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## Barnhart News

By MRS. ALMA TARVIN

Barnhart only received a light shower the past week, when so much of the country was getting a good rain.

On Thursday afternoon Mrs. Roy Collins was hostess to the Sewing Club, in the P-TA room at the Grammar school. Mrs. Sparks entertained the members with several songs, playing her own accompaniment. After about two hours work, refreshments of apple pie and coffee were served to Mmes. T. E. Strother, Everette Roe, E. C. Tarvin, C. B. Becton, Joe Ross, Floyd Ridley, Cal Johnson, Clyde Parry, G. W. Newman, Raymond Greenhill, R. S. Neal, Margaret Mullins and Sparks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lackey are moving back to Barnhart this week after being away about 20 years. They have always kept their town house here, although spending their time on the ranch. They are completely redoing their place, building new porches, a two car garage with servants quarters combined, and giving the entire place a general repair. It will be about two weeks yet before they can move in. At present they are at home with Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Porter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hinde are to occupy the ranch Mr. Lackey has been operating. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Lackey back to Barnhart.

Buster and Jemie Harris, sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Harris, have gone to work for the Santa Fe railroad here.

Mrs. Ted Atkins, Mrs. Clyde Parry and Mrs. Roy Collins attended a meeting of the P-TA in San Angelo Tuesday to take the parliamentary procedure course. Mrs. Atkins is president of the local unit, and Mrs. Parry, secretary.

Word has been received here of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Deschamps of San Gabriel, Calif. Mrs. Deschamps is the former Christine Shaw, daughter of Mrs. Jim Shaw. Mrs. Shaw is now in San Gabriel with the Deschamps. Both mother and baby are reported doing fine.

Hermon Moore is taking over his cafe here, which has been operated by Roy Cato for several years. Mr. Moore is a returned veteran, and has been in the cafe business around 20 years. Mr. Cato has had the cafe leased, but has opened up a new business in the building formerly occupied by 'Bill's Coffee Shop.' Both buildings have been renovated, but will be several days before Mr. Moore is ready for business.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Woodruff are having new concrete porches and walks built at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Combest have moved in Mrs. Jim Shaw's house. Mr. Combest is with the Gardner Bros. Drilling Co. They have three children in school. We welcome them to Barnhart.

Rev. V. M. Laller will conduct services at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Everyone is invited out to hear him.

Duke Shaw of Eola was in town a few days the past week on business.

## YOUTH FELLOWSHIP MEETS AT MILES

The Methodist Youth Fellowship meet will be held Oct. 6 at three o'clock in the afternoon at Miles. This is the regular meeting of the entire San Angelo District of Youth Fellowship. All young people who care to go will meet at the church at 1:15 p. m. as cars will leave at 1:30 p. m.

A good program will be rendered after which refreshments will be served to all.

Mary Nell Price began work again Monday after a two weeks vacation in Chicago and Colorado. A cousin, Miss Zonelle Post of Midland, accompanied her on this vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davidson accompanied their son, Jack Jr. to Abilene last Friday when he enrolled in Abilene Christian College.

## 4-H CLUB STARTS NEW CLUB YEAR

The Irion County 4-H Club started its work for the new club year at a meeting held recently. New officers elected for the year include: Fayette Tankersley, president; Stewart Evans, Jr., vice-president; E. L. Tankersley, secretary-treasurer; Hubert Payton, reporter.

County Agent J. T. Davis, at this meeting made the following awards: Buck Baze was given the Wilson award for outstanding 4-H feeder in the county.

E. L. Tankersley was given a check for \$25 by Universal Mills of Fort Worth for having champion calf in the local fat stock show last spring.

Hubert Payton was awarded the Danforth Foundation book, "I Dare You," in recognition of his qualities of leadership.

Reginald Atkinson, who has served as adult leader for the past ten years, was given a certificate of commendation in recognition of his work.

On Sept. 15 the boys began work on the following projects:

1. Carrol Stratton—5 Rambouillet mutton lambs.
2. Boyce Tankersley, Jr.—4 Rambouillet lambs.
3. Dayle Tankersley—4 Rambouillet lambs.
4. E. L. Tankersley—2 crossbred Southdowns and 2 crossbred Suffolks.
5. Fayette Tankersley—3 Rambouillet lambs and 2 crossbred Southdowns.
6. Jackie Tankersley—3 Rambouillet lambs and 2 crossbred Southdowns.
7. Robert Farris—One crossbred Southdown, one crossbred Suffolk, and one Rambouillet.
8. Paul Carr—One Crossbred Southdown and 4 Rambouillets.
9. Clifford Farris—3 Rambouillets, one crossbred Southdown and one crossbred Suffolk.
10. Darrel Jones—One crossbred Southdown, 3 Rambouillets, and one crossbred Suffolk.
11. Warren Childress—2 crossbred Southdowns, 3 Rambouillets, and one crossbred Suffolk.
12. Hubert Payton—2 crossbred Southdowns, 2 crossbred Suffolks, and 3 Rambouillets.
13. Buck Baze—3 Rambouillets and one Hereford calf.
14. Jimmie Harris, Arden—5 Rambouillet lambs.
15. Bob Roark, Arden—7 Rambouillet lambs, and 10 pigs.
16. Lad Linthicum, Barnhart—15 registered Rambouillet ewe lambs.

The Irion County Hog Show will be held Oct. 26 at the San Angelo Fair Grounds.

Boys showing hogs are Tommie Thorp, Bayard Foster, Clifford Farris, James Vincent, Jr., Darrel Jones, and Bob Roark.

The first prize winner in this show will be given a registered Hereford heifer. The second and third prize winners will be given 100 baby chicks each.

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

A ne wfeature in our teaching program is a special Bible class for ladies. This class will be conducted in the church building each Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The gospel as recorded by John will be studied in our first lessons. The class will be open and free to all, and a cordial invitation is extended to all to study these lessons with us.

All services Sunday at their usual time. The subject for the morning sermon will be, "Yielding Ourselves To The Service Of God." The evening subject will be, "Teaching God's Will."

Let's not forget that Sunday is the Lord's day, and on that day each of us will register the amount of love, appreciation, and adoration we have for the Lord, who holds our destiny in his hands.

Welcome to all our services.

W. A. Record, minister.

WET OR DRY WASHING—6c and 8c lb. Call 123. We pick up and deliver.



REV. L. T. LEMON

Rev. L. T. Lemon, new pastor of the Mertzton Baptist Church, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Lemon of Wilson, Texas. He is a native of the state of Oklahoma, but came to Texas early in life and grew up in Lubbock and Lynn counties.

He attended high school at Wilson, Texas. His college work was done at Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, Texas, and Texas Tech, Lubbock. He has held various pastorates in West Texas and one near Fort Worth.

Rev. Lemon spent seven months in the Army in 1945. He trained as an infantry soldier at Camp Hood. After completion of basic training he was transferred into the 45th Infantry Division and later into the 1853rd Medical Detachment at Camp Bowie, Texas. He was discharged from the Army at Camp Bowie in Dec., 1945.

Shortly after his discharge he accepted the call to the Grape Creek Baptist Church near San Angelo. He served this church until assuming his duties as pastor of the Mertzton Baptist Church Sept. 1, 1946.

## MRS. DEAL FIRST TO PAY CITY TAXES

Tax notices went out this week from the office of D. J. Morgan, city tax collector, for 1946 city taxes, and Mrs. E. A. Deal was No. 1 on the "honor roll" as first to pay 1946 city taxes.

S. S. Evans was second on the "honor roll" following by Roy Shilling, Jack McIntosh, Lee Davis, Mrs. Leta Crawford and Mary Nell Price.

## LEGION WILL MEET MONDAY NIGHT

Next Monday night the Burns-Harper Post No. 530 of the American Legion will meet in regular session in the district courtroom at the courthouse at 7:30 p. m.

All members are urged to be present.

