

From The Editor Window

It is reported the United States Congress is considering adjournment about September 15, or possibly the first of October.

We believe we are speaking for the majority of the people when we say we are unalterably opposed to any adjournment at all.

The country is in a condition that needs the congress in session continuously and the people who elect the congressmen are depending on them to tide us safely through these trying and dangerous times, and the only way for congress to function is to remain in session. This is no time at all for congress to even consider adjournment.

Experienced American pilots holding transport licenses and instrument ratings, are being hired to fly American made bombers from Canada to England. It has been reported. These pilots receive a salary of \$1000 per month for two flights and a bonus of \$500 for a third trip during the month the report stated.

In thinking over public affairs of a political nature in Texas, the Gorman Progress comes forward to say:—"We'd like to predict that in 1942, fiddle bands, as campaign mainstays will still be in favor and that one popular dance orchestra in this section will be headlining a candidate for Governor. Old age pensions will be as big a political ball as it was in this campaign and about as much will be done for the old folks, as has been done in the past two years.

The Sales Tax and Natural Resource Tax will be the main issues on the tax question and present tax conditions will not be relieved.

Governor O'Daniel, if he doesn't decide to run for a third term, will endorse Hal Collins of Mineral Wells, to succeed him, and Attorney General Mann will win the race.

Paste this up in a conspicuous place and see how far I am wrong." Thus speaks the pen wielder of the Gorman Progress.

The little country of Roumania in Europe has been the scene of political unrest and fighting, here and there throughout the little country, and ended with the abdication of King Carol. His son, Michael, 18, succeeded his father to the throne and Roumania has become, what some commentators call, an auxiliary to the Berlin-Rome axis. King Carol has the unique distinction of having at one time succeeded his son to the throne. At the death of Carol's father Michael was placed on the throne, although only a small boy at the time, as Carol had previously renounced his rights and married a girl outside the ranks of royalty. After a few years of exile Carol came home and became king in his own right and Michael again became a prince. After ten years as king Carol was forced to abdicate on Thursday of the past week in favor of Michael, who for the second time in his short life, has ascended the throne.

A teacher was conducting a class through history period and asked a little girl, "For what was Abraham Lincoln famous?"

The little girl answered, "For his wonderful memory."

The teacher then asked her why she thought so, and was shocked to get the reply, "Because I have seen so many monuments erected to it."

According to the Comanche Chief the San Houston Teachers College is the oldest of the seven teachers colleges in Texas having been established in 1879. The enrollment at the college during the regular sessions is always around 1500.

Also, according to the Mueller Record, the oldest college paper in the United States is that published by students at Dartmouth College which will be one hundred years old in November.

Nylon, which when made into hosiery, can scarcely be distinguished from silk now threatens to become a competitor for the wool industry. It is said a new patent recently issued covers the production and processing of a crimped wool-like fiber made from Nylon.

D. T. PERDUE KILLED BY PASSENGER TRAIN AT EASTLAND TUES.

J. E. Free received word Wednesday morning that his brother in law, D. T. Perdue had been killed at Eastland by a West bound Texas & Pacific passenger train last Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Perdue was about 73 years old and a son of D. B. Perdue, formerly of Atwell and now living in Cisco. His father will be 95 years old at his next birthday.

His body was almost severed by the rear wheels on the last car of the train as it left Eastland. His body was dragged several feet before the wheels passed over it.

He had been living in Eastland for a number of years and was operator of a truck distributing freight from the depot to the business district of town. Mr. and Mrs. Free left Wednesday morning for Eastland to attend the funeral.

MRS. J. E. HESLEP WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The home demonstration club met Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, in the home of Mrs. W. W. Everett.

Mrs. Earl Rutherford president called the meeting together. The club elected new officers for the coming year. The following were elected, President Mrs. Jha Heslep, vice-president, Mrs. E. E. Sunderman, secretary, Mrs. Charlie Davis, treasurer, Miss Eva Moore, reporter, Mrs. Claud King, council delegate, Mrs. E. N. Hull, alternate, Mrs. Weldon Park, recreation leaders, Mrs. E. E. Sunderman, W. W. Everett, and Mrs. J. B. Brandon, Miss Clara Brown could not be at the meeting, because of injuries received in a car wreck last week near Wichita Falls. It was regret very much by the members that Miss Brown was unable to attend.

The following members were present, Mrs. Earl Rutherford, E. E. Sunderman, W. W. Everett, W. A. Buchanan, W. L. Park, Jim Heslep, Weldon Park, Claud King, Pete King, Charlie Davis, J. B. Brandon, E. N. Hull and Bill West. Visitors Mrs. G. W. Jeter. Next meeting will be held at the City water office on September 14th.

JUDGE CARPENTER THANKS FRIENDS

To my friends in Callahan county I take this method of expressing my appreciation for the splendid vote you gave me in the recent primary election. After having served you as a public official for 14 years, you gave me a vote which shows you still have confidence in me, which gives me more pleasure than the money I received while in office.

I understand it was used against me in the last campaign that if elected County Judge I was going to "clean out" the County Hospital—"To that I will say: "I made no such statement and never intimated such a thing. I ran a fair race and I do not hold anything against anyone who voted against me. Up to this election, I received a majority of the votes in the county.

I am sure my opponent, Mr. Freeland, also ran a fair race.

We went into the race friends and are still friends, and I pledge him my sincere cooperation and want my friends to cooperate with him in making a good county judge. Again thanking you for your support I will always remain your friend.

J. H. CARPENTER

COTTON YIELD ESTIMATE IN 32 COUNTIES PLACED AT 460,000 BALES, 1940

The estimated yield of cotton in this district comprising 32 counties is estimated at 461,000 bales by a representative of Anderson-Clayton company, this compares with 270,482 bales ginned in 1939; The highest estimated yield is for Jones county, being estimated at 60,000 bales which is three times as great as the 1939 production, its second place is Fisher county with 33,000 bales. The estimate for Callahan county is 3500 bales against 2532 bales ginned in 1939.

The manufacturers claim the new material is moth proof, soft and elastic, and immune to any harmful action by cleaning fluids.

