

THE MESSENGER

HAGERMAN
THE HEART OF THE
PECOS VALLEY'S FERTILE
FARM LANDS

HAGERMAN, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1939.

NUMBER 5

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McAllister 4, SW 25-17-34;
depth 4,710 feet; flowed 220
in 5 hours.
Santa Fe 18, NE 34-17-
depth 4,550 feet; flowed
arrels in 12 hours.
n Oil, State 1-C, NE 17-22-
depth 3,699 feet; flowed
rels in 24 hours.
Woolworth 1, SW 33-
total depth 3,550 feet;
105 barrels per hour
a choke on tubing.
Eddy County location was
of Barney Cockburn, State
16-18-31, and the following
County:
Continental, State 5, SW 17-22-
Continental, Jack 1, NE 27-
Continental, Jack 2, NE 27-
Humble, State 3-K, SE 28-
Culbertson & Irwin, Henry
25-25-37; Gulf, Ramsey 4,
5-21-35; Gulf, McCormick
7, 2-21-37; Stanolind, Hill 4, SE
17; Bryant-Drixelco, State 2,
2-21-35; Gulf, Woolworth 6,
3-24-37.

gress among wildcat of in-
Eddy County
& Fair, Hudson 1, NE sec.
17-31.
face casing standing cement-
at 570 feet.
n Oil Co., Johnson 3, SW
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ral depth 3,950 feet; junked
abandoned.
sh & Harmon, Stagner 1,
sec. 31-17-31.
tal depth 4,060 feet; shut
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er & Tallmadge, Hubbell 1-B,
7 sec. 4-18-25, 5 miles south-
of Artesia.
tal depth 380 feet; shut down
orders.
lin, Ballard 1, SE sec. 1-
29.
illing at 1,100 feet.
n Oil Co., Grant 1, NE sec.
20-25.
tal depth 427 feet; shut down
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s, Yates 1, SW sec. 6-18-30.
tal depth 2,874 feet; storage
; waiting for test.
i, Powell, Smith 1, NE sec.
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illing at 2,060 feet.
s, Travis 1, SE sec. 6-18-29.
illing at 1,100 feet.
ge Quillin and Underwood &
nders, Amy Bruce 1, SE sec.
19-31.
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ge Quillin and Carper Drilling
, Quillin 1, NE sec. 12-19-31.
tal depth 1,135 feet; shut
on for repairs.

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er, et al, Foster 1, NW sec.
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Hightower, Billingslea 1, NE
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illing at 2,440 feet.
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l, Hardwood 1, SE sec. 27-
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otal depth 5,151 feet; drilling
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CECIL BRISTOW DIES
ell Bristow of the Dexter com-
died last Tuesday morn-
He was in school Friday
and was stricken with
dicitis on Saturday. He was
to Roswell for an opera-
Pneumonia set in and from
the never rallied.
neral services were held from
home on Tuesday afternoon
burial was made in the Hager-
Cemetery with Mason Funeral
in charge.

ing this week's new car own-
Mr. and Mrs. John Lang-
r and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest
negger.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Andrus, Mrs. John
Clark and Mrs. Lazelle Huckabee
shopped and visited Mrs. O. J.
Andrus and Mrs. Bob Conley in
Roswell Monday.

Perry Andrus made a trip to
Roswell Tuesday, bringing his
mother home with him for a visit.

PLEASE BE PROMPT
WITH NEWS ITEMS
In a number of instances
lately club reporters have
reported social activities on
Thursday morning—just as
The Messenger is about to
go to press—of functions
which in some cases were
several days before.
No ironclad deadline has
been maintained in the
past, but one will have to
be established unless items
are turned in more prompt-
ly.
With the exception of
functions which take place
on Wednesday afternoon or
evening, all news copy or
information should be in
type by that time. If week
end news comes in on Mon-
day and news of early in
the week on the morning
following, it will help The
Messenger force turn out a
better newspaper, by giv-
ing time for more considera-
tion of each item.
Thanks for your coopera-
tion.

Regulations for
Price Adjustment
Payments Given
To Be Made from Fund of 212
Million Dollars Under
1938 Act

Regulations for distributing
price adjustment payments based
on 1939 plantings of cotton, wheat,
corn and rice have been announced
by the AAA, according to J. M.
Beene, chairman of the State Con-
servancy Committee.
The payments, which also are
referred to as parity payments,
will be made from a fund of 212
million dollars appropriated by the
Price Adjustment Act of 1938. The
first payments will be those to
winter wheat producers, as their
plantings, in most cases, already
have been checked for compliance.
These payments probably will be-
gin in early spring.

The regulations provide that the
rates of payment, heretofore esti-
mated within a range between two
figures for each crop, must be de-
termined finally within limits of
the appropriation as soon as prac-
ticable after Jan. 31. In no case
is the rate to exceed the difference
between the average farm price of
the commodity and 75 per cent of
the parity price for the period
from the beginning of the 1938-39
marketing year to Jan. 31.

The Agricultural Adjustment
Act of 1938, under which the AAA
farm program operates, authorized
"parity" payments to producers of
cotton, wheat, corn, rice and to-
bacco, if and when appropriations
were made for such payments. In
line with this authorization, Con-
gress later passed the Price Ad-
justment Payment Act of 1938.
Under this act, the appropriation
of 212 million dollars for price ad-
justment (parity) payments, is to
be apportioned among the five
commodities, half on the basis of
the amount by which each com-
modity fails to reach parity, and
half on the same basis as that on
which funds are apportioned for
the same commodities under the
1939 agricultural conservation pro-
gram. Estimated payment for
cotton will be 1.6 to 1.8 cents per
pound; wheat 10 to 12 cents per
bushel; corn 5 to 6 cents per
bushel.

REPORT INTERESTING VISIT IN OLD MEXICO

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wiggins, who
recently returned from a pleasure
trip through the interior of Mex-
ico tell of wonderful scenery and
historical old places visited. They
went to Del Rio by way of Mon-
terrey, reaching Mexico City in
two days and a half. From that
city they visited numerous places
of interest, including the old
stronghold of Cortez. In Tasco,
they were sightseeing in a very old
church, and saw an elaborate Mex-
ican wedding. In these old churches
were beautiful inlays of gold
leaf, several hundred years old.
They brought back for Spurgeon
and Max some lovely silver spurs,
and for Miss Ruth Wiggins a lovely
old silver Mexican bracelet.
They saw blankets being woven
and bought lovely patterns in
these. They went with Mrs. Wig-
gins' brother and wife, Mrs. A. D.
Mitchell and Mr. Mitchell, of Long
Beach, Calif.

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Institute Colts Take Close Game From Bobcats

Hagerman High Bobcats played
a whale of a ball game for thirty
minutes last Friday night, but
weakened in the last two minutes
of the contest with the strong New
Mexico Military Institute Colts,
to lose 34-31. So far, the Colts are
undefeated this season, with
victories over strong independent
teams as well as high schools, and
the closeness of the score Friday
is an index of the game, which was
very fast and close all the way.
The Bobcats took an early lead
and maintained it through most of
the game, once having a lead of
eight points in the early part of
the fourth quarter. The closing
stampedede of the Colts netted them
14 points in the final quarter,
while Hagerman was garnering
only three, and they went ahead
32-31 with only a half minute left
to play. The Bobcats peppered
the basket from long range during
the last thirty seconds, but their
tries fell outside the hoop, and a
fast break converted one of their
misses into the final two points
for the Colts.

Although considerably outsize,
L. Heck and Owens flashed some
brilliant work at guard and Strick-
land turned in a good offensive
and defensive performance to cop
high score honors with 13 points.
For the Institute, in the prelimi-
nary, the Juniors also came ahead
to overtake the Hagerman Juniors
in the closing minutes and win
33-28. Solomon and Richardson
led Hagerman's scorers in this
game with nine points each, while
White and Sprinkle tied at eleven
points each to top the Institute
scorers.

Fred Rhoades Is Crushed by Gin Pole in Oil Field

Fletcher of Hagerman turned in
an excellent job of officiating in
these games.
The lineup for the two teams
follows:
Hagerman— fg ft pf pts
P. Heck ----- 2 1 1 5
Campbell ----- 0 0 1 0
Jenkins ----- 0 0 1 0
J.W. Langenegger 1 1 0 3
Strickland ----- 5 3 1 13
Owens ----- 1 1 0 3
Jim Langenegger 0 0 2 0

12 7 8 31
Institute—
Corliss ----- 5 0 3 10
Patterson ----- 0 0 0 0
Daniels ----- 4 0 3 8
Sutton ----- 0 0 0 0
Fowler ----- 1 0 4 2
Vandenberg ----- 0 0 0 0
Porter ----- 2 2 2 4
Alexander ----- 2 2 2 4
Daugherty ----- 2 2 2 9
Preslett ----- 0 0 0 0

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House Learns of Damage to Valley Crops From Ducks

Rep. C. N. Moore of Chaves
County yesterday told the House
of Representatives migratory birds
annually damage Pecos Valley
crops to the extent of \$23,500, in
staging a fight to cut the \$25,000
annual appropriation for predatory
animal control to \$12,500, for, he
said, the bill does not control the
migratory birds.

Bill For Repeal Underground Water Law Out

The New Mexico House of Rep-
resentatives yesterday defeated a
measure proposing to repeal the
present laws governing the use of
underground waters, some support
of which came from Pecos Valley
farmers in the Artesian basin.
Repeat of the underground
waters law which threatened to be
a major issue of the session was
sponsored by Mrs. M. V. Port-
wood, Democratic representative
from Luna County.
The law in question governs use
of New Mexico's vast underground
water reservoirs including the im-
portant Pecos Valley Artesian basin.
In public hearings where senti-
ment appeared against the repeal,
Mrs. Portwood presented petitions
from approximately 300 citizens
asking the statute be abandoned.
Also killed Wednesday was a
Senate bill to legalize gambling,
proposed by Senator J. M. Dan-
iels. Lotteries were excepted in
the bill.

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Donal Lee Newsom attended the
Roswell Hereford sale and bought
Hereford bull, "Mischief Domino."
On Tuesday, he went to Hereford
to attend a sale, and bought an
older bull of the Super-Superior
strain. Both these Mr. Newsom ex-
pects to add to his herd. He stated
that the highest sale on bulls in
Hereford was \$710, which was
above the top price reported for
sales in Roswell.
Mr. Newsom recently sold seven
head of registered heifers to J. V.
Brown. Mr. Brown has become a
Hereford fancier, and is beginning
to build up a herd of good regis-
tered stock.

Perry Andrus bought two cows
of a well known Hereford strain,
Domino Prince and Superior Domino.
Both were from the French
herd at Elida. Mr. Andrus bought
several registered cows from the
Hal Bogle herd several months
ago.

Worker Badly Hurt in Boiler Blow-up Today

Boiler at Iverson Shop in Artesia Explodes— Buildings Wrecked.

ARTESIA, Feb. 2.—Special to
The Messenger—Five men were
injured, one seriously, at 3 o'clock
this afternoon when a 100-horse-
power boiler blew up at the Iverson
Tool Company shop in Artesia,
demolishing the boiler house.
William Riske, machinist, who
was working at a lathe twenty
feet from the boiler in an adjoining
room, was picked up unconscious,
suffering from numerous
wounds inflicted by flying tim-
bers.
He was rushed to a physician's
office, where his condition had not
been determined as The Messenger
went to press.
Bill Alexander of Wink, Tex.,
blacksmith who was sent here only
two days ago, sustained a severe
cut on his head and numerous
lacerations from splinters.
Arthur Gray, Troy Terry and
Joe Burrus sustained minor in-
juries.
The boiler, said to have been of
eighty-five pounds capacity, was
a mass of twisted metal, piled on
which was the metal roof of the
boiler house.
Pieces of metal sheeting were
blown 500 feet from the scene by
the explosion, which was felt and
heard in all parts of Artesia.

McMURRY COLLEGE GIVES PROGRAM

The Chanters of McMurry Col-
lege, Abilene, Tex., is a mixed
chorus of some 80 boys and girls,
carrying a traveling group of
some 30 members. Numbers in-
cluded are both sacred and secular.
Each year this organization
travels some 8,000 miles in filling
upwards of 200 engagements. The
organization includes both boys
and girls quartets, trios, octets,
duets and soloists.
The Chanters are under the able
direction of Mrs. Robert Wylie,
dean of the school of fine arts of
McMurry College.
This group gave a program
Wednesday afternoon at the school
auditorium, and was enjoyed by
all the school and other guests.

Need \$75,000 To Improve Service, Director Says

E. B. Godfrey, state health di-
rector, figures an additional \$75,-
000 a year would do much for the
betterment and completion of the
state's health service.
He explained he didn't expect to
get the new funds immediately, but
said that if "the appropriations
were possible and forthcoming,"
the department would:
(1) Expand the district health
set-up to provide assistants in the
31 counties;
(2) Put on ten additional sanita-
tionaries;
(3) Purchase a sound-equipped
truck for disease-prevention edu-
cation;
(4) Establish a program of
dental hygiene in the schools, with
a full-time dentist;
(5) Set up a state wide system
of laboratories to type pneumonia
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Albert Jay Left Wednesday for Portales, his former home. He has been employed in Hagerman for the past three months at the Garner Grocery.

Slow Poison Five Wins Over Lake Arthur Tuesday

Hagerman's Slow Poison quin-
tet went into a three-way tie for
second place with Kipling's and
Artesia by beating Lake Arthur
52 to 37, at Hagerman Tuesday
night. Hagerman led 27 to 12 at
half time. Curtis Williams, Hager-
man center, took scoring honors
with 16 points, while Harvey Nel-
son paced the Lake Arthur team
with 14. P. Fletcher, big Hager-
man guard, sank long shots with
uncanny accuracy. He made five
baskets.
Box score:
Lake Arthur— fg ft pf pts
M. Derrick, g --- 0 0 2 0
S. Derrick, g --- 3 1 1 7
Rogers, c ----- 1 0 0 2
M. Price, c ----- 4 0 0 8
Harvey Nelson, f 7 0 1 14
Harry Nelson, f 1 0 0 2
B. Derrick, f --- 2 0 0 4

18 1 4 37
Hagerman—52
Nihart, f ----- 3 1 2 7
Graham, f ----- 2 0 1 4
Goodwin, f ----- 3 2 2 8
Key, f ----- 0 0 1 0
Williams, c ----- 8 0 1 18
Greer, c ----- 2 0 0 4
F. Fletcher, g --- 5 0 0 10
V. Varnett, g --- 1 0 0 2
B. Langenegger, g 0 1 0 1

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Will Discuss Governor's Pledge of Economy at Convention Feb. 10-11

At a taxpayers' convention to be
held in the city hall in Santa
Fe Feb. 10 and 11 there will un-
doubtedly be a hearty endorsement
of Gov. John E. Miles' program of
economy and efficiency in state
and local governments, it is be-
lieved.
From such information as is
available, the estimated expendi-
tures for all departments—state,
county, school and municipal—will
be \$36,333,810. This is an increase
of \$12,971,824 over the 1934 ex-
penditures, \$23,324,341 over those
of 1920, and \$29,984,978 over the
expenditures of 1915.
There are a number of bills
already presented in the Four-
teenth Legislature which, if passed,
will materially increase expendi-
tures for this fiscal year. These
bills must be closely scrutinized
as to the emergency, if any, re-
quiring their passage, members of
taxpayers' groups declare.
Gov. Miles, in his message to
the Legislature, said: "In working
out your appropriation bills, I
trust you will keep in mind that
this administration has pledged
itself not to increase tax rates and
not to levy new forms of taxes.
Requests for increase in budget
allowances should be considered in
the light of this pledge."
The governor further stated
that: "From present indications
we cannot anticipate that the in-
come from any department of the
Bureau of Revenue or from the
property tax will be greater in
1939 than it was in 1938. Income
of some of the departments may
be less." The present Legislature
must shun any further expendi-
tures, except those which have
been estimated as required for
the conduct of necessary govern-
mental functions.
Gov. Miles has warned against
anticipating increased revenues
from the Bureau of Revenue or
from property taxes. It is quite
possible that the revenues from
all sources may shrink consider-
ably during the next two years,
owing to influences of national
and international affairs entirely
beyond control as citizens of the
state of New Mexico. Emergencies
may arise that will have to be
taken care of in the best and
most economical manner possible,
this being further reason for care-
ful expenditure of public funds
during the present period of un-
certainty.
It is believed the governor in-
tends to adhere to this expressed
policy of economy. It is felt to
be incumbent upon the Legisla-
ture to carry out the requests of
the governor in his message deliv-
ered to that body on Jan. 10, if a
large deficit is to be avoided dur-
ing the present fiscal year.
The State Federation of Tax-
payers' Associations, through its
representatives, is watching devel-
opments at Santa Fe and helping
from time to time in advising the
lawmakers as to wishes of the
taxpayers in all matters pertain-
ing to fiscal affairs, in an effort
to keep all appropriations within
the power to pay without the ne-
cessity of new levies.

