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HAGERMAN, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1939.

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State Library

New Books Are Now Available

New books for three-week loans from the New Mexico State Library at Santa Fe, are listed in the bi-monthly New Mexico Library bulletin just released by the state library extension service museum.

Nineteen Projects

In State Depend On New PWA Act

New Mexico has nineteen applications for projects with an estimated cost of \$9,991,446 pending before the Public Works Administration, according to a list supplied by Administrator Harold L. Ickes at the request of the Senate.

Approval Given to Fund in Survey of Pecos River Basin

Of special interest to this section is the report that President Roosevelt has given his approval of a \$100,000 allocation of PWA funds to the national resources committee for a survey of the Pecos River basin in Texas and New Mexico.

District Tourney Holds Interest of Basketball Fans

With the approaching close of high school basketball season, everything in southeastern New Mexico points to a successful district five tournament in March.

New Potassium Compound Bed Found in Eddy

Discovery of Langbeinite in Union Company's Shaft Will Free U. S. From German Monopoly of Sulphate.

Mail 1939 Cotton Quotas to Chaves County Farmers

County agent Tom Reid announced last week that all individual cotton quotas for Chaves County farms had been mailed out, and are in the hands of the farmers.

Roswell Chamber of Commerce Offers Basketball Trophy

The Roswell Chamber of Commerce has added a new cup award to the tournament list, for the district five basketball tournament, to be held there during the early part of March.

Recreation Park Planned at Hope; \$14,000 Allocated

The Soil Conservation Service has allocated \$14,000 to be spent at Hope beginning March 1 for a recreational park, as well as to construct stock tanks for farmers and ranchmen.

Wallingford and Fort Worth Man Control Hotel

A transaction whereby R. F. Windfohr of Fort Worth and J. K. Wallingford of Artesia become principal owners of the Artesia Hotel was completed Tuesday at the annual stockholders' meeting of the Artesia Properties Company, Inc.

Range Program to Be on Same Basis As Used in 1938

Cooperating Ranchers in New Mexico Will Receive Payments

The range conservation program for New Mexico, under which cooperating ranchers will receive payments for carrying out practices designed to improve the grass and conserve the soil of range lands, will be continued in 1939 on the same general plan as in 1938.

Hagerman Snaps Captain's Winning Streak Saturday

Leaves No Undefeated Team in District Five Basketball Competition

There are no undefeated teams left in District Five basketball competition — not since Saturday night. The Bobcats of Hagerman made a slim lead stand up for thirty-one minutes and so plastered a 22-to-20 defeat on Captain. This hard-fought victory—at no time were the teams separated by more than three points—snapped a Captain winning streak that had extended through 17 straight games, and marked a return of the Bobcats to their early season form.

Box Score:

	fg	ft	pf	tp
Hagerman	1	4	1	6
P. Heick	1	0	1	2
J. W. Langenegger	1	0	1	2
Campbell	1	1	1	3
Jenkins	0	0	0	0
Strickland	2	1	2	5
J. Langenegger	0	0	0	0
Evans	2	2	4	6
	7	8	10	22

Capitan

Womack	4	0	1	8
Leslie	2	0	4	4
Howels	0	1	0	1
L. Cozzens	2	0	1	4
Hale	0	1	1	1
V. Cozzens	0	2	4	2
Burks	0	0	1	0
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HAGERMAN PEOPLE HEAR MOZART BOYS CHOIR

Among the Hagerman people who attended the Roswell Cooperative Concert on Tuesday night were: Messrs. and Mesdames E. A. Paddock, Ramon Welborn, Jack Sweatt, W. A. Losey, Harrison McKinstry, Dub Andrus and B. F. Gehman.

LOCAL MEN'S CLUB TO HAVE GUEST NIGHT

Following a very successful custom of having ladies' guest night three or four times a year, the local Men's Club will entertain next Tuesday night, Feb. 28 at the Woman's Club. Members of the Woman's Club will serve dinner. Major Kelly of New Mexico Military Institute will be the guest speaker, and his subject will be "The World Crisis." This event is booked with anticipations of pleasure by all included in the guest list.

METHODIST CHURCH HOLDS YOUTH PROGRAM

On the program last Sunday at the Methodist Church were the young folks of the church. Johnny Boykin read the Scripture. Miss Doris Hinrichsen led in prayer, and Misses Dean Condit and Lola Ridgley each gave a talk.

SPECIAL MEETING AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

On Sunday morning, the Rev. Mr. McCrory of Artesia will be here to deliver a sermon at the Presbyterian Church. Following this service, there will be a covered dish luncheon in the chapel. This will be purely a social get-together, and all families in any way connected with the church are urged to come and bring their baskets.

TWO HAGERMAN BOYS SUFFER INJURIES

At the basketball game on Tuesday evening between the Bobcats and Roswell Coyotes, two of the Hagerman star players, the Heick brothers, Louis and Phillip, were painfully injured. Phillip had his right knee badly sprained and ligaments torn loose. Louis received a broken nose. It is hoped that these boys will be able to play in the tournament which is to be held in Roswell March 2, 3 and 4.

WHITE TO SANTA FE

E. A. White, superintendent of schools, is in Santa Fe this week in interest of the school legislation.

Hardware

CRUCIBLE

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CHAPTER IX—Continued

This hurried man upon the stand was her husband, whom she loved. She saw his lips mumble, and felt her own breath short as his was short.

"Now, Mr. Sentry, I ask you to come to the period during which Miss Wines was in your employ. You remember when that was?"

"In July, I think. Perhaps late July or early August."

"She did some work for you personally?"

"She took my letters, on several occasions."

"Her work satisfactory?"

"She made many mistakes."

"But you kept her on?"

"For about two weeks, yes."

"Did you tell Miss Randall her work was unsatisfactory?"

"No. I knew she was temporary."

"You could have had Miss Randall find someone who was satisfactory, could you not?"

"It wasn't worth the trouble for so short a time."

"And you liked Miss Wines?"

"Not at all."

"Why not? She was pretty, young, pleasant, courteous, was she not?"

"I didn't dislike her. I thought nothing about her. She was—part of the office furniture, that's all."

"But—attractive?"

"I suppose so."

"You didn't notice?"

"No."

"Didn't notice that she was pretty?"

Mrs. Sentry sensed what was coming, perceived the trap prepared, wished to cry out in warning. But Arthur stumbled blindly on, into its very jaws. "No," he said.

"Come now, Mr. Sentry, any man must notice a pretty girl, unless there's something wrong with him."

"I don't."

"You don't notice such things, aren't interested in pretty women?"

"No."

The trap closed, the jaws snapped shut. "Then if you don't notice such things, Mr. Sentry, why did you take this mysterious Enid to New Jersey last August?"

She heard Arthur mumble something, shaken, speechless, perceiving too late the pit which his own words had dug for his unwary feet. Questions rained upon him; he answered helplessly.

"And Mrs. Sentry wished to cry out comfort to him; to say: It is all right, Arthur!

"Now Mr. Sentry, have you told us, in general, all there is to tell about your various encounters with Miss Wines?"

"In general."

"You had no personal relations with her?"

"No."

"At any time?"

"My only conversation with her on personal matters was when she came to my office three weeks before—"

"Before you shot her?"

"Before her death."

"Ah, yes. I forgot, you do not like that phrase. But you did shoot her?"

"Yes, by accident."

"And arranged things in a way to suggest that someone else shot her?"

"Yes."

"Hoping the police would think someone else had shot her?"

Mrs. Sentry, watching Arthur, saw that he was strung to the breaking point, knew that in another moment his iron control would shatter. And then suddenly Falkran was on his feet, and he and Mr. Weldon were involved in some argument, meaningless to her, yet thrice welcome, since while they argued Arthur could fight back to some composure. She watched him, not listening to them; till suddenly the jury was filing out, and Arthur too, between his guards, his face haggard and drawn.

Mrs. Sentry and Phil did not hear the rest of Mr. Sentry's cross-examination. District Attorney Flood sought them during the noon recess, to urge them to stay away from court that afternoon.

Phil and Linda walked for miles, at a swift striding gait, and at first he talked, bitterly reciting to her his father's testimony, as though it were a relief to twist the knife in the wound. She listened, not commenting, but her hand rested on his arm.

"I don't know why I—tell you all this," he said at last. "You can read it all in the papers. It was—awful!"

"I don't read the papers, Phil," she replied. "And you need tell me nothing; but if it makes you feel better to talk, you can talk to me all you want."

"I couldn't have gone through it this far if I hadn't had you."

"I'm glad. I want it to be so."

"It must be tough on you, though."

"It isn't. It's sweet to think I'm helping."

"Mother's so darned brave!"

"Of course."

"But gosh, Linda, it's awful to hear him saying those things!" And

he cried, "Why, I'd rather think he did it than believe the things he's saying about himself!" He was choking. "Lin, he's my father! Half of me is him!"

"No, Phil! No! You are all yourself." And Linda challenged, "If you did a rotten, mean thing, would you try to get out of it by blaming it on him?"

"Well, no, I guess not. I'd have to stand it myself."

"Then don't talk so!"

"But it makes me feel—rotten, to think that he has anything to do with me."

"Phil," she urged, "children are born because two people love each other. You were born because your father loved your mother and she loved him; and love is clean and fine and beautiful. Just remember that." And she said, "Besides, boys are always more like their mother, anyway, and your mother is grand! You ought to be so proud of her."

"She sure is!"

"Well, then," she cried, "you see?"

He grinned a little. "You're grand

at home this evening?" he asked.

"Sure."

"I want to talk to you. In about an hour?"

"Yes."

"Right," said Dan. Back at table, Phil told his mother Dan was coming.

"So is Mr. Falkran," she said.

"He telephoned before you came home." She added steadily, "I am to go on the stand in the morning."

After dinner Phil went up to speak to Barbara, to tell her Dan was coming. Yet he thought with a cold terror how weak and ill she seemed.

When Dan arrived he came up to join them, and touched Barbara's hand, smiling, his manner greatly reassuring; and he spoke in calm, undisturbed tones. She watched him hungrily, seemed stronger for his presence. But presently Dan said, too casually:

"Phil, I've never seen your room."

"What sort of quarters have you got?"

Phil, understanding, led the way into his own room, and closed the

door behind them. "I'm pretty worried about Barbara," he confessed.

"There doesn't seem to be anything the matter with her, and yet she doesn't get any better."

Dan said sympathetically: "She's punch-drunk; just as though she'd taken a right hook to the jaw. It's been tough on your mother and you, but it's a lot worse on her. She'll pull out of it, though!"

"I suppose so."

"Where's your mother?"

"Downstairs. She's expecting Mr. Falkran."

"Is she going to let him put her on the stand?"

"Yes."

Dan spoke in scornful anger. "Blast him!" He turned sharply on Phil. "You've got to put a stop to that, Phil," he said earnestly. "You mustn't let her do it."

"He's told her she can—help father." And he said suddenly: "Dan, I believe my father. I think it was an accident."

Dan lighted a cigarette, strode across the room and back again.



"With All My Love for Always, Phil," She Whispered.

yourself, you know, Lin. Grand to me. I don't see why."

She looked up at him serenely. "Because I love you, Phil."

He walked for minutes without speaking, nor did she speak beside him. But he said at last: "I know it, Lin. I've tried to pretend I didn't, but I do."

"I don't mean to—bother you about it, Phil," she said, and laughed a little. "I know you've too much else to do to love me very much just now. But that's why I'm sticking around so much. So that when you do find time—"

"I never can, Lin," he said in a low tone. "Never will. I'll never marry anyone, now."

"Never a long time!"

"I know it."

"Let's wait and see."

"No, honestly," he urged. "Please, Lin, you've got to get the idea out of your head. Probably you ought to stay away from us."

"Can't," she said lightly. "Barbara needs me." And she said: "Besides, it's none of your business how much I love you—yet. I'm not asking for anything. I haven't even asked you to kiss me. Come on, it's almost dark. Time to be heading for home."

By a corner where they turned toward the house, a newsboy shouted: "Sentry Tells Love Life! Read all about it!" He waved a paper, headlines screaming.

Phil stopped uncertainly; but Lin drew him past and on, and she saw his eyes dulled as though with a sudden thought; and she asked, "What is it, Phil?"

He looked at her in a dazed way. "Why—Lin," he said, slowly, almost incredulously, "I just realized something."