## HANDLEY TO SAN ANGELO

J. J. Handley, Santa Fe agent here for quite a number of years, is now on a two weeks' vacation which started Monday. After that time he will move to San Angelo where he will be in the Santa Fe yard office there.

G. R. Solomon is here to take over his duties, coming here from McCamey. His home was formerly in Rule, Texas.

Mrs. Lonnie McFall returned to her home Wednesday from a San Angelo hospital. She is recuperating from an emergency appendectomy and her condition, which has been very serious, is much improved.

FOR SALE—25 Rambouillet yearling bucks. First come, first served. Price \$20 per head. W. W. Adams.

Mrs. Jack Benton and her mother, Mrs. Ed Van Liew of Eola, left Monday for a visit with friends and relatives in Gatesville. They will return home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Swebston are now enjoying a vacation in California.

## GIFT TEA HONORS MISS MARIE CARR

Miss Marie Carr, bride-elect of David Hobbs, was honored with a gift tea last Saturday afternoon in the home of Mrs. N. C. Packer. Hostesses were Mesdames Packer, Loyd Davis and Otis Deal.

Guests were greeted by Mrs. Deal and in the receiving line with the honoree was her mother, Mrs. M. H. Carr, Mrs. A. G. Hobbs and Miss Frances Carr. Miss Bettye Handley presided at the register.

Miss Kay Carpenter sang "Always" accompanied by Miss Doris Tankersley who played several organ selections during the afternoon. Miss Yvonne Van Court gave two readings.

The lace covered table was centered with a bridal party under a vine covered arch on a reflector. Misses Margaret Macomb and Lou Ann Deal assisted by Mrs. Earl Steger served iced cake squares and punch to the guests.

Mrs. Kenneth Harper and Miss Minnie Jo Evans assisted the guests in viewing the gifts which were displayed. The house was decorated throughout with pink, orchid and white asters.

Gifts were received from approximately one hundred people.

## MERTZTON BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

Revival services have been well attended at the Baptist Church this week in spite of unsettled weather. The services will continue through next Sunday. A hearty welcome is extended to all to attend these services.

Sunday school attendance was 68 last Sunday. This was slightly under the attendance of the previous Sunday. Perhaps the rain and cool weather was responsible for the decline.

A large number of visitors swelled the attendance at the worship services on Sunday. Two new members were received at the close of the morning service. We are always delighted to have visitors and new members coming our way.

On Wednesday night, Sept. 25, the Baptist Church observed monthly conference. A good attendance showed the interest of the membership in the business of the church. At this meeting, new officers and teachers of the church and Sunday school were elected. The church will have monthly conference on Wednesday evening following each fourth Sunday throughout the year.

The annual meeting of the Concho Valley Baptist Association will be at First Baptist Church of San Angelo on Oct. 10-11, 1946. Several Mertzton people expect to attend.

L. T. Lemon, pastor.

The cork walls at the Mertzton Frozen Foods are up and plastered now and doors of the big vault are all in place. Workmen are busily engaged in putting the finishing touches on the vault.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Carr took their daughter, Frances, to Abilene Sunday to begin her first year of college work in Abilene Christian College.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wagner returned home Tuesday from Dallas and Denton. They visited their daughter, Leona, who is attending T. S. C. W.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Farquhar of Ocala, Florida were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mayse this week. Mrs. Farquhar is a sister of Mrs. Mayse.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Evans moved to their ranch home near Walsenburg, Colorado, Monday. They sold their home here to Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Key who moved in Tuesday.

FOR SALE—Oil Perfection cook stove and one International kerosene heater. See Homer Martin.

## RAIN REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER

During the month of September there were four cloudy days, 13 partly cloudy days, and 13 clear days.

A total of 2.75 inches fell in September, this being the most rain in any one month this year. Total rain for the year through September is 9.14 inches.

Heaviest rain fell on the 26th with 1.85 inches, and rain fell on seven different days.

On the day of the heavy rain here, a rain of from 6 to 10 inches fell 6 to 10 miles northeast of Mertzton, and 2 miles southwest of town it rained from 1-2 to 1 inch.

E. O. Deal, Volunteer U. S. Weather Observer.

## MERTZTON DRUG GETS NEW BOOTHS

Four new booths were installed Monday evening at the Mertzton Drug Co. These attractive new fixtures also have display counters built on one side.

H. B. Kerbow and his assistants were busy Tuesday arranging stock displays on the new fixtures and rearranging stock on other shelves.

The new booths will seat 16 persons for more convenient service at the fountain.

## THE METHODIST CHURCH

After two weeks of successful revivals, we are happy to get back home and to our own church. We have much work to do here before conference which convenes Oct. 23. Our report, which is one of the best in the district, is almost complete. Any member of the church who would like to see a copy of the report may do so.

On next Sunday morning at the eleven o'clock service we will observe Holy Communion. This is world wide communion Sunday and Christians all over the world will be observing the communion service.

The pastor will speak at both the morning and evening service. We welcome any who would like to worship and commune with us.

Roy B. Shilling, pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Evans and Grady Evans, accompanied by Mrs. Wes Evans' mother, Mrs. Kate Forehand of Big Lake, journeyed to Walsenburg, Colorado, last Friday to attend to their ranch interests which they purchased recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thorp took their son, Joe Robert, to Odessa Monday to begin work in his new position with the Continental Oil Co.

J. W. Hargrave has four new fluorescent lighting fixtures now installed in his store. Harry Hahn and M. H. Wagner, Jr., were busy putting in the new fixtures Tuesday.

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Commissioners' Court of Irion County, Texas will receive bids up until 10 o'clock A. M. on the 14th day of October, 1946, at the Court House in Mertzton, Texas on the following described road machinery: Two Diesel Powered Heavy Duty Maintainers, and the following described used road machinery to be taken as part payment: Two 101 Galion Maintainers, and at the same time and place said Court will proceed to let a contract, if any bid be accepted. Certified check in the amount of five per cent of the amount bid required, and the Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

If any contract is made the Court intends to issue interest bearing time warrants in an amount not to exceed \$12,500.00, said warrants to bear interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum and the full amount of said warrants to mature at a date not later than July 15th, 1957.

W. W. Adams, County Judge, Irion County, Texas.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Local Governments Build Up Huge Public Works Program; Develop New Horror Weapon

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Protesting against Russian policy of withholding information of whereabouts of war prisoners, Japanese from all the home islands gathered in Tokyo to demonstrate their disfavor.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS:

Trade Pact

Pres. Juan Peron and his entire cabinet looked on as British Ambassador Reginald Leeper and Argentine Foreign Minister Juan Bramuglia signed trade accords cementing commercial relations between the two countries. Pleased by the event, Peron announced that he had ordered three shiploads of meat to be sent to Britain before Christmas with the compliments of his government.

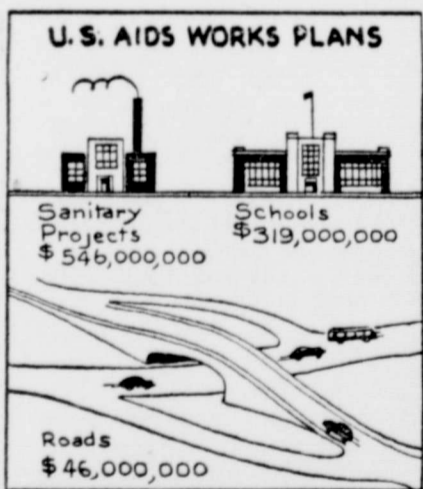
Peron might well have been tickled with the agreement, which calls for Britain's purchase of 83 per cent of Argentina's exportable meat surplus in the first year at prices 25 per cent over prevailing levels. During the second year, Britain will take 78 per cent of Argentine supplies. The latest price boost brings the total increase up to 45 per cent over the 1939 level when Britain first went in for large-scale buying.

