

By John Scott Douglas

FRED DOBSON plugged in the string of lights and then took back to admire the blue and red and green candle globes on the Christmas tree. Ellen left the table as she was setting to study the effect.

"Nice little tree, Fred. Seems a shame, though, not to be sharing it with someone. This was our year—"

And then she stopped, and her face, still pretty in middle age, grew pink. Fred knew she'd been about to say that it was their year to have the Robbins to Christmas dinner. Every year since their children had married and left they had either entertained their neighbors or had been their guests.

But now, by mutual consent, the quarrel with the Robbins was not mentioned. It was characteristic of Ellen not to blame Fred. And that took forbearance because Martha Robbins had been her dearest friend.

Ellen sighed. "Goodness! the turkey must be almost ready."



He was back in a moment with a rake. Lifting the smoldering tree with the tines, he hurled it out onto the snowy lawn.

Fred thought of their quarrel, which had started because of a cocker puppy which wouldn't stay home. Tom, with his usual consideration for his neighbors, had started to build a fence to keep the dog out of the Dobson's garden. Fred thought the fence was a foot within his own property line, and jokingly said so.

Tom had laughed. "Who's paying for it?"

"I'll pay half," Fred had said, "if you'll buy the strip you're using."

The joke, within a matter of days, had taken on an edge, and then they gave up speaking. No longer did they fish and hunt together, or play in their usual Saturday four-somes.

By then, beginning to fume at Tom's high-handedness, Fred had his property surveyed, only to discover that his garden had in reality extended onto his neighbor's property. The fence was where it belonged.

Fred wanted to apologize, but every time he stepped outside, Tom walked into the house.

Within a matter of seconds, Fred was too busy to think of the quarrel. The little Christmas tree was on fire and crackling fiercely. He flung open the door and screamed, "Fire! help! help!"

Behind him Tom called, "Stay with it, pal—I'll get something."

He was back in a moment with a rake. Lifting the smoldering tree with the tines, he hurled it out onto the snowy lawn.

Martha Robbins had appeared by then. Seeing Ellen staring dazedly at the cloud of smoke and the blackened wall where the tree had stood, she opened the windows and then slipped her arm around Ellen's shoulders.

"Poor dear! And just when you were sitting down to your Christmas dinner. After the smoke has thinned out, this room will be freezing. You and Fred are having dinner with us."

Ellen looked happy but flustered. "But this was our year—"

"Nonsense!" Tom said heartily. "We'll eat with you next year."

"That will be swell," Fred said, beaming.

When they started Martha Robbins' bountiful dinner, there was at first a little stiffness. But Tom was soon joking about Fred's "high forehead," and Fred was asking Tom if he'd considered selling his hair to a wire-brush factory.

Kent Alloted 23,211 Acres For 1950 Cotton Program

According to information received by the local P. M. A. Office, Kent county's cotton acreage allotment for 1950 has been set at 23,211 acres, or 88 1/2% of the acreage of the 1947 and 1948 Adjusted Planted Cotton Acreage; or 73.8% of the average of the 1947 and 1948 Reported Planted Cotton Acreage.

In order to explain the program to the growers in Kent county, meetings will be held in each Community just as soon as the allotments for individual farms are figured.

All farmers who had an interest in the 1948 cotton crop should vote in the Marketing Quota Referendum which will be held Thursday, Dec. 15. Both the farmer and his wife are eligible to vote in this election under the Community Property Law.

Polling places are to be set up at six places in the county so as to be convenient to all farmers.

Price support for cotton produced in 1950 will be available only to "cooperators"—those farmers who plant within their acreage allotments—whether marketing quotas are approved or rejected by growers in the referendum on Thursday, December 15, the State Office of the Production and Marketing Administration announced.

The announcement is based on a determination by Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannon under terms of the Agricultural Act of 1949. This means that acreage allotments will be used to determine eligibility for price support in 1950 even if quotas were rejected by growers.

B. F. Vance, chairman of the State PMA Committee points out, "If quotas are approved by growers in the December 15 referendum, 'cooperators' will be eligible for CCC loans on their 1950 crop at 90 per cent of the parity price next August 1."