"What, Phil?"

"I just realized that I believe him. I mean—about its being an accident. I don't believe he meant to kill Miss Wines at all."

"Bless you, dear," she murmured. They were at the entrance to the drive. She stopped him. "I'm not coming in, Phil," she said. "I'll be over in the morning to stay with Barbara while you and your mother are gone. But here, my dear, whether you want it or not. You need this!"

She tugged his head down, kissed him.

"With all my love for always, Phil," she whispered, her eyes shining. He stood still, watched her walk away.

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Lecturer Advises College Students When and How to Do Their Worrying

A plea for "constructive worrying" was voiced recently by Dr. David Seabury, of New York, in a lecture at Union college, writes a Schenectady (N. Y.) United Press correspondent.

Ordinary worry, Doctor Seabury said, is caused by fear in control of the imagination. The way to avoid this habit, he advised, "is to seek the center of the problem, let the person control the thinking processes, and think straight."

Warning against resisting or resenting difficulties, Doctor Seabury advocated forcing the mind to digest one's problems, thereby starting constructive action to correct or accept the situation.

He maintained that a negative attitude allows fear to enter the mind with the subsequent result that the mind becomes unable to cope with the problem.

"With fear intoxication," he explained, "the brain is partly coagulated or unfit for thinking."

Also, he added, problems should be correctly judged and handled according to their importance.

To solve worrisome problems, Doctor Seabury urged "deliberation, discrimination, decision and determination" in coping with the difficulties.

He concluded his lecture by advising:

"Never worry in bed; never worry when depressed; never worry until you know enough facts to do something constructive; never do another person's worrying; never worry about what someone else thinks you should do; never worry when angry; set a time limit on worry talks; never dump your worries on someone else."

Human Hair for Wigs

Human hair, secured from the heads of European peasant girls who make a regular business of it, is used in wig-making. In most instances the money obtained from the sale of their hair goes toward their dowries, and some of them have as many as eight cuttings in the course of their lives. The hair is taken from a three-inch diameter in the back of the crown, and the front and the side hair is draped to conceal the shorn spot. The best quality hair is Scandinavian, blond and silky. Italian and Spanish hair have a dark, wavy, lustrous quality. Eastern European hair has a coarser texture; by the time one gets to China, the hair is almost wiry and is of use only for theatrical wigs of inferior quality.

Floyd Gibbons' ADVENTURERS' CLUB

HEADLINES FROM THE LIVES OF PEOPLE LIKE YOURSELF!



"Danger on the Rails"

HELLO EVERYBODY!

I'm still learning what a terrific beating the human mind and body can take and still survive. The latest one to impress this lesson on me is today's Adventurer—Patrick J. Laffey of Trenton, New Jersey. Pat Laffey, as a boy in Ireland, crawled under a locomotive and was hanging to the undercarriage when the engineer started his train. His description of the heavy steel rods as they started to move, picking up speed, shoving him, battering him—well, read the story!

Pat was just, as he puts it, "a broth of a boy" in 1915, living in Galway, Ireland. On this particular autumn afternoon, he and two companions set out blackberrying. So lovely was the scenery, that they traveled farther from home than they had ever before ventured—some ten miles.

"We dared go no further," Pat says, "lest we get lost in our homeward journey. We were all tired now, so we started home, bringing our collection of berries along."

The boys crossed a few fields, when suddenly they came to a double railroad track. Rather than cross any more fences, or fall into any more ditches, they started home along the track.

They had walked about half a mile when their attention was attracted by a huge engine which lay on the sidetracks nearby.

"To me," Pat says, "who had never seen one before, this huge mass of steel presented one of life's mysteries." The boys watched the aged engineer as he pushed and pulled levers. "How that thing did whistle and shriek," Pat recalls. "I think I hear it now."

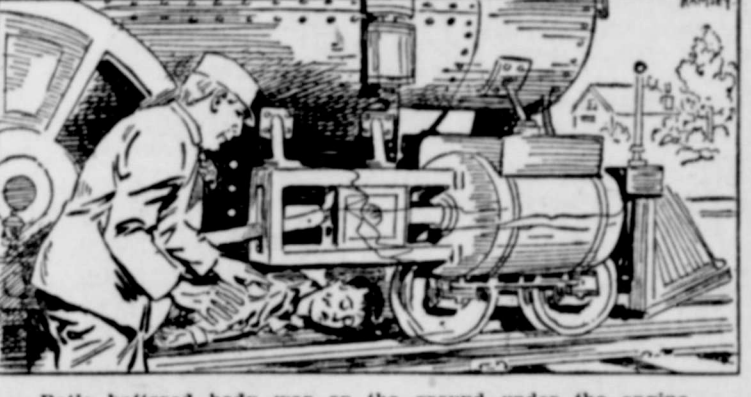
Mystified, Pat Climbs Under the Locomotive.

A little later, the engineer left his position and walked down among other cars on the track. The engine was still steaming and hissing. "This," Pat says, "was our chance for a final analysis of our mystery—was this huge thing really alive?"

The more they looked at it, the more confused the boys became. They walked around it, saw its dirty, greasy iron bars, its large, shiny wheels. "And now," Pat says, "my race with death occurred. I feel a cold shiver right down my spine now."

"I myself set the trap for the grim jaws of eternity. It was a foolish act on my part, as I learned later. Now, boys, don't get a fainting spell when you read this, but consider yourself in my position. What would you have done?"

Well, here is the incredible thing Pat did. Being greatly interested in the engine, he examined it as best he could; so did his chums. Rather than miss anything, he crept underneath the huge structure. He was just in there, when the engineer returned. He rebuked Pat's two chums for their presence on the property of the railroad. The boys took to their heels as fast as they could, but



Pat's battered body was on the ground under the engine.

Pat, rather than face the engineer's scolding, tucked himself under the engine, never aware of his life being in the other's hands, listening for every breath, hoping the engineer would soon go away.

He did decide finally to go away, but, as Pat puts it, "not without the engine."

Smoke blew around, iron clatters, brakes shrieked and groaned—and there was Pat, gasping for dear life itself. He clung on with his hands and feet until a huge iron compelled him to lose his foothold.

He now tried to save his head and arms from being ground to pieces. The engine pulled along. Pat expected any minute to be mashed to pieces. A thousand thoughts flashed through his mind—how far was he going—would the engineer ever stop—how long could he hold on?

Soaked With Blood, He Sinks Into Unconsciousness.

To Pat death was inevitable; he could see no possible way to avert it, no means of attracting the attention of the engineer. He remembered he began to shout for help, but his cries were only drowned out by that ever-increasing rattle of the engine. He remembers, too, getting a severe blow on his left side—the cuts of which he bears to this day.

He felt himself getting weak . . . wet with blood . . . he sank into unconsciousness . . .

Days passed, days for which he can give no account, days with life in the balance. Then finally, on the fifth day, Pat again gained consciousness.

There, beside his bed, stood Pat's parents, friends and neighbors, and in the middle of the group, the unfortunate engineer himself. Needless to say, all were overjoyed to see this response to medical attention in a boy they had literally given up for dead.

Pat afterward learned how it came about that his life had been spared. And again, it was just one of those almost incredible flashes of good fortune—or Providence. The engineer had occasion to throw a switch, and while he was on the ground he chanced to look down at the engine's running gear.

Imagine his horror to see Pat's battered body lying on the ground under the engine. He signaled the fireman in the cab, the fireman's hand shot to the levers and the immense monster of snorting steel screeched to a stop. The engineer lifted out the unconscious form from beneath the undercarriage.

If any of you adventurers ever want a ride on an engine, take Pat's advice, and be sure you get IN one, and not on the rods, because the odds, Pat says, "are against you."

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Greek Law of 25 Centuries Ago Provides Fundamentals of Present Day Patent System

The grant of patents for inventions began long before the Christian era. Frank E. Barrows of New York says in a symposium of the American Chemical Society on American Patent Practice and Procedure.

"The earliest patent system of which we have authentic record was in the Greek province of Sybaris and related to inventions of new foods," it is pointed out. "Sybaris was destroyed in 510 B. C., and with it the record of its experience with a patent system, but the Greek historian Phylarchus, writing in the Third century B. C., tells us about the provisions of the system. It provided that any cook or caterer who invented an unusual and peculiar dish was entitled to a monopoly of this new invention for a period of one year."

"Only the inventor was entitled to

the profit to be derived from its manufacture during this period, and the purpose was not only to protect and reward the inventor but to encourage others to labor at excelling in that field. Thus we have in the Sybaris patent law of 25 centuries ago the fundamentals of our modern patent systems.

"For practical purposes the earliest of our modern systems is that of Great Britain, established by the English Statute of Monopolies in 1623, more than three centuries ago. Our own patent system is next in point of time. It was established in 1790, shortly after the adoption of the Federal Constitution.

"Even before that time patents had been granted by some of the American colonies. The adoption of patent systems has spread and practically all nations have patent systems."

SAFETY TALKS

Most Hazardous Occupations

MOST farmers probably would scorn the use of industrial steel-toed safety shoes, hard hats to protect their heads from falling objects, and goggles with unbreakable lenses to ward off splinters from the grindstone and spinning wheels from the wood-cutting power saw.

If this be true, it may pose an account for agriculture ranked first as the most hazardous occupational enterprises.

The National Safety Council aided reports that of 19,500 fatal occupational accidents during 1932, 1937, agriculture, or farm and general dents, contributed 4,500. The accepted and service industries were expected to be responsible for another 4,500 simple dental deaths. All other industries by Frank experienced fewer accident fatalities during that year, the count their Ror said.

Machinery and animals were the cause of most fatal farm accidents, machinery figuring in 21.1 per cent and animals in 21.1 per cent. In order, other farm accidents they caused were: Excessive blood 11 per cent; falls, 9 per cent; circular, 8 per cent; lightning, 4 per cent; crushed by falling 4 per cent; all others, 13 per cent.

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OLD FOLKS

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QUICK RELIEF FOR ACID INDIGESTION

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That Nagging Backache

May Warn of Disordered Kidney Action

Modern life with its hurry and worry, irregular habits, improper eating and drinking—its risk of exposure and infection—throws heavy strain on the work of the kidneys. They are apt to become over-taxed and fail to filter excess acid and other impurities from the life-giving blood.

You may suffer nagging backache, headache, dizziness, getting up at night, leg pains, swelling—feel constantly tired, nervous, all worn out. Other signs of kidney or bladder disorder may be burning, scanty or too frequent urination. Use Doan's Pills. Doan's help the kidneys to get rid of excess potassium body waste. They are antiseptic to the urinary tract and tend to relieve irritation and the pain it causes. Many grateful people recommend Doan's. They have had more than forty years of public approval. Ask your neighbor!

DOAN'S PILLS

Weekly News Analysis Paris, London Woo Franco Weak Bid to Oust Fascists

By Joseph W. LaBine

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

Paris, London and Italy would not defy Franco if they had 100,000 men. The Iberian peninsula is a vast, desolate, and inhospitable land. Nor, presumably, would the French and British governments support General Franco's army of 4,500 men. The accepted Fascist aid if he did not expect to repay that favor. Her 4,500 men are simple facts and are being ignored by France and Britain, who are hoping to woo the Rebels away from Franco. The French and British connections are making a peace which would save animals and the Loyalist cause. It is a peace which would end the war immediately, giving General Franco a complete victory through the hands of the Rebels. Excessive demands are being made by the Loyalists, 13 per cent of the population, 13 per cent of the population, 13 per cent of the population.



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HERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?
Shoemaker, Chicago Daily News

The likelihood of a complete Loyalist surrender is evidenced by a parent breakdown in morale, coupled with internal squabbling. An army of 200,000 government troops allowed itself to be routed at Catalonia. Next day Loyalist Manuel Azana plumped unconditional surrender while General Juan Negrin boasted he would continue fighting. Meanwhile, in southeastern Spain, Loyalist Gen. Jose Miaja was a virtual dictator in his own right, ignoring the Senors Azana and Negrin. Neither he wanted to surrender or continue fighting was anybody's business.

Britain and France could hardly expect General Franco to jump at a peace offer from such badly-tattered positions, but they did. It was you to coolly reported that Anglo-French interests were offering to supply relief demands for reconstructing Spain if Franco would oust German and Italian influence. So anxious were the British that they sent a cruiser to carry Rebel Spain's envoy to the Loyalist island of Minorca, where surrender was asked and won.