It has been said that "Men are born with two eyes, but only one tongue, in order that they should see twice as much as they say."

CALLAHAN BAPTIST TO MEET WITH COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH 1940

The Callahan County Baptist Association was closed Wednesday night with an address by Dr. W. R. White president of Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene, to the workers of the Callahan Baptist association who had been in annual session since Tuesday morning with the First Baptist church of Baird. Dr. White message on the heroes of "Faith" was heard by a good sized audience.

Pastor C. E. Poe of Cross Plains was reelected moderator of the association and pastor A. A. Davis of Baird reelected clerk. District board members elected were H. C. Reddock of Putnam, O. H. Welch of Clyde, and A. A. Davis of Baird. The next session of the association will be held with the Cottonwood Baptist church.

REGULATION ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT TO START MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

The city council passed an ordinance regulating automobile traffic in Putnam, at its last meeting, September 2nd, for the protection of the people, and enforcement has been postponed until September 16, that all may be familiar with what the ordinance contains. Practically all cars on the streets Saturday afternoon were parked right, which shows the people want to do the right thing which was appreciated very much by the members of the City Council.

While the ordinance was in effect when the paper was placed in the mail, the enforcement will not actually start until Monday, September 16th, at which time it is ordered that enforcement start, and any and all who are violating the ordinance in any way are subject to fine from one to twenty dollars and each offense may be a separate fine. We ask all Putnam, people to take notice and make an effort to comply with the ordinance and we will have no trouble with court.

CALLAHAN COUNTY TO ORGANIZE ONE UNIT OF OIL-GAS ASSOCIATION

Callahan County to have a unit of the West Texas Oil and Gas Association since a temporary organization was formed at Baird, September 5th. At a meeting of Callahan County Luncheon Club by J. C. Watson, secretary of the Association. A committee was selected by acting president, John Brice Jones and has started a membership drive. The committee is composed Earl Johnston, Jack Ashlock and Clarence Nordyke.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cribbs have returned home after being in Snyder for the past several months, where Mr. Cribbs has been employed.

THE RAMPARTS WE WATCH



Little Road Says Go 'And Little House That Says Stay; Which One?

JEFF D. RAY
I read a little poem somewhere in which occurred the words "Little Road Says Go"; Little house Says "Stay." I do not at all remember how the writer philosophized on these words but I have been thinking about them today.

I saw two boys in a country home. To both of them the little road said "Go." One went to make for himself a great name in the big world. But the other heard also the voice of the little house which said "Stay." So that somebody was needed to steady Father and Mother in their declining years, he heeded the voice of the house, remained on the farm, married a country girl, was a stay to the old people in their last days, became a trusted citizen in the little community, stood modestly but bravely for everything that was right. The boy who heard the voice of the little road is not to be blamed for going, but the one who heard the voice of the little house often fails to receive the praise and recognition that is due.

Mother Feeble

I see a girl, the idol of her home, loved and wooed by a noble man whom she promises to marry, but Mother now is feeble and she insists that the marriage be for a time postponed. The impatient lover is not willing. He argues that they marry and provide a home for the mother in some altruistic institution. The daughter will not. The

impetuous fiance breaks the engagement and marries another girl. In six months the feeble mother dies. It is now too late to hear the voice of the little road. She adapts herself to a new situation and for 40 years continues as an angel of mercy to the entire community. As you read this you envisage from your own observation a woman who with a breaking heart and yet with a cheerful spirit heard the voice of the little house. She, it said These "Miss Marys" throughout the land are known by multitudes but duly appreciated by few.

Fifty Years Ago

Fifty years ago on a farm in Texas the eldest son, a youth of 20 was planning a career, and heard the voice of the little road that said "Go"; but just then the father and mother both died, leaving small children; and to this elder son the little house began to say "Stay." Forfeiting his career, he gave himself to providing for and educating these children. When the task was accomplished he was 40. Again he heard the voice of the little road, but, alas, it was too late to go!

Here are a half dozen young ministers in a cemetery. All of them hear the voice of the little road that says "Go" but only remembered the little country church where he was preaching during his school days, and it became the little house that said to him "Stay." The others

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MISS CLARA BROWN INJURED IN CAR WRECK NEAR WICHITA FALLS

Miss Clara Brown, Callahan county home demonstration agent, was injured in a car wreck near Wichita Falls, Saturday morning.

It is said there was a tire that blew out causing the wreck. She was some place about 35 miles south of Wichita. The accident happened about 11 o'clock a. m. The car was turned completely over, and Miss Brown suffered severe leg lacerations; but no bones were broken. The car was reported to be completely demolished. Miss Brown was on her way to visit her parents at the time of the accident.

SUPERINTENDENT AND MRS. R. F. WEBB ARE THE PARENTS OF BABY GIRL

Superintendent and Mrs. R. F. Webb are the parents of a fine baby girl born at the Graham hospital last Wednesday night. The baby weighed a fraction over eight pounds. The young lady has been named Glenda Gene, and mother and baby both doing nicely and will be able to return home in a short time.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT GUARANTEES JOBS TO GUARDSMEN ON RETURN

Austin, Texas, Sept. 7—The State Highway Department with an average of 8,500 employees the year around is vitally affected by legislation passed by Congress which may call to active duty all active reserve officers and officers and men of Texas National Guard units.

"Many of our men belong to the National Guard," the State Highway Commission stated, "and a large number of our engineers are reserve officers subject to call." "The Texas Highway Commission has notified all its employees that those who are called for active duty with our country's defense forces will have a job with the Department when they return." "Every man in the organization, from the Highway Commissioners on down, is ready to do his part, whether it be active military service, improvement of needed military roads, or routine work to keep present highway in shape to carry military or peacetime traffic."

MRS. F. L. ARMSTRONG HAS OPERATION AT CISCO WEDNESDAY

Mrs. F. L. Armstrong was taken to the Graham Hospital Wednesday where she had a major operation Thursday morning. It is reported she stood the operation fine and is doing nicely; but she will likely remain in the hospital two or three weeks at least.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Davis of Hamlin, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Coffey of Cottonwood and Cliver Davis spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Davis.