"But if quotas are not approved in the referendum, the loan rate to 'cooperators' on their 1950 crop will be 50 per cent of the parity price next August 1," says the chairman.

Fifty per cent of the August 1, 1950 parity price in Texas is about 16.20 cents per pound. The parity price of cotton has dropped since August 1 and 50 per cent of the present parity would be about 15 cents. "Noncooperators" will not be entitled to price support protection in either case.

PMA officials explain that the acreage allotment-marketing quota program is intended to provide farmers with a method of cooperatively adjusting production in line with requirements for cotton. Therefore, these growers who fail to cooperate in the production adjustment are not entitled to price support.

If quotas are approved, these officials point out that the "noncooperator" is required to pay the full penalty on his "farm marketing excess" before he can market any of his 1950 cotton crop.

The above information indicates that it will be to the farmers interest and advantage if the referendum carries. If it does not the farmers, as well as the business men will suffer. When the farmers buying power is reduced the business man and the community in general, suffers.

All cotton growers, regardless of their convictions in the matter, are urged to go to the polls Thursday, December 15 and cast their vote.

A County PMA official stated that it is hoped that individual farm allotments will be figured and the notices in the mails by Saturday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hoyle and son of Colorado City visited Mr. and Mrs. Ab Ham in Jayton last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wade and Patsy of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Wade last Sunday.

Miriam Parks of Midland spent last week end in Jayton with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Parks.

Elliott Bolch of Monahans spent the past week end in Jayton with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bolch.

Mr. and Mrs. Oran Miller are the parents of a son, born Saturday, December 3, at the Rotan Hospital. The boy weighed eight pounds and was named Charles Martin.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wade of Lamesa a boy, weighing 7 pounds and 12 ounces. The boy was born December 2 and was named Robert Lance.

"and!!"

We understand that a fire at Girard early Wednesday evening destroyed a box car loaded with 32 bales of cotton. Prompt action by the Spur Fire Department brought the fire under control and prevented large scale damage to the railroad loading platform.

Fire also struck at Jayton Wednesday noon. A small house occupied by Porter Land (Colored) and owned by Ray Smith was completely destroyed. The house was enveloped in flames by the time help was summoned and by a bucket brigade the nearby buildings were saved.

According to information from the local Farmer's Co-op. Gin, 5,000 bales of cotton had been ginned at 1 p. m. Tuesday.

A norther swept into Jayton late Wednesday afternoon and along with falling temperatures a light rain began falling about 4 a. m. Wednesday morning. Maybe the cotton pullers and the gin hands will get a few day's rest.

We have a few Christmas Cards on hand for those of you who may need them. Come in and choose the ones you want while the supply lasts.

KIDDIES, ITS TIME TO GET THAT LETTER OFF TO SANTA

It won't be long until old Santa will be making preparations to leave the North Pole with his sleigh full of toys and good things to eat. So sit down now and write him a letter in care of The Jayton Chronicle and let the jolly old gentleman know what you want for Christmas.

To make doubly sure that Santa reads your letters we will print them in The Chronicle. So hurry and get that letter in the mail.

Mr. Clyde Long visited Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Stinnett Tuesday.

Maurine Dibrell visited her sister, Mrs. L. E. Gibson, in Dallas last Thursday and Friday.



CROWDED AND FALLING APART are many of the buildings at the Mexia State School, shown above, which houses the young feeble-minded of the State and senile men and women. The picture above shows a group of patients crowded on a porch (an attendant is in the foreground) because they have no other place to sit. Below, is one of the old tar-paper shacks at Mexia, which in 1943 was used to house war prisoners. The photo shows how it is falling apart at the seams, yet it is still being used to house mentally deficient children.

Don't Let Death Take Your Holiday.

The wreath is a traditional symbol of Christmas. In windows and on front doors of homes all over America, the bright red and green of holly will signify the joyous festivities of the holiday season.