In return for these gestures, General Franco offered little to the two great European democracies who refused him recognition until all Loyalist hope was gone. His promise: To remove foreign troops, which does not necessarily mean removal of foreign influence. Expected daily is recall of the old Bourbon dynasty to Spain's throne. Probable ruler will be big, sporty Prince Jaime, not a sufferer from haemophilia (bleeding) like so many Bourbons. Highly grateful to the man who restored his throne, Prince Jaime would be more than willing to let General Franco rule as premier, a la Mussolini.

Within 18 days of a pope's death, the Sacred College of Cardinals must meet in Rome to elect his successor. Locked in secret conclave at the Vatican during late February and early March, these princes of the Roman Catholic Church will name a successor to the late Pope Pius XI. Attesting to the utility of prediction was the last election, on February 6, 1922, when Pius—only nine months a cardinal—was elevated over the heads of many more favored candidates.

Favored candidate this time is Cardinal Eugenio Pacelli, papal secretary of state who serves as temporary pope during the interim between Pius' death and the election of his successor. Though he confesses a longing to lead the contemplative life of a monk, Cardinal Pacelli has the excellent record of a diplomat that qualifies him for the job of pope in a year like 1939.

Only stumbling block to Cardinal Pacelli's election is the growing belief that a non-Italian might make more headway in settling the current European turmoil. Though the position traditionally goes to an Italian, it is recalled that in 1922 the Spanish Cardinal Merry del Val led early balloting.

Great Britain
Last January 13 the British foreign office received a mysterious ultimatum demanding withdrawal of English troops from Ireland within four days. Three days later the began exploding throughout English Isles and between subsequent explosions Scotland Yard was to place responsibility with the

SECRETARY ICKES
"Off again, on again, gone again . . ."

pressions. Says he: "American growth has been an 'off again, on again, gone again Finnigan' . . . We owe it to our people to protect them . . . from the strains and stresses of an economic system which . . . periodically has hurled off the track. A program of 'timed' or 'balanced' public works . . . would act like a gyroscope." For proof Mr. Ickes pointed to PWA allotments last June, when the federal reserve index stood at 77. By October the index had risen to 97, and by November to 100.

Miscellany
In Harrisburg, Pa., State Rep. John J. Baker proposed a \$50 "baby bonus" for needy mothers, "not to increase the population but to make sure mothers can depend on proper medical attention."
In Cleveland, Safety Director Elliot Ness claimed 80 per cent of serious traffic violations are committed by WPA workers.

PRE-CANNED FISH

All ready for canning is this "drum fish" seined by four Seattle men in the northern part of Puget Sound. The finny adventurer had apparently gotten into the milk bottle when small, and being of a retiring, thoughtful nature, remained too long. When he tried to get out he found that he was too big. The fishermen turned it over to the Seattle aquarium.

can make more worry and sadness than anybody ought to have to go through with.

Now, of their four children, Teeny, Weeny, Midget and Mite, the last was the smallest. He was also the quickest and smartest. He never had to be shown twice how to do a thing. He could outrun and outdodge his brothers and sisters. He was forever finding new hiding places in which they never thought to look for him. He had even fooled

his father that way when the latter was looking for him to punish him. As for fooling his mother, Nanny Meadow Mouse, he did that continually. Yes, Mite was smart, and he knew it. Yes, sir, he knew it. That was at the bottom of all the trouble. He knew he was smart, and he thought so much about it that at last he came to believe that he was a little smarter than anyone else—even smarter than his father and mother.

Now, when children get to thinking that they are smarter than their fathers and mothers they are preparing the way for all sorts of trouble and often sadness for themselves and for those who love them. That was just the way it was with Mite. He thought himself so smart that it was not necessary for him to obey. He and his brother and sisters had been charged over and over again that they must never, never so much as poke their noses out from under the pile of old corn stalks in the middle of which their home was. They could play in and under the pile of corn stalks as much as they pleased, but they must never climb up on top or run out from underneath lest some watchful, hungry enemy should see them and gobble them up.

Now, Mite didn't approve of that at all. He was sure that he was altogether too smart to be caught. "There's nothing to be afraid of," said he. "They just tell us there is so as to scare us and keep us home. I'm not afraid, and some day I'm going out to see the Great World. I'm getting tired of this old pile of corn stalks, and I want to see what is going on outside."

Of course, his brothers and sisters were terribly shocked, and told him that he mustn't think of such things. But little Mite was very headstrong. One day while Danny and Nanny were away looking for something for dinner Mite disobeyed and

Desert Areas Of West May Yield Plants

Three-Year Test to Determine Feasibility of Certain Crops.

PHOENIX.—An attempt is to be made to conquer the arid deserts of the West, long a symbol of waste, by making them yield products necessary for human welfare.

As a result Dr. J. J. Thornber, professor of botany at the University of Arizona, will know in three years if it is possible to bring the desert under control and make it a boon to humanity. Dr. Thornber said the university will begin next spring to cultivate desert plants with the object of developing them to a point where they can be raised in commercial quantities for their products—which include medicines, rubber and fiber.

"I feel quite sure the desert is going to be of economic value to man instead of waste," Dr. Thornber said, "but it will take at least three years before we know how successful the experiments will be."

Rubber Plant Prominent.
The scientist said that if it is found that plants can be grown commercially the acreage needed for the Guayule plant alone will be "tremendous." The Guayule plant produces rubber.

"The experimentation will be done on the university farm at Tucson, although work on the milk-weed plant, also a rubber producer, may have to be carried to Yuma, where it is not so cold in the winter."

A sample box of a number of the plants was sent to Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace in Washington and the government was interested enough to send two investigators to look into the possibilities of establishing a laboratory for further experiments. The government report has not yet been made available.

First work of the experiment will consist of growing seven plants, several of which are believed to have medicinal properties.

The canaigre plant, which has a percentage of tannin, is used in the tanning of fine leather, although it is too expensive for cheaper leathers.

The yucca plant, with its fibrous leaves, may prove to be very valuable if the fiber quality stands up under the intense cultivation, Dr. Thornber said.

Try Seeds and Cuttings.
The third plant to be cultivated is the guayule, which is abundant in southern Arizona.

"We intend to plant both seeds and cuttings from these plants and experiment on their cultivation," he said. "They are becoming increasingly important as a possible source of a rubber supply for this country. When first discovered, the plant contained only about 4 or 5 per cent rubber in its stalk, but now after cultivation and care, plants can be produced that contain 23 to 25 per cent rubber."

"One of our important jobs will be to determine if Indian wheat, whose seed is identical insofar as medicinal properties are concerned to psy-

Playmate Gone, Six-Year-Old Writes to God



Dear God
When I go upstairs
Please let me see
Floydie
BOBBY

Bobby Lewis of Minneapolis, six years old, attended the funeral of his four-year-old playmate, Floyd Highstrom, and talked with Reverend Emil Heuhardt, who told him that Floydie had gone on a long trip to see God. Returning home, Bobby addressed a letter "To God. In Heaven, Up in the Sky," asking that he be allowed to see Floydie when he went "upstairs."

lum, can be grown in commercial quantities. We already know how to gather it mechanically in a clean condition and we have been assured that tons of the seed could be used if a steady source is found."

Another species of milkweed, Dr. Thornber said, has medicinal qualities which the Indians say counteracts poison snake and insect bites. One company is now experimenting to determine what chemical in the plant acts upon snake venom.

Another plant produces the joboba, similar to the coffee bean. It can be used for making perfume.

This Man Still Prefers to Drive Horse and Buggy

NORTH EASTON, MASS.—This modern world has the automobile, the streamlined train and the super-speed airplane, but George W. McLauthlin, 88, still lives in the horse and buggy age.

For 30 years, up to a few months ago, he drove a horse and buggy six days a week to Brockton. Up to 10 years ago he was a shoe plant superintendent. He retired but still made the daily trips. Now, however, he goes to Brockton every other day.

His horse is "Hollywood Blackstone," a one-time record trotter, who did a mile in 2:10.

In the last 30 years McLauthlin figures he has driven his horse and buggy about 150,000 miles.

Mite, Smallest Meadow Mouse, Plans to Run Away From Home

By THORNTON BURGESS

Alas! Alack! Sad is the day
When heedless children disobey.

IT IS sad for father and mother and it is sad for the child, and this is just as true with the little people who wear fur or feathers as with boys and girls and their fathers and mothers. Ask Danny Meadow Mouse. He knows all about it. He says that being a father is the most responsible job in the world, but Nanny Meadow Mouse says that this is no such thing, because being a mother is the most responsible job in the world. But they both agree that heedless children who disobey



After 34 years spent among the cannibals of the Solomon islands where he was the first white missionary to penetrate the native fastnesses, Father Joseph Griswold, S. M., is a guest of the Marist Fathers in the French church of Notre Dame des Victoires, San Francisco, renewing acquaintance with civilization.

darted out into one of Danny's little private paths that led away through the tall grasses. He was out only a minute and then darted back again. No one told Danny or Nanny, and the very next time he got a chance he tried it again. He kept on doing it, each time going just a little farther. It was very exciting. No harm ever came near him, but there was always the chance that Danny or Nanny would catch him doing it. Several times he got back just in the nick of time. At last he made up his mind to do something. "What do you think it was? Why, he made up his mind to run away and see the Great World! Yes, sir, that is just what he made up his mind to do, and it is just what he did do very early one morning. Danny didn't discover it until he had been gone as much as a whole hour, which to a Meadow Mouse is a very great deal of time."

Enough to give a violin a perfect tone," he said, and pointed out that several radio artists and symphony violinists use instruments he has made.

Stamps' favorite is the Guarnerius violin, although he seldom plays one himself. "It is more fun to make them," he explains, "and besides—I do that better."

Stamps imports seasoned maple from Germany and Czechoslovakia.

FORMER HOBBY NOW VOCATION FOR RAILWAY CLERK

FORT WORTH.—The life of J. E. Stamps of Fort Worth, who for the last 35 years has repaired and built violins for great contemporary masters solely as a hobby, is changed now.

He has quit his job as a railway mail clerk and set himself up as a violin repairer and builder at his home.

Stamps has worked on the Stradivarius, valued at \$100,000, of Francis MacMillan. He handled another famous instrument owned by the late Nicholas Longworth.

"And hundreds of people have come with violins which they hoped I would identify as Stradivari," Stamps recalled. "But almost invariably they were disappointed."

QUICK QUOTES

YOUTH
"LET us insist upon principles whereby youth is taught to respect the rights of others; whereby youth is educated to the knowledge that one man's property is not another man's property; that the rewards of service, of effort and of work are the only true rewards; that in the final analysis no one ever succeeded in getting something for nothing."—J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

QUESTION ANSWER

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MENTHOL COUGH DROPS

When you play, play hard; when you work, don't play at all.—Theodore Roosevelt.

How Women in Their 40's Can Attract Men

Here's good advice for a woman during her change (usually from 35 to 50), who fears she'll lose her appeal to men, who worries about lost flashes, loss of pep, dizzy spells, upset nerves and moody spells.

The Ablest One
The winds and waves are always on the side of the ablest navigators.—Gibson.

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RHEUMATIC PAIN—LUMBAGO

Effects of Learning
Learning makes a good man better and an ill man worse.—Thomas Fuller.

Don't Sleep When Gas Crowds Heart

If you toss in bed and can't sleep from constipation and awful GAS BLOATING remember this: To get quick relief you must get DOUBLE ACTION. You must relieve the GAS. You must clear the bowels. Adierika is just what you need because it acts on the stomach and BOTH bowels. Adierika is BOTH carminative and cathartic. Carminatives that warm and soothe the stomach and expel GAS. Cathartics that quickly and gently clear the bowels of waste matter that may have caused GAS BLOATING, sour stomach, sleepless nights and indigestion for months. Adierika usually acts on the bowels in less than two hours. No waiting for overnight relief. Adierika does not grip, is non-habit forming. Get genuine Adierika today. Sold at all drug stores.

Good for Naught
Too good for great things and too great for good.—Fuller.

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SPRING WINDS DO BLOW

Not so many moons ago, we saw a woman come to the door of her home and throw to the "four winds" a handful of torn paper. And if you drive around the streets, you can see any amount of rubbish—weeds, papers, cans. With these winds that come unheeded, pretty soon the town will have an unkempt appearance. And certainly no home owner will want some outsider calling Hagerman a dirty town.