In another accord, the British relinquished their control of Argentine railways in exchange for shares in a new company including Argentine government and private capital. Under a third agreement, Argentina will be permitted to utilize blocked wartime trade balances in Britain for retiring sterling debts, buying out British investments, or making cash withdrawals of 25 million dollars annually.

PUBLIC WORKS:  
Huge Backlog

Helped by federal aid in planning, states, cities and counties have drawn up a huge \$4,107,136,000 public works program. Along with federal projects running into the billions, the nation's overall program not only promises to provide necessary public improvements but also a possible source of bolstering employment in the event of a business let-down.

State, city and county programs are broken down into those using federal funds for planning and oth-



ers blue-printed by the various governmental units themselves. In obtaining U. S. money for planning, applicants must show a capacity to build within four years with their own funds and agree to repay federal advances without interest at the start of construction.

Of the 4,630 projects totaling \$1,296,997,051 mapped with federal funds, sewer, water and sanitary improvements costing approximately \$546,000,000 constitute the largest item. Following are school extensions or new buildings, \$319,000,000; public buildings, \$117,000,000; hospitals and clinics, \$73,000,000; highways, roads and streets, \$46,000,000; parks and other recreational facilities, \$30,000,000; bridges, viaducts and railroad overpasses, \$28,000,000; airports, \$20,000,000; and miscellaneous projects, \$116,000,000.

WARFARE:

New Horror

Add the latest to science's horror weapons:

A new poison so deadly that less than one-seventh millionth of a gram is enough to kill a man and a one-inch cube could wipe out every person in the U. S. and Canada.

Existence of the new terror weapon was revealed by Dr. Gerald Wendt of New York City in a General Electric Science Forum. Describing the latest killer as an innocent looking crystalline toxin, he revealed the poison was invisible, microscopic in size and easily spread. Because of its great destructiveness and cheapness in manufacture, any small nation possessing the toxin could become a formidable world threat.

Wendt declared that the U. S. already has spent 50 million dollars in research on the new weapon, a small sum in comparison to expenditures on radar and the atom bomb.

MEAT:

Crisis Widens

No less than 36,000 butcher shops throughout the nation were said to have closed and almost 100,000 clerks and packing house employees were reported idle as the crisis in meat continued.

Receipts of cattle and hogs remained far below the high levels established during the suspension of OPA and ran considerably below last year's runs. As packers awaited the large seasonal fall shipments, they were compelled to bid ceiling prices for lean, grass-fed cattle and inferior grades of hogs. Some of the stock received was said to be suitable for by-product purposes only.

Meanwhile, OPA promised to act upon restaurant operators' protests against imposition of June 30 ceilings on meat dishes. With the restaurateurs claiming that the restoration of old prices in the face of increasing costs would force them to close, OPA said it would modify ceilings to assure adequate earnings if evidence of hardship were offered. Whereas restaurants spent 40 cents of each dollar of revenue for food, they now expend 55 cents, it was said.

YUGOSLAVIA:

Jail Archbishop

Acting upon the testimony of the voluble secretary to Archbishop Alojzije Stepinac, head of the Roman Catholic church in Yugoslavia, Marshal Tito's communist government arrested the high prelate and prepared to try him for "crimes against the people."

With 12 priests already on trial on the same charge, inclusion of the Archbishop would further tend to discredit religion in the Russian-dominated nation, following the pattern of communist hostility to all creeds. While the powerful Croatian peasant leader, Vladimir Macek, was implicated in the Archbishop's alleged machinations, the government hesitated to move firmly against him for fear of political repercussions.

Talking freely against the Archbishop, his former secretary alleged that the prelate's castle in Zagreb was the center of an anti-Tito movement to set up an independent Croatian state. Charging that the Archbishop worked closely with one of Draja Mihailovitch's ex-aids in promoting anti-government bands, the secretary declared that the high churchman planned to finance a terrorist campaign for separation.

FREIGHT RATES:

Wind Up Hearings

Department of agriculture representative bucked the railroads' petition for a 25 per cent rate increase in final hearings before the Interstate Commerce commission in Washington, D. C., while the carriers argued that the boost was necessary to prevent deficit operations.

Department opposition was based upon two points: First, that an increase in freight costs to farmers would retard the electrification of rural regions, and, second, that it would impose a heavy burden upon the fish industry and curtail the movement of its products.

Railroads are destined to lose more than 200 million dollars at present rates next year, the carriers argued. Since 1939, wages, fuel and supplies have risen 50 per cent to a total of 2 billion dollars, they said, and even with the present high volume of traffic they only figure to earn 30 million dollars in 1946. Pending settlement of the carriers' petition, the ICC held over a temporary 10 per cent wartime raise.

WORLD LABOR:

Wage Warning

As delegates to the 29th general conference of the International Labor organization convened in Montreal, Que., Director Edward J. Phelan issued a warning against rising wages not based upon increased production.

Hitting against inflationary wage boosts in a 113-page report reviewing the world reconversion picture, Phelan told delegates from 51 member countries including the U. S. that workers should refrain from strikes crippling resumption of large-scale output; employers must keep prices within reasonable limits, and governments should act to bring capital and labor into harmonious agreement.

Wage boosts based on increased productivity are essential to continued prosperity, Phelan declared. While more goods will tend to lower prices, higher pay will permit a greater consumption, bolstering both employment and business. Under those circumstances, profit-sharing represents a fair measure for wage determination, Phelan said.

MARRIAGE:

Rocky Road

For every three marriages in 1945 there was one divorce, the Federal Security agency reported in the first government reporting of such statistics.

From the rate of 1.9 divorces per 1,000 population in 1937-'39, separations jumped to 3.6 in 1945, it also was revealed.

Except for the depression years, the divorce rate has gone steadily



Marriage offers no problem to Mr. and Mrs. William H. Saver of Pittsburgh, Pa., who celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary. Mrs. Saver still ranks at the top of the deck with her husband.

upwards in the U. S., even rising through the wartime period when marriages dipped between 1942 and 1945.

FSA studies showed that marriage and divorce rates rise with prosperity and war and sink with depression.

EUROPE:

Proposes Union

Winston Churchill echoed U. S. Secretary of State Byrnes' proposal for a strong, unarmed Germany in calling for a united states of Europe to work within the framework of an international organization to preserve peace.

Speaking at the University of Zurich in Switzerland, Churchill suggested that a reconciled France and Germany form the cornerstone of a continental union, with the British empire, U. S. and Russia lending assistance. In welcoming Germany back into the family of nations, Churchill asked that the people be distinguished from their Nazi leaders.

A united states of Europe established to preserve peace in the old world would not conflict with the United Nations, Churchill argued. On the contrary, he said, success of the U.N. was dependent upon a natural grouping of western countries strong and desirous enough to meet threats to security.

Washington Digest

Life in Soviet Russia Lacks Utopian Promise

By BAUKHAGE

News Analyst and Commentator.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—As relations between the western world and Russia grow rapidly no better, many reports are coming in to show that Communism, which reached the peak of its prestige with the end of the war, is losing some of its popularity in Europe. The lack of proof provided in the eating of the Soviet pudding has had its effects, and many a wail of anguish is dimly audible behind the iron curtain which stretches from the Baltic through the Balkans.



Baukhage

This, of course, doesn't prevent our own little family of loyal American "Commies" from screaming the praises of all within the Soviet's gates.

I have been looking over some facts concerning two of the great postwar American problems—housing and union labor demands—with an eye on similar conditions in Russia.

Nobody but an optimist with rose-colored glasses and a five-year lease would say that we have no housing problem in America. But Stalin has one in Russia too. And how, To-varish! (Don't answer me now, there's a plain clothes man behind the samovar.) I know about that letter workers wrote to Uncle Joe, pledging their tireless work and a promise to "liquidate all shortcomings" on the housing industry. That word "liquidate" has an unpleasant sound. And when Russian papers are allowed to criticize production, putting the blame on "local Soviets," it means—the situation needs criticizing!

But what were Russian housing conditions before the war?