Bob Burns and Bill Yeager transacted business in Artesia Tuesday evening.

GROUNDHOG SEES SHADOW TODAY

Of course, this being the
Sunshine State, the ground-
hog saw his shadow this
morning when he came out
to have a look-see, accord-
ing to traditional custom.
But Marmota Monax, as
the big wigs who call all
manner of flora and fauna
by their Latin names term
him, plays little in the
weather of the Southwest,
especially in the Pecos Valley,
where sunshine is the
rule, and where the winters
are short and nearly neg-
ligible.
In other words, the odds
yesterday among the bet-
ting fraternity were 100 to
1 that the old weather
prognosticator would see his
shadow today as he came
out to look. But anyone
knows he doesn't hole up
around here, remaining ac-
tively the whole year through.
So shadow or no shadow,
why worry about six weeks
more winter?

Closest Skiing Runs to Hagerman are at Ruidoso, Only 100 miles away in the Sacramental Moun- tains where dozens from here have been among the initiates to the sport the last few week ends. There are two, one much steeper than the other. Cloudfcroft is attracting nearly as many persons for snow sports now as it does during the summer months. Cloudfcroft is the next nearest to Hagerman and it too is proving a popular winter playground. At both places the runs are quite sporty, although not tricky enough to require expert skiers. Many initiates have caught on to the feel of skis sufficiently on their first trip to the resorts to negotiate the slides to the bottom, still standing—sometimes. Toboggans, bobsleds and sleds also are popular among many of the visitors. At Cloudfcroft an endless convey- er or rope assists the skiers and sled addicts to reach the top of the hill, thus eliminating the long climb each trip, which takes much out of the sport. Besides the runs at Cloudfcroft and Ruidoso, the other popular places in New Mexico this winter for snow sports are: Agua Piedra, Carson National Forest, 28 miles south of Taos. Big Tesuque Canyon and Little Tesuque Canyon, Santa Fe Na- tional Forest, 10 miles north of Santa Fe. Tree Springs, Cibola National Forest, 27 miles northeast of Al- buquerque. McGaffey, Cibola National For- est, 23 miles southeast of Gallup. Hart Prairie, Coconino National Forest, Northwest New Mexico. Recurring snows are keeping the runs in good condition and it is expected all seven will make good sport for at least two more months —all within a few miles of the per- petual sunshine of New Mexico's valleys.

The President's Birthday Ball Great Success

Dancing to the music of Lee
Pritchard's eight-piece swing band
last Friday night, nearly 400
guests were present at the fifth
annual President's Birthday Ball
given for the benefit of a nation-
wide fight against the dread dis-
ease of infantile paralysis. It is
generally conceded by all who su-
pervised and all who attended that
it was one of the best entertain-
ments given in the five years. To
add to the merriment, at 10:30,
200 multicolored balloons were
torn loose, and confetti and ser-
pentine crepe added to the enjoy-
ment of all present.
John Garner, dance chairman
and Robert Cumpsten, general
chairman for Hagerman, express
their thanks to the public for the
generous support in this great
cause. The receipts were over
\$170. One-half of this goes to the
national fund for fighting the dis-
ease, and one-half is sent back to
the community to be used in a
similar manner.
Both Lake Arthur and Dexter
gave the proceeds of basketball
games to this fund, while Roswell
held their annual President's ball
at Cahoon Armory on Monday eve-
ning. A number of Hagerman
people attended.
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williams and
daughter Annette of Carlsbad vis-
ited Mrs. Williams' parents, Mr.
and Mrs. Brannon and T. J. Gillis-
pie Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Conley ar-
rived Wednesday from Lawton,
Okla., for a visit with the W. R.
Goodwin family. Mrs. Conley is a
sister of Mr. Goodwin.

Skiing Is New Winter Sport in Sunshine State

Is Attracting Hundreds to Seven Runs—Dozens from Hagerman Enjoy Snow on Mountains at Cloudfcroft.

New Mexico's bid nationally as
a playground is being increased
this winter as skiing, heretofore
largely found only in Northern
states, has come into great popu-
larity, with seven principal courses
attracting thousands of persons
every week end.
Skiing is not new in the state,
but never before has it been classed
as a major attraction, bringing in
hundreds from El Paso, Amarillo
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Dancing to the music of Lee
Pritchard's eight-piece swing band
last Friday night, nearly 400
guests were present at the fifth
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given for the benefit of a nation-
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it was one of the best entertain-
ments given in the five years. To
add to the merriment, at 10:30,
200 multicolored balloons were
torn loose, and confetti and ser-
pentine crepe added to the enjoy-
ment of all present.
John Garner, dance chairman
and Robert Cumpsten, general
chairman for Hagerman, express
their thanks to the public for the
generous support in this great
cause. The receipts were over
\$170. One-half of this goes to the
national fund for fighting the dis-
ease, and one-half is sent back to
the community to be used in a
similar manner.
Both Lake Arthur and Dexter
gave the proceeds of basketball
games to this fund, while Roswell
held their annual President's ball
at Cahoon Armory on Monday eve-
ning. A number of Hagerman
people attended.
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williams and
daughter Annette of Carlsbad vis-
ited Mrs. Williams' parents, Mr.
and Mrs. Brannon and T. J. Gillis-
pie Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Conley ar-
rived Wednesday from Lawton,
Okla., for a visit with the W. R.
Goodwin family. Mrs. Conley is a
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By **BEN AMES WILLIAMS**

CHAPTER VII—Continued

Professor Brace continued his testimony under the questioning of Mr. Flood:

"What time was it when you came out of the tunnel?"

"Quarter past twelve."

"And what happened then?"

"A car passed us, then slowed down."

"Did you observe the number?"

"Yes, Miss Sentry said—"

"Never mind what she said. What was the number?"

"Mrs. Sentry thought: They take so long to say such a simple thing. Why doesn't he just say, 'I saw Mr. Sentry leave his office and drive home?'"

"But question and answer went maddeningly on—"

"What did you do?"

"Followed the car to the Sentry home."

"Where did you last see it?"

"It turned into the Sentry drive."

"What did you do?"

"Miss Sentry and I stayed in my car, in front of the house."

"Hear anything?"

"Steps on the gravel from the garage toward the house."

"See anything?"

"I saw the light from the hall as the door opened."

"Anything else?"

"After about five minutes an upstairs light was turned on. About ten minutes later it was turned off again."

"What then?"

"Miss Sentry went into the house."

"At what time?"

"One o'clock, or a little before."

"Have you since seen that car?"

"Yes."

"With that number?"

"Yes."

"Where?"

"In the Sentry garage."

"Did you at any time that night see who was in the car?"

"Yes, a man."

"Did you know him?"

"No, not then."

"Did you see his face?"

"Yes, when he first passed us. I had to put on the brakes to avoid hitting him, and a street lamp was shining on his face."

"Do you now know who he was?"

"He was Mr. Sentry."

"Mr. Flood turned to Mr. Falkran. 'Your witness, sir,' he said."

"Mrs. Sentry looked breathlessly at Mr. Falkran, fearing on the one hand that he would allow this deadly evidence to go unchallenged; on the other that his questions would involve Barbara. Yet even at that cost he must do something. For here was the peg upon which the State's whole case must hang."

"But Falkran said, 'No questions!'"

"And instantly, like a clap of doom: 'The State rests,' said Mr. Flood."

"During the brief recess, Mrs. Sentry, too shaken to move, stayed in her seat. She was not suffering; but she was so tired! Professor Brace had left the court room without having looked toward them, and she whispered to her son:

"Go catch him, Phil. Tell him we know he had to do it. Tell him we understand, that we don't blame him!"

"Phil nodded, hurried out. Then Falkran came to her, and behind the mask of a smile which he wore for the world to see, he said, 'Mrs. Sentry, I expect you were surprised I did not cross-examine; but the hour is late, and I wish to call one witness before adjournment today, so that I can leave the jury with something to think about tonight.'"

"She said in low tone: 'I see. But isn't that the key of the State's whole case? Proving he was down there that night?'"

"He said reassuringly: 'Be easy. Trust me. We will give them a better key.'"

"And a moment later they rose while the Court and jury resumed their places; and then Mr. Falkran, briefly, made his opening. Circumstantial evidence, he said in calm, assured tones, was only to be trusted when the evidence in question was capable of but one explanation. The evidence submitted by the State was elaborate, detailed, well presented, well selected."

"But you will see," he said, "how the truth which we propose to reveal to you fits into this pattern without a misfit anywhere."

"And he called the dead girl's father to the stand."

"Falkran dealt with the old man gently, winning his confidence with simple questions; but at length he led Mr. Wines to examine that collection of photographs which had previously been submitted to the New Jersey hotel clerk."

"I wish you would pick out all the photographs of your daughter which you find there," he directed.

"The old man, after a little, selected two."

"Falkran picked up from the clerk's desk those previously identified by the New Jersey hotel man

as portraits of Miss Wines. "What about these?" he asked.

"They ain't her."

"Sure?"

"I'd ought to be, I sh'd think. Sure I'm sure."

"Not your daughter?"

"No."

"Falkran smiled contentedly. 'Now, Mr. Wines,' he asked, in a new tone, 'did your daughter write to you from Boston?'"

"Yes, certain!"

"How often?"

"Most generally every Sunday."

"Did she write you while she worked for the firm of Sentry and Lorant?"

"Yes, she did."

"How often?"

"Once, anyway."

"Have you that letter?"

"District Attorney Flood rose hurriedly, approached the bench. Falkran joined him there. They spoke in low tones. The old man on the stand took a letter from his pocket and held it in his hands, waiting. After a moment Falkran turned and took it from him and handed it to the Judge. The Judge read it, spoke to Flood. Falkran smiled and with

warned the spectators that if there was further disturbance the court would be cleared.

"Mr. Sentry's testimony follows. Questions by Mr. Falkran.

Q. You are Arthur Sentry? A. I am.

Q. Of Sentry and Lorant? A. Yes.

Q. Wholesale dealers in produce, fruit, vegetables? A. Yes.

Q. You have a partner? A. Yes, Mr. Lorant.

Q. Is he in court? A. No.

Q. Have you seen him in court during this trial? A. On the first day, yes.

Q. Did you found the business? A. No, it was founded by my grandfather.

Q. And continued by whom? A. By my father, and then by me.

Q. Did you take Mr. Lorant into partnership? A. Yes.

Q. Under what circumstances? A. We were friends, just out of college. We wished to be associated. His father bought him an interest in the business, at my suggestion.

Q. Are you friends still? A. Yes.

Q. Are your families intimate? A. Not particularly. We exchange dinners.

Q. Is your business a good one? A. Yes, of its kind.

Q. Are you athletic? A. I play golf.

Q. Ever box? A. No.

Q. Fish? A. A little.

Q. Hunt? A. No.

Q. Why not? A. Mrs. Sentry dislikes firearms.

Q. Do you? A. Not at all.

Q. Are you experienced with them? A. No.

Q. Ever fire a rifle? A. I had a twenty-two when I was a boy.

Q. Ever fire a rifle of larger caliber? A. No.

Q. Is your father living? A. He has

been dead ten years.

Q. Your mother? A. She is dead.

Q. When did she die? A. Two weeks ago.

Q. Under what circumstances? A. She was old and feeble. She tried to come to see me in jail and the effort killed her.

Q. How old? A. Three.

Q. How old? A. The oldest is twenty-six, the second twenty-two, the youngest twenty.

Q. Married? A. The oldest is.

Q. And the oldest is a son or a daughter? A. The oldest is a daughter, the second is a son, the youngest a daughter.

Q. Are they in court? A. My son is.

Q. And Mrs. Sentry is in court? A. Yes.

Q. You are devoted to her? A. Yes.

Q. Have you ever wronged her? A. Yes.

The court officers at this point had difficulty in restoring order.

Q. Did you ever have a permit to carry a revolver? A. No.

Q. Did you ever ask for such a permit? A. No.

Q. Did you ever carry one? A. Yes.

Q. Bought ammunition for it? A. Yes.

Q. Where? A. At Forbush's sporting-goods store.

Q. You were a regular customer there? A. Yes.

Q. Did you know you? A. Yes.

Q. So that you made no secret of this purchase of ammunition, bought it at a store where you were known? A. Yes.

Q. When did you start carrying this weapon? A. Last fall.

Q. Do you remember the date? A. It was the day after Mr. Miller was held up, slugged, and robbed near our store.

Q. Did he recover? A. He died in hospital.

Q. Did you go anywhere last August? A. Yes.

Q. Where? A. I spent two nights at a hotel in New Jersey.

Q. Under your own name? A. No.

Q. Alone? A. No.

Q. Who was with you? A. A woman.

Q. Who was that? A. I don't know.

Q. Know her name? A. She said her first name was Enid.

Q. There was laughter in the court. Judge Stanton warned the spectators that if there was further interruption the court room would be cleared.

Q. Was Miss Wines? A. No.

Q. You met her where? A. On the Boston-New York boat.

Q. On your way to New York? A. Yes.

Q. Why did she not stay in New York with you? A. I was afraid she might meet someone who knew me.

Q. Who suggested your meeting in New Jersey? A. I did.

Q. Why New Jersey? A. Because her home was in that state. I did not want to travel with her across a state line.

Q. Did she resemble Miss Wines? A. About the same size and coloring; yes, rather. But she was older.

Q. Did she know your name? A. No.

Q. Did you arrange to meet again? A. No.

Q. Why not? A. I didn't want any possible further contact between us. I was afraid of blackmail.

Q. And did you ever on any other occasion wrong Mrs. Sentry? A. Yes.

Q. With Miss Wines? A. No.

Q. Now Mr. Sentry, you said you saw Miss Wines twice after she left the employ of Sentry and Lorant? A. Yes.

Q. Take the first occasion. Where did you see her? A. In my office.

Q. At what time of day? A. In the afternoon.



LABOR'S CLEMENT ATTLEE
Mr. Chamberlain ignored his letter.

Weekly News Analysis Has Britain Ceased Appeasing? Paris Has Reason to Doubt It

By Joseph W. LaBine

EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst, and not necessarily of the newspaper.

Europe

At Rome, British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain had received no reassurances but merely Benito Mussolini's threat to end the Spanish war immediately by helping Rebels against Loyalists. That done, Il Duce would have his hands free to press Mediterranean territorial demands against France. England and France could choose between helping the Loyalists or keeping hands off and letting Mussolini win the war. Since Chamberlain had reportedly made no concessions in Rome, it was first thought a new policy of non-appeasement was dawning, inferring a Franco-British plump for the Loyalists.

But within a few days some negative results of the Rome conversations were apparent. Back in London, Mr. Chamberlain paid no attention to a letter from Clement R. Attlee, Parliament's labor leader: "It is obvious that the policy of non-intervention (in Spain) has now be-



LABOR'S CLEMENT ATTLEE
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come the means of insuring that the Spanish (Loyalist) government shall be unable to provide for its defense against aggression by a foreign power."

In Paris, where first news of Chamberlain's alleged non-appeasement was greeted by demands for French assistance to Loyalist Spain as a self-defense measure, later news from London brought a cooling off. The whispers: That Chamberlain had secretly agreed with Mussolini to let Rebel Spain win, constituting an additional appeasement at the expense of France. Whatever the cause, the Paris chamber of deputies felt obliged to approve Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet's declaration decreeing "hands off" in Spain.

Meanwhile, despite disastrous losses in northeastern Catalonia, Spain's Loyalists felt their cause was not defeated. Authoritatively reported from Paris was the fact that Loyalists had reached an understanding with the Vatican, aided by a growing Catholic opinion that Rebel Generalissimo Francisco Franco may be using the religious issue merely as a cloak for his fundamentalist Fascist aims. Nevertheless, Loyalist Spain still has much weaker friends than General Franco, who continues to get aid from both Italy and Germany.