CEMETERY INFESTED WITH GOPHERS

The community cemetery west of town is being literally honeycombed with gopher holes—and unless something is done very soon, serious damage will result. There was a cemetery association, but we have heard nothing from it in so long—perhaps it is also deceased?

AMERICAN ALERTNESS

Joseph K. Kennedy, ambassador to Great Britain, indirectly had his way paid through Harvard by Paul Revere. As an undergraduate, he thought up the idea of a sight-seeing tour over the route taken by the Revolutionary hero's famous ride.

A. C. Gilbert, the millionaire magic king earned his way through Yale by performing magic tricks at parties. He never left New Haven. He established his trick and game factory, now the largest in the world, about a mile from the college campus.

Frank Cook, a show clerk in Billings, Mont., now teaches G-men to track criminals through footprints because in his leisure hours he fooled around with shoe molds and worked out the wax footprint moulage now used in criminology. Henry Falt, nineteen-year-old student at Technical High School in Springfield, Mass., devised a shock absorber which he sold to General Motors and made a fortune before he was old enough to vote.—Your Life Magazine.

Dishpan Meditations

By Your Country Cousin

Folks ask for your opinion or advice, but what they want is encouragement. An' it's mostly what's needed.

Hatin' to wash dishes, seems to me, show a dull mind or lack of imagination, or somethin'. You'll get 'em just as clean if you plan Betty's new dress or an upswep hair-do while you're at 'em!

The robins, poor things, act like they've got chills! They sure must a' been flyin' blind or got their daes mixed.

One of our college girls says she's havin' a hard time takin' the advice of her family. . . . Gettin' the high grades to please her ma, while she has the grand time like Aunt Susie used to have, and at the same time take care of herself like pa told her to. Does look like a mean combination.

You'll always notice these "inferior quality" mothers-in-law are made out of "unselfish mothers." Mostly they're just plain over-indulgent with their own kids

Guess I take things too literal, but I always wonder what folks mean by "good neighbors." Mine are always good.

Hard to say which is hardest to stand, surprise or disappointment, but this umbrella-fan-overcoat weather ought to get us ready for anything!

An unfaillin' recipe for a happy day, "Do the unpleasant jobs first!"

Worthy Newsum of Allison, Tex., spent a few days on business in the community early in the week and renewed old acquaintances. He is a former resident of this community.

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.

PRESEYTERIAN 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.

Boy Scout News

District first aid contests will be held throughout the Eastern New Mexico Area Boy Scout Council Saturday, Feb. 25, with the exception of district 1 (Chaves County), where the contest will be held Feb. 24.

The district contests are the first of three elimination steps to select the nine teams which will compete at Dallas April 15 for the first aid championship of Boy Scout region 9, composed of 40 Councils in New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas.

Each troop is allowed to enter one team of four members and an alternate in its district contest. The first and second place teams in each of the district contests will compete in Eastern New Mexico Area Council contest at Roswell March 11, in which one team will be chosen to enter the sectional contest at Amarillo March 25.

The Amarillo contest, in which the best teams from five New Mexico and West Texas councils will compete, is one of nine sectional contests from which will emerge the nine crack teams that will compete for the regional title.

Last year, when the regional first aid competition was inaugurated, the Eastern New Mexico Area Council was represented in the regional finals by troop 18 of Portales, which finished tenth in the region.
Definite plans are taking shape for two Major Boy Scout camps held each year in the Eastern New Mexico Area Council: Camp-O-Ral, which will be held at Roswell April 28, 29 and 30, and Camp We-hin-ah-pay, tentatively set for June 4 to 24.

Three 7-day periods will be held at Camp We-hin-ah-pay, in the Sacramento Mountains near Weed, and Scouts may attend any or all of the three periods. Cost of the camps has been tentatively set at \$6 a Scout for one period, provided the registration fee is paid at least two weeks in advance. Dates of Camp We-hin-ah-pay were set earlier than in previous years in an effort to avoid the rains that usually come later in the summer.

Little Miss Evelyn Lane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lane, who underwent an operation for appendicitis in Kansas City a few weeks ago, returned home Sunday and is reported as almost recovered.
New Presbyterian Church at Dexter Dedicated Sunday
Last Sunday was a red letter day with the Dexter Presbyterian congregation, the occasion being the dedication of their beautiful new chapel, replacing the old church building which was the first one to be built in the town of Dexter and was used by nearly all the denominations until each had a building for themselves. The old building being unsuited to the needs of the congregation and in bad repair, it was decided a year ago to tear it down and build a new one. A building committee consisting of L. Martin, E. W. Sterrett, Hal Bogle and the pastor was appointed to arrange for its erection.

LICENSE DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 28

The ultimate deadline for purchasing motor vehicle license tags and drivers' licenses for 1934 will be Feb. 28.

Gov. John E. Miles, since taking office Jan. 1, extended the time twice, a month each. But there will be no further extension, he said.

Mr. and Mrs. Stevens of the ranch country on the caprock visited for a brief time last Sunday with friends in Hagerman.

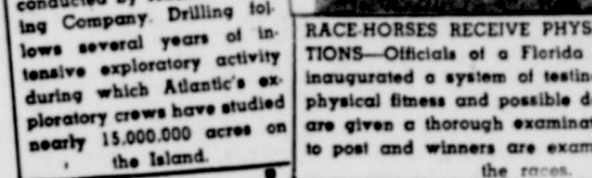
In The WEEK'S NEWS



LIFE INSURANCE STUDY—The Temporary National Economic Committee makes a study of the insurance business which so vitally affects many millions of policy holders.



MAMMOTH INLET FOR BOULDER DAM TURBINE—150,000 cubic feet of water per minute will flow through this giant spiral inlet at Boulder Dam to feed one of the giant 115,000 H.P. hydraulic turbines now being installed.



RACEHORSES RECEIVE PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS—Officials of a Florida race track have inaugurated a system of testing racehorses for physical fitness and possible doping.



PERMANENT AIR-RAID TRENCH—Sir John Anderson (center), Minister for Civilian Defense, hands over to Dr. Arthur Jackson (right), Mayor of North London, the first of Britain's permanent and comprehensive air-raid trenches.



SHOWS 'EM HOW—Dub fishermen will get expert instruction from Tony Accetta (right), U. S. bait and flycatching champion, for he has been starred in a movie "Let's Go Fishing."

DEVELOPMENT OF CUBA as an important source of oil may result from deep-test drilling operations in Santa Clara Province now being conducted by Atlantic Refining Company.

Hagerman MESSENGER 10 Years Ago

Rapid Progress Being Made on Test East of Hagerman

Work is going on rapidly at the Continental Oil Company's well, 16 miles east of Hagerman, the well as present being reported to be more than 300 feet deep with two tours of workmen busy keeping the machinery in constant operation.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Miles and family, who have lived in the Dexter community, left Sunday for Dalhart, Tex., where they will make their future home. Mr. and Mrs. Miles' many friends regret to see them leave Dexter, but wish them much prosperity in their new home.

Miss Dora Whitman entertained a few friends Saturday evening with a most enjoyable dancing party at the home of her sister, Mrs. Vesta Latimer. Refreshments of pop corn and cookies were served throughout the evening to Pauline Robinson, Doris McVickers, Evalene Barnes and Paul Whitman, Greer Clark, Everett Stanley, Paul Roberts and Johnnie Reid.

A LINE TO YOU

By E. M.

The very attractive brunette, who "prefers blonde furniture?"

We are introducing this week to you, "Our Country Cousin," and we feel sure you will thoroughly enjoy the sound philosophy which you will find in that column. Goes to prove that after all dishwashing is not such a bad job.

For a long time, we have urged that our youth be provided with enough activity to use their surplus energy, otherwise they find something to do, that does not always meet with the approval of society in general. The other day a minister in our town struck that same keynote in a sermon, and he used these words, "Two angels were sent to earth, with a measuring stick to get the length and width of a certain city; one of them beheld a young man, and he said to the other, 'Hurry and go speak with that youth,' in the discourse, he also said, 'Look at your

intendent Gaines of Fort Worth, Tex. The mail stages will leave the union bus depot at Roswell at 5 a. m. and arrive at Carlsbad at 8:45 a. m. The return stage will leave Carlsbad at 6 a. m. and arrive at Roswell at 8:45 a. m. The stage will transport first class mail and newspapers only. Other classes of mail will be barred.

The Bobcat

We note that this section is being published weekly by the members of the senior class.

The staff includes Fred Heitman, editor; Glendon How, athletic editor; Alice Williamson, social activities; Pickens West, departmental activities; Spurgeon Wiggins, wit and humor, and faculty advisors, J. H. Slater and E. A. White.

Dancing Party

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Christianity, others are looking at it; and again he quoted: 'If you fail to warn them, their blood be upon your hands.' He urged our old pet theory, that entertainment must be provided for our youth, for they have just so much energy, that will be used in some manner; and if we do not help them in the right kind of way, then the blame be upon our heads. It seems that very thing could be used as a civic project to be worked up by the different organizations and church societies.

Are you acquainted with:

The blond young lady, who proved to be such a "whiz" at mixing doughnuts?

The matron, who is really artistic in making a crocheted rug? She has matched the soft colors in a large rug, and will have a beautiful rug when it is finished.

The who's who in Hagerman this week is Mrs. Harry Cowan. Mrs. Cowan is the only charter member of the Methodist Missionary Society, which was organized in April, 1905, more years that the most of us have lived in Hagerman. She is also a member of the Thursday Study Club since 1915, and has only missed about five times during that time, (and my dear friends, those absences were no fault of Mrs. Cowan's, for she is one of those faithful ones, that can be depended upon to try to do her share anyway.)

While we are on the "priority of years," we must mention the other half of the Cowan household. Forty years seems a long time, but Harry Cowan has been here that long, and then some added years. Forty years ago, he was also younger than he is now, and he tells this funny story on himself. They lived where the Hanson place is now, and very few houses in sight. Harry decided to "break" some wild horses; we will call them mules, since our pet aversion is mules anyway. One day with the help of a younger brother, Jim, the team was harnessed and hitched to a wagon. Jim wisely decided to remain at home, and so Harry started, so did the mules decide to start on a dead run. Miles and miles of shimmering prairie spread an inviting panorama before them. They stopped somewhere this side of San Andreas, for they were headed that way. When they stopped, Harry was right there in the wagon, still driving them with the lines.

All of which shows the determination of his early pioneer spirit, it, which has also been one of the outstanding ways of building a home in the new world of the West.

Are you acquainted with:

Health Column

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

I sincerely hope the recent verbal blast gave everyone food for thought in connection with the subject of flies and sanitation. The figures I gave showed that one mother fly at the early part of the year had a potential carrying capacity for some 200,000,000,000,000 deadly germs before the end of the year. I hope that you can put this number into words because I certainly cannot do so.

Realizing, however, that quite a small colony of germs can start up a deadly epidemic, the vast possibilities of fly-borne diseases become readily apparent.

There can be no doubt whatever of the dangers jointly caused by flies and open pit type toilets. In the main in New Mexico, the dangers from these causes lie in the spread of intestinal diseases such as typhoid fever and dysentery. Some of us may think of dysentery as a mild stomach trouble which really bothers nobody. Some of us may think that I am foolish for making such a "song and dance" about what they believe to be a trifle.

These fortunates I congratulate! They have never had dysentery, or if they have had it the attack has been mild. From those others of us who have really suffered from dysentery and who really know what it means, I shall obtain all the understanding and sympathy I require.

The dysentery in New Mexico is caused by a variety of germ named Bacillus Dysenteriae. There are several of these varieties, the principal variety in this state being the Flexner Bacillus, named for its discoverer.

The two ways in which troubles such as dysentery can be controlled are obvious. One can control the flies themselves to a large extent by the destruction of the places in which they breed and by a variety of home protection methods with which most of us are familiar. Even more important, however, is the destruction of the points at which the flies pick up the infective germs.

I have no hesitation in saying that the open pit type privy is the most potent source of infection in the state of New Mexico. Every one of these horrors is a veritable reservoir of infection—a danger to each one of us.

Destruction of these pits of iniquity is going on apace. Up to date, the Works Progress Administration, in co-operation with the State Department of Public Health, has replaced between 13,000 and 14,000 of them. Unfortunately there are probably about 30,000 or 40,000 more in the state which remain as infection centers.