According to a recent Library of Congress report, "Communism in Action," even before the devastation of western Russia the average floor space in Moscow was only 45 square feet per head. But the privileged (workers with high records on the speed-up plan) had much more. Hence, the ordinary Russian worker had much less. By way of contrast in Washington, D. C., under the National Capital Housing authority, the smallest housing unit (a one-bedroom apartment) must allot 165 square feet to the living room alone, and the total space must be 250 square feet.

In Russia the usual arrangement is one family per room in a six-room apartment with common use of the kitchen and bathroom.

Figure Out Floor Space Per Person

This was the situation before the war. Today, in the Ukraine, according to an article in Harper's by John Fischer, who spent some months in the Ukraine and Byelo Russia with UNRRA, conditions are such that the Russian press may well be allowed to criticize—if that will do any good.

In Kiev, says Fischer, a person is supposed to have six square meters of living space, which is a strip of floor about ten feet long and six feet wide. Less than that is available in Kharkov.

If you want to know how a typical family in the Ukraine lives, Fischer tells you to imagine you and your wife and children occupying the smallest room in your house, with the clothing, beds, furniture and possessions that are absolutely indispensable. You'll have a brick stove instead of a radiator or cooking range, a bathroom with no hot water shared by several other families—and probably a few relatives to share all that!

Probably you could stand this if you knew it was temporary. But in Russia, according to Fischer, because of the five-year plan for the expansion of heavy industry (said to be a part of Soviet war preparation) Russians are going to have a bitterly hard life as far as consumer goods and facilities go, for another 10 to 15 years.

I can't verify Fischer's views, but I know that authorities agree that Russia cannot possibly do much to raise the standard of living of the less privileged even if she doesn't continue the present military preparation.

And what has Communism done for the laborer as such?

Under the five-year plan industri-

al workers' pay is supposed to go up to 500 rubles a month. Fischer estimates the present rate at between 300 and 350, which he says amounts in terms of American purchasing power to about \$30 to \$35.

Labor Unions Under Government Wing

According to "Communism in Action" (the U. S. government document I mentioned earlier) the Russian labor unions started out under Trotsky as independent, fighting organs of labor. But when Trotsky was ousted and made his very hasty departure from the Utopia he helped found, one lap ahead of the liquidators, things changed. As in the case of Nazi Germany the union became a limb of the party.

And no one would say that American unions, like the Russian variety, "are not organized to conduct strikes." This is reported by "Communism in Action," which says that there hasn't been a strike in Russia since 1921. The document further points out that unions in the United States have as their primary purpose the privilege of their members to deal on equal terms with their employers on all matters of mutual interest.

In the U.S.S.R., on the other hand, the unions are a part of the apparatus of the employer (the government) and since the government is supposed to act in the interests of all, the workers can't complain against any of its decisions.

Tough Sledding For the 'Ins'

There seems to be agreement between some of the political leaders of both parties that the voters are going to indulge in a good deal of indiscriminate hurling of brickbats next month and it is entirely likely that many an innocent, bystanding congressman is going to suffer for the sins of his colleagues. Clarence Brown, No. 2 man in the Republican national committee, admitted to me that he was counting heavily on the "throw the rascals out" vote. In other words people are going to take out their various personal grouches on the incumbent, regardless of record or party affiliation. This view was reflected on the Democratic side by that experienced politician, Senator Russell of Georgia. He said to some of us the other day:

"It's always like this after a war. A great many people have complaints of one kind or another. It's a natural thing for many of them to decide to vote against the people who have been in office."

That line of reasoning, when pursued by a good Democrat, might be wishful thinking if he were casting his eyes at the gubernatorial contest in New York state. Many people take for granted that Governor Dewey, if he wins, will try to use re-election as a stepping stone toward the presidential nomination. In any case, the way the issues are being played now, if Dewey is re-elected, it will strengthen the arguments the Republicans are emphasizing that the next presidential campaign will be "safety and solidity" versus "wild-eyed radicalism."

Issues will be joined on this point by the National Citizens Political Action committee (CIO-PAC's twin) when the latter makes the following statement at the conference of "progressives" in Chicago at the end of the month:

"The November elections will decide the nation's future—the independent voters . . . will determine whether the voice of privilege, of hate and bigotry will dominate the 80th congress, as they did the old, or whether the progressives who fought against great odds in the 79th congress will find new allies."

The Republicans are offering themselves as "new allies" by making the claim that they represent true liberalism, and telling the "progressives" that they must either choose the Republican brand of "liberalism" or support the so-called "radicalism" of the Democrats.

Evidence to support the view that the "ins," whether they are Democrats or Republicans, are going to get the brickbats from disgruntled voters was contained in a letter recently received by two Democrat "ins."

"There just aren't any diapers," an expectant, incensed father wrote to his congressman, "and it's someone's fault. Regardless of where and how you place the blame, you represent us in our government which has allowed this national disgrace to come about and are, therefore, to a greater or a less degree, personally responsible for it."

# HARGRAVE'S

STORE - - - NEWS

Well, as the days go whizzing swiftly by, we are reminded --- Winter Is Nye.  
 The saying the early bird gets the worm might well apply to your winter needs  
 and the best way out is to play safe --- Begin now --- See Hargraves.  
 Receiving merchandise every day -- In at the back door and out the front door

BETTER BUSINESS EVERY DAY  
 IN EVERY WAY—  
 BUSINESS A PLEASURE

Coming and Going — Just About Express It  
 Facts — Come To See Us

WIRING, PHONING AND  
 WRITING HERE, THERE AND  
 EVERYWHERE—In They Come

Cars driven by Roy Sartain and Monroe Thompson figured in a collision at the main intersection downtown Thursday morning of last week. Mr. Sartain was driving east on Main Street and Thompson was going north on Broadway. Mr. Sartain received a bad gash on his right temple close to the right eye which required several stitches to be taken by Dr. Deal. The wooden pickup bed on the Sartain car was knocked off the frame and side glass and windshield broken. On Thompson's car the front grill work, fenders, hood and lights were damaged.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hahn arrived home Saturday from an extended visit in San Antonio.

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Mrs. Inez Lilly to Geo. Sides, all of lots 4, south 13 feet of lot 3 and north 5 feet of lot 5, all in Block 67, Mertzton.  
 J. A. Venable to R. S. Neal, Lots 1 and 2, Block 3, in original townsite of Barnhart.  
 C. H. Ivey and wife to C. V. Smith, old Whitaker place in Sherwood.  
 W. A. Scott to La Joy Wilhelm et al, irrigated farm, 1 1-2 miles north of Sherwood.  
 Mrs. Lilly Childress to Raymond McGinty, Lots 10, 11 and 12, Block 1, Sherwood.  
 Raymond McGinty to Raymond B.

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Armstrong, Lots 10, 11, and 12, Block 1, Sherwood.  
 R. B. Smith to Lutie Campbell, Lot 11, Block 132, Mertzton.  
 Mrs. L. R. Gray to M. H. Wagner, Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, Block 82, Mertzton.  
 W. G. Rawls to A. B. Smithwick, Lots 1 and 2, Block 56, Mertzton.  
 W. B. Burke and wife to A. B. Smithwick, Lots 5 and 6, Block 63, Mertzton.  
 D. I. Taylor to W. R. Lovehart, east 70 feet of Lots 15 and 16 in Block 7, Barnhart.  
 W. R. Lovehart to R. E. Heblsen, east 70 feet of Lots 15 and 16 in Block 7, Barnhart.  
 H. M. Curtis and wife to J. C. Ashmore, all of Lots 7 and 8, Block 10, Mertzton.  
 Marcus Lara to Rosa Mancha, Lots 12, 13, 14, Block 117, Mertzton.  
 Lupe Mancha and wife to Marcus Lara, Lots 26 and 27 in Chihuahua subdivision of Mertzton.  
 S. T. Brister to T. O. Burleson and wife, Lots 7 and 8, Block 138, Mertzton.  
 N. T. Busby and wife to J. H. Clark.