Mrs. Charley Davis and Mrs. Roy Williams were in Cisco a few days ago and while there visited the Putnam people in the Graham hospital.

Lon McIntosh returned Saturday from Fort Worth, where he had been visiting his daughter Mrs. Robert Cook.

Mrs. Neal Norred and baby returned to her home at Denver City with her husband after visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Brandon for the past several weeks.

L. M. Dunaway of the Dothan community was in Putnam, Wednesday morning and while here visited the News office for a short time.

Among those attending the last session of the Baptist association at Baird Wednesday night, were: G. P. Gaskins, Mrs. L. B. Williams, Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Reddock, Mrs. S. M. Eulouk and daughter, Miss Mary Lou, and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Yeager.

Miss Jennie Harris of Baird was in Putnam for a short while Friday morning and while here she made the News office a short visit.

Mrs. S. M. Eubank, Miss Mary Lou Eubank, and Miss Vella Sandlin were visitors in Abilene Thursday.

Mrs. B. F. Brittain of Fort Worth visited in Putnam through the week end.

WRECK NEAR DOTHAN SATURDAY EVENING SEVERAL INJURED

Wreck near Dothan Saturday in which several young people were bruised up some what. The parties in the wreck were Will Statton, Jr. Blen Stewart, R. W. Purvis, Miss Virginia Lee Stewart, Myrl Foster, and Lavern Lovelady all of them living in the Scranton and Atwell community.

They had been to a party at Roy Speegles and in returning late in the evening near Dothan on the west side of Luther Dunaway's farm, there had been a lot loose gravel dragged up in the middle of the road and the front wheel of the car struck the gravel causing the car to turn and it went into the ditch and urned over, however, none of the occupants were seriously injured. Only receiving lacerations and bruises over the body. The car was slightly damaged, breaking out the windows and damaging the top. Aid was received and the car was straightened up and driven home.

MRS. ROSA GREEN WHO HAD LEFT LEG BROKEN LAST WEEK DOING FINE

Mrs. Rosa Green age 81 years who had her leg broken several days ago and was placed in the county hospital at Baird for treatment is getting along fine but will have to remain in the hospital for several weeks, before she will be able to return home. Putnam people who have been visiting Mrs. Green in the hospital, say she is doing very nicely and will be able to return to her home in a short time.

WEST TEXAS FAIR OCT. 7 TO 12TH PLENTY OF NICE ENTERTAINMENT

Two new complete programs have been arranged, for the West Texas Fair. One for each half week of the exposition. They are designed to appeal to both young and old fair goers.

Regardless of your taste you'll find your entertainment at the West Texas Fair October 7 to 12.

Probably the top attraction for the older patrons will be the square dance, schedule for the first three nights at the supper club. Of general interest to all ages and both urban and rural residents, will be the second Annual Texas Palomino Association Horse show, October 7, 8, 9, it free.

Moving in on Thursday, October 10th, for the last three days stand will be the splendorous Cavalcade of Stars, both night grandstands revue and supper club floor shows and dancing.

HARDIN-SIMMONS TO BEGIN 49TH YEAR ON TUESDAY, SEPT. 17TH

Hardin-Simmons University, in Abilene, West Texas pioneer in the field of higher education, will begin its 49th year with the opening of the fall semester, with indicated increases in enrollment on September 17. The school year will open as Dr. W. R. White begins his administration as the 7th president of Hardin-Simmons University, established as Simmons College in 1891.

On Monday, September 16th, trustees and faculty will give a reception honoring Dr. and Mrs. White. This will be held at the presidents home on the Hardin-Simmons University campus, and the public is invited to attend.

1,048.3 MILES ROAD MAINTAINED AT COST OF \$370 PER MILE

During the fiscal year ending August 31, the highway department spent \$378,113.28 for maintenance of the 1,048.3 miles of designated highways in the Abilene district, improved and unimproved of the Abilene district.

Milage maintained by the state in this district includes, concrete 214.8 miles, asphalt 601.5 miles, graded gravel, etc., 185.0 miles and unimproved 46.5 miles.

Maintenance budget includes all salaries of men employed only in maintenance of highways, materials used and rental on equipment. This an average of about \$3.50 per mile on more than one thousand miles of highway in the district which seems to be extremely low when we take everything into consideration.



Back in my younger days, folks upon being introduced would invariably ask, "Are you any kin to Colonel House of Texas?"—referring, of course, to the confidential adviser of President Woodrow Wilson.

At the family style boarding house in Eastland where I used to eat, long ago, when I was editor of the Eastland Daily Oil Belt News (try saying that name all in one breath), there was a young chap named Wilbourne Collie who was deputy district clerk. He always called me "Colonel."

Years went by and Collie became State Senator and was elected President Pro Tem of the Senate. Came an afternoon when the Governor was at the Rose Bowl watching S.M.U. and the Lieutenant Governor was at the Sugar Bowl watching T.C.U., and so Senator Collie became Governor for a day. He signaled his administration by pardon four convicts and making me a Colonel.

Ever since then, I have been waiting for somebody to ask, "Are you

any kin to Colonel House of Texas?" so I could answer, "H—, I AM Colonel House of Texas"—but, do you know, not a doggone person will ask the question!

Seventy-five years have passed since Abraham Lincoln's death and soon no man will be alive who looked upon the Great Emancipator.

Your columnist has met three men who saw Lincoln. One lived in Valera and remembered hearing Lincoln make a speech. Another, whose home was in Illinois, visited a sor-in-law living in Eastland and told of playing, in childhood, with one of Lincoln's sons. An idea of the gaudy and lanky appearance of the Springfield attorney can be gained from a story which the visitor told: A group of boys were playing hide-and-seek; a very little fellow, who was "it," opened a closet door in a doctor's office and found himself confronted by a skeleton. A few days later, the boy saw "Honest Abe" and said, "I know who you are: you belong in Dr. Brown's office."

The third man was attending the theatre in Washington when Lincoln was assassinated. He heard the shot and saw the President crumple and the assassin leap from the box to the stage, then turn and cry out something hastening from the scene, dragging an injured leg.