The people have to remedy this condition themselves. Realization of the dangers carried by these things may help to instill in the minds of those of us who have overlooked the matter in the past the necessity for immediate action in the future.

State University Has Noted Scientist on Staff of Faculty

The University of New Mexico reported early this week of the addition to their staff of a noted scientist, Dr. Leslie Spier, who is internationally known as an authority on Western United States Indians, and an anthropologist. Dr. Spier will join the staff the second semester of next year.

He has been an instructor of anthropology at the Yale University graduate school for seven years, and editor of the leading journal on the subject since 1934.

His years of graduate teaching at Yale will add to the prestige of this department at New Mexico University, and will permit the broadening of the university's graduate program. Dr. Zimmerman, president of the university, states that the university will be able to carry out a significant research program now in Ethnology.

Dr. Spier won his Ph. D. at Columbia in 1920. For several years before going to Yale, he was assistant in anthropology at the American Museum of Natural History in New York; professor of anthropology at Oklahoma University and the University of Washington.

The lucky attractive blonde young lady, who boasts of "so many" autographs of the Mozart Boys' Choir?

The quite effcient "office girl" of ours last Tuesday?

The lady, who was told, because she talked so much, that she was going to really get in "the mix-up"?

The lady, who went somewhere every day last week, then had a party, with everything spick and span and shining?

The lady, who takes all her plants to the bathroom every night, before she retires?

WORLD NEWS BRIEF

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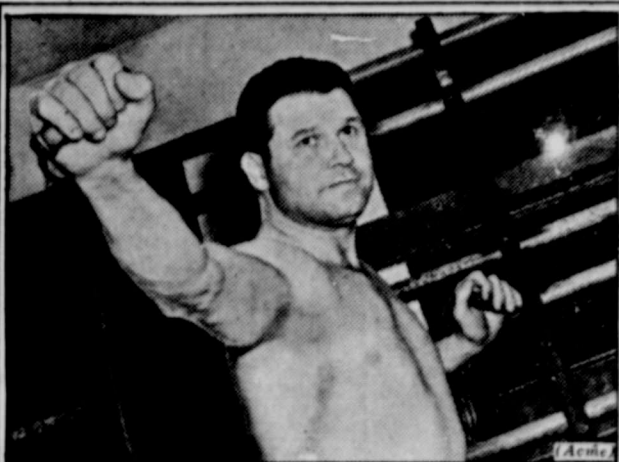
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The odds were 15,000 the. Policeman Burton Buhre cago came through as a in The payoff was in safe secured (when Mervine Loper, 29, a porpo victed on a charge of lea man. scene of a fatal accidnt, whose only clue was at the door handle found at the the accident, spent six mo investigating. He went throu task than 15,000 invoices before tencio ing the purchaser of a ca the broken door handle. Loper traced the car to its pres Mr Loper.

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People and Spots in the Late News



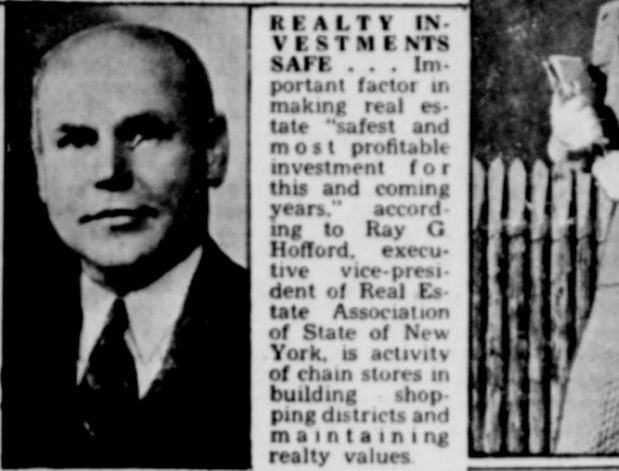
BIG BLOW OVER . . . Announcement that Vivian Leigh, 25-year-old British actress, had been signed to portray Scarlet O'Hara, in movie version of Margaret Mitchell's best seller, "Gone With the Wind" ended months of search during which many prominent Hollywood stars had been rumored as "definitely" cast.



FOXY FOXX . . . Signing 1939 contract, calling for estimated salary of \$30,000, Jimmy Foxx, slugging Boston Red Sox first baseman and American League's most valuable player in 1938, is getting in shape for spring training through daily workouts at Philadelphia gymnasium with weight pulleys in effort to remove excess poundage.



TIPS ON STYLES . . . All set for an afternoon at the races in Miami, Fla., these two smart young misses have picked a couple of winners in resort fashions. Left . . . a shell knit suit in the new shade, shocking pink, touched off with white accessories. . . right . . . frock of white crepe, buttoning down the back and touched off with a sash of foxglove blue crepe.



REALTY INVESTMENTS SAFE . . . Important factor in making real estate "safest and most profitable investment for this and coming years," according to Ray G. Hafford, executive vice-president of Real Estate Association of State of New York, is activity of chain stores in building shopping districts and maintaining realty values.



REICHSBANK PRESIDENT . . . Dr. Walther Funk, minister of economics in cabinet of Reich's fuhrer Hitler, has been appointed president of the Reichsbank to succeed Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, deposed by der fuhrer in move believed to foreshadow drastic changes in Germany's financial and economic policies.



FAIR PREVIEW . . . Visitors to New York World's Fair will find all of traditional "exhibition" thrills plus many new ones. Photo shows Jimmie Lynch, Texas daredevil, who daily will put motorcars through breath-taking acrobatics.

OIL FIELD HAS BEEN RESTORED TO ACTIVE PRODUCTION BY THE USE OF NEW FOUND SCIENTIFIC METHODS

Like a surgeon reviving a dying patient with a powerful stimulant, science has restored the 68-year-old Bradford oil field—once virtually dry—to ranking as one of the nation's big ten and producer of most of the oil in Pennsylvania.

A report of the state planning board showed the giant field, stretching over hundreds of acres of Northern Pennsylvania and into New York state, is emerging from a period during which production "almost ceased" and now is responsible for about 85 per cent of the state's output.

Second only to the young East Texas field in continuous production area, the Bradford field was discovered in 1862 and first exploited in 1871. Ordinary drilling and pumping methods became "ineffective," the report said, when natural pressure was exhausted.

Then science took a hand. Responding to what the planning board termed an "unusually successful application of artificial water flooding methods," the field began spouting 15,000,000 barrels a year. It had produced a total of 203,500,000 barrels under the old system.

F. A. Pitkin, board director, termed the new method a "remarkable discovery" and declared that "nowhere else in the world has water flooding been so successful."

Experts said, however, that 60 per cent of the total oil originally present in the field still would remain under ground after the artificial methods become ineffective—some dozen years hence—and that new methods would have to be introduced if all the oil is recovered.

Hagerman has been a victim of the prevalent flu epidemic, and a number of cases have been reported during the week. None are serious, but it continues to spread from reports.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Curry and Bayard Curry returned last Sunday from an extensive trip to South Texas, where they visited a sister of Mr. Curry in Pharr, and places of interest in that part of the Rio Grande Valley.

Mrs. E. A. White left Monday night for Sedalia, Mo., in response to the news that her brother-in-law, Mr. Kline, had passed away. No particulars have been learned at this time. Mrs. Kline recently visited Mrs. White here for several weeks.

Female Professor Blasts Some Old Notions of Diet

Housewives may do well to leave off oysters in the months that do not contain "r's," but it is a common fallacy of cooks in general to advise against eating fish and drinking milk at the same meal, Dr. Alma J. McNeill, physiology professor at the University of Oklahoma, says.

Oysters deteriorate rapidly, Dr. McNeill says, but it is merely an accident that cold months are spelled with an "r."

She gives other hints on what and how to eat: Drinking hot water for indigestion may prove to be dangerous if it is done habitually, because it relaxes the digestive tract until it is in no condition to receive food.

The sour milk fad and the no-meat fad both are fallacies, as sour milk merely adds lactic acid to the stomach, and the protein in meat is easier to digest than protein in beans or peas, Dr. McNeill commented.

Skiping meals for reducing purposes is not only dangerous, but the added amount of food eaten at the other two meals tends to make unsightly curves.

Mr. and Mrs. John Langenegger, Miss Wanna Bee Langenegger and Miss Bernice Tulk and Dub Hardin attended the show in Roswell Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Langenegger made a business trip to Clovis on Wednesday of last week. They attended the weekly horse sale while there.

Miss Sara Beth West, Mesdames J. T. West, Ramon Welborne Donald West, Kern Jacobs and C. H. Ledbetter shopped in Roswell yesterday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Perry and children were Roswell visitors on Tuesday. Mrs. Perry states that Mildred, their daughter, writes from Northern Kansas that it is very cold with several feet of snow most of the time.

Hal Bogle sold at the Kansas City markets this week a carload of bulls and received \$6.25. He also topped the market with steers at a price of \$9.25 and \$10.25. Mr. Bogle has built large feeding pens on his farm southwest of Dexter, known as the Miles place. Here several hundred can be fed and fattened.

Eighty-Nine Per Cent of Wildcat Wells Fail to Produce Either Oil or Gas

Eighty-nine per cent of the wildcat wells throughout the country fail to produce oil or gas, declares the Independent Petroleum Association of America, the monthly publication of which in its March issue will analyze the situation.

Southeastern New Mexico is a region that has undergone much development in recent years, the story relates, continuing: In the period 1934-1938 the oil men drilled 170 wells in looking for new fields. They failed in 90.5 per cent of these ventures, 154 of the test wells ending with nothing more than salt water at the final depth. They found oil with 14 wells and gas with two. In 1938 the record was a little worse than that of the five-year average with 46 of the 50 wildcats failing to produce anything, three locating oil and one gas. That was a 92 per cent record of failure and nearly \$2,000,000 was the price of failure.

"In the novels which base their plots on petroleum, new fields are usually discovered in places where the single requirement is that the land belong to the family of the beautiful heroine," says the article. "Sudden wealth is needed by this family and the hero, usually a man of scientific leanings, takes one look at the heroine, another at a ledge of rock that conveniently is exposed on the surface for a few feet, and makes up his mind instantly that there is oil under those acres.

"Magically, the equipment needed falls into place, the well is drilled—not very deep or costing much money—the 'gusher' is forthcoming and the next scene is on the Riviera with a palatial yacht anchored in the adjacent waters. Such matters as finding a market for the oil, handing over most of the proceeds to the workers and the tax collectors and paying off the bank loans do not disturb the beautiful serenity which we are assured will prevail from then on.

"Well, to use a currently popular expression, 'that's pretty good, but that ain't the way we heard it.' The association collected some of the figures on these attempts to find new fields with which to supply the demands for petroleum. It found, for example, that the industry in Texas drilled 1344 wildcats in 1938 and that 1202 of them were failures. Maybe the locators didn't belong to the beautiful heroines. Of the successful wildcats, 108 found oil and 34 were gas wells. The mortality rate was 89 per cent; nearly nine of every 10 attempts failed to find anything. The wells cost all the way from \$10,000 to \$200,000, depending upon depth and the amount and variety of trouble encountered in the drilling. Taking the average estimated cost of drilling the state over, the industry lost about \$30,000,000 in trying to locate the hidden reservoirs of oil and gas. These figures are on wildcats alone; a great many

dry holes were drilled in producing fields. That was in 1938 alone. In the five year period, 1934-1938 there were 6,354 wildcat failures in Texas against 532 oil wells and 108 gas wells. The failures constituted 90.8 per cent of the total ventures. Not all of these wildcats were in new territory. Included in the census conducted by the Independent Petroleum Association of America were the wells drilled in proved fields in search of deeper sands and others reasonably close to producing fields in the hope that an extension might be found. All, however, were calculated to add to the known reserves of petroleum and gas.

The article gives figures on all of the principal oil producing states as to the percentage of wildcats and the cost of wildcatting, and concludes that the young geologist or engineer—the novelist is indefinite as to which he is—who always finds the oil on the beautiful heroine's farm has no dry holes against his record. Maybe the oil operators should employ him.

Benefit Checks in First Two Months Amount to \$155,000

More than 16,000 benefit checks totaling \$155,000 were issued to eligible New Mexico workers, now jobless through no fault of their own, during the first two months of operations under the Unemployment Compensation Law, according to Roy L. Cook, chairman-executive director of the unemployment compensation commission.