Pressing their current advantage, Berlin and Rome are hastening diplomatic victories in the east before Britain gets around to calling a new four-power conference for European peace. While Italy's County Galeazzo Ciano visits in Jugoslavia and Warsaw, Germany is making hay in at least three eastern countries: (1) A \$60,000,000 credit agreement has been signed with Turkey for delivery of German manufactured goods; (2) Germany has accredited a minister to Saudi Arabia; (3) Hungary and Germany have tightened their bonds.

Agriculture

When commodity prices drop, U. S. farmers co-operating in the AAA crop control program receive parity payments, designed to maintain farm purchasing power. Under the first AAA parity payments came from processing taxes, later outlawed by the Supreme court. Under the second AAA parity payments merely increase the federal deficit since last winter's congress made no provision for them. This shortcoming was brought to congress' attention in President Roosevelt's recent budget message.

But even the President has failed to suggest means of financing the payments, having merely stipulated that no new taxes shall be levied which increase the consumers' burden. Processing taxes would do this but Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace favors pulling this trick from the bag once more, hoping a liberalized Supreme court will approve the idea. Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, whose department must handle the deal, opposes processing taxes.

Since the administration cannot agree on a method of financing cur-

rent parity payments of \$212,000,000, congress is in no mood to take the initiative. It may well be that this indecision is responsible for revival of last year's McAdoo-Eicher farm bill, just reintroduced in house and senate respectively by North Dakota's Rep. William Lemke and Sen. Lynn J. Frazier. Its crux: Minimum cost-of-production price levels would be established for domestically consumed farm products, while all surplus products would be dumped on world markets for whatever they would bring. Proceeds, less marketing costs, would be returned to the farmer.

Cost-of-production critics argue that removal of crop restrictions would glut the market, drive prices down and force grain dealers to pay a large margin between the actual market price and the cost-of-production price. This margin, it is maintained, would eventually be assessed against the consumer.

Taxation

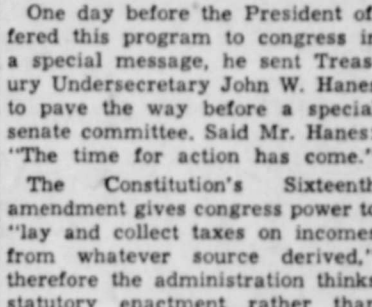
Two former U. S. treasury secretaries, Andrew W. Mellon and Ogden L. Mills, condemned the inequity of tax exempt federal, state and local bonds. Since his "soak-the-rich" revenue proposal of 1935, President Roosevelt has fought tax exempt securities and one other unpopular exemption, that on federal, state and local employees' salaries. If these exemptions could be abolished the U. S. government figures it would net eventually \$300,000,000 annually from government securities, plus \$16,000,000 from employees' income taxes.

One day before the President offered this program to congress in a special message, he sent Treasury Undersecretary John W. Hanes to pave the way before a special senate committee. Said Mr. Hanes: "The time for action has come."

The Constitution's Sixteenth amendment gives congress power to "lay and collect taxes on incomes from whatever source derived," therefore the administration thinks statutory enactment rather than constitutional amendment will suffice. Later, after congress has spoken, the courts can decide whether its action is constitutional. Argued Mr. Hanes:

Tax exempt securities now permit many large-income persons to escape income taxes entirely, therefore they are unfair. The \$65,000,000,000 in tax exempt securities now outstanding (of which some \$50,000,000 would be taxable) is so formidable that it discourages investment in private enterprises involving risk. This industry cannot compete. As for income tax exemptions, the U. S. Supreme court has already set a precedent by ruling that salaries of such quasi-public agencies as the Port of New York authority are subject to federal taxation.

As might be expected, state and local groups jumped into the fight overnight. Argued the Conference



TREASURY'S HANES
"The time for action has come."

of State Defense: Tax yield would not approach the immediate treasury estimate of \$70,000,000 a year. Moreover it would work hardship on states and municipalities by increasing financing costs. The statutory procedure would be unconstitutional. Most important, once congress' power to tax income of state and local securities has been established, a situation could arise in which congress would attempt to tax state revenues. Argued the U. S. Conference of Mayors, in a similar vein: Federal and state governments may recoup from income taxes the higher costs to municipalities in interest on their bonds.

Observers thought income tax exemption could be repealed easily, but were less confident about tax exempt securities.

People

Left, for the U. S., Brazilian Foreign Minister Oswaldo Aranha, to confer with President Roosevelt. The purpose, as explained in a Rio de Janeiro newspaper: "To discuss practical instruments for continental defense as well as national protection of each of the two countries against foreign infiltration."

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Pago Pago, capital of American Samoa and, incidentally, the locale of the famous play "Rain," holds the world's record for simultaneous rainbows, 16 having been seen over this town at one time.—Collier's Weekly.

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"And What Happened Then?" Asked Mr. Flood.

the letter in his hand turned back to the witness.

"Who wrote this letter?" he asked.

"She did."

"Your daughter?"

"Yes."

Falkran said to the Court: "I offer the letter." It was marked. He read it aloud, standing in front of the jury box, facing them.

The letter was for the most part without significance. The dead girl had written happily of her work, hoped that even though it was only temporary it might lead to something permanent. But one paragraph Mr. Falkran read slowly and impressively, in his fine trained tones, with a maximum effect, with his eyes upon the jury. He read:

"I don't like Mr. Sentry! He's cross if you make the least mistake. But Mr. Lorant is nice, awfully jolly. He asked me to go to dinner with him tonight. He said there wasn't any harm in it, but of course I didn't go."

A stir ran through the court. Falkran waited a moment for silence, then finished reading the letter. "Your witness," he told Flood.

The District Attorney declined to cross-examine. Falkran nodded, and he said: "It is near the hour, Your Honor. Mr. Sentry is to be our next witness. I suggest a recess till tomorrow morning."

Court adjourned.

CHAPTER VIII

Dan Fisher's assignment at the trial was not to cover the actual testimony that was recorded by reporters working in relays, using those swift abbreviations meaningless to anyone but themselves which with a good newspaper man take the place of shorthand—but to write the morning paper story. Mr. Sentry was on the stand all Saturday forenoon; and Dan wrote for the Sunday paper:

Arthur Sentry, on trial for his life and charged with the murder of Agnes Wines, on the witness stand yesterday admitted that he fired the shot which killed Miss Wines.

He testified that the shot was fired by accident, in the dark, when he surprised an attempt to rob the safe in his office.

He admitted leaving the dead girl's body where it fell. He admitted taking the money from the safe and burning it in the furnace at home. He admitted throwing the death weapon into the river behind his garage where it was subsequently found by the police.

He denied any misconduct with Miss Wines. He testified that it was another woman who spent two nights with him in a New Jersey hotel last August.

Mr. Sentry's testimony created a sensation. The court officers had difficulty in keeping order until Judge Stanton

the living victim until they reach the bones; soon nothing but the skeleton remains.

The Indians catch piranhas fairly easily by baiting their hooks with a bit of meat or newly-dead fish. When the creature is jerked ashore it is still snapping viciously. As an example of the ferocity of the piranha I may say that it is a common custom to slit off the heads with a sharp knife—and even when this is done the jaws continue to snap at you! These demons are usually between 18 inches and 2 feet in length.

The Word Yards
The word yard comes to us from an Anglo-Saxon word, "gyrd," meaning a rod. In ancient times, says London Answers Magazine, the yard was regarded as equal to the circumference of the human body. Then Henry I decreed that it should be the length of his arm. This is interesting when we recall that most of us can measure off a yard of string, etc., by stretching it from our nose to the extreme of one arm fully extended.

Piranha, Most Vicious Jungle Fish, Lurks in the Rivers of South America

Probably the worst enemy of any living thing (in the South American jungle) lurks in the river itself—the piranha. There are piranhas in almost every South American river and they are literally devils, writes Stuart Martin in Wide World. London. I have seen three varieties—the green-and-gold ones of Paraguay, the shiny gray specimens of the Amazon, and the green-and-black spotted demons of the Araguaya and Xingu. The natives eat them, but the quality of their flesh is nothing to brag about.

For a wounded ox or horse to fall into the river means certain death; it is also fatal for a human being to get among a shoal of piranhas, especially if there is any sore or wound on his body. Piranhas can scent their prey far away, and go literally mad at the taste of blood.

It is a sickening spectacle to see these fierce fish conducting a mass attack. The water around the unfortunate animal that falls into their clutch becomes a whirlpool, a maelstrom of death, boiling and foaming as the blood-crazed piranhas rush to the feast. They eat the flesh off

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S. Farming Marks Vital Half Century

Agriculture Department Celebrates 50 Years Of Research

By J. K. McCARREN

Exactly 50 years ago—on February 9, 1889—congress decided that farming was important to America's future. Today the department of agriculture celebrates its golden anniversary as an executive branch of the government under a cabinet officer.

The department was actually created 27 years earlier amid the stress of the Civil War by President Lincoln. Between 1862 to 1889, however, was directed by a commissioner of agriculture in the department office and annual appropriations went largely for purchase and distribution of seeds and plants, and for gathering statistical data on agriculture.

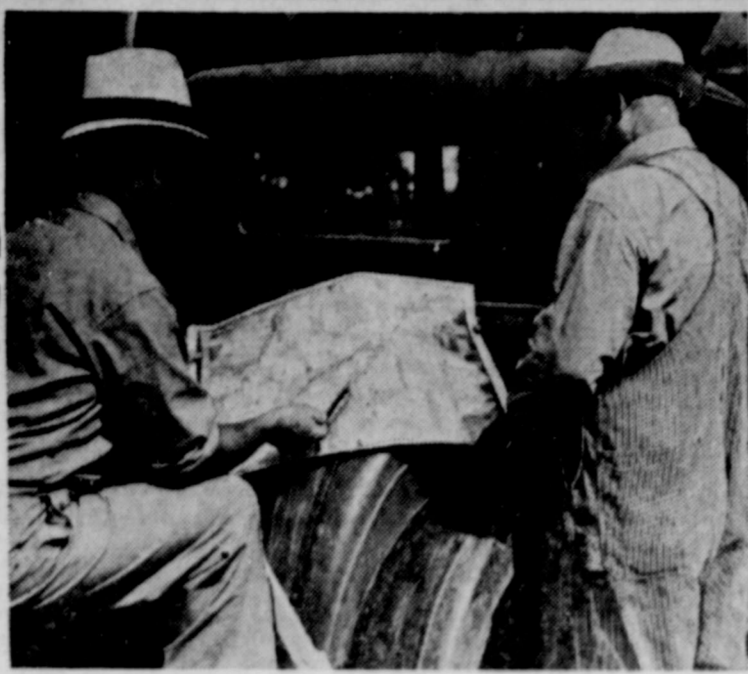
With the passage of the Hatch act in 1887, research was encouraged at agricultural experiment stations. The measure also encouraged more extensive federal program in agriculture with congress appropriating funds specifically for investigating crop production, plant and animal diseases, insect pests, reclamation, and certain economic problems.

Once established as an executive branch of the government, the department in reality became "grown-up." Toward the end of the nineteenth century, economic conditions and federal legislation broadened the department's responsibilities far beyond the realm of production science. As the settlement of the country proceeded and production expanded, new problems arose.

Activities Expanded.

It was necessary to find additional outlets for agricultural commodities, to cheapen and improve their distribution, and to aid farmers in watching their production with demand. During this period the department developed various economic services, notably crop and live stock reporting, market regulation, and the dissemination of economic information.

In 1913, with special congressional



Modern devices help agriculture department officials in their dealings with producers. Above, a county compliance worker uses an aerial map to study acreage allotments with a Nebraska farmer.

authority, it began systematic work in marketing. Congress authorized the further development of commodity grading and inspection services and the provision of a nation-wide market news service. After the World War it became necessary to deal with production and marketing as the two halves of a single problem. Experimental legislation, including the agricultural marketing act of 1929, led eventually to the enactment of the agricultural adjustment act in 1933, and subsequently to the enactment of the soil conservation and domestic allotment act.

To a large extent, however, the department has been, and still is, a research institution. Through its research, agriculture and industry have reaped huge benefits. The late Sir Horace Plunkett, Ireland's noted authority on agriculture, described it as "perhaps the most popular and respected of the world's great administrative institutions."

Investigated Splenic Fever.

Department research has many brilliant achievements to its credit, many of which reach far beyond the field of agriculture. In 1893 department scientists proved that a micro-organism found in the blood of cattle was the cause of splenic fever and that the disease was transmitted by the cattle tick. This was the first demonstration that a microbial disease can be transmitted exclusively by an insect carrier.

This discovery led physicians to the knowledge that such diseases as yellow fever, malaria, African sleeping sickness, Rocky mountain fever and other maladies are similarly transmitted. It made possible

the control of yellow fever in the Panama Canal zone and the United States completed the canal after the French had failed.

After years of fruitless efforts by scientists of many countries, department workers in 1903 discovered that hog cholera is caused by a filterable virus, and developed a preventive serum that controls the disease. This discovery saves millions of dollars for American farmers every year.

Cheap nitrogen from the air, produced by a synthetic ammonia process in many American plants, is to a large extent an outgrowth of research in the department's laboratories. This development resulted in the collapse of the foreign monopoly in organic nitrogen fertilizers and the United States is well on the road to independence in its requirements for fertilizer raw materials.

Developed Better Products.

Research in the department demonstrated for the first time that resistance to disease in plants is a genetic character and that resistant qualities can be bred into plants. This discovery has led to far-reaching improvement in wheat, oats, cotton, tobacco, sugar cane, tomatoes, cabbage, potatoes, and other important crops. This phase of research is well illustrated by the discovery of department scientists that mosaic disease was wiping out the sugar cane industry in the deep south. Introduction of mosaic-resistant stocks from the far east and a consistent quality breeding program have restored sugar cane productivity within a few years.

These are just a few examples of what department research has done for the American farmer. Many of the experiments are conducted in co-operation with state experiment stations. There are now more than 1,200 co-operative research agreements between the department and the experiment stations.

Co-operative research received another big impetus in the Bankhead-Jones act, which provides special funds for basic research. The act also serves to integrate state and federal research through regional laboratories. More far-reaching in this respect was section 202 of the agricultural adjustment act for 1938, which provides for four regional laboratories at New Orleans and Peoria, and in the vicinity of San Francisco and Philadelphia.

Combat Farm Surpluses.

The research to be carried out at the new laboratories will attack, through science and technology, the problems of developing new and extended outlets and markets for the main surplus agricultural commodities in the four major farm producing areas of the country.

To begin with, the northern laboratory will study corn, wheat and agricultural wastes; the southern laboratory cotton, sweet potatoes, and peanuts; the eastern laboratory tobacco, milk products, apples, potatoes, and vegetables; the western laboratory wheat, potatoes, alfalfa, vegetables, and fruits over that apples.

Today's department of agriculture also has many other duties, including the administration of more than 50 regulatory laws. The food and drug administration is preparing to administer the new food, drug and cosmetic act which goes into effect next June. The new act gives wider protection to the consumer and protects manufacturers from unscrupulous trade practices.

Supervise Meat Packing.

Among its regulatory duties is the supervision of the packers and stockyards act, supervising the great commodity markets to restrain dishonest practices and excessive speculation, it grades products for the wholesale and retail markets, and defends the country against foreign insects and animal plant pests.

None the less important are the duties of the weather bureau in forecasting floods, storms, frosts and winter in general; protecting wild life; conserving the soil, the forests, and certain tasks relating to flood control through land treatment. These and other means of correcting old abuses in our land utilization method are comparatively recent developments.

The department, by 50 years ago one small bureau employing a small technical staff, now has a technical staff of about 10,000 trained persons.

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Color Is Major Theme in Gay Spring Song of Fashion

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



IN CLARION notes loud and clear the spring song of fashion rings out the message of the importance of color for coming modes. That which is destined to prove a dramatic color program starts out in midseason with handsome wools that are being tailored alluringly into smart suits and ensembles, also topcoats as attractive as ere the light of fashion shown upon.