For Christmas should be a time of happiness. Every family looks forward to the joy and celebration that the holiday period should bring. But every year thousands of families in our country see Christmas joy burned into suffering and tragedy because of needless and preventable accidents.

The National Safety Council points out that hundreds of persons are killed and thousands more injured by accidents during the Christmas-New Year's holiday season—the year's peak accident period. The No. 1 killer is traffic, and its death toll on Christmas is two or three times the annual daily average.

To keep death from taking your holiday—or the holiday of your loved ones—is a simple thing. It costs nothing, takes no time and requires only a little effort. It only means being aware of the extra holiday hazards and of the extra caution, common sense and courtesy needed to overcome them.

Refuse to drink if you are driving. Wait for the light to change. Yield the right-of-way. Discard a string of Christmas tree lights with worn insulation. Throw away gift wrappings as soon as presents are opened.

These are little things—but they pay off big in holiday happiness. These little extras go a long way toward keeping the lights on in your home and the red and green holly wreath on your door.

They will preserve for you and your loved ones the joy and delight that is America at Christmas.

BASKET BALL TOURNAMENT AT PEACOCK THIS WEEK

The Jayton High School Basketball Teams have entered in a basketball tournament at Peacock this week. Both boys and girls teams are to compete.

Teams from Aspermont, Dickens, Old Glory, Dumont, Girard and McAdoo have entered. Games will begin Thursday night. Final games will begin at 6 p. m. Saturday night.

Last Rites Held For J. P. 'Jim' Barkley

James Peyton Barkley, resident of Kent county for many years died Tuesday at 4 p. m. at his home in Clairmont. Death came after several months of illness.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Wednesday at the Methodist Church in Jayton with the Rev. Sidney Cox, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Rotan, conducting. Burial was in the Jayton cemetery beside the grave of his wife, who died last July.

A native of Groesbeck, Texas, Mr. Barkley was an early day cowpuncher, working on several ranches after moving to Kent county. Later he operated a garage in Jayton and several years ago moved to Clairmont and operated a garage and filling station. He was a charter member of the Jayton Masonic Lodge.

In 1905 he was married to the former Annie Knutson of Clairmont.

Survivors include a son, Brady, of Clairmont; a stepson, Ben Knutson, Fort Worth; two daughters, Mrs. Frank Mayfield, Lubbock and Mrs. Florence Johnson, Clairmont; three half brothers, H. J. Whately, Jayton, L. W. Whately, Paducah, and F. M. Whately, Blythe, Calif.; four half sisters, Mrs. N. W. Harris, Snyder; Mrs. Lee Lucas, Artesia, N. M., Mrs. H. P. Finley, Rochester, and Mrs. R. E. Thomas, Vernon; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Name Texas Youth 4-H Sectional Winner in Soil Conservation



BEING chosen one of 16 sectional 4-H winners in the 1949 National 4-H Soil Conservation program was the honor bestowed upon Carroll Fowler, 20, of Lakeview. His splendid record showed that the need of a farm stock water reservoir first brought soil conservation to his attention. He soon realized the need of more terraces, soil tests, contouring and strip croppings. Some of these practices are already under way. Baby beef, swine and poultry, are among his chief projects, all of which depend for maximum feed production upon good soil. Carroll declared his goal is "to have all fields terraced, planted to the proper crop, establish good crop rotation, cultivate correctly, and have adequate supply of pasture and water." His award was an all-expense trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, provided by Firestone Tire & Rubber Co.

This activity is conducted under the direction of the Extension Service of the State Agricultural College and USDA cooperating.

OKLAHOMA - TEXAS WEEKLY COTTON MARKET REVIEW

Spot cotton markets in Oklahoma and Texas reported less activity during the last week of November than the previous week, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Production and Marketing Administration.

From Monday through Friday, Dec. 2, spot quotations gained \$1.50 per bale at Houston and a dollar at Dallas and Galveston.

Friday's closing quotations on Middling 15-16 inch offers stood at 29.45 cents per pound, Houston; 29.40, Galveston and 29.20 at Dallas.

Last year at this time, cotton prices at these markets were \$12.75 to \$14 per bale higher.