Lots 6, 7, and 8, Block 50, Mertzton.  
 Edna Rutledge Tolson to J. M. Nutt, part of Rutledge estate, 3 miles northeast of Mertzton.  
 Mrs. Jack Moon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wagner, has received word that her husband, Lt. Jack Moon, is now stationed on Guam. Mrs. Moon will join him as soon as possible.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Mize and family are now residing in Pecos.

Oral Thorp and his nephew, Stokie Thorp, are at present working at the L. D. Brooks ranch near Ozona.

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**FRIDAY-SATURDAY SPECIALS**

# Settlement House Observes Golden Jubilee of Founding

## Founder Remains As Lone Director For 50-year Span

To the people of Cleveland, Ohio, Hiram House is synonymous with good citizenship. For the past 50 years, Hiram House and its founder, George A. Bellamy, have labored to build for Cleveland the finest kind of citizens possible.

Now the institution, which is supported by the Community Chest, is celebrating the 50th anniversary of its founding. This year also marks the golden anniversary of Bellamy's connection with the institution. He has the distinction of being not only the founder but also the first and only director.

Bellamy's philosophy was developed in the backwoods of Michigan, where he was born. In bringing his ideas and ideals to one of the country's larger cities he became the first of his family to pioneer in a large community. All previous moves by his family had been back to the land.

**Founded in 1896.**

Cleveland's first settlement house founded as such grew out of a chance remark made in 1896 in a Hiram college classroom. Boston's South End House was under discussion and someone said, "Why not a Hiram House for Cleveland?" That "someone" was George Bellamy. A few months after his graduation he went to Cleveland and



**IN A DAY'S WORK . . .** A game of checkers provides diversion for "young fry" at Hiram House, Cleveland's settlement house. The program isn't all play, however . . .

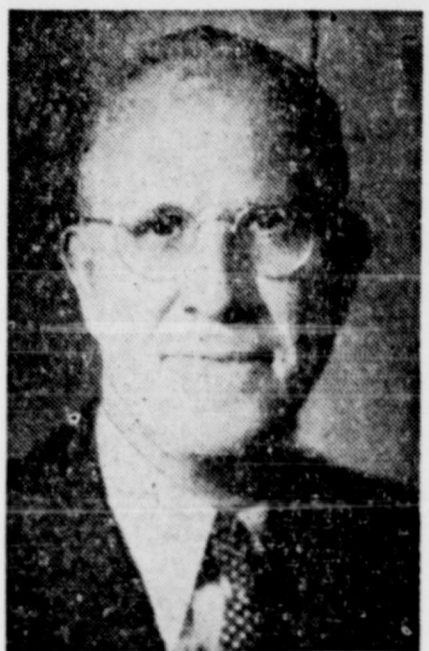
opened his first settlement house at 143 Orange street.

The first few months were hectic. There was very little money; the first furniture—and for a time the only furniture—was a baby crib and table loaned by a neighbor; the purchase of a quarter's worth of soap brought half a dozen metal spoons as a premium; within a few months the landlord gave notice to vacate because too many young people were coming to the house and he feared for its foundations.

The struggling little settlement house was moved to another Orange street location, where it operated for two years. By 1899 there was enough money to start building a new structure. The move to the new quarters at 2723 Orange avenue was made in 1900.

**Teaches Americanism.**

Men, women and children came to Hiram House in droves—from its



**GOOD CITIZEN . . .** Just out of college, George Bellamy founded Hiram House in 1896. For half a century he has remained as the first and only director of the institution, known for its promotion of good citizenship in Cleveland.

first day of operation. They came to learn how to be good Americans, for help in burying their dead, marrying the living and counselling the wayward.

Gradually, Hiram House began to build a reputation as a model settlement house, its founder and director a man with extraordinary vision. Foreign countries began to send their representatives to the Cleveland settlement to study its program. More than 200 scientists interested themselves in Bellamy's seven-point program for the growth and development of the child.

When, in 1908, Hiram House opened "Progress City," a model community with its own boy judges,



**. . . for children also are taught the rudiments of sewing and other household arts. As summertime comes, the sewing basket is discarded when . . .**

policemen, engineers and mayor, various cities studied its program with the thought of incorporating its best ideas in their own planning. Two representatives of the President of Czechoslovakia later lived at Hiram House for months, studying "Progress City." A little model cottage was built on the sand dunes of Cairo, Egypt, patterned after the model cottage at Hiram House. Japan, 20 years ago, studied Hiram House with the view of copying its best points.

Hiram House and George Bellamy have chalked up many "firsts" in their 50-year association. It was the first settlement in the world having a year-round, lighted playground with trained workers; this settlement inaugurated summer camping for healthy children who had never seen a woods or a farm animal; it had among the first cooking, sewing and manual training classes in Cleveland; studies made by Hiram House workers resulted in public bath houses for the city and improved standards for its public dance halls.

**Aids Other Projects.**

Bellamy has become famous for his association with movements designed to make Cleveland a better place in which to live. He was one of the original committee which organized the Babies' dispensary and hospital; he helped organize the Juvenile court, the Legal Aid society, Citizens' bureau and Cleveland Community Chest, the first community fund in the world and since adopted by more than 800 American cities.

Because of the early help he received from them, Bellamy always has cherished a deep affection for country people and small town churches. In his struggling early years at Hiram House, it was the little churches surrounding Cleveland whose pennies, nickels and dimes helped keep the city settlement houses going. The people in the small towns near his camp for well children at Chagrin Falls gave him his original opportunity to introduce poor boys and girls from the city's streets to the joys of country living.

When Hiram House was opened in 1896 Cleveland's population was 300,000. Today the city boasts a population of a million persons. Among that million are many thousands whose lives were influenced during their early years by contact with Hiram House. These include some of Cleveland's outstanding business and professional men. More than 90,000 persons, in all, have been associated with Hiram House clubs and classes during the settlement's half century. Many of these persons made scores of visits to the house, annual registration running as high as 450,000 to 500,000.



**. . . the date arrives for the settlement's annual summer camp at Chagrin Falls. Here boys and girls joyfully bid farewell to cohorts leaving in the first bus.**



## Production Line Is Adapted to Farms

### Mechanical Age Proves Benefit to Agriculture

The production line generally is considered to exist only in city factories but many farmers today have borrowed a leaf from industry's book by putting their grain handling operations on approximately the same automatic basis.

A by-product of the electro-agriculture age, a system of this nature is applicable to both small and large farms. Here's how it works: Grain-laden wagons are driven into the barn or adjacent to a building in which the produce is to be stored. Stationary or portable elevators,



**This blower - equipped hammer mill can be fed from overhead bins and later re-elevate the ground feed into adjoining bins, located over the mixer.**

powered by electric motors as small as one-third horsepower (although one or, preferably, two horsepower motors are recommended by most agricultural specialists) raise the grain into bins located above the grinder and mixer. Electric hoists often are used to tilt up the front end of the wagon, allowing the grain to pour out of the end gate into the elevator hopper.

Unground grain flows by gravity through chutes to a blower-equipped grinder, which blows the ground grain back into another overhead bin, from which it again gravitates by chute to the mixer. Mixed feed is either fed out immediately, sacked, re-elevated into storage bins or blown directly into the feed lot. Tests show that one man can unload 40 loads of corn per day, or a load of grain in from two to three minutes, with an electrically operated elevator.

## Know Your Breed Brown Swiss



First importation of Brown Swiss into the United States was in 1869. The breed is well adapted to intensive dairying conditions. Brown Swiss, due to their ruggedness and ability to consume large quantities of coarse roughages as well as their carcass value, are an ideal general farm breed.

The milk is white and the fat globules of medium size. The average test is 4 per cent butterfat. Brown Swiss are second only to the Holstein in size among the dairy breeds. Mature cows will weigh about 1,850 pounds. They are heavier muscled, blockier and more fleshy and angular than other dairy breeds.