If you are impatient to don color you do not have to wait for the actual arrival of spring, neither are you called upon to travel to sunny climes to wear one of the new bright woolen outfits, for at this very moment fashion-alert women are acquiring tailors of flashing, dashing gay wool weaves that forecast the color-glory of suits, ensembles, dresses and coats that will enliven the style scene throughout the coming months.

Early spring tweeds "say it" irresistibly via plaids and stripes that are superbly colorful. Playing up bright woollens in trios is one way of showing enthusiasm for the new novelty stripes, plaids and checks. In such instances a stripe, a plaid or check and a plain are so inter-related in color values as to make a stunning costume such as any lady of fashion might covet.

The tailored suit of plaid woolen in the foreground of our illustration in softest shades of rose and green with wool jersey blouse of dusty pink would sound a triumphant high coloratura note under a fur coat in any climate where the thermometer persists in registering low or with light accessories it will prove ideal on a southern cruise.

From Paris comes the dramatic sport ensemble shown to the left in the group. Lucien Lelong creates this style-significant costume of multicolored stripe tweed. The blouse is in green jersey enhanced with a brilliant studded belt.

The oncoming rush for plaided or striped woollens is modishly told in

the two attractive models shown in the background. Crossbar plaid in blue and white imported tweed makes the topcoat and jacket for the costume shown to the left with matching blue monotone skirt. Bright yellow, red, blue and a natural beige blend harmoniously in the beautiful plaid topcoat of imported tweed at the right. It is lined with matching blue silk crepe.

The task that fashion sets before the designer of smart wool outfits for spring is to so inter-relate colors, that combined make a harmonious individualized entity of their own. It is not beyond the bonds of good taste to combine a stripe, a plaid and a plain. In fact, the working of novelty woollens in trios is one of the smartest newest moves among designers who notably lead in costume art.

The dominant note in early spring fashioning is, as it has been for some time past, the contrast jacket and skirt two-piece suit. The stripes and plaids and nubby wool weaves that go to make up these youthful suits are more fascinating than ever. In stylizing these popular numbers designers are making a big play on pockets. Sometimes the front of the jacket is fairly plastered with innumerable decorative as well as useful pockets.

Newest among woollens in use for spring are diagonal stripe effects such as a gray wool with wide white stripes running diagonally across. Prospects are that we will be seeing more of stripes this season than ever.

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FARM TOPICS

CREOSOTE-TREATED POSTS LAST YEARS

Open-Tank Handling Only Practical Way.

By R. E. Ford, Forester, Colorado State College Extension Division, WNU Service.

Treatment of fence posts increases their years of service from 3 to 10 times their period of usefulness when not treated, it has been proved by 26 years of tests made in co-operation with the U. S. Forest service.

Of five different methods of treatment tried, the open-tank creosote treatment proved to be the only practical one. The bark as well as the thin layer of corky inner bark should be removed from timber to be treated as fence posts. The posts should then be piled in the open and allowed to dry thoroughly before they are treated.

The open-tank creosote method of treatment starts with the heating of dry posts in creosote to a temperature of 200 degrees Fahrenheit. Posts of 3 to 4 inches in diameter at the top should be kept at this temperature for one and one-half hours. Posts 5 inches in diameter at the top should be kept at this temperature 2 hours.

At the end of these periods the posts should be transferred immediately to another tank of cold creosote and allowed to cool in that tank. It is necessary to treat only the lower part of the post, about 30 inches, which would include 6 inches above the ground line after the post is set.

The college and similar other tests show such treatment will increase the useful life of an ash fence post from 7 years, the lifetime of untreated ash post, to 25 years; cottonwood posts from 4 years to 27 years; lodgepole pine, commonly known as native white pine, from 3 years to 30 years; honey locust posts from 12 years to 30 years; Englemann spruce posts from 4 to 23 years. It is not necessary to treat red cedar posts, for these untreated posts last about 30 years.

Right Kind of Feed for Layers Aids Production

It's the right kind of feed that the bird eats in addition to what she needs to maintain her body, that can go into making an egg. And eggs pay for the feed that goes both into production and maintenance.

A good ration for a hen must be palatable and highly digestible. Where the daily allowance is about equal parts grain and mash, advises a writer in Hoard's Dairyman, consider getting the variety mentioned below:

Grain, at least two kinds—40 per cent.

Ground feeds, at least four kinds—30 per cent.

Animal feeds, at least one kind—10 per cent.

Green feeds, large a variety as practical—20 per cent.

It takes about 24 pounds grain and mash daily to maintain 100 four-pound Leghorn hens in 50 to 60 per cent production.

The proportion of grain to mash changes with the season; in winter 12 to 16 pounds, in summer 8 to 10 pounds.

Cider Now 'Apple Juice'

Say good-by to good old cider. This popular-for-generations drink is doomed, according to specialists at the New York state agricultural experiment station. The reason is not a new form of prohibition, but the development of a "streamlined" method of juice extraction and preservation. The modern process is credited by the experts with yielding a product so superior to old-fashioned cider that fruit growers are being advised to discard the old term and label the new product as "apple juice."

Equipment for the new process, designed to replace the old type cider-press, can be constructed on the farm at a small cost, experts at the station report.

Good Scratch for Layers

A good scratch for the laying flock can consist of 200 pounds yellow corn, 100 pounds wheat and 100 pounds oats. A good standard mash ration for the laying flock, says a poultry authority, contains: 100 pounds ground yellow corn, 100 pounds bran, 100 pounds middlings, 100 pounds ground oats, 100 pounds meat scrap, 35 pounds alfalfa leaf meal, 5 quarts cod liver oil, and 3 pounds of salt. If you have milk before the flock at all times, you may reduce the meat scrap by one-half. Provide oyster shells and grit at all times.

Cleaning Teeth of Horses

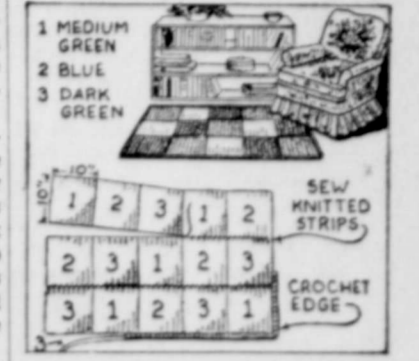
Usually it is not necessary to clean the teeth of horses and mules after using the dental float. If a pair of water is placed before the horse he will usually rinse his mouth satisfactorily, or if you want to be sure that the material removed from the teeth is washed from the mouth you may do this with a two ounce dose syringe filled with water, or with any other arrangement that will get water into the mouth and let it run out again, says a writer in Hoard's Dairyman.

Knitted Rag Rug to Make in Soft Colors

By RUTH WYETH SPEARS

HERE is news for those who have been writing me for more rag rug designs. A special Rag Rug Leaflet has been prepared for you. It will be included free upon request with your order for the two books offered herewith. If you already have these two useful books, send 6 cents in stamps for the Rug Leaflet.

Wooden knitting needles 3/8-inch in diameter are used for this rug. Cut or tear the rags 3/8-inch wide and knit them in strips 10 inches wide, changing colors every 10



inches by cutting the material close to the needle and sewing a new color to it.

When three strips have been knitted with the colors arranged as shown here, sew them together on the wrong side with heavy carpet thread.

NOTE: Be your own decorator. Make new draperies; curtains; slipcovers; bedspreads and dozens of other things for every room. Mrs. Spears' Sewing Book No. 1—"SEWING for the Home Decorator," shows you exactly how, with step-by-step illustrations. Book 2—Gifts, Novelties and Embroidery, shows you how to make fascinating things from odds and ends and will save its cost many times. Books are 25 cents each; if you order both books, the Rug Leaflet is included FREE. Address: Mrs. Spears, 210 S. Desplaines St., Chicago, Ill.

Crossing Paths

As ships at sea, a moment together, when words of greetings must be spoken, and then away upon the deep;—so men meet in this world; and I think we should cross no man's path without hailing him and if he needs give him supplies.—Henry Ward Beecher.

CHEST COLDS

Here's Quick Relief from Their Discomfort!

The annoying discomforts of a cold in chest or throat, generally ease when soothing, warming **Musterole** is applied. Better than a mustard plaster, **Musterole** gets action because it's NOT just a salve. It's a "counter-irritant"; stimulating, it penetrates the surface skin and helps to quickly relieve local congestion, aches and pains due to colds.

Used by millions for 30 years. Recommended by many doctors and nurses. In three strengths: Regular, Children's (mild) and Extra Strong, 40¢. Approved by Good Housekeeping Bureau.



Wingless Love
Friendship is love without his wings.—Byron.

CONSTIPATED?

Don't Let Gas, Nerve Pressure Keep You Miserable

When you are constipated two things happen. **FIRST:** Accumulated wastes swell up the bowels and press on nerves in the digestive tract. This nerve pressure causes headaches, a dull, lary feeling, bilious spells, loss of appetite, and dizziness. **SECOND:** Partly digested food starts to decay forming GAS, bringing on sour stomachs, acid indigestion, and heartburn, bloating you up until you sometimes gasp for breath. Then you can't eat. You can't sleep. Your stomach is sour. You feel tired out, grouchy, and miserable. **Adonia** gives you the **DOUBLE ACTION** you need. This efficient carminative enthralls the gas almost at once. It usually clears the bowels in less than two hours. No waiting for overnight relief. Sold at all drug stores.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

▲▲▲ Have you anything around the house you would like to trade or sell? Try a classified ad. The cost is only a few cents and there are probably a lot of folks looking for just whatever it is you no longer have use for.

CLASSIFIED ADS GET RESULTS

North Attleboro's Joe Martin Leads G.O.P. Hopes in Congress

By JOSEPH W. LABINE

His father was Scotch, his mother was Irish and Joe Martin is a bachelor at 54, a "shirt sleeve" executive whose smoke bears watching because he has been named Republican minority leader in the house of representatives.

Ordinarily a Republican minority leader would be unimportant, but anything can—and might—happen in the seventy-sixth congress with its strengthened G. O. P. power and its growing number of independent Democrats. Joe Martin's job is to cement and give voice to the Republican party's victories last fall. The party's future may be staked on his ability to handle this job. What's more, he's now but one step removed from the coveted house speakership, now held by Rep. William B. Bankhead of Alabama.

Republicans like to think Joe Martin typifies the new kind of party leadership just emerging from the holocaust of the past eight years. Joe was the son of a North Attleboro, Mass., blacksmith, who began selling papers at the age of five, graduated to night switchboard operator in the local telephone office, and ended up buying the town's daily paper at 24.

He's been in congress 14 years, having started his political career in the Massachusetts legislature during the World War. Joe Martin's "system" is a thing of wonder, and it probably accounts for his constant success. To every voter in his district he sends a circular announcing the day he will be available at the given community's post office to hear complaints, praise, threats, demands and coaxings.

It will be no surprise if Martin someday becomes a leading Republican presidential possibility. A liberal, he belongs to the national committee and was a member of the congressional campaign committee which contributed so much to last autumn's victory. He radiates personality, cuts through red tape and gets things done. Short (only 5 feet 4 inches), he is nevertheless the biggest man in North Attleboro.

He has many hobbies, greatest of which is his 77-year-old invalid mother whom he visits almost every week-end despite the pressure of duties at Washington. With her, his widowed eldest sister and her children, he lives in the unpretentious



Joe Martin as he appeared at the opening session of this year's congress.

last fall against a strong Democratic opponent. In one of the state's largest industrial districts, where 12,500 heads of families were on government-sponsored payrolls, he won by 20,000 plurality. Both in 1932 and 1936 the district gave President Roosevelt a huge plurality, but that doesn't seem to affect Joe Martin's popularity.

The reason for his success? Probably it took root in his childhood days when the village blacksmith made his family toe the mark religiously. In those days, Joe recalls, he had to be home nightly at 8:20 o'clock. Next morning he had to get up with the lark to peddle papers. At 12 he went to work in a jewelry store. A few years later he was a star scholar in high school. Hard work and application to the job had cast a die. Today's Joe Martin is the result.

Bows and Beaux



It takes a bow or more to catch a beau. With bows at her waist, there's sure to be beaux to the fore for the girl in the portrait dress as you see her pictured. Naively draped off the shoulders, the dress in black velvet has as its only adornment a soft gold kid belt which was especially designed by Criterion to enhance its richness. Note the tiny bows frolicking round, adding a sophisticated air to this girle of gold. The wee velvet hat with its twin bows carries out the theme of this dinner gown.

Calot With Earmuffs

The clever calot, favorite of schoolgirls the country over, returns this winter embellished with fluffy earmuffs and warmly lined with bright plaid flannelette. The earmuffs can be worn up or down.

Neckwear Means Accessories Also

Neckwear doesn't mean just pique and batiste or organdie collars.

Neckwear (at least the items sold at neckwear counters) doesn't mean just pique and batiste or organdie collars. Neckwear in the modern interpretation of the word means ruchings, embroideries, stiff little Buster Brown collars, Irish lace collar and cuff sets, little bows for your neck, with little lacy pockets to match. Neckwear may be in velvet with mother-of-pearl flowers and jewels. It may be of grosgrain ribbon or of chiffon, or it may be of velvet ribbon or of taffeta, satin, lame or kid. It may be an elaborate sequin bolero or it may be a wee jacket of ruffled net. At any rate neckwear is a most featured theme for spring.

Squirrel Sets Off Spray of Orchids

For night wear, one of the more delicate pelts should be chosen. Squirrel will set off a spray of orchids like nobody's business. In undyed squirrel look for clear gray, untinted with brown, and a close even pelt. "Flank" squirrel is usually dyed brown, and costs less than gray.

Old-Fashioned Slips

Slips have gone old-fashioned—camisole tops with lace beading and baby blue ribbon. Lace ruffles and ribbon decorate the bottom of the slip, too.

For Winter Wear

A white chiffon blouse banded with black val lace is shown in one collection for wear with a black tulle suit.

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CHURCH-MINDED HAGERMAN

The Rev. R. L. Harrison of the Baptist Church in a sermon on Sunday of last week, urged his people to "Fear not man, but let us heed God." In a forceful, interesting way, he stated that strength of the religious soul is as strong, as one determines it, and again urged his congregation to make themselves strong in the spirit of God, and work toward evangelism in the community in which they live. The Rev. Mr. Harrison is an interesting, consecrated speaker, and has a corps of faithful workers in his church. He also told of his recent meeting, where he associated with other ministers, and of the spiritual help he received from that meeting.

The Rev. P. B. Wallace of the Nazarene Church last Sunday asked his listeners, "Are we strong enough to stand for our convictions?" and in his sermon, he said, "Have you ever been at a place in your life, when you just had to have help? Perhaps you have a very close friend, and do you realize that God can be as close as any near friend? God can deliver us from our evils and give us strength that we may become fishers of men."

Are you one of the church-minded in Hagerman? Go to some church in Hagerman next Sunday.

BOY SCOUTING

Eight million and four hundred thousand looks like an immense figure, but that is the number that make up the membership of one of the grandest organizations in the world. During Boy Scout week, Feb. 8 to 14, they are going to celebrate their twenty-ninth birthday. Organized twenty-nine years ago, for the purpose of capitalizing on boys' love for the great out-of-doors, it has developed into a unit that embodies all of the phrases that help to fulfill the obligations felt by every genuine American. It will be one of the principal bulwarks in the maintaining a future American democracy.

Stenson Andrus spent Friday and Saturday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Andrus. Stenson is working at the Andrus ranch, near Caprock.

Dub Andrus visited his mother in Roswell Sunday night. Mrs. Andrus, who has been on the sick list, is able to be up at the present writing.

Mrs. Walter Gill, Misses Ruth Meadows, Joyce Hunter, Annie Snorf and Miller Hunter of Roswell made a short visit last Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Alice M. Hedges in Lake Arthur. Mrs. Hedges is very comfortably located in Lake Arthur. Her little home is next door to her son's home. She has both gas heat and electric lights.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U. S. LAND OFFICE at Las Cruces, New Mexico, January 12, 1939.

NOTICE is hereby given that Dallas Morgan, of 325 E. 8th Street, Roswell, New Mexico, who, on November 27, 1934, made Homestead Entry, No. 049079, for E½, Section 33, & N½, Section 34, Township 12 S., Range 30 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, New Mexico, on the 2nd day of March, 1939.

Claimant names as witnesses: John W. Ledbetter, J. W. Ledbetter, (full name), Benjamin H. Chapman, these of Roswell, New Mexico; L. S. Williams, of Lovington, New Mexico.