Although the cotton picking in south, central and east Texas is about finished, ginning is going full blast in western parts of Texas and Oklahoma. The backlog of seed cotton at the gins and in the fields increased daily last week.

Domestic demand for cotton was very slow last week. Export inquiries were fairly numerous both for nearby and for shipments running on through early spring. Japanese demand strengthened for the lower grades and a moderate volume of sales were reported.

So far this season, Texas farmers have placed 273,328 bales of cotton under USDA's loan program and redeemed 7. Oklahoma farmers have placed 43,905 bales under loan and redeemed 1.

Shallow Wildcat Staked In County

George S. Anderson, Fort Worth, and W. R. Childress, Hobbs, N. M., have staked a 2,600-foot San Andres wildcat in southwestern Kent as their No. 1 A. C. Cargile, in the center of southeast quarter of northeast quarter of section 23, Block 5, H&GN survey.

Drillsite is 1 1/2 miles southeast of the lone Ellenburger producer in the Polar pool and one mile northwest of the Drilling and Exploration Company, Inc., No. 1 Wilson Connell, Section 19, Block 5, H&GN Survey, scheduled Canyon wildcat now drilling below 5,700 feet in lime and shale.

The No. 1 Connell recovered 515 feet of oil and 150 feet of salt water cut mud on a 1 1/2-hour drillstem test of the San Andres from 2,340 to 2,370 feet.

Skelly Oil Company Leases 31,000 Acres

Skelly Oil Company has acquired a 10-year commercial oil and gas lease on a solid block of 31,000 acres which centers on the common corner of Kent, Dickens, King and Stone-wall Counties.

The lease was taken from the George Beggs Trust Estate of Fort Worth, owner of the entire spread.

No information has been released regarding the consideration involved in the deal. It was learned that no drilling obligation was called for in the transaction.

No One Needs To Have Diphtheria

"No one needs to have diphtheria, but it will not be conquered until all parents realize that they and their children must be safeguarded against it," declared Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer. "After the first six to nine months of life nearly every child is susceptible to the disease and should be immunized. Adults also have diphtheria, but are not as liable to 'catch' it as children. A successful immunization gives complete protection against the disease."

Other diseases for which there is immunity are: smallpox, lock jaw and whooping cough.

Dr. Cox advises parents to consult their family physician and gives these instructions for parents to follow concerning immunization:

"Vaccination against smallpox at any age during an epidemic, but routinely between 3 to 12 months of age. Repeat at 6 to 12 years of age and during an epidemic. Revaccinate after any exposure."

"If immunization is to be given against diphtheria only, start between 9 and 12 months of age."

"If single vaccination against whooping cough (pertussis) is employed, start at 6-9 months or at any subsequent time. It is questionable whether pertussis vaccination should be employed after 6 years of age."

"Multiple combined vaccines are now being used safely against diphtheria, tetanus (lock jaw) and pertussis, starting at 3 months of age."

COWBOYS' CHRISTMAS BALL DECEMBER 21-24 INCLUSIVE

The annual Cowboys' Christmas Ball is to be staged at Pioneer Hall in Anson, Texas, December 21-24 inclusive.

The Cowboys' Christmas Ball is commemorative of social life in a West Texas village and surrounding country in 1885. In the re-enactment of the historic and literary folk dance or Wednesday night, December 21, and Friday night, December 23, all participants are to be dressed in the fashion of the 1880's and 1890's.

Full long skirts, polonaise, basks, ruffles, laces, hoops, overskirts, etc.—not so-called "western" attire—characterized women's dress at the historical and literary folk dancing in Anson in 1885.

It is established that men and boys "ape" the Texas cowboy—even the earlier rodeo style of cowboy. Checked blouses, red bandannas, boots (not necessarily) give colorful costume. However, at the original dance men wore high white collars and civilian suits, which would be in order at this year's Cowboys' Christmas Ball.

The folk dances used at the original Ball were the square, schottische, heel-and-toe polka, waltz and the Virginia Reel. Several other folk dances, adopted by the Texas cowboy have been incorporated and will be danced at this year's Ball.

