it lacks much of being in that condition at this time. Rain within the next ten days could well bring about a good crop.

Local News

Mr and Mrs. Cletus Cox have recently returned from a visit with relatives in Hamlin.

Carl Batron, son of Mr and Mrs. L W Barton, arrived home last Monday afternoon to visit with his parents. Carl has been in the service in the Merchant Marines for the past 18 months and has spent most of his time in the Pacific.

Mr and Mrs. Ervie Boothe returned Friday from a week's visit with her mother, Mrs. McCarty at Farr. Recent visitors in the L W Barton home was her brother and family Mr and Mrs. J L Stevens of Knox City and her parents, Mr and Mrs. Stevens of Rule.

Mr and Mrs. Lloyd Garner of Rising Star spent Easter week end here visiting with the Ellis families.

Miss Jean Leigh Yandell of Ft. Worth is here for a visit with her grandparents, Mr and Mrs. T. J. Yandell.

Mr and Mrs. Frank Landers daughter, Joan of Tyler and Mr Mrs. Woody Plumley of Dallas recently visited here in the home of Mr and Mrs. Calvin Pugh and Mrs. Eric Miller.

Mrs. Glen Gibson and Mr and Mrs. Roy Everett left Saturday for a visit with relatives. Roy returned Sunday and the ladies will spend the remainder of the week here.

Mrs. Joe Proctor is spending week in Ft. Worth visiting her mother.

Mr and Mrs. S L Walters returned last Monday from a visit with Mr and Mrs. W. Means in Brownwood.

Mr and Mrs. Mac Burkett and ward and Lowell Wright are spending this week on a fishing trip San Angelo.

Mr and Mrs. Lamar Land of mesa spent Sunday visiting here the home of Mr and Mrs. H J Land.

Mr and Mrs. Olin Yandell of Worth are the proud parents of a son born April 3rd. The baby is named Roger Lane. Grandparents are Mr and Mrs. T J Yandell. Congratulations.

Mrs. W C Taylor of Pasadena here for a visit with Mr and Mrs. John Tidwell.

Mrs. E. Clemage left Tuesday Mineral Wells where she expects to take mineral baths.

Mrs. C. R. Burleson returned Christoval after an overnight stay here.

The Joe Garners of Anton visited the Ervin Jones family Sunday.

Those visiting over the week end were Mr and Mrs. F M Towan, Mrs. M and Mrs. R E Towan, Mrs. Bownfield and Mrs. T A Towan of Odessa.

Mr and Mrs. R E Barnett and children visited R E's mother, Abernathy Saturday and Sunday.

Nice gifts for the Spring include table broilers, electric irons and other lasting gifts. H. & S.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this opportunity of expressing our sincere thanks and appreciation to our many friends and kind neighbors of our community for the acts of love and sympathy extended to us at the time of the loss of our dear mother and grandmother, Mrs. G. M. Phillips each and every one of you, our prayer.

W. B. Phillips and wife Bula Spencer and family Lester Phillips and family Cleo Carter and family Joy Phillips and family Fannie Marks and husband Will Phillips and family E J Bean and family Margie Robinson and family

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SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY & SATURDAY

- LIMA BEANS no. 2 can 16c
Tomato American spaghetti 16c
Francisco Sauce 3 cans for only 25c
CATSUP 25c
APPLE SAUCE 25c
POTTED MEAT, 3 cans for 25c
VEGETABLE SOUP 15c
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Juice CAL. TOMATO 46 OZ. CAN 29c HEART'S DELIGHT
Fruit COCKTAIL, NO 2 1-2 CAN 39c
Peas MISSION NO 2 CAN 17
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Vegetables at Their Best



Real enjoyment of your home vegetable garden depends largely upon proper preparation of the vegetables for the table.

Gather leafy crops early in the morning, if possible, before the sun wilts them. If they are to be kept until a later meal, wash and cover them, and place in the refrigerator. Pick peas and sweet corn within an hour of getting them ready for the kettle; if gathered very long before cooking, they lose both sweetness and flavor. Gathering any vegetable too long before using causes loss of vitamins.

Scrape or peel vegetables thinly; valuable minerals are just beneath the outer skin. Young carrots, beets, and summer squash should merely be scrubbed and not peeled. Neither should vegetables be soaked in water before cooking. This, too, causes loss of minerals.

Cook vegetables quickly and only until barely tender. Usually they taste better if slightly undercooked than they do if soft and mushy from overcooking. In boiling, use only a small amount of water, saving whatever liquid remains when the cooking is finished. If there is too much to serve with the vegetable, keep it to add to soup. In boiling vegetables make sure the water is really boiling before adding them. If put over the fire in cold water, vegetables lose color, flavor, texture, and much of their food value.

Vegetables fresh from the garden need very little dressing up to make them deliciously appetizing. Simple methods of cookery are best with the simplest of seasonings added. Until you have eaten vegetables fresh picked from your garden and properly cooked, you do not know the taste of vegetables at their best.

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