Approximately 10,000 claims have been reviewed during that period, and 6,435, or 62 per cent, have been approved for benefits at the completion of a two weeks' waiting period if they are not placed in suitable employment by the State Employment Service or through their own efforts.

As of Feb. 21, Cook said, 3,546 persons were receiving weekly benefit checks. An additional 200, once eligible, have been removed from the rolls, having been placed in suitable employment or exhausted their wage credits. The average weekly check was \$9.56.

The heaviest distribution of benefits came in the week ending Feb. 18, when 2,941 checks valued at \$28,597.76 were mailed to claimants.

Mrs. Ernest Langenegger attended a meeting last week in Dexter of a group of the Dexter Extension Club, who had gathered to hear Mr. Whitman of State College talk on "Better Flower Gardens." The group met at the home of Mrs. Amos Rutledge on Monday.

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WHAT'S WHAT
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NEW MEXICO

News Briefs of the "Sunshine State," Gleaned from Many Sources

Traffic on New Mexico highways has increased nearly 100 per cent since 1930. A. R. Abelard, state highway planning manager, told the fourth highway engineering conference in Albuquerque last week. A breakdown of road costs showed rural residents pay 29 per cent, city residents 36 per cent and tourists 35 per cent.

District Game Warden Homer Pickens and Hayden Wiley last week were at the Chilele ranch in Mora County to trap wild turkey and to transplant the birds to other ranges. The first caught were to be taken to the Animas Mountains, said State Game Warden Elliott Barker.

Pneumonia continued to increase in New Mexico at a fast rate, according to a State Health Department report last week, showing 40 cases reported. It is fairly well spread over the state. Cases were reported from 15 of the 31 counties, with 13 in Eddy. Up to this time last year only 94 pneumonia cases had been reported. For this year so far the total is 281. Other diseases reported during the week: Diphtheria 3 cases, gonorrhea 17, measles 51, poliomyelitis 1, scarlet fever 20, syphilis 69, tuberculosis 13, typhoid fever 3, whooping cough 21, cancer 2, chaneroid 1, chickenpox 42. Five of the tuberculosis cases were of foreign origin.

All eleven applicants for admission to the bar have passed recent examinations—a rare occurrence—the state board of bar examiners announced. Youthful Democratic Floor Leader Joe M. Montoya of the House of Representatives is one of them. His home is at Bernalillo, Sandoval County. Others are Jacob Leftow, Albuquerque; R. J. Matteucci, Albuquerque; A. M. Frazier, Albuquerque; Edwin L. Mechem, Las Cruces; J. E. Hobbes, Cimarron; Edwin L. Swope, Albuquerque; F. E. Ayers, Estancia; E. P. Ripley, Albuquerque; Tibo J. Chavez, Belen, and Miss Marian M. deHaas, Albuquerque.

Vivienne Crain of Clovis likes to play her fiddle so well that the pretty Eastern New Mexico Junior College co-ed travels 250 miles each week for rehearsals with the Amarillo Symphony Orchestra. Miss Crain was invited to join the Amarillo orchestra and she agreed to rehearse once weekly, necessitating a trip from Portales and back—250 miles in all. The orchestra, large for a city the size of Amarillo, is made up largely of working people whose hobbies are music. Murray Meeker, a Kansas lad, is the director. He is "growing" an orchestra in the Texas Panhandle by promoting a junior symphony, drawing members from New Mexico as well as Texas. As the juniors become proficient they are transferred to the major organization.

"Cooperative extension work is essentially that of showing or teaching the farmer and the rural community how to apply the practical results of the investigation work and of the Federal Department of Agriculture," G. R. Quisenberry, state director of extension, recently explained in the New Mexico Stockman.

The Alabama Game Department's magazine, which is soon to be reorganized, will be patterned after New Mexico Magazine. A bill providing for the reorganization is now in the Alabama Legislature, according to a letter to George Fitzpatrick, editor of New Mexico Magazine, from Neilson B. O'Rear, editor of publications of the Alabama conservation commission.

Additional time to comply with 1939 wheat acreage allotments will be granted to farmers who unintentionally overplanted winter wheat by a small margin and could not dispose of the "overage" because they were not informed before the Dec. 15 deadline. In such cases, the farmer will be notified of the extent of his overplanting and may be granted a redetermination of his acreage after being given a reasonable time to make the adjustment. However, in order to expedite the 1939 wheat parity payments, redeterminations must be made as soon as possible.

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WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON

NEW YORK.—At the old beaertry for the hired help in the New York World building, a few years ago, there was quite a stir and a stew of ambition. Swapping Dream Book Came Through As Advertised

A kindly Destiny presided over the old beaertry. The above playwrights, novelists and Hollywood big shots probably could have bought the then sinking world with their collective resources of today—although Mr. Sifton, after pulling two or three lurid Broadway plays, now is sunk voluntarily in the somewhat undramatic federal wage board, as its assistant director.

The spot news of this chronicle is that Mr. Burman has been honored with the Southern Authors award for his recently published novel, "Blow for a Landing." This is the highest literary award in the gift of the South, in which non-fiction also was judged. His previous books include "Steamboat Round the Bend," which became Will Rogers' last screen play, and several other Mississippi yarns. He has more or less of a personal copyright on river tales.

Mr. Burman once told me how his dream was almost sidetracked. He quit the World, to become an author—with no luck, and, at long last, only a dime. The fragrance of freshly baked buns in a shop window de-throned his reason and he shot the dime for four buns. Back in his garret he found a letter from a magazine, saying they liked his "Minstrels of the Mist," which they had had for months, and which he had given up as lost. Would he come up and consult them on a minor change? He would, but lacked carfare.

He had seen a pretty girl in a nearby studio. He didn't know her, but he told her his troubles. She was similarly situated, but staked him to three two-cent stamps. He raised a nickel on them at a stationery store, saw the editor and got not only a check, but a big hand on his story.

And, naturally, he returned and married the pretty girl, who thereafter illustrated his books as they traversed, not only his pet river, but Damascus, the Sahara desert, Bagdad and other such mother-lodes of literary raw material.

LOUIS SHATTUCK CATES, silver-gray and semi-corpulent, heavy-spoken and decisive, is a Bourbon whose Wall Street office looks out over

Miners Salute Topnotcher in Copper World

The American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers awards him the William Lawrence Saunders gold medal for "signal accomplishment" in mining and metallurgical enterprises.

This picture was taken at Madison Square Garden during the indoor winter sports show when Tomm Murstad, Norway speedster, dropped down the 58-foot slide. This show ushered in what experts believe to be the biggest skiing winter the nation has ever experienced.

Another sport turned into an industry, is what it amounts to. Like golf, tennis, baseball and football, skiing has become so popular in northern states that many summer hotels which usually close down for the winter are remaining open throughout January, February and March. Ski trains and airplanes each week-end carry thousands of enthusiasts to isolated ski trails.

Why this thrilling and exhilarating sport should have remained in comparative obscurity so many years is a great American mystery. It originated in Norway and has long been practiced by Norwegians living in this country. Back in their native land these Norsemen learned to ski almost before they learned to walk.

U. S. Tests Pilot Training Program As Solons Ponder Appropriation

Administration Claims Shortage of Aviators Presents Peril

By JOSEPH W. LaBINE

This month 330 youths between the ages of 18 and 35 will learn what makes an airplane tick. In 13 American colleges they will serve as test tubes for what President Roosevelt hopes will become a long-range program for training civilian pilots.

In January congress received the President's request for a \$10,000,000 annual appropriation to train 20,000 pilots each year in higher educational institutions. To test his plan Mr. Roosevelt has taken \$100,000 in National Youth administration funds, making allotments to several colleges which have already done independent work in aeronautics.

Civilian pilot training is an adjunct to national defense, and an important one, judging from the experience of other nations. In case of war it profits a nation nothing to have acres of airplanes if there are no pilots to fly them. It profits still less to send young men aloft into dogfights with a scant 30 hours training behind them, as happened during the World war.

Quality, but No Quantity The administration's contention—borne out by aviation experts—is that the United States has an army air force superior to all others in quality, but that's as far as it goes. We have no reserve, and far less equipment than England, France, Italy, Russia and Germany.

But every world aviation power has one thing in common—a shortage of pilots. And every nation has made frantic efforts to solve this problem. In Germany, where the Versailles treaty completely wiped out aviation, shrewd national planners popularized the sport of gliding. As a result the Reich developed a huge army of air-minded, air-trained youth who form the backbone of its huge modern air force. In Italy a comprehensive pilot training program has been in progress several years. In Russia much ado has been made over taking youngsters aloft and allowing them to bail out in parachutes, thereby becoming air minded. Great Britain has offered low-price instruction to anyone who will take up aviation. Even so, every world power needs pilots desperately.

And the ominous warning to the United States from experience of other nations is that civilian training is expensive in life and limb. Germany and Italy have suppressed accurate reports of fatalities among student pilots, but the toll is known to be enormous.

13 Schools Listed. The United States hopes its program will be less costly thanks to slower, more deliberate training than that employed abroad. Schools selected for the trial course are the universities of Alabama, Minnesota, Washington, Michigan, North Caro-



Flying Cadet Eriksen Shilling of Washington, D. C., enters his BT-8 basic training ship to participate in the graduation aerial review staged at Kelly Field, Texas. He has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the army air corps.

lina and Kansas, Purdue, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Texas A. and M. college, Georgia School of Technology, New York university, San Jose State college and Pomona Junior college.

There will be no military course involved, simply the rudiments of flying. School authorities will select candidates first, whose number will later be decreased by hand-picking on the part of army surgeons who eliminate men not having a reasonable chance of meeting the air corps medical requirements.

The instruction course differs materially from that now required for private pilot's license, but at the end of about 35 hours instruction each student is expected to be able to pass the tests for this license. An "alumni-refresher" program will probably be instituted later to bring graduates back for periodic training. From this huge reservoir of well-trained private fliers the army could expand its regular air service tremendously in an emergency.

Gives Industry a Boost. There is a second, and allied purpose behind the President's program. America's aviation industry cannot thrive on government support alone. It is hoped that many of the 20,000 new pilots trained each year will eventually buy their own private planes. As a further incentive to airplane manufacture the President is assisting in the sale of American-made military planes abroad, a program which does not meet with the whole-hearted endorsement of congress since it may be interpreted as constituting an entangling alliance. The expected congressional battle



Students at Pomona Junior college, Los Angeles, test out the government plan to train 20,000 civilian pilots annually. Above, three students in the school that rebuilds smashed planes from the ground up learn about airplane engines.

over President Roosevelt's program will center about one question: Is a greatly expanded national air force justified? The negative side of this argument holds that we are protected from Europe and Asia by two ocean barriers, that no bombing plane yet tried out can cross one of these oceans with a full load of bombs. It maintains that the army and navy are the backbone of defense, therefore our money should be spent strengthening these branches. It maintains that the President's program to construct several thousand new planes would cost millions of dollars which could better be spent on arm clearance, education, housing and other benefits needed by the under-privileged. Finally, it claims that current war talk is simply propaganda designed to create public hysteria and divert attention away from our economic plight.

Says U. S. Is Vulnerable. But there is also much to be said on the other side. Major Al Williams, noted aviator and writer, claims that Germany, Britain and Italy already have planes which can cross the Atlantic with a full load of bombs. He says nothing about their returning after the bombing is accomplished, but a foreign power might be willing to risk loss of several planes to gain its end. Major Williams also maintains that anti-aircraft guns are ineffective over 10,000 feet, therefore they would prove an inadequate defense. Other "pro plane" arguments contend that the air superiority of four other world powers is enough justification for trying to overcome our inferiority.

Speaking only of its civilian pilot program, the CAA sums up the administration's entire aviation argument quite conclusively: "Only by such an approach can the United States adequately safeguard itself against the vast aerial expansion programs now being pressed with fanatic zeal by foreign powers. It is more in keeping with the American spirit of preparedness to build up a great pool of men and machines, dedicated to and engaged in everyday business and pleasure, but yielding first place to no other nation in flying skill or technical development, and quickly adaptable to military needs in the event of war."

That's one side of the story. You'll probably hear the other side from congress. © Western Newspaper Union.

HOW TO SEW

by Ruth Wyeth Spears



Tufted tassels for color accent.