Sets, as of the traditional Ball, will have their callers with them on the floor.

Mrs. L. E. Browning and L. E., Jr., spent last week end in O'Donnell visiting Mr. and Mrs. Grady Browning and children.

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC

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NOTICE OF SALE

Sealed bids will be received in the office of W. D. VENCIL, SEC. Jayton Independent School District, on December 1, 1949 at 9:00 A. M. o'clock on one, 1945 FORD SCHOOL BUS, Motor No. 99 T 679739, being offered for sale. This equipment may be seen at H. D. Black Motor Company, (Used Car Lot) Jayton, Texas.

Bid proposals may be secured by contacting W. D. Vencil, Sec. of Board of Trustees of Jayton Independent School District, at the Tri-County Lumber Company, Jayton, Texas. 47-2tc

GIRARD NEWS

Mrs. Garlon Hunnicutt and Julie of Summit, Illinois, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hunnicutt.

Bryon Wayne Dickerson of the U. S. Air Force is visiting friends and relatives in Girard this week.

Mr. George Ross of Pep, N. M., and Mr. Buster Bural of Zannia, Okla., are visiting Mrs. Myrtle Webb.

The Eighth Grade of the Girard School are taking the money they made at the Halloween Carnival and painting the walls and ceiling in their room and installing three large fluorescent lights.

Mrs. Maurine Dibrell carried Loyd Rudder to Abilene to the Hospital last Saturday night with a severe attack of appendicitis and double pneumonia.

Miss Valene Perry of Brownfield was visiting friends and relatives in Girard the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Johnston of Jayton were visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hunnicutt Tuesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dink Hunnicutt of Lubbock were week end visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hunnicutt.

The Girard High School Cardinals attended an invitation basketball tournament at Dickens this past week end. The girls played Southland first and won by one point, with their luck still holding the beat Peacock and went to the finals with Roaring Springs only to be defeated. The boys played Southland in the first round, and in turn defeated McAdoo and Roaring Springs to win the boys division of the tournament. The Cardinals are scheduled to play in another tournament this week end. Friday night the Conference Round Robin begins with Peacock coming to Girard.

NOTICE

No hunting allowed on my property. Violators will be prosecuted. W. D. Cave, Jayton, Texas

THANKS FROM THE JUNIORS

We, the members of the Junior Class, wish to thank those who attended our play. We also wish to thank the faculty members who helped us in any way.

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—The Junior Class, W. W. Thetford, sponsor.

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Charlie Perrin

Jeff Whatley was transacting business in Abilene Tuesday.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Jim Barkley wishes to thank their many friends for their every deed of kindness, the food, flowers, the lovely music and songs, and every word of sympathy during the family of J. P. (Jim) Barkley. The family of J. P. (Jim) Barkley

Lanell Dunlap of Midland visited Mrs. Ray Dunlap and boys, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Dunlap, last week end.

Renell Fuller of Midland visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fuller, last week end.

One evening, a young man who was very shy was carried away by the magic of the night.

"Darling," he asked, "will you marry me?"

"Yes, Bill," she answered softly. Then he lapsed into a silence that at last became painful to her.

"Bill," she said with a note of doubt in her voice, "why don't you say something?"

"I think," replied Bill, "that I've said too much already."

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\$36.95	\$29.95
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\$56.95	\$44.95
\$69.95	\$49.95
\$74.95	\$54.95
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(Plus Federal Tax)

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CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

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CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

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\$14.95

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CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

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CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

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Freedom of choice by popular election is one of our most zealously guarded American traditions. The cotton marketing quota referendum is a perfect example of American democracy in action. Through the referendum, each cotton grower helps to decide what action will be taken to solve his production and marketing problems.

But this is true only if he **MAKES HIS VOICE HEARD** . . . if he takes an active interest in farm affairs in his local community . . . and only if he **DOES VOTE** in the cotton marketing referendum on Thursday, December 15, 1949.



WHY HOLD A REFERENDUM?