## Inoculate Soybeans

### To Get Ride of Weeds

The best way to help soybeans stay ahead of weeds is to inoculate the seed. The presence of large numbers of effective bacteria right from the start enables the young plants to draw nitrogen from the air for faster growth.

They quickly fill the row and shade the ground, preventing weed growth, conserving moisture, and lessening the need for cultivation. The effectiveness of soybean inoculation was demonstrated at an eastern experiment station. The inoculated test plots matured into a highly profitable crop due to better stands, aided by abundant supply of immediately available nitrogen.

## ENVY OF WOMEN

# Oldest Man Doesn't Look His Age

CAMBRIDGE, MASS. — Oldest man in the United States—109,035 years old, more or less—doesn't look his age.

The ancient pilgrim, now at Harvard's Peabody museum, where he was shipped from London in packing cases and English cigaret boxes, was found in a cave on Mt. Carmel in Palestine, part of the "richest find of Neanderthal man specimens ever made."

One hundred thousand years ago, according to his discoverer, Dr. Theodore McCown, professor of anthropology at University of California, the ancient man lived in the old Stone Age until he reached 35 years. In forgotten forests, he hunted the fallow deer, the wild ox and the wild pig.

Now his are the oldest bones in the United States, says Dr. McCown.

The old hunter is not "a direct ancestor of existing human beings," according to Dr. McCown, who explains that anthropologists set the

origin of modern man at about 25,000 years ago. "He just looks like us," he adds.

He liked beefsteak, rare. Found in the cave with his bones were many bones of wild oxen in condition to indicate they were food, not pets.

Brought to London during war years for study by Dr. McCown and Sir Arthur Keith, anthropologist of the Royal College of Surgeons, the Neanderthal bones were shaken by a direct bomb hit on the college during the Nazi blitz.

The old hunter was unhurt!

## Sleuth Nabs 2,000 Deserting Dads

NEW YORK.—If Hollywood were seeking a movie sleuth, probably the last man the casting directors would look at is George Henry Lamb. Yet Lamb has a spectacular record in the detective field.

For 28 years the nervous, bespectacled little man of 60 has been boss and one-man posse of the Queens County Abandonment bureau. In that role he has tracked down more than 2,000 fathers wanted for deserting their children. He has pursued them in 48 states as well as Cuba, Canada and Mexico.

"Bloodhound" Lamb, wiry and short, looks and talks like a clerk or a Sunday school teacher.

He virtually commutes to California—which seems to attract family deserters like syrup does flies—and recently returned from there with his record one-trip catch of nine straying fathers. Sixteen others settled by handing over enough money to support their children, an arrangement which Lamb prefers over arrest.

"A father in jail is worse than no father at all," is his philosophy.

## Gems of Thought

EVERY fellow is really two men—what he is, and what he might be—and you're never absolutely sure which you're going to bury till he's dead.

*Cowards die many times before their deaths;*

*The valiant never taste of death but once.*

—Shakespeare

A pound of pluck is worth a ton of luck.—Garfield.

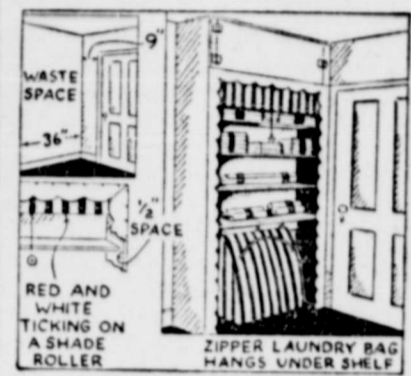
We can well afford to be tolerant of the opinions of others, because—if we are growing—our own views are certain to change.

Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.

—New Testament.

## A Closet That Fits Into Waste Space

THIS closet will fit into any waste space because it has a shade-roller door that does not swing out to conflict with other doors and furnishings. Here, a space only nine inches deep is used for a linen closet with shelves.



A handy laundry bag matches the striped material used for the door, which rolls up in back of the attractive frame of wooden scalloped used to finish the front.

Pattern 256 gives an actual-size cutting guide for the scalloped frame and step-by-step illustrated directions for making the entire closet and the laundry bag. This pattern may be obtained by sending 15c with name and address direct to:

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# THE HORNET'S HUM

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## Good Sportsmanship

Despite the fact that we have lost the first two games this year, the school spirit of M.H.S. has not wavered in the least. Our boys have been playing some good football, and have really proven to be better than we expected. We didn't expect to win all the games this year, and we don't expect to lose all of them, but we can certainly enter them in spirit. When the boys get out there and play a good clean game, we are all just as happy as if we had won. Good sportsmanship is what counts the most, and if you can be a good sport, win or lose, you've really got what it takes.

-Ed.

## Hornets Ready to Sting Coahoma

On October 4, the Mertzon Hornets will meet the Coahoma Bull Dogs at the Mertzon Ball Field. The game will start at 2:30, and cold drinks will be sold by the students.

Last Friday, September 27, the Hornets met the Garden City "Bear Kats" at Garden City, to be beaten by a score of 38 to 12. In the first quarter, a pass was completed to Roy Shilling by Gene Hegwood for one touchdown. In the third quarter, Gene Hegwood ran 30 yards for another touchdown.

During the third quarter, Harvey Kubena was hit by one of the Garden City boys and one of the bones in his left wrist was broken. He was given medical attention in San Angelo, and the cast will be removed in a few weeks. The Hornets will feel his absence keenly.

## Room Mothers Appointed

A total of thirty-five room mothers have been appointed for the school year of '46-'47. They are as listed.

1st Grade—Mrs. Henry Cravens, Mrs. Crews, Mrs. Elton Davis, Mrs. Gentry, 2nd and 3rd—Mrs. Trainer, Mrs. Curtis Martin, Mrs. Bill Baze, Mrs. M. L. Brooks; 4th grade—Mrs. Joe Shaw, Mrs. A. R. Ross, Mrs. McGilvray, Mrs. Allison; 5th and 6th—Mrs. Helmers, Mrs. Record, Mrs. McGilvray, Mrs. Claude Tankersley; 7th grade—Mrs. Steger, Mrs. Whitley, Mrs. Foster; 8th grade—Mrs. O. Deal, Mrs. Hal Noelke, Mrs. O. Teague; 9th grade (freshmen)—Mrs. Stratton, Mrs. Carpenter, Mrs. Cathey; Soph.—Mrs. S. S. Evans, Mrs. Key, Mrs. Gober; Junior—Mrs. W. Evans, Mrs. R. C. Macomb, Mrs. Henry Lindley, Mrs. C. M. Hegwood; and Seniors—Mrs. Van Court, Mrs. Lake Tankersley, and Mrs. George Mapes.

## Band Notes

Oh happy day! Why was the band so happy last Friday. Because it was Friday? Certainly, that is always a happy day in school. But then there was that "added touch" that made the day brighter. We left Friday morning to attend and play for the football game in Garden City. Generously, we shared the school bus with the pep squad. We played at various times during the game, and marched at the half. To those who made this trip possible for us we say "thanks a million" and "Let's have an encore!"

## ??Guess Who??

Missing (from home every evening after 4:30) is a curly headed blue eyed, eleven-year-old boy. He weighs exactly 84 pounds and is 4' 11" tall. His brunette hair fascinates the Mertzon Grammar School girls.

He and his brother entered school here in February of last year. This year he is a very popular young man in the seventh grade.

He has an appetite for lemon pie and can sit through one of John Wayne's movie films just any number of times. He has a definite preference when it comes to girls. Just let him have the curly headed brunettes with blue eyes. This is just a hint—You might find him walking down the street in front of the school house at odd hours!!!

Answer to last week's "Guess Who" —Sirod Yelsreknat (spell backwards).

## Stinger

Dale was lonely Sunday nite, "no es verdad?"

Well, girls, Jib Week is fun now, but not forever.

Mary was a good sport on the bus, eh, girls?