PAUL A. ROACH, Register.
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THE CHURCHES

NAZARENE CHURCH
Rev. P. B. Wallace, pastor.
Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Oscar Kiper, superintendent.
Morning service, 11 a. m.
N. Y. P. S., 6:45 p. m.
Evening service, 7:45 p. m.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Presbyterian Sunday school 9:45. J. E. Wimberly, superintendent.
Morning worship at 11 o'clock hour with the Woman's Missionary Society in charge, Sunday, Jan. 15. Senior C. E., 6:30 p. m.
Ladies Aid first and third Wednesdays at 2:30 p. m.
Missionary Society, second Monday of each month.
Young Woman's Guild and baby clinic, last Friday of each month, 1 to 5, Hedges Chapel.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
C. A. Strickland, pastor.
Oliver Thomas, superintendent.
Sunday school, 10 a. m.
Morning message, 11 a. m.
Young people's service, 4 p. m.
Evening service, 7 p. m.
Come and you will find a hearty welcome.

BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. R. E. Harrison, pastor.
W. F. Sadler, superintendent.
Mrs. O. J. Ford, associate superintendent.
R. M. Middleton, B. T. U. director.
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.
Morning service 11 a. m.
B. T. U. 6:30.
Evening service 7:30.
Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.
Woman's Missionary Societies and Brotherhoods meet each Monday evening at 7 o'clock.

METHODIST CHURCH
Arthur Shaw, Pastor.
Sunday school 10 a. m.
Morning worship 11 a. m.
Epworth League 6:30 p. m.
Evening worship 7:15 p. m.
Mid-week service, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.
Choir practice, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

A LINE TO YOU

By E. M.

The farmers are happy today, snow from the "arctic region" has been sifting down, slow enough that it all soaks into the ground, and will be just like an irrigation. This has been needed, and will bring broad smiles. Most of the farmers in this section of the valley have most of their plowing done the first time. There has been bustling activity since New Year's.

We heard a good story recently of a certain young lady in town, that, being of the domestic type, decided to cook some biscuits for supper. She had previously seen a "harmless" mouse running around the kitchen, and had forgotten all about it, until she heard a faint squeak, when she opened the hot oven door to put her biscuit pan in; there lay poor old mama mouse gasping out her last. She had hunted a maternity ward in the oven.

We still believe George Lang is as good an artist as John Garner; anyway, both might do some good practice work, in figuring out the grace of a running deer.

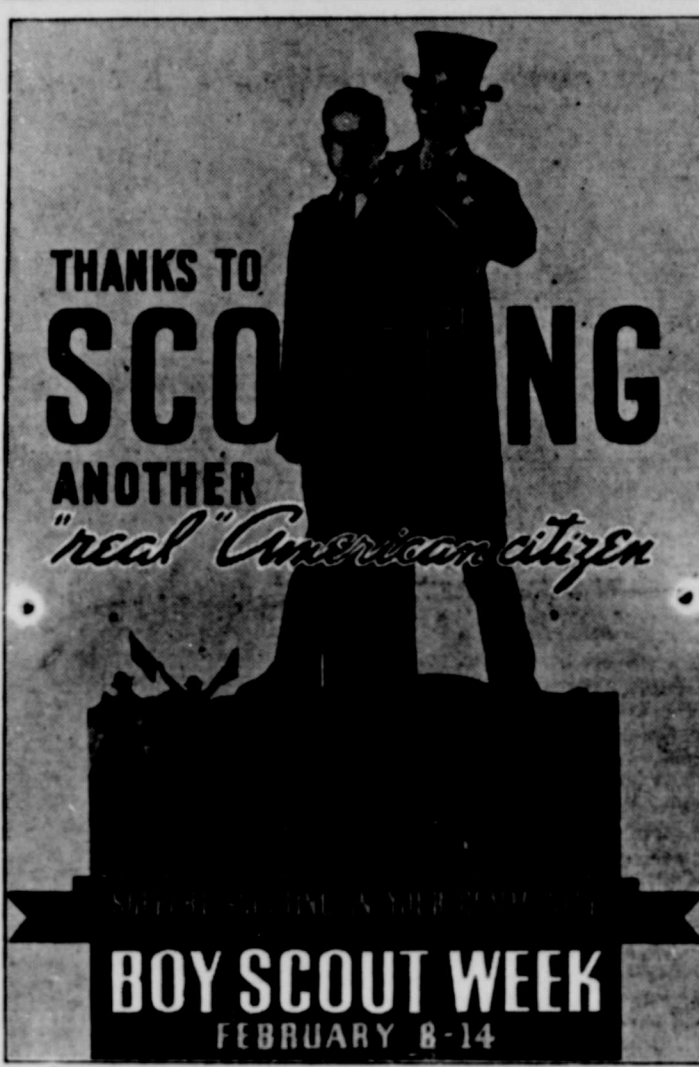
Another story we heard yesterday afternoon was about the lady, who left for Ladies Aid, and with explicit instructions to friend husband that he get "that quilt tacked," if he wanted to have company in the evening. (Was the quilt finished, when she returned home?)

A very encouraging indication of modern days, is that we notice more stockmen are becoming interested in good stock. Some of the very recent fanciers are J. V. (Vedder) Brown, Donal Lee Newson and J. P. Andrus. Hal Bogle, Breb Hurst and a few others might be classed with the old-timers. Years ago there were others who loved to have their herds topped with fine registered stock: G. W. Losey (father of W. A. Losey) was an ardent admirer of fine Holsteins; the McKinstry brothers, Jim and Sam McKinstry, at one time owned a herd of registered Herefords; Harrison McKinstry also owned a herd of registered Herefords. They still intermingle in crowds, when an Anxiety, Domino or some such Hereford is to be shown. Lack of pasture rooms was the reason they did not continue along the same activity. Some day, we expect them to once again be one of the crowd.

Good stock pays more in dividends, all stockmen eventually decide that, and the modern trend only shows more wisdom in raising stock.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Sprayberry shopped in Roswell Tuesday.

All America Marks 29th Boy Scout Anniversary



This poster, showing how "Scouting Carries On American Ideals", theme of Boy Scout Week from Feb. 8 to 14, marks the 29th anniversary of the incorporation of the Boy Scouts of America. 32,750 Boy Scout Troops, Cub Packs and Sea Scout Ships now include 1,233,950 boys and men, a membership gain of better than 13% in the past year. Since the beginning of Scouting in America 8,400,000 boys and men have been identified with the Movement.

Health Column

Conducted by Charles M. Cree, Director, Division of Health Education

In a recent article, Dr. W. A. McPhaul, state health officer of Florida, made some statements which should be drawn to the attention of all of us. He said: "The individual health of our citizens can only be improved when the common risk is eliminated. If your children are attending a school where there is improper sanitation, they are exposed to the dangers of typhoid fever and other intestinal diseases. They are quite likely to become infected with hookworms. A recent survey of our state showed that almost 50 per cent of our rural school children are victims of hookworm disease. This is a community problem, not an individual problem."

"I have mentioned these things, because it is here, in this question of health education, that the newspapers have been and can continue to be such a powerful force for good. A local newspaper is the medium to which all the community turns."

While we here in New Mexico have no problem with hookworm we do have problems of similar basic importance and in substance the statements of Dr. McPhaul apply in New Mexico just as they do in Florida. The old statement that a chain is no stronger than its weakest link applies in public health as it does in almost every other field. A focus of infection is a menace not to one but to all of us, whatever that focus may be.

The most potent foci of infection in New Mexico lie in localized faulty sanitation. Sometimes these foci are found around the rural schools, and sometimes around the homes of many of our people.

Economic conditions make it more than difficult to eliminate these centers of infection and community danger but eliminated they must be.

Our New Mexico newspapers have been more cooperative in furthering better sanitary conditions in New Mexico. They understand the situation as well as the health authorities.

Neither the health departments nor the newspapers however can completely eliminate either the individual or the common risk. They can beg, plead, instruct, persuade, and in some cases order, but the effort of final accomplishment must come from the people themselves.

Persistent effort in health and hygiene education is without doubt the solution to the problem, since with the understanding of causative effects comes the individual desire for the necessary cure.

A census of sea lions has just been completed by the California Bureau of Marine Fisheries, which concludes that the population of these animals has about stabilized itself at 2,000. The market in China for sea lion trimmings has almost disappeared in the last few years, with the result that hunters no longer kill the animals. More-over the picturesque sea lions are now protected by state law.

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GIRL SCOUTS

Public Health Badge
(Note: This badge belongs jointly to the fields of Community Life and Health and Safety.)

The romance of science is at work in our living every day. The way in which we live in house and community, and our happiness and well-being, depend upon the activity of many persons in science and health. Their work in turn needs the help of each one of us.

Do you know how the wonderful discoveries in science and in health help in your home and community? Do you know how many interesting things health workers are doing that everyone in your community can use, or how many interesting opportunities you can find to help?

The activities of this badge will lead you to many fascinating experiences, and will help you to be a trained worker for healthy and happy living in your community.

To earn this badge, participate in ten of the following activities. The four starred (*) are required. Choose any six others:

*1. Make a book about outdoor recreation places in or near your community that will give a visitor a clear and interesting picture of nearby parks, play centers, or play grounds, where children or groupings may have outdoor fun. Include in it:

a—A large map to show the number and locations of these places, and directions for reaching them.

b—A more detailed map, or sketches or photographs of one or two of these places, with any written notes needed to explain the supervision of play for little children, the kinds of recreation, the care taken for attractiveness, cleanliness, healthfulness, and safety, and how you and others who use these places can and should help in this care. You may need to make several visits, perhaps at different times of the year, to make your record complete. This record might be used as part of a troop health and recreation exhibit. Or,

From your state or city park commissioner, or from the Federal Department of Conservation and Parks, secure bulletins and complete information regarding the use and care of your state and city parks, or nearby national parks. Use these bulletins to make a book about recreation in these parks that you and your family or troop might find interesting. If possible, visit one or more of them. Make photographs, sketches, posters or other decorative material to show several of the opportunities for healthful recreation, the care taken for health and safety, the care that should be observed by visitors for health and safety.

2. If your local or county health department has a laboratory, visit it by appointment to observe some of its work and to discover what is done there: (a) To help the family doctor keep people well or to give good care for the sick; (b) to make food or water safe; (c) to protect and help health in other ways for you, your family, and others. Ask the person in charge to tell you of ways you or your family should help to make the work successful. Make an interesting report about what you have seen and learned.

3. If there is a Girl Scout camp or other camp for girls in or near your community, visit it to see how it is planned and cared for in order to protect the health and safety of those using it. Find out why the site was chosen, and what had to be done to make it safe and healthful, and what the state or local health department does to keep it healthful.

4. With others in your group, visit a county health department or nearby health center to discover the different kinds of work it does or directs. Talk with at least two of its special workers, such as the health commissioner, a health nurse, the sanitary engineer, the dairy and food inspector, and ask them to explain their work and tell you of ways you can help in it. If possible a group observation trip should be made with one of these officials as guide.

5. Work with your group to make a supply of scrapbooks or to collect and repair old toys that would be safe and interesting for little children, and that your group can give to a local hospital, clinic or society that can use them.*

WILD GAME NOT SHORT ON FEED

In southwestern New Mexico the snowfall is not as heavy as had been reported, said State Game Warden Elliott Barker, after a visit to the Silver City, Reserve and Magdalena areas, and game is not suffering generally for want of feed.

Only on the Gila River, said he, it will be necessary to feed wild turkeys.

It has been reported that a herd of antelope were starving west of Quemado. Barker found it was a small "bunch" which had been trapped on the highway right of way, fenced, but had escaped, leaving only one dead after a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. John Langenegger made a business trip to Roswell Tuesday.

Mrs. Chester Anderson returned home Saturday after a few days visit with her parents and sister, Miss Wilma Walden.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Conley of Roswell visited in Hagerman and attended the President's Ball Friday night.

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Hagerman MESSENGER 10 Years Ago

The Woman's Club met Jan. 5 at the club rooms. Mrs. J. H. Slater gave a most interesting account of Robert Burns, describing conditions under which he lived and worked. This was followed by readings from some of his best poems, with comments and Victrola selections of Scottish songs and melodies. At the conclusion, the president, Mrs. C. G. Mason expressed the general appreciation and presented Mrs. Slater with a club book. As it was the 77th birthday of the club's oldest member, Mrs. A. A. MacKintosh, who is still much interested in club activities, she was presented a bouquet of sweet peas, which she accepted with a delightful little speech.

A large number of Hagerman people are attending the Standard Training school, which is in session this week in Artesia. Mrs. E. A. Paddock is a member of the faculty. Those who are attending for credit are: the Rev. and Mrs. Watford, Mr. and Mrs. Slater, E. A. Paddock, Mrs. John Campbell, Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Swisher, Mrs. Atwood, Mrs. Burrell, Mrs. Stine and Miss Esther James.

Wimberly Tribe Increasing

Two babies have been added to the Wimberly tribe recently, in consequence of which Grandad Wimberly is inclined to be rather chasty. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wimberly of Las Cruces on the 20th, and a son to Mr. and Mrs. Harrington Wimberly of Altus, Oklahoma on the 24th.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church met Jan. 23 with Mrs. J. E. Wimberly. About fifteen were present and it being the first meeting of the new year, election of officers was held. Mrs. C. G. Mason was elected president; Mrs. J. T. West, vice president; Mrs. H. J. Cumpsten, secretary and treasurer. Mrs. W. P. Woodman assisted Mrs. Wimberly in entertaining.

A Ford touring car occupied by Ike E. Boyce, Carl Hanson, Ed Lane, Donald West and Olen Campbell turned a complete somersault on the road just north of the Pecos bridge here on Wednesday afternoon, but fortunately none of the occupants were injured. The car left the road and turned completely over, resulting in almost a total wreck of the vehicle and it is little short of a miracle that the boys were not seriously injured.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sweatt and family spent the week end with relatives at Barstow and other Texas points.

John McAllister, local telegraph operator, has been transferred to Tiabon, N. Mex.

Mrs. A. L. Van Arsdol left Wednesday for a visit with relatives and friends at Logan, Iowa.

Little Misses Joyce Watford and Martha Carter entertained a number of the little folks in the basement of the Methodist Church on Tuesday night.

Mrs. A. L. Nail is giving a dinner-bridge party today in celebration of her husband's birthday.

From the school notes of ten years ago, headed "The Bobcat": Chapel exercises — Two musical numbers were given, "The Shepherd Boy" by Merle Sweatt and "Simple Aveau" by Elizabeth McKinstry. Both numbers were well rendered and were enjoyed by all present.

The first radio set made in the school was completed a few days ago by Ellsworth Evans and Raymond Bitney. The set gives good results, bringing in stations clearly. The total cost was about \$20. It was constructed in Mr. Hulet's department, under his supervision.

For this time we are giving the honor roll of honor rolls: Billy Jo Burck, Madgie Bell Dozier, Ellsworth Evans, Waunita Evans, Frederick Heitman, Eleanor Hughes, Ruth Hughes, Essie Keeth, Beaulah King, Paul Lemons, Fannie Meador, Mayre McIntosh, Juanita Newsom, Joe Peters, Carolyn Sweatt, Dorothy Sweatt, Merle Sweatt, Tom Utterback, Joyce West, Pickets West, Ruth West, Maxwell Wiggins and Ruth Wiggins.

OIL GAS ALLOWABLE IS INCREASED OVER JANUARY

Oil and gas allowable in New Mexico for February was increased over January by the oil conservation commission, set at 99,600 barrels a day for domestic production and 3,000 barrels a day additional for export production from the Artesia field.

January's allowable was 95,800 barrels for domestic and 5,000 barrels daily for export production.

Carlsbad Ca Attract 6,59 January Vis

Visitors to Carlsbad Ca the first month of the taled 6,590, falling 803 b January, 1938, figure, 7,3 was the highest January government took over op the caverns, according to from Col. Thomas Boles, tendent.

Every state was repres well as fifteen foreign with Texas leading with sons.