"DEAR MRS. SPEARS: I am a bride six months and your Book 1—SEWING for the Home Decorator has certainly been a life saver for me. I have turned to it for help when making things for every room in our little house. The guest room is next. I would like to use yellow to brighten it up. What color could be combined with this? My smart effects must be accomplished with spare minutes rather than expensive materials, so I would appreciate a helpful hint along this line.—M. S."

If you really want to make that yellow guest room smart, use touches of brown to add character. I have sketched an idea for you here. Mark your material with little dashes about six inches apart and then make the tassels as shown. For the bedspread, reverse the color scheme, using yellow tassels on brown material. Several rows of the tassels may make a border for spread or curtains instead of an all-over design if desired.

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Ask Me An A General

The Question 1. How many bridges across the Mississippi from the moon compared from the sun? 2. How does the light from the moon compare from the sun? 3. Is there room for a ple in the world in Tennessee? 4. What country did that the World war was years afterward? 5. What is an illuminating script? 6. What are pet banks? 7. Are our national holidays established by congress?

The Answer

1. There are more than 2,000,000 of these people were in Tennessee. 2. The earth gets 300,000 times as much light from the moon as from the sun. 3. The population of the United States is approximately 2,000,000. 4. The inhabitants of the Atlantic ocean, received of the war's being over. 5. A book written by parchment (usually by and illustrated with hangings and paintings. 6. They are state banks to hold the funds of government during the administration of Andrew Jackson. These choices were made by Andrew Jackson. There were many charges of favoritism and "pets" was one of the charges of the political campaign. 7. Congress can only national holiday for the of Columbia and our sessions. Holidays which come national are so by the legislatures of the different states. They have passed laws making them national holidays.

Goal of Honesty

The very spring and the esty and virtue lie in the of lightning on good and evil. Plutarch.

IT'S A HIT! The NEW Firestone CHAMPION TIRE

Because IT'S THE ONLY TIRE MADE WITH THE NEW SAFETY-LOCK CORD BODY and GEAR-GRIP TREAD

CAR OWNERS everywhere are acclaiming the extra blowout protection and non-skid safety of the new Firestone Champion Tire. And automobile manufacturers, knowing its outstanding performance, have adopted it for their new 1939 models. On every hand you hear, "It's the most effective tire we have ever had on wet pavement and in mud and snow!" It's the hit of 1939!

The Firestone Champion Tire is a completely new achievement in safety engineering and the result of a new and revolutionary means of locking greater safety into the cord body of a tire. This is accomplished first by the use of a new type of tire cord called "Safety-Lock," in which the cotton fibers are more compactly interwoven to give greater strength. And then the fibers in each individual cord, the cords in each ply and the plies themselves are all securely locked together by a new and advanced Firestone process of Gum-Dipping, which provides amazingly greater strength—and greater strength means greater safety.

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Have your Firestone Dealer or Firestone Auto Supply and Service Store equip your car with a set of new Firestone Champion Tires. They are only tires made that are safety-proved on the speedway for your protection on the highway.

Table with 3 columns: Firestone CHAMPION, Firestone HIGH SPEED, Firestone CONVOY. Rows show tire sizes and prices.

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Suits! It's a Grand Glorious Suit Season

By **CHERIE NICHOLAS**



Which starts in the way of deciding al are so busy this spring. The dra- of the differ- ish with which fashion is the suit theme exceeds all In the amazing play on of some novelty and variety of some woelens, the versatile tue lie in them, the meticulous on good ed- paid to the choosing of ac- you are made to feel the ificance of each.

Another costume suit that is of major importance is the reefer coat type as seen centered in the group. This very attractive and youthful model combines a reefer coat done in one of the new striped wools strikingly colorful in blue, beige and japonica, with a tailored beige frock. Accents of the japonica are stressed in the large leather buttons and chiffon scarf.

Short, contrast-jacket suits are the rage. The fact that they have a "young" look counts much in their style rating, for fashions this season swing to the tempo of youth. The model at the top is among the high-fashion junior costumes. It is especially important in that it has the very new swaggar swing-back. This winsome jacket of navy, rose, blue and white check is worn over a rose colored frock. The charm of multi-colored wools like this is that different colored accessories will click beautifully with them, thus affording refreshing changes that will transform the entire aspect of the costume.

The vogue for plaid jackets over monotone sheer wool frocks is expressed in the distinctive jacket costume suit in the lower oval. In bright contrast to the navy frock with novel matching kid belt is the vivid red jacket barred in gray and white, with kid closing motifs that pick up the navy color.

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Travel Coat



Fashionable traveler knows a coat that gives her 10-16. \$10.40. It is of heavy blue wool 10-17. 10.50. It has leather buttons. Tucks 10-16. 11.40. It has a shoulder form the pockets. 10-16. 13.15. It has a check and diagonal 10-16. 14.50. It has a high collar. Some of the newest are made snug at the developing soft fullness below.

Farm—Every- her each we- tion and fin- stich influence reflect a bit of Scotland as well as color.

Juvenile Sandals Favor Open Toes

Mother's acceptance of cutout sandals is leaving its imprint on daughter's footwear fashions. Outstanding among the juvenile shoes for the coming spring are numerous versions of the toeless style. Open sides and slashed heels go along with the open toes just as they do in adult feminine styles. Patent leather is being stressed in line with mother's preference and there is much interest in colored soles and heels, the width of the soles suggesting the platform theme.

When it comes to hosiery fads, mother will have to do more than accept ombre shadings or embroidered heels to keep up with her daughter. The latest fad to appear in children's anklets is the "Stop and Go" idea. One of the socks has the word "stop" embroidered in red on the elastic cuff while the mate displays "go" in green letters.

Golden Chains as Straps for Gown

Along the heavy silk crepe evening gown, entirely plaited, with bodice upheld with slender golden chains which continue around the waist has been selected by several smart women, including Madame Cham- pin, who has it in bright pink, like the model, Madame Jacques Fabry, in bright blue and Princess de Fau- cigny-Lucinge in ultra-marine.

"Coquille d'Or," an attractive model in dull silk crepe for the sheath skirt and the silk lame for the halter bodice, has also found favor with private clients who have ordered it in brown and gold—the color of the model—as well as in black and gold and bordeaux and gold.

WHAT to EAT and WHY

C. Houston Goudiss Helps to Answer the Question: What to Eat During Lent?

By **C. HOUSTON GOUDISS**

A CLERGYMAN friend of mine once remarked that in his opinion, Lent lasts far too long. He had reference, I believe, to the fact that in a swift-moving age, people might be more apt to keep Lent faithfully, if it terminated in a shorter period than 40 days.

Many homemakers, I feel sure, would echo his sentiments, but for a rather different reason! Numbers of them, I know, find the six weeks of Lent the most troublesome of the entire year. Their difficulty lies in planning meatless meals that satisfy hearty appetites. And since the weather is often bitterly cold in late February and early March, families usually seem hungrier, and harder to satisfy, than at almost any other season.

A Chance for Variety
Lent does challenge the homemaker to exercise imagination and ingenuity. But it also provides a golden opportunity to get out of a menu rut, if you happen to be one of those people who follow a set formula most of the year. It may, likewise, offer a chance to make some significant savings in your food budget.

Most of us feel that meat makes the meal. And it cannot be denied that its savory extractives give it a most appetizing and intriguing flavor. But there are a number of other foods which contain proteins of equal biological value. Furthermore, nutritionists hold that it is desirable to obtain protein from a number of different sources. That is because different protein foods contain varying amounts of different amino acids; and by eating a variety of protein foods, we can best obtain a wide assortment of these "building stones" of the body.

For Meatless Meals
Fish comes to mind, first of all, as a main dish for the meal that does not include meat. For those who are far from the source of supply of fresh-caught fish, there are the quick-frozen varieties, the dried and salted fish, such as finnan haddie, shredded codfish and block cod, and 27 types of canned fish and shell fish.

Canned salmon is one of the least expensive of all protein foods. And so many things can be said in its favor that one nationally known food authority referred to it as the most nutritious animal food that could be had for children over six. It is a notable

source of minerals, especially calcium, phosphorus and iodine, and contains vitamins A, D, and G.

Cheese in Many Forms
Cheese is another splendid source of protein that should be used more freely, not only during Lent but throughout the entire year. It is high in energy values. And in addition, it contains the milk minerals, calcium and phosphorus, and is a good source of vitamin A. Cheese is so flavorful that it adds zest to any meal at which it is served. And it certainly should interest the homemaker with an eye to thrift. For a little goes a long way. It is, therefore, an ideal food around which to build nourishing, appetizing and economical meals.

Macaroni, Spaghetti and Noodles
Cheese is especially good when combined with such foods as macaroni, spaghetti or egg noodles. It affords a pleasing flavor contrast. And it helps to balance the menu—in two ways. First, the proteins of cheese supplement those found in wheat from which macaroni products are made. Secondly, cheese contains a substantial amount of fat, which teams well with high carbohydrate foods, such as any of those made from the cereal grains. Cheese may also be combined with vegetables, to make another balanced food team. The cheese contributes pro-

teins, energy values, and minerals, while the vegetables are an outstanding source of cellulose or bulk, as well as vitamins and minerals.

Don't Overlook Nuts and Legumes
Legumes are one group of vegetables which are high in energy values. They also contain protein which is suitable for repairing worn-out body tissue. Dried beans, peas and lentils may therefore be used as a main dish at Lenten meals, replacing both meat and potatoes. There are many varieties of ready-cooked beans on the market, packed in both glass and tin. And dried lima beans are particularly well-suited to being made into croquettes, patties, loaves, chowders and ragouts.

Nuts are another possibility for Lenten meals that should be considered by every homemaker. They, too, can be used for croquettes and nut loaves, as well as souffles and casserole combinations. Nuts can be combined with vegetables for a main-course dish . . . with fruit for dessert. In the form of nut butters, they make a nourishing spread for luncheon sandwiches.

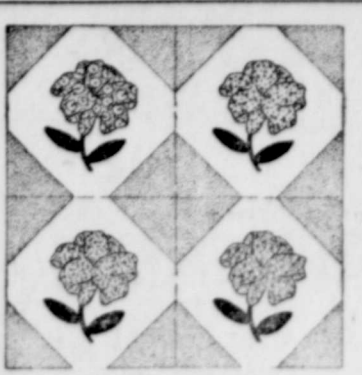
Moreover, each type of nut has a distinctive taste, and walnuts, peanuts, brazil nuts and pecans, for example, each make a thoroughly delightful dish, with a flavor quite different from the others.

Most homemakers will also want to use eggs more frequently during Lent, because they are so readily available and easily prepared. This is commendable, because besides being a fine source of protein, eggs rank next to milk as a protective food.

Only a few of the many possibilities for Lent have been suggested in this brief review. But surely they give a hint of the many good and nutritious foods a homemaker can choose on those days when she plans meatless meals.

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With tears in her eyes his wife exclaimed: "I know you don't love me—you've forgotten my birthday!" "Darling," he said, "I'm more sorry than I can say—but it is really your fault."

"My fault?" she exclaimed. "How can that be?"

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Profit by Fools

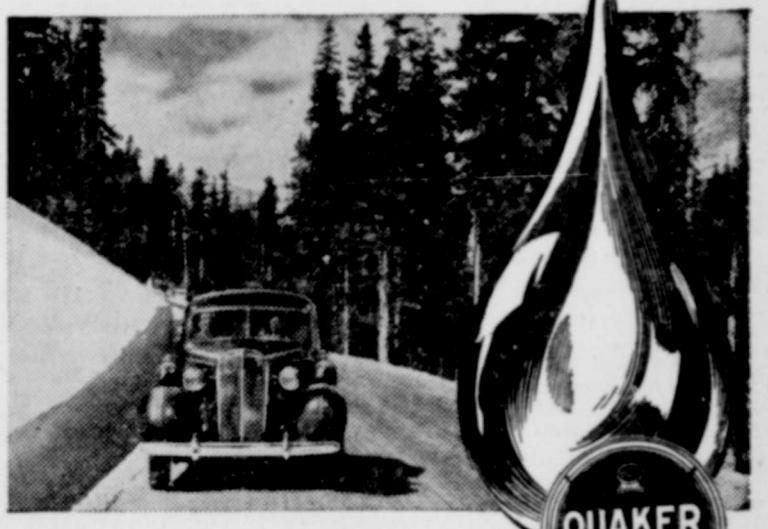
Cato used to assert that wise men profited more by fools than fools by wise men; for that fools would not imitate the good examples of wise men.—Plutarch.