Does everyone know the 11th amendment? If not, ask "Blue".

Margie can hardly wait until Jib Week is over—so she can tell Bussy a thing or two.

Mrs. Shilling wasn't the only one proud of her son last Friday, was she Mary?

What about this window that was broken at Doris's house Saturday night? Who done it?

Why did a certain car in front of Virginia's house bother Fayette, Jack and Rooster Sunday evening?

Harvey, don't be too unhappy because it was your left arm that was broken. There's still typing that you can get out of.

The girls at M.H.S. want to know which boy tacked the "Twirp Season" poster up in front of the study hall

Monday morning. There's blood in their eyes!!

Could several sore toes be the result from learning the "Marfa Hop"? How about you, Annette?

Roy, you probably don't know it—but you were really getting the "rush", coming back from Garden City Friday.

We are wondering how and where Betty learned to play drums. Or did she?

Was anyone crowded riding on the bus Friday?? (Don't answer that!)

## Fashions in M.H.S.

M.H.S., the fashion center of Mertzon, is blazing with color. We noticed Harvey Kubena in a bright blue and red plaid shirt the other day.

Bobby Glaser, our "bright" young senior, came fully equipped with a yellow and red plaid sports coat.

Jimmy Record, another senior, was seen in a maroon sweater.

Just wait a second, the boys aren't the only ones fashion wise in M. H. S.! The girls are also dressed very smartly.

Joy Martin is the proud possessor of a white blouse with a jesel neckline.

Miss Wright has been seen in a gray striped suit with a "frilly" rust blouse.

Jean Foster is wearing a new blue suit. Blue is the color for her, complimenting her red hair and blue eyes.

Mrs. Turner looked very smart in a gray dress trimmed with large silver buttons.

## A.B.O.U.T. Club Organization

The girls of the A.B.O.U.T. Club met Monday at 3:15 to elect officers and plan the initiating of the new members. Girls are to be initiated and the ingormal service is to be held Tuesday night, Oct. 8. The formal initiation will be a week later.

The officers for the coming year are to be: "Blue" Van Court, president; Modell Harper, vice-president; Geneva Hensley, secretary; Mary Lou Anderson, treasurer; and Doris Tankersley, reporter.

## Sophisticated Sophs

During a sophomore class meeting held Monday, Sept. 30, the class decided to sell souvenirs at the game today.

Doesn't everyone agree that the sophomores were the only ones who acted dignified at Doris's house Saturday night?

## Freshmen

We wonder which one of the freshmen girls can cook the best?

The freshmen are waiting for initiation day.

They sit and pine and only say oh-OH! poor little freshman girls!!! We aren't really afraid, though, are we, Vivian?

The freshman girls are all in the pep squad. We yelled for the boys we liked best and then all the rest. We are proud of our three boys, who did the best they could.

## Eighth Grade Class Report

The eighth grade class elected as president—Virginia Burleson; vice-

## Don't take chances with colds

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president, Mary Jo Teague; secretary-treasurer, Joyce Shafer; reporter, Norma Raye Hensley.

We want to welcome Estelle Childress, Loneta Mann, Warren Childress, Dennis Sanders, Frank Lyons, Buster Bradford, Virginia Burleson, and Allen Todd to our class this year.

## We Wonder?

Why Frank's hand was bandaged Monday?

Why Lou Ann wanted to trade seats with Marian last week?

Why Margaret Ann wouldn't box Lou Ann Monday?

Why Virginia was wanting a class meeting Monday? So did Louise.

Who Mary Jo walked home with Friday night?

Where La Von spent the week end?

## 7th Grade Club Organizes

The seventh grade met and elected the following officers: president, Margaret Ann Evans; vice president, Buck Whitley; secretary, Jimmy Steger; reporter, Gerry Anne Key.

It was decided that our colors will be blue and white.

## 4th Grade

Janet Shaw spent Sunday in Carlsbad. She had plenty of barbecued goat to eat.

Roy Keith visited in Barnhart Sunday.

Billie Joe Jackson visited in Big Lake Sunday.

John Allison was absent from school last Friday because of illness.

Some of the boys are enjoying the boxing matches that are going on at school.

## Hornet's Hum Staff

Editor.....Yvonne Van Court  
Feature Writers — Jay Lindley, Jean Evans, Margie Pate, Margaret Macomb, Jimmy Record  
Sports Editor.....Gene Hegwood  
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**LATEST INFORMATION CONCERNING DDT**

DDT is still a very new story particularly in connection with feed and food crops.

For household and livestock insects, DDT is the best insecticide that has been found, says C. A. King, Jr., entomologist for the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service. But in general, entomologists are going slowly on recommendations until they know more about how the insecticide reacts

on different plants under different climatic conditions.

For houseflies, mosquitoes, fleas, roaches, bedbugs, and lice, DDT is deadly, say Extension entomologists. When DDT fails to control these insects, such as houseflies, the trouble may be that too low a percentage of the insecticide is being in the spray. A five per cent mixture should be used to kill houseflies, and the spray must be applied thoroughly on the walls of the house.

Several precautions must be practiced by DDT users. When spraying vegetable and truck crops, such as cabbage or sugar beets, the crop residue should not be fed to livestock. For stored grain insects, a three per cent dust may be used, if the grain is not to be used for food. In spite of extensive investigation, the use of DDT on fruits is not yet recommended. It should never be used on animals in an oil solution.

With DDT, as with any other insecticide, the effect on the insect is only half the story. It can be poisonous and harmful to animals and human beings, and it does kill some useful insects, at the same time allowing other pests, such as the red spider, certain aphids, and mite to increase.

Entomologists don't know yet just exactly where DDT is going to fit into the insect control picture.

At the end of a day both walkers and drivers are tired and impatient. Because reaction is slower, caution must be greater, says the Texas Safety

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# Murder in Plain Sight

by GERALD BROWN  
W.N.U. FEATURES



Duke McCale, private detective, is investigating the murder of Curt Vallaincourt, who was about to marry Veronica Bigelow, heiress to thirty million dollars. McCale trades information with police lieutenant Donlevy, and learns that Veronica is the one the police suspect. The other members of the family all have alibis, but none of them is above suspicion. This includes Veronica's mother, Sybil, her sister and brother, Victoria and Stephen, and Stephen's wife, Karen. Shari Lynn, former wife of Vallaincourt, may also be involved. McCale and his assistant, Rocky, hunt in the park for the murder weapon. They have reason to believe that the gun will be found in the old cannon.

## CHAPTER X

In silence, they climbed the rise of ground where the old World War cannon stood. It was Rocky who pushed his longer arm into its barrel, groping, grunting. He withdrew it finally, holding a tangled, wet mass that was obviously a woman's red-haired wig.

Shari Lynn was noticeably done in. She lolled on the divan in an almost unnatural attitude. McCale thought for a fleeting moment that she had passed out or was dead.

"Oh," she said, "it's you."

"The door was ajar," he offered, and knew that instant that she had been expecting a visitor.

She swung herself off the divan abruptly at that and staggered to her feet. She looked at him, her eyes snaky and vicious.

"Get out of here before I call the desk and have you thrown out. I've got nothing more to say to you—or your friend, the lieutenant, either."

He fished out a cigarette and said over the flame of his lighter, "So you told them your little story?"

She smiled like a contemptuous cat. "Sure. I told it."

"Why? Would you rather have waited until morning to put the finger on Veronica Bigelow?"

She laughed a high-pitched witch's laugh.

"You're a rat-trap."

"Maybe. Just thought I'd ask." She pivoted slowly, and there was uneasiness under her bravado.

"Listen, mister. Just what is it you want with me?"

"I only want to ask you a question or two and give you some advice."

"Look here," he said. "I know it was you who ran away from the Vallaincourt murder. You were the only woman who ran over the hill. I know, because I was at an upstairs window, and if there had been two women, I would have seen them both."

"You know a lot," she said sullenly, "but you can't prove it."