Democracy is based on government of, by, and for the people. And so it is with the farm program. It is the responsibility of the Department of Agriculture through the State, county, and community PMA farmer-committees to acquaint farmers with the facts of the situation, and to point out what action is possible under existing legislation. It is then up to the farmers themselves to let the Department know what they think should be done.

WHAT IS A COTTON MARKETING QUOTA?

A farm marketing quota represents each farm's fair share of the National marketing quota. The National cotton marketing quota for 1950 is the amount of cotton, which under normal conditions would be produced from 21 million acres of cotton. In general, the farm marketing quota is the production from the farm acreage allotment. The farmer who plants within his farm acreage allotment in 1950 may market his total production plus any carry-over cotton produced prior to 1950 penalty free. If a producer exceeds his allotment, he must pay a penalty on the "farm marketing excess." The "farm marketing excess" is the normal production of the acreage planted in excess of the acreage allotment. But if a grower establishes his actual production to the satisfaction of the county PMA committee, the "farm marketing excess" is limited to the amount by which the actual production on the farm exceeds the normal production of the acreage allotment.

WHY HAVE QUOTAS BEEN PROCLAIMED?

The Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 as amended provides that when the total supply of cotton for a marketing year exceeds the normal supply for the next year the Secretary of Agriculture must proclaim marketing quotas for the next crop. Such a proclamation was made by Secretary Brannan on October 13, 1949. In making his proclamation, the Secretary found that total supply for the marketing year beginning August 1, 1949 would amount to around 20,659,000 bales. The normal supply for the same period is estimated at 16,250,000 bales. "Total supply" includes the 1949 crop, carryover from the 1948 crop and estimated imports during the year. "Normal supply" includes estimated domestic consumption and exports for the marketing year and a reserve of 30 per cent of these amounts. Thus "total supply" exceeds "normal supply" by 4, 409,000 bales or 27.1 per cent.

WHERE TO VOTE

- COMMUNITY A
Red Mud School House
Sherer's Grocery, Girard
- COMMUNITY B
County Court House, Clairmont
Harmony School House, Harmony
Polar School House, Polar
- COMMUNITY C
P. M. A. (A. A. A.) Office, Jayton

IF QUOTAS ARE APPROVED

A farmer who seeds within his farm acreage allotment is free to market his total 1950 production plus any carry-over cotton from prior crops. He will also be eligible for price-support loans at 90 per cent of the parity price next August 1. A non-cooperator—a farmer who plants in excess of his farm acreage allotment—must pay a penalty on the production of his excess acreage before he can legally market any of his crop. This penalty is set by law at 50 percent of the parity price next June 15. The non-cooperator will not be entitled to price support protection on any of his crop. Neither will he be eligible to receive conservation practice payments under the Agricultural Conservation Program. Each farmer who cooperates with the program will be accepting his fair share of responsibility for adjusting cotton supplies to requirements. In return, he receives the guarantee of a protected price for his 1950 crop.

IF QUOTAS ARE REJECTED

All growers will be free to market their 1950 crop for whatever price it will bring. Price support is limited by law to 50 per cent of parity. Only cooperators—those who plant within their acreage allotments—will be entitled to price support.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE?

Any person who—as landlord, tenant, or sharecropper—had an interest in a crop of cotton produced in 1948 is eligible to vote in the referendum.

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**American Men
 Too Romantic**



Helen Eastis, novelist and maga-
 zine writer, who disputes the nota-
 tion that American husbands are
 unromantic. In fact, she claims
 they're too romantic. Writing in
 the December issue of Cosmopol-
 itan magazine, Miss Eastis ex-
 plains that husbands overwork
 themselves to free their wives
 from household drudgery. The re-
 sult, she says, is that the wives
 become underworked and overfed
 and the husbands begin to appear
 unromantic alongside their wives'
 soap opera idols. As a solution,
 the author recommends that hus-
 bands and wives become better
 friends by sharing and enjoying
 mutual work and recreation.

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 as though they are blind, deaf or de-
 fective. Pedestrians should treat all
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 two, we should get fewer accidents.

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