As the poet said: "The buffalo are gone, And those who saw the buffalo are gone." Soon the last living link, joining

the present with Lincoln the man, will snap.

The joke contest shouldn't be limited to those in prose. Funny (or, anyway, odd) that we didn't think about the rhymed ones before. Here's one:

"There was a young lady from Niger,
Who smiled as she rode on a tiger
They came back from the ride
With the lady inside,
And the smile on the face of the tiger."

To give you full measure, here's another Imerick that is a classic: "A wonderful bird is the pelican! His mouth can hold more than his belican."

He can take in his beak,
Enough food for a week—
I'm darned if I know how the helican!"

News about the newsmen: Imagine a stack of newspapers 69 feet high. That's how much the 50th anniversary edition of the Tulsa Herald amounted to—a mound nearly four times as high as the Herald's building.

Charles K. DeVall, publisher of the Kilgore Herald (which publishes "I Give You Texas" is the new president of the State Press Association; N. H. Pierce's Menard News (which publishes this column) won second place in a national contest for weeklies; the Temple Telegram (Frank Mayborn, publisher, and Walter R. Humphrey, editor) has been awarded a silver plaque by the National Editorial Association for outstanding community service, an award won in spite of the fact that the Telegram does not print "I Give You Texas"; Willard Proctor, Grand Saline Sun editor, has been named postmaster.—The Lindale News, founded by Tom P. Cooper, Sr., issued an excellent 40th anniversary edition.—The Shamrock Texan has been purchased by Albert Cooper, its publisher since '29; Arvil Montgomery, office manager, and Ted Rogers, mechanical superintendent.

HOMER LEONARD OF McALLEN IS SLATED FOR SPEAKERS POST

AUSTIN.—Debonair Homer Leonard of McAllen, veteran lawmaker at the age of 41, may occupy a position in the state government next January which some believe is second only to the governorship in power—that of speaker of the house of representatives.

The youthful-appearing legislator who will be serving his sixth term announced today he had received pledges of support for that post from 76 members of the 150-member lower legislative chamber a majority which he believes will grow.

Other representatives mentioned for the speakership include G. C. Morris of Greenville, a leader in the fight against "SJR-12," the sales-natural resource tax constitutional amendment which was defeated; Price Daniel of Liberty and Dorsey B. Hardenman of San Angelo.

"In many run-off races over the state," said Leonard on a visit to the capitol, "both candidates assured me of their vote. Of the 80 already elected, only four, three of whom are speakership candidates have not committed themselves.

"I believe my election is assured and I'm grateful to my supporters. No speakership aspirant in my memory ever has had such a unanimity of support this early."

The representative, who is mighty proud of two small daughters, is owner of a printing establishment in his Rio Grande valley home town. At one time he published a newspaper there. He will be 42 on January 14, the day the 47th legislature convenes.

Should he win the speakership with its power to guide proposed laws to possible adoption, the brown-eyed, medium-sized, legisla-

BETTER DIETS FOR LOW INCOME PEOPLE IS GOVERNMENT AIM

Cooperation of governmental agencies and civic organizations toward strengthening human defenses was pledged by the Texas committee on nutrition in relation to national defense at its first meeting in Dallas recently.

Agencies, institutions, and organizations represented in the 16-member committee are the WPA, NYA, FSA, State Health Department, home economics departments of Texas State College for Women, Texas Technological College, and North Texas State Teachers College; the home economics department and the extension division of the University of Texas, State Department of Child Welfare, vocational-homemaking department of the State Department of Education, Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers, Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, Texas Home Demonstration Association, Texas Dietetics Association and the Agricultural Station and Extension Service of A. and M. College.

The committee will give special consideration toward aiding low-income groups in Texas to obtain better diets through wider distribution and use of surplus foods, increased farm home food production, operation of community gardens and canning centers, school lunch programs, and mass education in nutrition and food preparation.

tor, who has a license to practice law, will be a familiar figure on the rostrum.

He polished up on his preliminary law and gavel swinging in the last session where he often presided at the request of Speaker Emmett Morse of Houston, who is retiring from the post but has been re-elected to the house.

Leonard, in decade of service, has been chairman of two of the house's most powerful committees—appropriations, which determines how governmental funds should be spent down to porter' salaries and the revenue and taxation committee, which considers how the money should be extracted from taxpayers' pockets.

He also served as chairman of a number of minor committees, has a reputation for conservatism and a record that indicates a non-taxation leaning. He has voted against tax bills more frequently than for them.

In some respects the speakership, with all its honor, is a grueling job. An enormous task is that of appointing important committees, to whose limited membership virtually all representatives aspire.

Steering bills without offending friends on opposite sides of a question is a big worry requiring caution and the ultimate in fairness.

On rare occasions, the speaker must cast the deciding vote on of his duties is untangling legislation which has become snarled in a maze of parliamentary procedure.

Schoolwork Causes Greatest Strain On Eyes, Report Shows

Of all the activities carried on in the home under artificial light, schoolwork causes the greatest strain on the eyes if the home is improperly lighted.

This is the opinion of many hundreds of men and women interviewed in an extensive survey conducted in eight midwestern and southern states including Texas.

Sewing and mending ranked as a strong second in the survey, while cooking, shaving, and similar tasks were considered by others to impose a considerable strain on the eyes in poorly lighted homes.

BETTER GRADE OF BUTTER WANTED IN THIS STATE

Federal and State authorities are active in a campaign to help produce a better grade of butter from the state of Texas, and the producer, as well as the creamery industry, is effected.

Recently several large shipments of butter have been seized and condemned, and further seizures are likely to occur, unless the quality of cream is improved. Under the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, unfit cream is adulterated cream and butter made from unfit cream is adulterated butter and subject to seizure. Producers, sellers, buyers, shippers, receivers, and processors of unfit cream are equally guilty of violating the law.