Visitors by states and ies: Arkansas 55, Alabama ka 9, Arizona 66, Californ Colorado 367, Connecticut Florida 14, Georgia 3, Idaho 33, Illinois 667, Indio the Iowa 353, Kansas 216, Louisi 12, Louisiana 32, Maine 12, Massachusetts 32, Minn Michigan 238, Minnesota garten Missouri 201, Montana 23, ka 109, Nevada 14, New Jersey shire 13, New Jersey ferti Mexico 395, New York 18, not know Carolina 32, North Daka to be Ohio 203, Oklahoma 206, ne demon 65, Pennsylvania 120, Souther wha olina 13, South Dakota 4d good g nessee 15, Texas 861.

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Death Toll Drops In New Mexico Report

The State Department of Health's statistical division announced that even with eighteen accident deaths in November at accident state reduced its fatality report for the first 11 months of 1939. A decrease of 57 over previous year's toll for the open period.

During last November an were a total of 38 deaths from Texa cidents of all kinds in the, a h the report said.

Of the 18 from traffic apart it two happened in residential-irrigati ways. Five fatal accidents in: volved pedestrians, seven, a non-collision mishaps and g lath were unclassified.

Occupational accidents a good state during November ead group seven lives, three in coal b and one each in the lumber gard cotton ginning, construction, engineering industries.

Of the 20 accidental death growth other causes, five were se soil a home — three from burn from carbon monoxide, and a fifth, an infant, from suffo the ru Eight fatal accidents happened in public places. Two were fra for phyxiation, two from gun of the wounds, one from drowning, rish po from a fall on a pavement, crop be from a falling object and on cultivat exposure.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jim McKinstry and Peggy and Mrs. Sam McK and Mildred returned yesterday from an extended visit in ville, Tex., with an aunt and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Girdner other relatives. Greenville 11- former home of the Mesdame Kinstry.

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Calling Cards, 100 for \$1. best grade paneled or plain.—The Messenger.



How Does Your Garden Grow?

By T. C. RICHARDSON, Secretary Breeder-Feeder Association

WHAT'S WHAT
In
NEW MEXICO
News Briefs of the "Sunshine State," Gleaned from Many Sources

Alabama For the ordinary field garden is last fall, but never too late. Some soils require several plowings or spading with time for nature to do its part of aerating, pulverizing and fertilizing. If this was not begun in the fall, plowing and fertilizing will be done, but with more care than in the fall. A poor seed bed is bad for the ordinary field garden, but it is inexcusable in the case of either case good preparation for planting is the best assurance for the crop will ever be the most economical.

2, Maine Garden instructions for making a garden ready, for every state requires in the way of soil and fertilization. For those who do not know there are garden demonstration agents, or who have learned and applied the best of soil and climate. Learn from others, and do not disgrace to ask. Those who ask pay dearly for experience.

is during "frame garden" has solved the problem of having vegetables in the garden, hot sun and lack of rainfall with which much of the southwest has to contend. It is more than a huge box, five feet wide, as long as 12 feet, with plank walls rising 12 inches above the surface of the ground, and of course the soil is well spaded and fertilized before planting. Rows run east and west for ease of planting and drainage. It may be sub-irrigated by the usual methods or water can be run on the surface, and with a hose, a twelve inch diameter pipe can be run under the ground. It is an almost unbelievable amount of the smaller vegetables grown.

Department of canvas covers which are hooked at one side, wire hangers to keep out the chickens, in November at one side, complete a vegetable garden. Besides furnishing shelter for the plants, it will serve as a screen to grow early plants in the open garden when all danger of frost is over. Where wind is most severe, as in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, a half-shade cover made of lath spaced one or two feet apart is advisable.

residential irrigation for gardens has been successful in the west, and directions for in-laths and lath pipes or tile may be obtained from county agents. This winter is a good time to lay out such a system as an investment for a good spring and summer garden, larger than the construction garden. Sub-irrigation does not encourage growth and baking of the soil as rain and sprinkling from above are sites on most farms from the run-off water from overhead pipes may be turned onto a garden for the vegetables which are from the South Plains plants, potatoes, corn, melons, beans, peas, etc., in regular-width rows and a one acre or two by collecting run-off from several acres on the garden lot. It is a water system as falls directly on the plants, the flow being distributed by a system of "syrup-pan" terraces laid out by the level instrument.

Milsap is a way to have a garden on every soil and under every condition in the Southwest, and it is contributing to a whole new garden, besides the money value, a few cents' worth of labor multiplies a thousand-fold on the hands.

erman High School 1938-39 Cage Schedule

—Hope there
—Carlsbad here
—Lovington here.
—Artesia here.
—Captain here.
—Roswell there.
—Lake Arthur there.
—N. M. M. I. there.
2, 3 and 4—District tournament.
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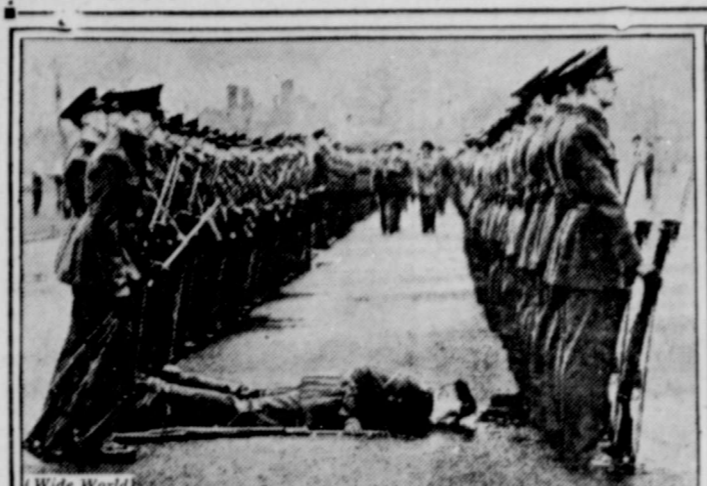
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HEADLOCK TO WEDLOCK . . . Culminating "romance of Titans" that began when they were paired in golf meet year ago, George Zaharias, professional wrestler, and Mildred "Babe" Didrickson, famed Olympic star, were coupled for life by St. Louis, Mo., justice of the peace.



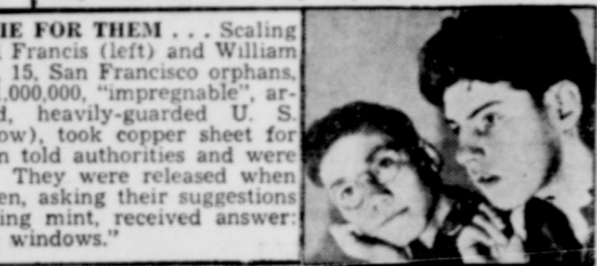
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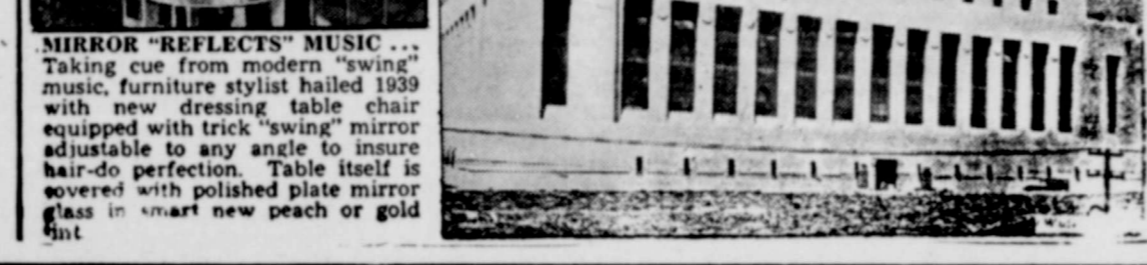
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the new year is getting to be a habit in the Scheidt family at Salina, Kan. Dale Bernard Scheidt was born at 12:04 a. m., Jan. 1 this year; his cousin won the "first baby" of 1938, born at 12:10 a. m. Jan. 1 and a cousin won the "first baby" title in 1937 at Wichita.

Drillers are talking about

drilling five-mile oil wells within the next five years. Already they have reached depths of nearly three miles, and they think drilling to the still lower reaches not entirely impossible when, as, and if necessary. Already deep wells are tapping oil sands which once could not be reached, and oil men are now guessing at the amount of oil to be found at the lower depths. They're willing to bet the oil is there. Technologists are not fearful of the exhaustion of oil supplies in this country in the near future. They believe that the United States can produce all the petroleum the world can consume for many years.

The vitamin A in the eyes,

which helps seeing at night, also forecasts colds and dry skin. The discovery of this link is reported by L. B. Pett of the University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada, in Nature, the official British science journal. Dr. Pett has a new, quicker way of testing eyes for vitamin A and night blindness, or difficulty in seeing in dim light. He found that persons with deficient eye vitamin A had 20 per cent more colds within a month after the tests than those with adequate vitamin.

For every \$100 which the

railroads received from the public for the transportation of passengers, freight, express and mails and for all other services, they paid the tax collectors \$5.33 in 1917; \$6.13 in 1927; \$7.82 in 1937, and \$9.93 in the first nine months of 1938.

Hubert Denton is a lad who

believes in striking while the iron is hot. In a letter published in the Memphis, Tenn., Press-Scimitar, he wrote: "Dear Santa: I thank you for my truck. Next Christmas I want a train and an airplane and truck. That is all."

Mr. and Mrs. Victor E. Manuel

Chavez—little Taft one day will find his nationality a question. His parents, already seeking the answer, were told by immigration authorities at San Francisco the question could not be settled until Taft reaches his majority. Then

A method of locating oil

directly through soil analysis is in the experimental stage. If soil analysis works out, it will streamline present methods of oil prospecting, cut the cost of locating oil, and reduce the number of "dry holes" drilled. At present two methods are being developed. One is to test the surface soil for paraffin. The other is to test the earth several feet below the surface for the presence of ethane gas, on the theory that if oil is underground, the seepage of ethane gas accompanying the crude oil will, over a period of years, rise to the surface.

Gov. John E. Miles has

announced he will recommend to the state police board, of which he is an ex-officio member, the substitution of cars for motorcycles as the principal motor equipment of the force. Since the police were put on the cycles several years ago, he said, one patrolman had been killed and several others badly injured in spills. In snowstorms motorcycles have been shown to be of but little use, said the governor. Governor Miles believes some motorcycles should be kept, as secondary equipment—for use in handling traffic and in other cases where they are more useful than cars. They would not be discarded altogether, but kept only for such service as they are especially fitted for.

Enrollment for the second

semester at State College, Las Vegas, is expected to reach 900, Miss Era Rentfrow, registrar, announced. Fifty new students were among the enrollees for the first two days, which totaled 797.

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Ranger Lives on Borrowed Time After Falling Down Caverns Elevator Shaft

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LOCALS

Leslie Thompson, 44 years old, tumbled 130 feet down the 750-foot shaft, stopping his fall by grasping the lift cable and sliding to a stop, still far enough above the shaft bottom for several fatal how he just had come up on the falls.

Ernest Langenegger, Kern Jacobs and Wallace Ray Jacobs returned from El Paso Sunday night after having Wallace's arm set again from the break received in playing basketball about two weeks ago. They report his arm in good shape and we hope to see him able to play in the coming tournament.

The ranger related afterwards elevator and found a dozen tourists ready to descend by that method. Believing the elevator was where he had left it, Thompson unlocked the door and stepped back, asking for tickets at the same time.

The Sub-Debs and their pledges motored to Roswell Tuesday evening and enjoyed a dinner party and saw the show, "Kentucky." Mrs. Kern Jacobs and Miss Mayre Losey sponsored the girls. Sub-Debs attending were Misses Bernice Tulk, Anna Bell Tulk, Hannah Jane Burck, Geraldine Kiper, Dean Condit and Jean McKinstry. The pledges were Misses Jeanne Marie Michelet, Loreta Davis and Rosella Basinger.

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L. A. Taylor spent several hours in Hagerman Friday afternoon. Mr. Taylor services the Santa Fe Railroad clocks and was here to look after the local clocks belonging to the company. While here Mr. Taylor secured a copy of The Messenger heading for a friend whose hobby is collecting newspaper headings. He stated that his friend, who lives in the East, would enjoy having a Western heading to add to his large collection.

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ELECTRIC WIRES

KITE

Strings

Keep Them Away From Each Other

Electric power lines, equipped with every possible safety device, and strung far above your head, bring an essential service to your home. Yet a small child, through the string of his kite, may sometimes reach those lines in the excitement of his play.

Will you please cooperate with us by warning the older children and by supervision of the younger ones, in order that these children may have their fun without danger? For their safety, see to it that kites are not flown where there is any possibility of touching overhead wires.

Boys and girls should NEVER try to get down a kite which has become entangled in trees or wires near electric power lines. Call this company FIRST.

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"Panic in the Dark"

HELLO EVERYBODY: Here's the story of a cock-eyed railroad accident—so cock-eyed that everything seems to work just the opposite from what it should. You know, when anyone mentions railroad accident to me I immediately think of a collision. But Marcella Timer of Clifton, N. J., was in one once that not only wasn't a collision, but as a matter of fact, was just the opposite of a collision.

That sounds pretty doggone near impossible, and I know it. Two railroad cars coming together can cause a mighty serious accident. On the other hand, two cars getting farther and farther apart every minute—well—that ought to be just about the safest thing on tracks. But it was the ever-widening distance between two cars that threw Mrs. Timer right into the lap of Adventure and caused all the horror, and panic, and suffering that you're going to read about today.

Marcella's husband is a traveling representative for a New York firm. In the summer of 1925 he was covering the New England territory. The Timer's home was then in Ridgefield Park, N. J., but Marcella with her two children, a boy, six, and a baby girl not quite a year old, was touring New England with her husband.

It was about the middle of July and they were in Hartford, Conn., when the baby developed a colic and began running a high fever. Marcella decided to take the children home to Ridgefield Park. They arrived in New York on a terrifically hot day, crossed to New Jersey and got on a West Shore train at Weehawken about four-thirty in the afternoon.

Train Comes to Stop in Tunnel.

"I don't know whether you're acquainted with the West Shore railroad at this point," Marcella writes, "but it has a long tunnel under the city of Weehawken which comes out on the Jersey meadows about seven miles from where it begins. I had often



Passengers began to show signs of uneasiness.

been through this tunnel and had never given it a second thought." But many are the thoughts Marcella has given that doggone tunnel since.

She boarded the train for Ridgefield Park and found seats in the next to the last coach. The train started, and entered the tunnel as usual. It was about half way through when it began to slow down and came to a gradual stop. That wasn't unusual. Trains often did that. Marcella paid no attention to it and neither did any of the other passengers.

After a while the lights went out. That WAS unusual. The passengers began to get restless. A conductor was running up and down outside the coaches swinging a red lantern. A second conductor had stationed himself at the door. The day had been hot enough in the first place, but down there in the tunnel it was stifling. The windows of the cars were all closed to keep out the poisonous gases that filled the tunnel at all times, and what little air there was in the beginning was rapidly being used up.

The baby, whose fever had mounted, began to scream at the top of her lungs. Several other passengers began to show signs of uneasiness. Some of the men got up and approached the door, but the conductor would not let them pass, nor would he give any satisfactory explanation why the train was standing still in a dark and gas-ridden tunnel.

For a few minutes after that all was quiet. Then, suddenly, panic gripped the people in that dark, stifling car. One man leaped to a window and threw it open. "They can't keep us in here to suffocate like rats," he shouted. "I'm getting out!" He clambered through the window, and many others followed him. And almost immediately the coach was filled with the sulphurous, poisonous gases of the tunnel.

"Then," says Marcella, "terror such as I had never known before gripped me. My baby stopped screaming suddenly and became very still. My little boy leaned with unnatural weight against my side. In the pitch darkness everyone was gasping for breath. Some man shouted to everyone to lie down on the floor. I couldn't get down with the two children. But I prayed—and how I prayed!"

Coal Gas Fills Passenger Coaches.

"Women were fainting and men's lungs were wracked with a hacking cough that only filled them with more coal gas. I felt as if a hand of steel were gripping at my throat. Then I began to sink down into a dark, black pit of nothingness that seemed to be coming up to meet me. I tried to fight it off, but it seemed it was no use. Deeper and deeper into the gloom I sank. Subconsciously I felt the train jar and shake, but by that time it didn't mean anything. It is the last thing I remembered. Then I was unconscious."