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TIPS to Gardeners

Making the Garden Pay
VEGETABLE gardens are grown to provide fresher, more nourishing food for the family, and to conserve on food bills. Therefore, crops must be wisely chosen and systematically planted.

According to Walter H. Nixon, vegetable expert, the most important vegetables considered both for food value and garden space required are: Beans, cabbage, carrots, beets, squash, tomatoes, onions, peas and spinach.

To get the most from garden space, plant two crops of spinach, one in spring, the other in late summer. Plant Chinese cabbage and parsnips about midsummer in space occupied earlier by beans, radishes and peas. Make successive plantings of carrots and beets for a steady supply of small tender roots.

Plant bush beans and beets on both sides of tomato rows. When tomatoes need the space, those earlier crops will have been pulled and used.

Corn can be worked into the garden plan even though there is not such space. Plant spinach or beets or green onions between rows of slower-growing corn. Then grow pole beans (cornfield beans) to climb on the corn stalks.

Jerry on the Job!



I'M MIGHTY FINICKY ABOUT MY 'MAKIN'S' TOBACCO

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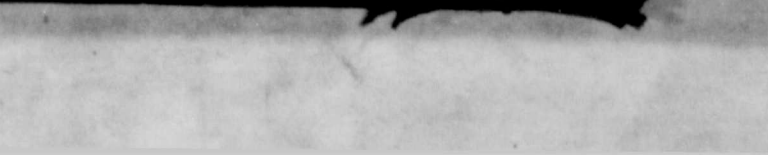
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IN SOCIETY

F. F. A. PARTY

Members of the F. F. A. class, their sponsor, Al Woodburn, and friends as guests had a social on Wednesday evening at the Woman's Club building. Chinese checkers formed the amusement, and cookies were served with hot chocolates.

Social Calendar

Sub-Debs will meet Wednesday, March 1.

The Young Woman's Guild will meet at Hedges Chapel Feb. 24 at 1 p. m. Dr. Curtis of Santa Fe will be present to conduct the clinic.

ONE O'CLOCK DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Paddock entertained last Friday at the one o'clock hour with a delicious dinner. Covers were laid for the Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Rice and family, the Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Shaw and Nancy, and the hosts.

REPORT INTERESTING VISIT TO TEXAS POINTS

Mrs. J. E. Wimberly, who accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Childress and small daughter to Texas, returned last Sunday. The trip included Fort Worth, Dallas, Temple, San Antonio, Corpus Christi, the Rio Grande Valley, Brownsville, Matamoros, and the river route by Laredo, Del Rio, Alpine on the trip home.

DINNER PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. McKinstry and Lon entertained with a dinner party last Sunday evening. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Campsten, Bobbie and Polly, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lane, Jr., and Eddy III.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY HOLDS ALL DAY MEET

Members of the Presbyterian Missionary Society met yesterday at the home of Mrs. Robert Cumpsten for an all-day session. Lunch was served cafeteria style at the noon hour. The lesson on "The Church Takes Root in India" was led by Mrs. J. E. Wimberly, with each member taking part.

CONTRACT CLUB PARTY

The Contract Club met Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sweet. Players were: Mr. and Mrs. Dub Andrus, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Mehlhop, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Losey, Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Welborne, Brennon Witt, Miss Almartha Grown and the hosts. Mrs. Dub Andrus won high score. Refreshments of angel food cake topped with fresh strawberries, cocoa and coffee were served.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY AND BELLE BENNETTS MEET

The two missionary societies of the Methodist Church met yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Harry Cowan for the study of the "Book of India." Mrs. Arthur Shaw led the lesson, which was on the religious conditions, it's peoples. The subject proper has been "The Church Takes Root in India," and is a mission study.

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This was the last lesson in which the Belle Bennetts will join on this subject. The adult society will review the first part of the book. Mrs. Cowan served cherry pie topped with whipped cream and coffee. Washington's birthday napkins and other national colored favors were given. Thirty-six were present, a record attendance. Mrs. J. W. Slade, Miss Margaret Slade and Miss Anna Slade were guests. Misses Margaret and Anna are having a brief holiday from their teaching positions.

EXTENSION CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. FERGUSON

A record attendance was reported last Thursday, when the Extension Club met at the home of Mrs. Tom Ferguson. Miss Erna Ruth Wildermuth was present. This was her last meeting, as Miss Wildermuth has resigned to accept another position. The lesson was given on "The Color Scheme in a Home," and proved to be very interesting and helpful. The club which meets each third Thursday of the month, will meet on March 16 with Mrs. Walden Jacobson.

SOPHOMORE PARTY

One of the gayest events among the younger crowd the past week was the party held at the high school gymnasium Thursday evening. The guest list included members of the sophomore class, their guests and the sponsor, Mr. Welborne. Games of different kinds and relay races formed the entertainment of the evening. Refreshments of sandwiches, cookies and fruit were served.

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42 CLUB MEETS WITH THE LANGENEGGERS

Members of the Forty-Two Club met on Thursday evening of last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Langenegger. The national colors in Washington motifs and favors was a reminder of the season. A refreshment plate held delicious hot beef sandwiches, cherry pie and coffee. Present with the hosts were Messrs. and Mesdames Kermit Southard, Eugene Hobson, Carol Newsom, Rufus Campbell, Tommy Bledsoe, Tom Allen and Tom Ferguson. The club will meet on March 2 with Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Bledsoe.

ANNOUNCING

The arrival of Lloyd Thornton Peacock on Saturday, Feb. 18 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Peacock. Mother and babe are doing nicely.

Bones of Billy the Kid Are to Rest in Peace at Ft. Sumner

A district court judge stepped into a local fuss at Fort Sumner Saturday to rule that the cemetery where the bones of Billy the Kid lie buried is not to be disturbed.

Roswell Man One Of Twenty-two in The State Licensed

Marck W. Owen of Roswell is one of twenty-two professional land surveyors just licensed by the state board of examiners, it was announced at State Engineer Tom McClure's office.

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Interesting Letter Received From Cousin in Ireland

Editor's note: Elizabeth McKinstry Stoskopf has a cousin in Ireland, who wrote the following:

We are having a rather severe winter this year—it is just one storm after another all the time. Previous winters we wouldn't have a fall of snow before Christmas and perhaps have only one during the whole winter, but this year it is just one after another. I wouldn't mind so much if the roads would let one get about, but first it snows then it thaws and then freezes, which leaves the road like a board of ice. Anyone trying to drive a car on it never knows where they will land, very often across the ditch with the wheels uppermost, or go smash into another car when applying the brakes. As I don't want to be involved in an accident, I stay at home.

Have joined a badminton club this winter and usually go one night in the week. There is also a dramatic club and I have to attend it twice a week, but I like it very much, as there's a very jolly crowd at it. What we are really trying to do is to produce a play called "Brown Sugar." I then go to cookery class once in the week too and so my nights are fairly well filled up during the winter. What I really like is a good programme on the wireless. I sometimes switch on about 6 o'clock in the evening and keep it on till about 11 at night. I listen to anything except opera, so I'm afraid my taste isn't very high-brow. During the crisis it was on all the time to hear the latest development. There is still a lot of talk about war and some people think it will eventually come to it, but I hope not. I often wondered if it did, what your views would be. Neville Chamberlain made a speech on the wireless last night and Hitler is to make one on Monday, so we are all wondering what he will say. I often hear programmes from America; also there is a talk for a quarter of an hour every week from America on American affairs. I think the reason I like wireless so much is because there are no cinema theatres near that I can go to. The nearest cinema is 16 miles away and the one I usually go to is 25 miles and the theatre is over 60. In your country this distance is thought nothing of, but here it is thought a lot. This means that you make sure you are going to a good film before you start and I love to hear Jeanette McDonald. I think I prefer a musical film every time. I've never heard Deanna Durbin yet, but that is a pleasure in store for me as I believe she is a marvel.

You mentioned in your letter if we had football games here. It is the main game in the British Isles, and there are syndicates run what are called "football pools." They pick about 30 teams and you write down which you think is going to win, lose or draw. If you get all results correct, you get anywhere from 1,000 to 10,000 pounds.

I've just been thinking of cars. In this country we buy a 10-horsepower car at 200 pounds (you think in dollars) pay 9 pounds tax and as much insurance. After that petrol here is 4½ shillings per gallon, with you 4 pence or 6, I don't know how you are taxed in America.

Mrs. Etta Enfield of Illinois returned from South Texas with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Curry for a visit with them here. At Pharr, where Mr. and Mrs. Curry visited, four of Mr. Curry's family were present. All but one sister were there, Alvah Curry, C. W. Curry, Mrs. Enfield and the sister in Pharr. Mr. and Mrs. Curry and Bayard, who returned last Sunday from this extensive pleasure trip, returned by way of Sterling City, where they had a brief visit with Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Clark and Jim Bob.

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First Convictions Yesterday in the WPA Misuse Trial

The government gained its first convictions yesterday in its prosecution of the seventy-three persons indicted last October for misuse of the New Mexico WPA.

The score stood at 32 dismissals, 16 acquittals, two convictions, and a hung jury on 11. A federal court jury deliberated only an hour and 10 minutes before returning verdicts against Si Olguin, a former WPA foreman, and Manuel Turrieta, a timekeeper, charged with diversion of WPA labor and falsification of payrolls. Olguin was sentenced to a year in jail and \$200 fine on each of seven counts, the penalties to run concurrently. Turrieta, convicted only on the account of falsifying payrolls, was placed on two years probation upon recommendation for clemency by the jury.

Before their trial started Wednesday, a preceding jury acquitted, a preceding jury acquitted, a preceding jury acquitted, a preceding jury acquitted, a preceding jury acquitted.

Extension Service And ACP to Hold Series of Meetings

The state conservation committee, cooperating with the Extension Service, has arranged for a series of educational meetings the latter part of February and early in March in every county in New Mexico for the purpose of discussing the 1935 agricultural conservation program with the county committee and all of the community committees in each county. A detailed study of the New Mexico Handbook will be made in each meeting. In order to facilitate the work and discussion of the program with the various county committees, the state has been divided into three districts, the Southern, the Northwestern and the Northeastern. J. M. Beene, chairman of the state committee; Alton Owens, district supervisor of the AAA,

Foundation Seed Is to Be Released

College Will Distribute 27,100 Pounds of Acala to Cotton Farmers

A total of 27,100 pounds of foundation college Acala cotton seed will be released by the State College to the New Mexico Crop Improvement Association for distribution in the cotton counties this spring, says Clayborn Wayne of the New Mexico Extension Service. Each year foundation seed is produced by the Experiment Station and U. S. Field Station for distribution to the cotton farmers in the state.

Approximately 17,500 pounds will be allocated to county crop improvement associations in Eddy, Chaves, Luna and Sierra Counties. The remaining 9,600 pounds will be allotted to Dona Ana and Otero Counties. This total supply of foundation seed should plant 774 acres for the production of 774,000 pounds of registered seed which in 1940 should plant 22,114 acres for the production of 19,902,600 pounds of certified seed for planting in the fall of 1941, Wayne said.

The supply of certified seed, which is only two years removed from State College, should plant 540,074 acres to college Acala seed. In this way the Crop Improvement Association helps distribute and keep pure seed that has been released from the State College and U. S. Field Station.

Cotton producers should compare their grade and staple with the grade and staple on the cotton producing foundation seed, Wayne advised. There were thirteen bales from which the seed was saved. The grade on all thirteen bales was strict middling. In staple, six bales stapled 1½; the rest stapled 1 3/32.

The above can be compared in staple to 457 bales of high grade cotton produced in Dona Ana County, which graded as follows: One, 7/8; seven, 1 1/32; 83, 1 1/16; 247, 1 3/32; 113, 1 1/8; and six, 1 5/32; The foundation seed is also a heavy yielder.

WILL DISCUSS ICKES ACTION AT OIL MEET

The order of Secretary of the Interior Ickes prohibiting oil and gas drilling of 42,000 acres of land in Eddy County probably will be discussed at the next meeting of the state oil conservation commission, Land Commissioner Frank Worden said Tuesday.

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and Lee Gould of the Extension Service, will meet with all committees in the Southern District for a two-day discussion in each county. This series of meetings began Feb. 15 and will continue through March 11.

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