To avoid rejections, it is recommended by the American Butter Institute, to clean the cows udder, and milk with dry clean hands. Guard against the entry of dust or other foreign matter into the milk pail. Strain milk before separating and cool immediately after separating. Avoid mixing warm cream with cooled cream. Keep cream covered in a clean cool place, free from flies, dust, odors, and other contamination. Clean separator after each use. Clean and sterilize milk pails, strainers, cream cans and other utensils daily. Deliver cream at least twice a week, preferably three times in summer, if you don't you are taking chances. When holding cream on the farm, a temperature of 70 degrees or lower should be maintained.

It is the object of the health authorities to guarantee the consumer that butter is made from good clean cream, cooled quickly, and marketed often.

The food and drug administration has developed a new test which is called the "Mold Mycella Count" method of determining whether unfit cream was used in the manufacture of butter, this test is said to be absolutely fool proof.

Newest Music—Laurens Hammon, who can't read music but invented the electric organ, has a new instrument. Called the Solovox, the device can be attached to a piano and produces the sound effects of an entire orchestra.

NOTICE

Found two pigs, one red sow and one white sow, weight about 75 pounds. See, E. H. Williams, Putnam

LOST

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RETURN OF PARIMUTUEL BETTING IN TEXAS SOUGHT

AUSTIN.—Parimutuel horse racing, barred in Texas in 1937, may return by act of the next Texas legislature. State Sen., Houghton Broynlee of Austin, lawyer and breeder of racing stocks, announced here that he will advocate its return as a means to bring an estimated \$3,000,000 annual income for social security purposes.

Revenue measures must originate in the House but a number of the representatives who have advocated racing have been re-elected and can sponsor the measure in the House.

Brownlee made the statement in outlining a tax program based on a moderate increase in natural resource taxes, luxury taxes and the

general sales tax. He will oppose a racing tax. He will oppose a general sales tax.

Longest Pipe—Application before the Federal Power commission for gas pipe line from Dallas, Texas, to the north Atlantic seaboard, 1,500 miles, has coal miners in Pennsylvania aroused. Never before has gas been piped such a distance.

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BEGINNING OF AMERICAN GARDEN CLUBS IS TRACED

The Western world counts its gardening renaissance from the middle of the Eighteenth Century to the middle of the Nineteenth—a period known as the "Golden Age" of plant introduction. In the beginning America contributed greatly to the floral wealth of European gardens, particularly those of England and the British Isles. Later much of this material, in one form or another, was returned to Atlantic State gardens, and Charleston and the Southland became the center of horticultural endeavor. When the Civil War came on, however, the Old South lost much of its glamour. If one is to judge by the quickening of garden interests in the Southern States within the last few years, however, the South is in for a return to former splendor and she may again lead the Nation with her beautiful homes and gardens.

Our Ancestors' Gardens.

Our ancestors' gardens, prior to 1750, contained for the most part, native herbs, shrubs and trees. After that, importations began. The gardens of today are comprised largely of hybrids which have been developed from the wild, or indigenous, species that were featured during the renaissance.

The work of Linnaeus, the founder of the binomial system which rescued plant names from the chaotic state into which they had fallen, was of inestimable value, and it paved the way for modern garden literature. From the late Ernest H. Wilson, long-time keeper of the Arnold Arboretum at Boston, we learn a great deal about the history of America's gardens and of garden literature. In the late Eighteenth Century and in the early years of the Nineteenth centuries were important mediums of information concerning the subject of gardening. The "Gardener's Calendar," likely written by Mrs. Martha Logan of South Carolina, published in 1770, is said to be the first treatise on gardening in this country. "The Gardener's Calendar for South Carolina and North Carolina," by Robert Squibbs, a Charleston publication of 1787, is probably the first separate American book on horticulture. The initial modern horticultural book was "The American Gard-

ener," written by John Gardner and David Hepburn, published in Washington, D. C., 1804. At that time and before, Old World publications thrived, and one of them, "The Botanical Magazine," which was started in 1788, continues to this day.

Early Societies

In 1827 the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society was founded and two years later Massachusetts followed with a like organization. Both were preceded by the Horticultural Society of London, founded in 1809, now the Royal Horticultural Society.

Botanical activities in our own State began probably about 1820 with the explorations of Jean Louis Berlandier. In 1830, or thereabouts, Berlandier was followed by Thomas Drummond. Afterwards F. Lindheimer collected plants in Texas which were described by George Engelmann and Asa Gray in a work "Plantae Lindheimerianae," issued in 1845. Sometime later Charles Wright made a collection in the State which also was described by Gray.

There have been numerous other and later explorations and contributions, outstanding of which are the works of Ellen G. Schulz Quillen of San Antonio, whose book, "Texas Wild Flowers," has been a valuable and interesting guide to plant life in the Southwest and Eula Whitehouse's book, "Texas Flowers in Natural Colors." Other important contributions have come from Mrs. Bruce Reid of Port Arthur; H. B. Parks; the State Forestry Department; Prof. E. W. Winkler and Dr. B. C. Sharp, the two latter of Texas University; the agricultural and horticultural work done at the Agricultural and Mechanical College at College Station and that of the North Texas Teachers' College and at Texas State College for Women at Denton, which organizations send out bulletins of their activities from time to time; the volume, "A Garden Book for Houston," published and sponsored by the Houston Civic Forum, and a reprint of a recent book edited and published by Mrs. Gross R. Scruggs of Dallas, entitled "Gardening in the Southwest," at once reliable and comprehensive. Caroline Dorman's book, "Wild Flowers of Louisiana," is of particular interest to those who wish to study the plants of the Gulf Coast; regions. "Adventures in Flowerland," so popular Texas plants in blossom, is the title of an attractive book by Liliana Halbert Gantt.

Recently the "Badianus Manuscript," an A.D. Herbal of 1552, was published in English. The herbal is the earliest known book to deal with medicinal plants of America. Before the coming of the Spanish conquerors, the Indians were gaining wide experience in the therapeutic use of plants. The Badianus Manuscript, is the visible evidence of their knowledge. Parts of the volume are devoted to medicine and surgery, and we learn that even the fragrance of flowers had psychic curative value.