Now let's go back and tell the part of the story Marcella didn't know anything about. What had happened was that a coupling had broken, and the front part of the train had gone on, leaving the last two coaches behind in the middle of the tunnel. It was the exact opposite of a collision, but the conductors realized that it was serious, nevertheless. One of them went out into the gas-filled tunnel with a red lantern to make sure that the cars weren't hit by another train, while the other tried to keep the passengers from leaving the comparative safety of the car.

When the front of the broken train reached the meadows, the loss of the two cars was discovered and an emergency engine was sent immediately. But it had taken 20 minutes to accomplish that, and in the meantime the passengers in those two stranded cars had breathed in a lot of coal gas.

Ambulances were waiting when they reached the mouth of the tunnel, to give first aid. "And maybe you think we didn't need it," says Marcella. "My little boy and I were revived almost immediately, but it was only with a terrific struggle that my little girl's life was saved." And if Marcella had to go through another railroad accident, I think she'd pick a good old-fashioned collision in preference to one of those trick accidents where the cars all go in different directions.

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The Greatest Novelist
There is a wide diversity of opinion among even the greatest literary critics on the subject of the greatest novelist of all time, but John Cowper Powys in his "Enjoyment of Literature" says of Dostoevsky that he is as much greater than all other novelists as Homer and Shakespeare than all other poets: "For he is superior to the rest in all the main essentials of fiction. He is a greater artist, a greater psychologist, a greater prophet, a greater thinker."

Many Uses for Heather
The heather which covers Scotland's great hunting moors once had more use than as a protection for grouse, in that Highlanders formerly used it for everything from walls to beds. Alternating with layers of mortar, it was built into the walls of houses and was also used for thatching. Comfortable beds were once made of it and it was also very popular as a pot scourer. Even a dye was extracted from heather and in Northern Scotland it was often twisted into fine ropes.

Government Uses 80,000 Men in Spy Hunt

Treasury Department Employees Urged to Watch for Evidence of Espionage; Elmer Irey, Co-ordinator and Creator of 'Capone Squad' in Charge.

WASHINGTON.—Elmer Lincoln Irey, the man who put Al Capone behind bars and who set the trap that caught Bruno Richard Hauptmann, directed an army of 80,000 government workers in one of the most extensive spy hunts since the World War.

Treasury officials declined to discuss details of the newly conceived espionage drive. But it was learned that an order directing heads of treasury department investigative agencies to be on the alert for spy activities, was intended to apply to every employee of the department.

Clue May Be Found Anywhere. Irey's theory is that any treasury employee might stumble across some spy clue in the course of routine duties. Such a clue would be relayed to him, who, as co-ordinator of treasury enforcement activities,

would assign a trained investigator to the case or pass the information to another interested government agency. Irey is a major in the military intelligence division of the officers reserve corps.

When President Roosevelt announced recently that the federal government would undertake a co-ordinated drive against foreign espionage in this country Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau selected Irey to head the treasury's phase of the work because of his effective accomplishments in criminal detection. A native of Kansas City, Mo., he gained his knowledge of undercover work as an aid to the chief post office inspector. To the public he is best known for his work in the Capone and Lindbergh cases.

When Capone was riding the heights of lawless power Irey entered the case. He created a secret "Capone squad," which eventually pieced together an amazing record of illicit profits leading directly to Capone and sending him and some of his henchmen to federal prisons.

Don't Be Quaint In Furnishing Cape Cod Home

By BETTY WELLS

"It may look just like an ordinary house to you," writes Marie S., "but to us it's a dream come true and so there's a very special aura lingering over it. Our little Cape Cod colonial house just two and a half miles from town is on the verge of being finished—and I don't want to make mistakes in furnishing it. Will you help me?"

"I enclose diagram of living room and dining room and would appreciate ideas for colors, furnishings, curtains, floor covering, etc. Both rooms are the same size, 11 by 13 feet, and open into each other through a five-foot arch. The living room opens into the den which will be in brown white, rust and green. Thank you for any help you can give me."

Maple was born for houses like that, and so I'd rather see that kind



Our house looks like a dream come true to us.

of furniture there than anything—maple with a soft old honey tone rather than a reddish cast. Both living room and dining room would be lovely in yellow, with white woodwork and white ceilings. Then wide and swooping crisply ruffled curtains in white—don't stint on yardage as their effectiveness will depend on fullness. The rug I'd have in a warm tobacco brown. Have a couple of wing chairs in a green homespun material and perhaps the sofa in a figured chintz with a good deal of green in the design. The chair seats in the dining room can have pads of this same chintz if you like.

Get copper base lamps and odd bits of pewter for accessories and make lamp shades of the flowered chintz. Add wall brackets to hold fresh house plants that repeat your green tone. In the dining room have maple corner cupboards or else built-in corner cupboards to hold a set of green scenic plates and some of the pewter. These rooms will be more charming if you don't try to make too much of a point of quaintness.

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Officials Talk of Happy Prisons in Australia

SYDNEY.—Department of Justice officials believe that New South Wales penal institutions have the happiest prisoners in the world. The reasons given are as follows:

There is a sliding scale of remissions ranging up to the one quarter of the sentence for first offenders.

Prisoners get three good meals a day and appoint their own representatives to inspect the cook-house and see that everything is as it should be.

They have ample library facilities and can read till 9 p. m.

Their weekly paper includes even race results.

Concert parties visit the jails once weekly and one jail has its own movie.

Prisoners can spend earnings on special dishes not included on the regular menu.

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Bovine Triplets Are Honored Guests



Rare in bovine vital statistics is the birth of triplets. In this photograph Clarence Kipp Jr. is showing off Susie, Charlie and Tom, normal, healthy offspring of Betsy, a Holstein cow on the Kipp farm near Marietta, Pa. At the time the picture was taken the calves were 18 days old.

Good News for Dogs: Death Ray for Fleas

NEW YORK.—Science has developed a death ray machine for fleas. It is a simply constructed lamp that plugs into an electric outlet and casts an infra-red ray which will kill any flea within its glow in a second or two. The idea is to train the lamp on a dog's hair, about eight inches away, and move it slowly along. It gives the dog a warmish, cozy feeling and a glow of contentment but it raises the fleas' fever point to a temperature of 107 degrees and the fleas die.

YOUNG CORN KING



The corn king among the future farmers of the United States is Edward Livingston Jr., 17-year-old vocational agricultural student, who captured the title in the contest conducted at Kansas City by the National Future Farmers' association.

Writes His Own Doom With 'No Speak English'

FORT WORTH, TEXAS.—A 30-year-old Latin-American forgot about the record when he tried to plead ignorance of the English language before a British judge.

At that moment a police records clerk appeared. He proved that the Latin-American had served a two-year prison sentence for forgery.

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Farmer Brown's Boy Discovers Home of Danny Meadow Mouse

By THORNTON W. BURGESS

THE four babies of Danny and Nanny Meadow Mouse grew very fast, and four very lively babies they were. It was some time before Danny could tell them apart. You see, when they were very, very little, before they had any clothes at all, they looked exactly alike to Danny. He didn't pretend to tell them apart then. He said they were as much alike as four blades of grass from one stem, and for his part he didn't believe that there was the teeniest, weeniest difference.

Nanny was indignant. "There is, too!" she asserted. "They are wrinkled differently; so now!"

Danny smiled. They were wrinkled. There was no question about that. He was quite willing to take Nanny's word for it, that the wrinkles were different on the four darlings, but, as he said, what was the use of learning to tell them apart by their wrinkles when they would so soon have little fur coats to cover all the wrinkles. What good would they do then? He would have to learn all over again to tell them apart. But Danny didn't have to wait long for them to get those little fur coats. You see, like a great many little people of the Green Meadow and the Green Forest, Meadow Mice have no underwear, and so they wear fur coats even in hot weather; only then the fur coats are very, very much thinner than the ones they wear in winter. Well, when they did get them, Danny was more puzzled than ever, for, of course, they looked more alike than ever.

But when he and Nanny decided to name the babies Danny studied them very carefully, so that he would know which was which. One they named Teeny. Danny was sure that he could remember Teeny by the way in which he kept his ears, all the time wide open, so as not to miss anything. Weeny was the name of another, and Danny hoped he would be able to tell her when he saw her by the twinkle in her eyes, for Weeny was very, very merry. The third was named Midge, and Danny was sure he could tell her because she didn't have her ears forever socked as did Teeny, and her eyes were not merry as were Weeny's. The last one of all

GRIDIRON GHOST



This Martian looking character is what the football player of the future will resemble if he dons all the safety equipment demonstrated recently at a football coaches' meeting. The various safeguards are designed mainly to protect the player in practice.

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HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONS

Use Honey.—Fruit steamed puddings, cookies, candies made with honey, keep moist a long time.

Washable Pictures.—Paint for children's rooms can be washable by covering them with white shellac.

Large Pillow Cases.—Cases wear out quickly when are too small for the face, and it may topple over on the floor.

For Baby's Safety.—New York rickety furniture is removed with Jim T baby starts to walk, as about two hang onto any article with naphthalene and it may topple over on the floor.

Antique Candles.—Brush floor stain over white canvas to obtain an antique effect.

SAFETY TALK

Crossing the Road—HERE'S the modern crowd part of the ancient crowd:

Why does a pedestrian cross the road—at the wrong places, one without looking?

That's what the National Safety council is trying to find out in an examination of its records which proved that at least a third of the pedestrians killed in the streets in cities were crossing places other than intersections.

In 1937, the loss of life in these classifications mounted to the 5,600 mark.

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By Virginia Vale

IF YOU don't believe that "Motion pictures are your best entertainment," but that only really good pictures can come under that heading, you'll be interested (I think) in knowing which ones an expert has selected as the best of the new crop.

The expert is W. G. Van Schmus, managing director of the Radio City Music Hall, in New York. Mr. Van Schmus is on a spot, always. Visitors to New York, as well as natives, troop to his theater. He can't let them go away saying that the show was good but why in the world did he select that picture to go with it!

Ushering in the new year with "Topper Takes a Trip," co-starring Constance Bennett and Roland Young, he picked "There's That Woman Again." (Melvyn Douglas and Virginia Bruce), to follow it. Then "Trade Winds," (Frederic March and Joan Bennett), "The Great Man Votes," (John Barrymore, Virginia Weidler), "Gunga Din," (Cary Grant, Victor McLaglen, Douglas Fairbanks Jr.), "Made for Each Other," (co-starring Carole Lombard and James Stewart), "Love Affair," (with Irene Dunne and Charles Boyer), and "Stage Coach" (with Claire Trevor, John Wayne, Andy Devine, John Carradine, and Louise Platt).

Each film is scheduled for a week's run. The theater accommodates an audience of more than 6,000 persons; the picture is shown five times a day. It has to be good, you see!

Franchot Tone bobs up all over New York these days; leaving Hollywood certainly didn't mean leaving the limelight. He is appearing on the stage in a new play, doing a bit of radio work, and recently shared honors with Abe Lyman and Dick Foran as a celebrity at the first of the International Casino's "Sunday Night Informals," dedicated to celebrities.

When J. M. Kerrigan arrived in Hollywood eight years ago he said that he'd stay long enough to play the film role he'd been engaged for and then he'd go back to Ireland. He was then one of the Abbey players. He's still in Hollywood, (a role in "The Great Man Votes" is the most recent bait), and still thinks that, as soon as he can get away, he'll go back to Ireland.

Edward Small is in favor of giving new people a chance in his pictures. It was he who brought Robert Donat to this country to appear in "The Count of Monte Cristo," and recently he made Louis Hayward a star in "The Duke of West Point." In his current production, "King of the Turf," starring Adolphe Menjou, it's 15-year-old Roger Daniel who gets the big break. With radio and stage tempting movie stars to lose interest in motion picture-making, it's a wise producer who can spot talent and cultivate it—and put it under contract!

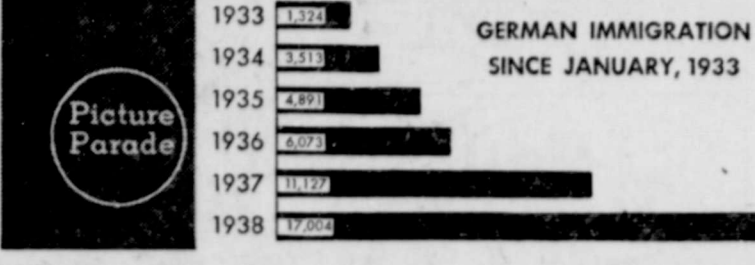
By the way, in "The Duke of West Point" you'll see some old-timers—Mary MacLaren, William Bakewell and Kenneth Harlan.

All of the music that Frank R. White, organist on Dr. William L. Stidger's "Getting the Most Out of Life" program, writes for the Stidger hymns must stand up under Mrs. White's "24 hour test."

When he writes a new hymn tune Mrs. White plays it twice on the organ. Then if she's able to play it from memory the next day White feels sure that the public will remember the tune without any effort. But does he make allowances for the fact that Mrs. White probably has an unusual memory?

ODDS AND ENDS—Joan Fontaine can claim to be one girl in a thousand; the cast of "Gunga Din" numbers about 1,000, and she's the lone female in it. . . . Gabriel Heatter has a private telephone number but this host of "We, the People" gives it to so many friends that it might as well be in the phone book. . . . Lum and Abner frequently telephone former neighbors in Arkansas in order to keep the right vocal inflections for their radio work. . . . Richard Himber's commitments for this year include three different programs on the three different networks for three different sponsors. . . . Western Newspaper Union.

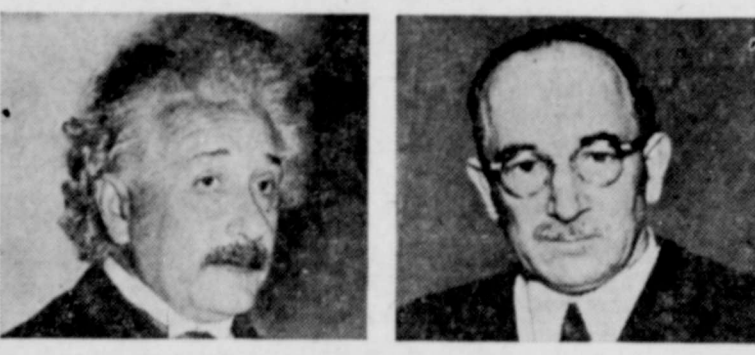
When Eyes Turn Westward



Until this year, Germany's annual quota of immigrants to the United States was 25,957, boosted to 27,370 since Germany took over Austria. As above figures show, this quota was never used up, though in the 12-month period ending last July 1, German emigration to America showed a decided upswing. In recent months this has become even more marked, and today every westbound boat carries more refugees. The current fiscal year's quota is already near exhaustion.



Refugees get their first glance at the Statue of Liberty, wondering what the new land holds in store for them. Once in New York, they are bundled off to refugee headquarters.



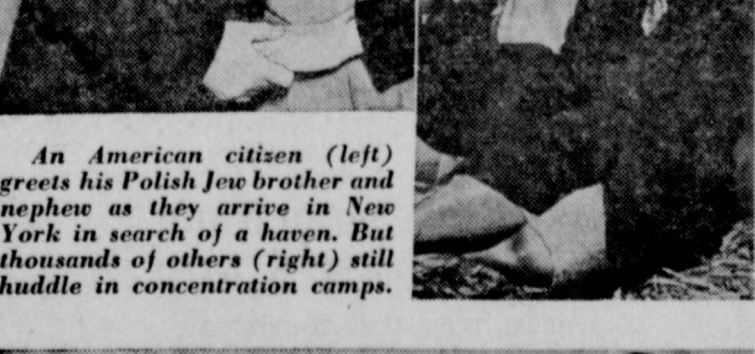
America owes many of its most prominent residents to German persecution. Above: Albert Einstein, famous scientist, who has taken out citizenship papers here.



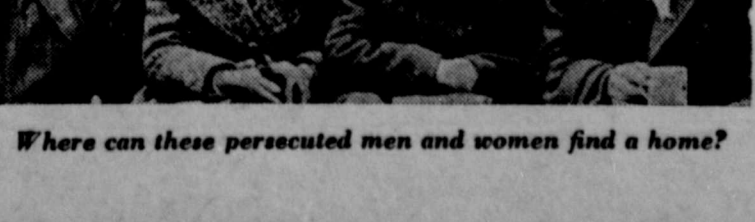
Edouard Benes, resigned president of Czechoslovakia, who is now a visiting professor at the University of Chicago. He was known as "Europe's smartest little statesman."