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WENDELL WILKIE TO BE IN AMARILLO TUESDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 17

A high demonstration by Texans in honor of the first presidential candidate to visit the state during a campaign will greet Wendell Wilkie when he comes to Amarillo the morning of September 17.

When Wilkie arrives aboard a special train at 11:30 a. m. he will be met by 100,000 or more Texas representatives of all parts of Texas. Miles bivens of the Amarillo arrangements committee predicted. A flood of visitors, some as far as Brownsville, 900 miles distant at the opposite end of the State.

From the railroad station where Wilkie's train, bearing an entourage more than 200 newspapermen, photographers, and newsreel men, stops, the nominee will ride in a 35 block parade to Elwood Park where he will speak 30 or 45 minutes. Among the other honor guests will be Joseph Bailey, Jr., of Dallas, head of the Texas for Wilkie clubs, and Mike Hogg of Houston head of the Texas-no-third-term democrats.

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She clips, scours, dyes and knits the wool. Her equipment is a spinning wheel, hand-carding implements and needles. Mrs. Burrows makes clothes for a son, and sent some of her handiwork to New York for sale.

EATS ONLY BREAD, CRACKERS AND CEREALS

Orange Leader: "Francis V. Davis, age 34, of Dallas, has never eaten meat, vegetables or fruits. 'I don't like their odor,' he explained. The former Carrolton, Ill., man said his diet, since he cut his milk teeth, has consisted of bread, crackers and cereals. 'I have never used a knife and fork,' he added. Apparently in perfect health, Davis weighs 195 pounds and is 5 feet and 9 inches tall."

The highest point in Texas is the tip of Guadalupe Peak in Culberson county. It is 8,500 feet above sea level. Highest town in Texas is Fort Davis, in Jeff Davis County, with 5,000 foot elevation.

Participation of the Federal Government in the second annual Chemurgic Show at the State Fair of Texas, October 5th to 20th, promises to make the 1940 Chemurgic Exhibits of national importance.

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The State Fair of Texas Agricultural Show will present exhibits from 60 Texas counties, three Regional groups, 32 Future Farmer bodies and 26 4-H Clubs. More than 50 additional counties were unable to secure exhibit space because of lack of room in the Agriculture Building.

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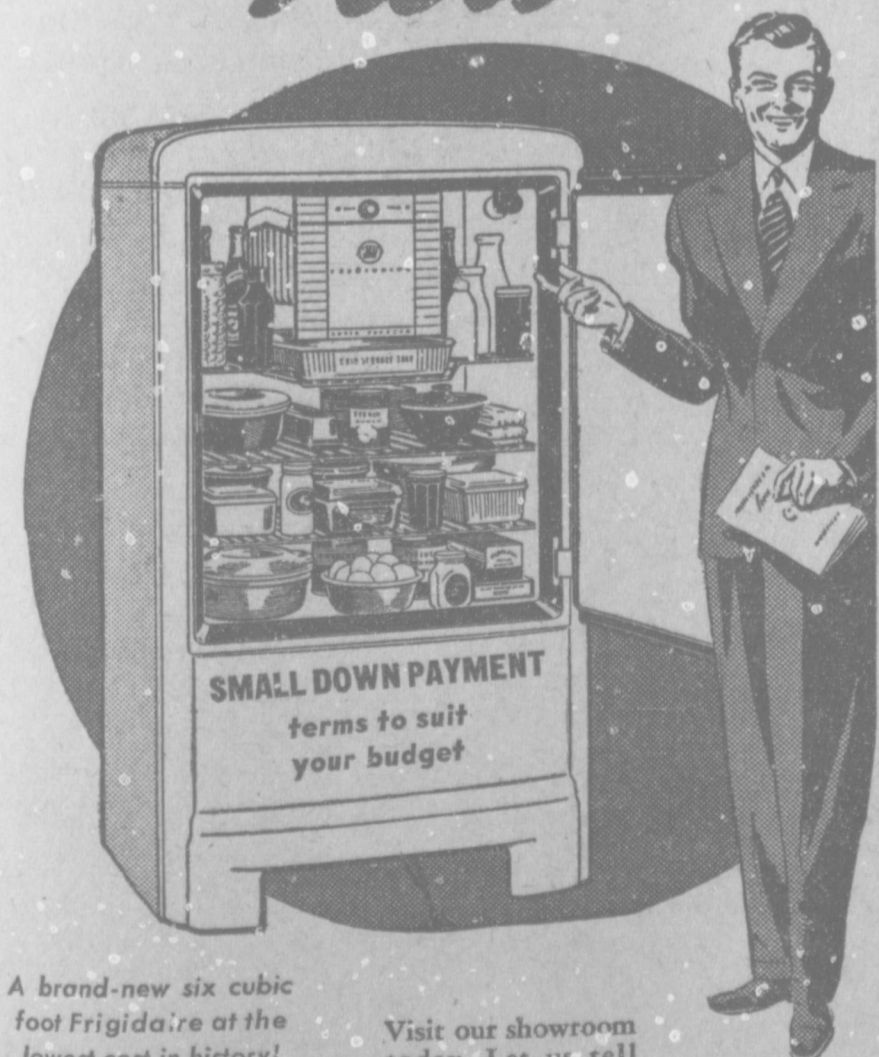
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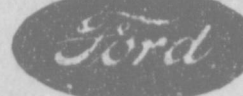
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The services of the Water facilities staff located at Coleman are now available to farmers and landowners in the Central Colorado Soil Conservation District which includes all of Coleman and parts of Callahan, Taylor, and Russell counties, Mr. B. B. Fowler, Chairman, Board of Supervisors, announced today.

This program is available to farmers and landowners who need technical aid in development small water system, such as stock ponds, wells, springs, water spreading dykes, and the construction and installation of windmills, overhead storage tanks, stock troughs and small irrigation systems. Trained personnel of the Soil Conservation Service will assist the Cooperators in stalling a complete soil and water conservation program which includes terracing, strip cropping, contour cultivation, crop rotation, contour furrowing, and controlled grazing as part of the program.

Application for this program may be made to the Supervisor in your portion of the District, S. W. Cooper, secretary, board of supervisors, or your county agent, or vocational agriculture teacher. The Board of Supervisors of the District are: B. B. Fowler, chairman, Shields; Sam DeBusk, Burkett; M. A. Patterson, Lawn; A. E. Young, Baird; and Andy Broyles, Talpa.

Officers have been established in the Agriculture Building, Coleman, with Marvin Hays, formerly in the Abilene Area Office, and a personnel of five assistants in charge. The services of this staff are available without cost to the landowners.

Many Non-Metal Parts Are Used In Automobile

Steel and iron are the basic materials of automobile construction but a surprising number of non-metallic substances enter also.

Rubber is the principal contributor to quiet, vibration-free riding, providing cushions between frame and body, bumpers to take the shock of slamming doors, windlances and gaskets to keep out drafts, cement to seal joints along the floor, pads to keep feet from skidding off the pedals, hose for radiator, heater and windshield wiper, mats for running boards and floor.

All told, a number of cars have as many as 250 rubber parts, and one of current manufacture has 335. Sixty pounds of rubber products apart from tires is not unusual in a car.

Next to rubber perhaps the most useful plastics which serve many useful purposes of which some are conspicuously new, though really belonging to a family of products with which engineers have been long familiar. It was at least three decades ago that phenolic resins were taken up as substitutes for defective electrical insulation. Today similar synthetic products are widely used also for steering wheel rims, control knobs, instrument panels and elsewhere.

Cowpeas fertilized with triple superphosphate fertilizer by I. S. Echols, of Staff community, (Eastland county), in connection with his whole farm soil building demonstration were judged to be making

triple as much vine and seed production as check plots not fertilized when an inspection was made by county agent E. V. Cook, and M. K. Thornton, extension service agricultural chemist. The vines on 30 acres fertilized with 100 pounds per acre were still green and putting on pods, while 12 acres not fertilized were turning yellow and had no new pod growths.

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NEW YORK. — Five unusual musical compositions of the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries have been published by the newly organized Music Press, which is "specializing in authentic and practical editions of music for school, college and amateur use."

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Then he probably takes a stand under the shade of a cactus bush and waits for his noon meal along June or July.

"Patiently he waits for something to hop, run or crawl by him. And his patience is rewarded. A young cottontail collec hopping along, every little while nibbling at a blade of grass. Closer he comes until at last he is within reach. There is a flash, and the rattler recoils to watch the results of his work. The rabbit hops along a few feet, and nibbles another blade of grass. Then he loses his appetite and just sits there. Soon he becomes sick and dizzy, and finally he topples over, dead. The snake leisurely makes for his meal and starts the slow task of stretching himself around the young rabbit.

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Rules for the eighth annual F.F.A. Fat Stock Show were set up by members of the Cross Plains organization in a meeting Friday, September 6. The show will be held sometime during the month of February, 1941.

Baby beef show will include a single class of milk-fed fat steers, a single class of dry-lot steers, a class of champions of the single classes and a class of the best group of three dry-lot calves fed by one boy.

The lamb show will include a single class of fat lambs and a class of best group of four lambs fed by one boy.

Pig show will include single classes of fat barrows or open gilts, one class from 220 pounds down and one class from 221 up; a class of champions of the single classes and a class of the best group of six pigs fed by one boy.

A dairy show may be added and if it is it will consist of a single class of ewe lambs and a single class of ram lambs. If a goat show is added, it will include a single class of kid does.

A poultry show may be presented. It will consist of a single class of breeding pen of two hens and cock for each of the two following breeds: Barred Rocks, Rhode Island Reds and White Leghorns.

METAL FOR AIRPLANES FOUND IN SEA WATER

The development of a huge plant on the Gulf of Mexico at Freeport, Texas, for the extraction of the metal magnesium from sea water has been announced. More than 5,300 short tons of magnesium came from producing plants and stocks in the United States in 1939 to meet

growing demand for the lighter-than-aluminum metals, classified as an essential material by the Army and Navy Munitions Board. This was a greater quantity than the total American production of both 1937 and 1938, says a bulletin of the National Geographic Society.

Chemical engineers have estimated that every cubic mile of ocean water contains 5,700,000 tons

of magnesium, which occurs in the ocean as a compound (magnesium chloride) in solution. The Texas plant under construction will be able to suck in 12,000,000 gallons of sea water daily for treatment. A cubic mile of sea water will provide enough magnesium to keep the plant working at capacity for 800 years, according to the bulletin.

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No, this wilderness is not buried in the depths of the Rockies—it is scarcely more than an hour's ride from the important cities of Asheville and Knoxville, and only 12 hours ride from Washington. Some 150,000 acres of this virgin forest lie along the boundary between North Carolina and Tennessee in what is now the great Smoky Mountain National Park.

That such a wilderness exists is known to few men, while no man has ever fully explored its depths. A forester who has cruised timber in this jungle estimates that there are 75,000 acres of forest as unspoiled as when Columbus first discovered America.

One hundred different kinds of trees have been found in the park, 150 species of shrubs, 533 different kinds of flowers, 200 kinds of birds, and 35 kinds of animals and reptiles, including deer and bear.

In this jungle are spruce trees 175 feet high and estimated at 600 years old. With the spruce stand hemlocks seven feet in diameter, and beneath these larger trees, birch forms almost a solid canopy, while rhododendron 25 feet tall grows so closely between the trees that passage is impossible to a man without first clearing the way.

The Federal government is now protecting this mountain wilderness against fire, the ax and the hunter. It is also building new roads and birdfe paths so that Americans can enjoy the untamed beauty of our newest national park without too much roughing.

Folks looking on this vast expanse of untamed nature can have a better appreciation of the quality of the early American stock; for it should be remembered that the entire United States was such a wilderness 300 years ago, and that the orderly and more or less civilized country we now live in was carved from raw nature.

Mrs. Burette Ramsay of the Union community was in Putnam Wednesday afternoon and while here called at the News office for a few minutes.