Max Reinhardt, long an important figure on the stage, who came to the United States two years ago, and is now directing a Broadway play. He is becoming a citizen.



Lotte Lehman, star of New York's Metropolitan opera, is herself "Aryan," but has two "non-Aryan" step-sons. She recently took out first citizenship papers here.



Where can these persecuted men and women find a home?

WHAT to EAT and WHY

C. Houston Goudiss Touches Upon the Food Values of Fish and Shellfish; Shows How They Can Help to Improve Nutritive Quality of the Diet

By C. HOUSTON GOUDISS

PRESENT-DAY nutritionist might easily quarrel with the traditional distinction between fish, flesh and fowl. For the flesh of fish, cattle, swine, sheep and poultry is commonly referred to as "meat;" and the nutritive values of all these foods properly may be considered together. Their composition is very similar, consisting principally of protein, water and fat, with the chief variation occurring in the fat content. They also average about one per cent of minerals and contain some of the vitamins in varying amounts.

Fish vs. Other Flesh Foods

There is a wide variation among the different kinds of fish in the amount of fat they contain. In general, fish have less fat and more water than other forms of meat. Their tissue fibers are also shorter, which makes for ease of digestion. In many cases, their flavor is less pronounced because there are fewer extractives. For this reason, fish is considered less stimulating, and that is also why it is often served with some sort of sauce, or with a lemon garnish to point up the flavor.

The proteins of fish are regarded as equally useful with other forms of meat for helping to build and repair body tissues. Most lean fish are richer in minerals than fatty fish; in this respect, they resemble lean meats.

Salt water fish are notable as a source of iodine, required for the proper functioning of the thyroid gland. It is desirable that this mineral be included in the dietary to help prevent simple goiter.

The Cattle of the Sea

The most significant difference between fish and most other flesh foods is that with the exception of certain shellfish which are produced under government regulation, "crops" from the sea are neither planted by man, nor cultivated by him.

Unlike the farmer or the cattle man, the fisherman gathers his "harvest" without the previous effort of sowing seeds or cultivating plants; without the necessity of providing shelter or fodder.

To a man or woman who has never enjoyed the experience of catching fish for dinner, the sea may suggest nothing but an expanse of blue-green water. But to those who are familiar with the habits of its denizens, the sea is a fascinating place teeming with life. It contains many forms of vegetable materials, of which seaweed is the best known. These provide food for the lower forms

of animal life which inhabit the waters. They, in turn, are eaten by larger creatures. In the final analysis, all forms of animal life in the sea, as on land, are dependent for their sustenance upon the sun, which stores up energy in green plants.

Varieties of Shellfish

Clams, oysters, shrimp and scallops differ somewhat from other forms of seafood, chiefly in that they contain some carbohydrates. They have very little fat. Oysters are rich in iodine and they might be compared to the glandular organs, such as liver and kidney, as a source of three vitamins, A, B and G.

Place of Fish in the Diet

The most important contribution of all forms of fish is their proteins, which as we have seen may be used interchangeably with those of beef, pork, lamb, veal and poultry. The iodine of sea-foods and shellfish is also extremely important, and in some varieties, the content of vitamins A and D. The more fatty fish, including mackerel, salmon, eels, herring, catfish and shad are comparatively rich in energy values. The fuel value of cod, flounder, perch, smelts and haddock, which are low in fat, and halibut and whitefish which have a moderate amount, may be increased through the use of a rich sauce, or they may be cooked in fat.

Taking into consideration its food values and economy, and when the preserved forms are utilized, its ease of preparation, the homemaker who desires to feed her family well should serve fish or shellfish, in some form, much oftener than once each week!

Fish is Universally Available

There are perhaps more varieties of fish than any other type of first-class protein food. A government bulletin has listed 40 kinds besides smoked and salted fish and the various shellfish.

Thus the use of fish provides ample opportunities for varying the menu. Moreover, though fish is more perishable than other flesh foods, it is available today in every town and hamlet, however remote from the waterways.

No matter where she lives, the homemaker can choose from a wide variety of canned, dried, smoked, salted and quick-frozen fish. And both transportation and refrigeration have been so improved that fresh-caught fish are distributed far inland.

The quick-frozen fish should be handled as carefully as fresh fish, kept under refrigeration, and used within a reasonable time after purchasing. Canned fish, naturally, requires no refrigeration, and a supply can always be kept on hand both for everyday use and for emergencies.

The most important canned fish, in terms of the amounts packed and sold, is salmon. This flavor-

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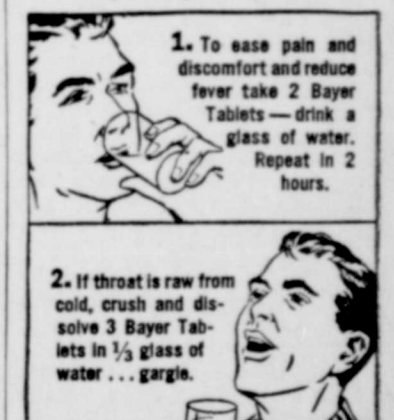
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IN SOCIETY

BELLE BENNETTS MEET

Members of the Belle Bennett Society of the Methodist Church met on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Howard Meneff. A study course was started on "India" and the first chapter was given by Mrs. Ray of Roswell. At the close of the lesson, delicious refreshments of jello, whipped cream, cookies and coffee were served to the following members and guests: Mesdames Dacus Parker, Beulah Kluting, Lloyd Harshy, Jack Menoud, James Burek, Elwood Watford, Alan Hanson, Arthur Shaw, Carl Ridelgye, Ben F. Gehman, Jim Sanders, Miss Esther James and Mrs. Ray of Roswell. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Dacus Parker, Feb. 15.

BIRTHDAY DINNER AND PARTY HELD

On Wednesday at noon, Mrs. Arthur Lawing was host to a birthday dinner for her daughter, Bertha Mae. Miss Maryonne Becker was a dinner guest and at 7:15 a surprise party was held. All guests gathered at the Lawing home and at 7:15 Bertha Mae was brought in. The party was a complete surprise to her. Games were played until 9 and then delicious refreshments were served from a table centered with a beautiful birthday cake decorated with pink and blue roses and topped with a "Happy Birthday, Bertha Mae." Those who enjoyed the refreshment of cake, fruit salad and candy Valentine hearts were: Betty and Irene Porter, Kenneth and Wanda Davis, Mayola Bailey, Jo Ann and Billy Wayne Graham, Dorothy Rhoades, Jerry Sprayberry, Judy Gretchen Ann and Sonny Lang, Betty Jo Milsap, Barbara Jean Crippen, Pete Graham, Virginia Tulk and Frances Wallace. Many lovely gifts were received by the small hostess.

BIRTHDAY DINNER PARTY

Celebrating Mrs. E. A. Paddock's birthday, Mr. and Mrs. Paddock were honored guests Friday at the home of Mrs. R. M. Ware for dinner. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Paddock, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Ware, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Ware and Hal Ware, Jr.

SILVER TEA

Members of the American Legion Auxiliary entertained with a silver tea at the Woman's Club building Tuesday afternoon from 2:30 until 5. During these hours cup cakes and coffee were served. Members who attended were Mrs. Dub Andrus, Mrs. J. L. Mann, Mrs. John Clark, Mrs. Lloyd Harshey, Mrs. Rufus Campbell, Mrs. Jack Miller, Mrs. Jim Michalet and Mrs. Alan Hanson.

PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY ALL DAY MEETING

Eight members of the missionary society of the Presbyterian Church met last Friday at the home of Mrs. Robert Cumpsten for an all day session. They worked on the overseas allotment of masks and made aprons. The missionary study book was reviewed during the day. A delicious covered dish lunch was served at the noonhour. Each one brought one dish of food, and it was served cafeteria style. Present were Mesdames J. E. Wimberly, M. D. Menoud, T. D. Devenport, R. W. Cumpsten, Helen Cumpsten, Bayard Curry, I. E. Boyce, Howard Russell, the hostess and little Miss Helen Ruth Curry.

L. C. CLUB

The L. C. Club met on Thursday, Jan. 26 at the home of Mrs. M. D. Menoud. The president, Mrs. R. Campbell, had charge of the business, after which a social hour was spent.

Lovely refreshments were served by the hostess to 15 members and two invited guests. Those present were Mesdames M. D. Menoud, E. Stine, W. L. Heitman, Woody, Ida Ehret, Holloway, Knoll, Uterback, Campbell, Sanders, Ferguson, Boyce. The visitors were Mrs. W. A. Losey and Mrs. Sarah Walton.

The next meeting will be at the Woman's Club building on Feb. 9, with Mrs. I. E. Boyce as hostess.

PRESBYTERIAN AID DRAWS GOOD ATTENDANCE

Twenty-four attended Presbyterian Ladies Aid Wednesday afternoon at the hospitable home of Mrs. T. D. Devenport. The president, Mrs. J. T. West, presided and following devotionals attended to business routine.

During a social hour, refreshments of ginger bread topped with whipped cream and coffee were served.

Guests were Mesdames Ewing, Ed Russell, Tom Ferguson, George Lang, Alice M. Hedges, Misses Alma Sue Boyce, Grace Wade and Sara Beth West.

FORMER HAGERMAN BOY VISITS FROM OHIO

Roy Lee Hearn is being added this week to The Messenger's subscription list. Thanks, Mr. Hearn is a former Hagerman boy, a graduate of the local schools, and has held a position for several years with the Pecos Valley Alfalfa Mill Company, a position he now holds in Toledo, Ohio.

He was reared in the South Texas coast country, and has lived in the Southwest all his life, and has found Toledo a different climate. He states that he is very fond of winter sports, ice skating and sledding in Ohio, where there is plenty of ice and snow.

Mr. Hearn, accompanied by Miss Geneva Menard, visited in Hagerman over the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. M. A. Hearn; his brother, Cliff Hearn and Mrs. Hearn, and made the acquaintance of his new relative, little Miss Judith Hearn. They all visited in the home of Mrs. A. L. Van Arsdol.

YOUNG WOMAN'S GUILD REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the guild met last Friday at 2 p. m. at Hedges Chapel. One dozen were present. A clinic was held instead of a scheduled lesson. The county nurse, Miss Macquire, was assisted by the Roswell city nurse, Miss Fairly, in conducting the clinic.

NEW BOOKS ANNOUNCED

The Woman's Library committee is announcing a number of new books from the state library. These will be on disposal on Saturday afternoon at the library. Everyone is invited to patronize the library and help all they can with it.

ELSA BARKER GAINING FAME AS A WRITER

Elsa Barker, who is fast gaining fame as a writer, recently had her name emblazoned on the front cover of a Western magazine as the author of a book length novel Mrs. Barker and her famous husband and live at Techtlenos and have a beautiful home on a mountain side. She is the elder daughter of Dr. and Mrs. I. B. McCormick.

MASONIC REGULAR MEETING

A regular meeting of the Masonic lodge was held at the hall on Wednesday evening and the first degree was conferred on a candidate. Officials who took part were C. G. Mason, worshipful master; Isaac Wortman, senior warden; E. E. Lane, Jr., junior warden; J. T. West, senior deacon.

Mrs. Chester Anderson left Saturday for Muleshoe, Tex. She has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Walden and Betty Walden of Lake Arthur and Miss Wilma Walden of Hagerman.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Burck attended to business in Roswell Wednesday.

THE POCKETBOOK of KNOWLEDGE

Illustrated text block titled 'THE POCKETBOOK of KNOWLEDGE' by TOPPS. It contains several short facts and illustrations: 'LET'S ALL WORK TOGETHER', 'A FAVORITE DRINK IN ETHIOPIA IS RED PEPPER', 'THE STANDARD OUTDOOR ADVERTISING INDUSTRY ANNUALLY SPENDS OVER \$4,000,000 FOR EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS', 'THE WHITE HOUSE WAS ORIGINALLY PAINTED WHITE TO HIDE BLACK BRIDGES MADE BY SLAVES', 'IN CHINA, THE "MOURNING" COLOR IS WHITE INSTEAD OF BLACK', 'WITH AN HOUR'S WAGES THE AVERAGE AMERICAN FACTORY WORKER CAN BUY TWICE AS MUCH COOKING GAS AS AN ENGLISH OR SWEDISH WORKER', '4 TIMES AS MUCH AS A GERMAN WORKER AND 5 1/2 TIMES AS MUCH AS AN ITALIAN WORKER'.

Frame Garden Will Provide Vegetables Early at Low Cost

Would you like some early vegetables in March and April? The frame garden will provide them with little or no cost, says Mrs. Marie Fuller, home supervisor for the Farm Security Administration. Select a place protected from west and north winds, 3 feet by 15 feet in size. Build a frame 3 feet by 15 feet by 2 feet in height. Prepare a good sandy soil, fairly rich with rotted manure, in this frame. Make a trench down the middle. Place quart oil cans in a row so that they make a tube to carry water. The tops of the cans should be cut out and bottoms slashed to permit flow of water. Then cover with dirt so that cans are 6 to 8 inches below surface. Make rows about 6 inches apart. Plant such seeds as lettuce, radishes, mustard, onions, spinach and beets.

Sew burlap sacks together, attach to north side of frame and tack a pole on the other side of cover so that it can be rolled down to cover garden during cold nights and days.

This plan has proved most successful in providing vegetables very early and also provides tender vegetables during the hot dry months because the burlap cover protects the plants from hot sun as well as cold winds.

Several F. S. A. borrowers have constructed and planted this type of concentrated garden. Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Howard at Hagerman have one planted and growing. They expect tender vegetables in February. Those planted in February can supply vegetables in March.

Frame Garden Will Provide Vegetables Early at Low Cost

Mrs. Fuller plans to hold a demonstration soon at Acme. If anyone is interested in more detailed information, she will gladly assist them.

BAPTIST CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Sunday afternoon the Baptist Sunday School Association of the Pecos Valley met in the First Baptist Church of Artesia for a fine spiritual meeting. Several fine inspirational talks were given, after which the local pastor brought a good message. Four candidates from the local church were baptized in the baptistry. A large number from Hagerman attended.

Monday night the Brotherhood of the Artesia Baptist Church rendered a fine program in the local Baptist Church. Several good speakers gave interesting talks and the intermediate boys of the Artesia Junior Brotherhood gave a quartet number. Then a special fellowship hour was enjoyed and the Baptist ladies served refreshments of sandwiches and cocoa to those gathered there.

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Dust Bowl of Five States Now Sheds To a Mere Shadow of Its Former

The "Dust Bowl," once a 51-million-acre region of desolation in Northeast New Mexico and Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Colorado, has been shaved to a mere shadow of its former self—nine million acres—agricultural agents of the five states, meeting in Amarillo last week, agreed.

Definitely, they declared, the great area wherein blowing, shifting and choking dusts were making farming a nightmare four years ago has been reduced gradually.

The blowing dust problem has been so greatly reduced that farmers and stockmen of the Great Plains have turned their attention from rain prospects to the price of their commodities.

Bolstering their hopes was the report from Ted Alexander, county agent of Potter County, Texas, who said wheat prospects were the best since 1932.

Slow rains last year had a great effect in cutting down the area harassed by wind erosion, H. H. Finnell, regional conservator of the soil conservation service for the five-state area, explained, but it was the unprecedented January moisture that shifted the "borders" of the dust bowl.

HAGERMANITES ATTEND ROSWELL HEREFORD SALE

Among Hagerman people who attended the registered Hereford sale in Roswell last Friday afternoon were: Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Key, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison McKinstry, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Evans, Miss Jean McKinstry, Sam McKinstry, Walden and Edward Jacobson, Jack Sweatt, W. A. Losey, Perry Andrus, Donal Lee Newsom, Lloyd Harshey, Vedder Brown and George Weaver. Donal Lee Newsom bought one bull and Perry Andrus bought two heifers.

RIFLE CLUB STAGE SHOOT

The local rifle club promises real sport next Sunday to all lovers of this type of sport. At their range north of the Pecos bridge, they plan a shoot, beginning at 10 a. m. Trap shooting and a running deer will be among the features. Free coffee is to be served to shooters. They invite all sportsmen to bring their shooting irons and join the fun.

Miss Sara Beth West returned Sunday from Chandler, Ariz., where she has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Hearn and small daughter, Judith, since the Christmas holidays.

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