Interesting Facts On Rattle Snakes Related By Expert

W. A. "Snake" King, who operates a snake farm near Brownsville, Texas, says this about rattlesnakes in the *Elk Magazine*:

"Most of the rattlesnakes used in shows today have their fangs removed. In many States laws require it. Such laws came into being a long time ago, after a few rattlers with their fangs in working order slipped out and killed a customer here and there.

"The removal of fangs is a delicate operation. Also it is dangerous. The rattler has an active or functional pair of fangs, a half-developed pair just back of these, and then six sets of rudimentary fangs. If he happens to sink the big fangs into something and can't get them out, he jerks them off, and the next set starts to grow up to proper size for business operations.

"Rattlesnakes are born in litters of 40 to 150. This is about five times as many young as there are in the average litter of non-poisonous snakes, the larger number of rattlers being necessary to perpetuate the species—in view of the heavy toll of young taken by enemies, particularly the hawk and the chaparral hawk.

"In his native state the little rattler is a frequent feeder. He eats mostly small bugs, seeking larger game as he grows. When he nears maturity he eats with less frequency, but bolts larger meals.

"Finally, when he reaches a sedate maturity, the year becomes as a day with him. After a long night of sleep which may last from November through part of March, he comes out in the morning of early spring for breakfast. He is thin and fairly active, and may seek his breakfast by stalking.

"When stalking, he eases up, looking like a dead stick to a bird perched on a low limb. The bird sees the snake but, instead of flying, remains motionless, no doubt figuring that his protective coloring will save him. If the bird starts to fly away it is too late, for the rattler has coiled his body without moving his head, and now—flashing that head out with the speed of an arrow—he picks his prey off the limb.

"Two or three birds, with perhaps a rat thrown in, and the snake has had his breakfast. Then he finds a cool spot and settles down to the job of digesting it, which may take five or six weeks.

"The rattler sheds his skin, which permits additional growth.

LITTLE ROAL SAYS—

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made for themselves great names as mighty preachers and religious leaders: he plodded on for 25 years with his country church, developed a strong and deep religious life in the community, turning the lives of growing youth into channels of genuine usefulness.

It would be foolish to blame men who hear the little road and go adventuring for great tasks; but I am wondering if the world would not be happier and better, and if the most of our people would not be more useful if, crucifying wanderlust, they should hear the voice of the little house and stay.

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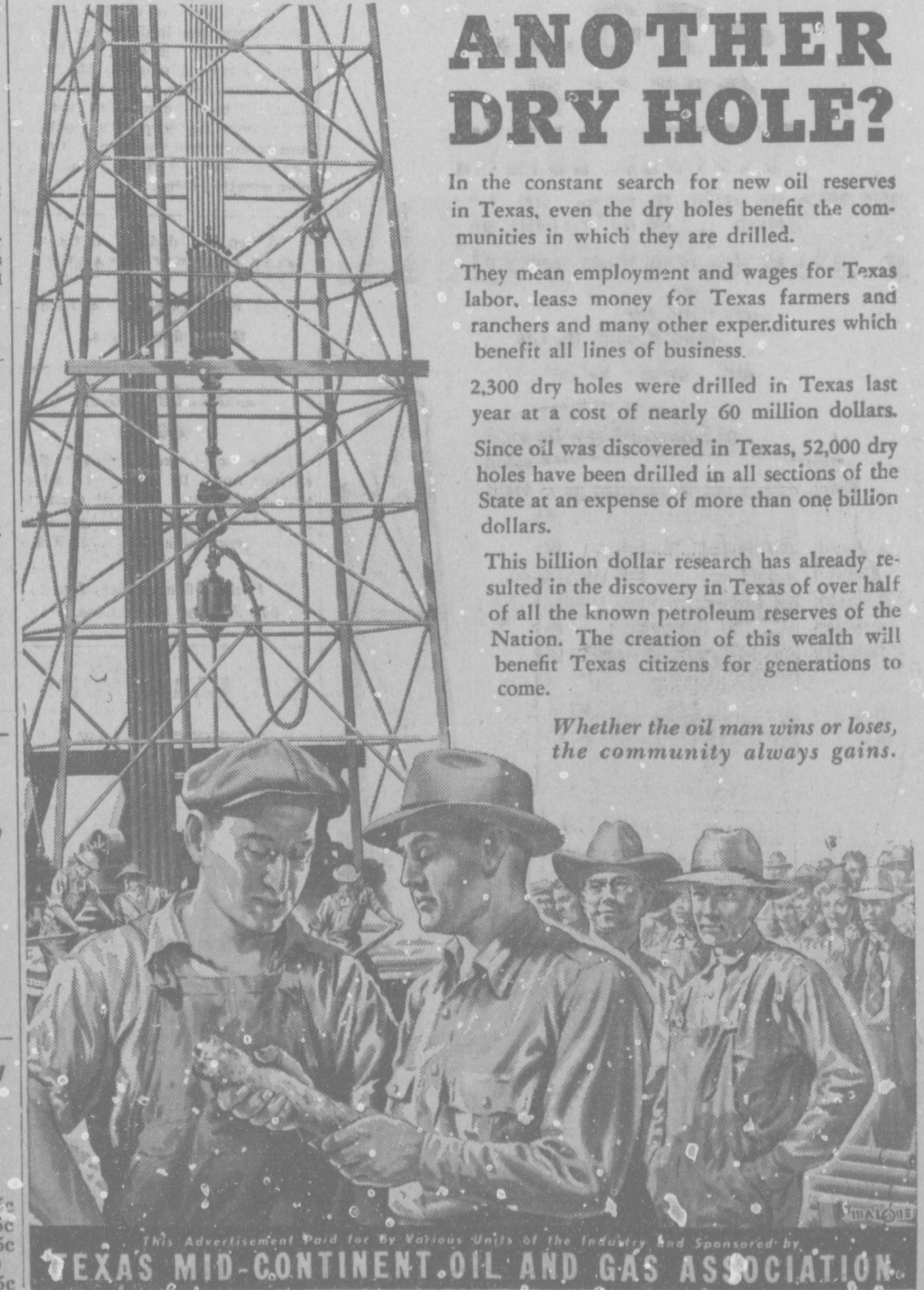
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