"I'm on my way to."

"Oh, yeah? Well, nuts to you. My story is still good. Besides, the woman had red hair. If you saw her, you'd know that."

"Granted."

"Well, then?"

"Well—then." He threw the red wig down on the coffee table between them.

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the slightest idea who could have been checking up on him. No, whoever was watching evidently had to think that only Veronica went there. It was hardly rational, because you'd think the only person to whom it would matter would be Veronica herself. Lately the woman hadn't come any more. Hence the wig which she had found.

"Didn't Vallaincourt confide in you at all?" McCale asked.

"No. Why should he?"

"I've played with the idea that you were once his wife."

A secret look behind the mascara told him he was right, but she said nothing.

He got up, reaching for his hat on a nearby chair. At the door, he turned, his dark-eyed face all sharp points and edges in the light.

"You're in a bad spot." He tried to control the hardness in his voice.

"I'd lock the door if I were you."

He saw fear burning bright in her eyes.

"Is that the advice you were going to give me?"

"Yes," he said.

He became deadly serious. Somehow he had to get through to her. He slipped a business card from his

wallet and placed it on a nearby table.

"If you're frightened or just want to talk," he said, "call me at the number on that card. You really should talk, you know. I mean more than you've talked so far. I know you're holding back something important—something that is dangerous to someone. I think you're planning to sell that information. A little blackmail, maybe. But let me warn you, you are dealing with a cold-blooded murderer. You're in danger, Miss Lynn. You know that."

She laughed loudly, hysterically. "You fool," she screamed. "You think you know a lot. Well, what do you know? Just a lot of bunk I told you. You think you can scare me into admitting something. I can take care of myself. What're you trying to do? Get out! Get out!"

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I hate to hurry you, but if you've satisfied your curiosity, perhaps you'll tell me what this is all about."

She turned abruptly and came over to him.

"I want you to do something for me."

"What can I do for you?" His voice was urgent and exasperated.

"Well"—she fumbled for a phrase—"you'll probably have an opportunity to go through Curt Vallaincourt's things, won't you?"

He looked up, pursing his lips.

"We-e-l-l." Better not tell her the cupboard was bare.

"There is something of mine—that is, Curt had some letters that belong to me. I thought—"

"That I might take them out from under the eyes of the police? I'm afraid I wouldn't have the chance. By this time, the place has been gone over with a vacuum cleaner."

"But they wouldn't just be in any ordinary place. I'm sure he had a hiding place somewhere in that apartment. A wall safe or—or something."

"I doubt it. It seems perfectly obvious that you have already looked in every available place."

"Why I—"

"Tut, tut. Your intonation gave you away."

"My, you're clever, aren't you?"

"Let us say—well-trained. You visited Vallaincourt often?"

"No, I—well, that is, I went there once in a while for cocktails, with a few friends." She was on her guard now. "Often enough to look about for something that was mine."

"Vallaincourt was hanging onto your correspondence."

"Oh, no."

"Then why didn't you just ask for it?"

"I did, but he'd only laugh and say he'd give them all back when—"

She caught herself. She bit her lower lip sullenly.

"When he was safely married to Veronica Bigelow, I'll wager."

"You're quite the Sherlock, aren't you, mister? Listen, can I or can I not buy your services? I want those letters. Do I get them?"

She moved closer to him and stared him in the face boldly, a viperish intensity in her eyes. For a moment, McCale gazed deeply into her vicious little soul.

"Not from me." His voice was as cold as steel.

He turned away from her with a brusqueness intended to convey that he was through with their little interview.

He spoke quietly. "I'm sorry. I wish you'd take my word for it that there are none of your letters at the Vallaincourt apartment. No letters of any kind, in fact."

She eyed him narrowly. "You've been there already."

He nodded.

"Thanks, but I don't believe you."

"All right," he went on wearily, "don't believe me. But I assure you, there is nothing there. There's not a wall safe or a sliding panel in the whole shebang."

"The police—"

"I hardly think so. I was there before they arrived."

She seemed suddenly drained of vitality. There was a thwarted look on her face. "So that's that."

"Just that, I'm afraid. However, I think you'll hear from your letters."

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## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

### Lesson for October 6

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#### PAUL'S BACKGROUND AND EARLY LIFE

LESSON TEXT: Acts 21:39; 22:3, 27, 28; 26:4, 5; Philippians 3:5, 6.

MEMORY SELECTION: Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth.—Ecclesiastes 12:1.

God works through men. When we study his work we study the lives of men—all types of men—but all yielded to him, and used by him.

Paul stands out as one of the most influential characters in all history. His life and letters, which we are to study the next three months, have had a tremendous effect on the human race. Especially is this true of his position and influence in the Christian church.

Under God he was the one who carried the gospel to the Gentile world, and then began the great missionary program of the church, which goes on to this very day. His writings are the steady and extensive foundation of much of our study and teaching of Christian doctrine.

#### I. Birthplace (Acts 21:39).

The place of a man's birth has a definite influence on his personality and usefulness. Tarsus, where Paul was born, was one of the most cosmopolitan cities in the world of that day. It was a Roman province, where men proudly held their citizenship in the great empire. Greek, the language of world culture, was spoken there.

Tarsus was a great educational and university center. It was in a rich and fertile area. It was at the head of navigation on the river Cydnus and on a great Roman highway. It was the capital of the province.

#### II. Education (Acts 22:3).

After his early training in the home and under rabbis in Tarsus, he went to Jerusalem to study in what was probably the best-equipped Hebrew college of that day, under one of the greatest teachers, Gamaliel.

Somewhere in his rearing he was taught a trade, for every Jewish boy learned to support himself with his own hands (see Acts 18:3).

He was instructed in the Word of God, and had a consuming zeal for religious things. Until he was converted, it counted against Christianity, but afterward it became a flaming fire to spread the truth in all the world.

#### III. Citizenship (Acts 22:27, 28).

The mighty power and prestige of Rome stood behind every Roman citizen. Paul used his citizenship for protection. It helped him in his service for the Lord. Its prestige was used for God's glory.

It is a good sign when a man is proud of his national background, and it speaks well for the nation to which he belongs. But Paul came (as every Christian does) to know and appreciate a higher citizenship.

#### IV. Religion (Acts 26:4, 5).

Though a free-born Roman citizen, Paul was a Jew, and loyal to the religion of his people. He was a member of the strictest sect, the Pharisees, in which his family had held membership for generations.

When he became a follower of Christ, there was no ground on which anyone could dismiss his conversion and his witness as the outbreak of a new viewpoint on the part of a renegade Jew.

#### V. Race (Phil. 3:5, 6).

Paul counted it to be an honor to be known as a Hebrew and gloried in the fact that he was born, trained and lived within that racial as well as religious circle.

No one need ever be ashamed of his race, although he may be ashamed of things which members of his race have done. But there are even more things of which to be proud, and a man may add to the standing of his race by living his own life in cleanness of character and nobility of purpose. It is never a commendable thing to be ashamed of the race of one's fathers.

We must remember, however, that all the things in which Paul gloried, he found to be but refuse when he compared them with Christ (see Phil. 3:7, 8).

Everything worthwhile in a man's life God can glorify and use. But none of them, no matter how precious they may seem to be, compares with fellowship with and service for the Lord.



Rocky pushed his arm into the barrel, groping.

### Ain't It So?

Every agreeable married couple are of one mind. And that is usually the wife's.

The doctor is a man who is familiar with many tongues.

After one has looked on both sides of an argument for a while, one gets to feel mentally cross-eyed.

If college fees for tuition continue to rise, it may really pay to be ignorant.

Burglary as a profession is apt to prove rather confining.

We know our rights, but it's a fatiguing job insisting on them.

### JUST AS YOU ARE

That's It

"Now, my son," said the father, "tell me why I punished you!"

"First you pounded the life out of me, and now you don't know why you did it!"

Surprise!

"I saw you with a blonde last night, Tom. Where did you meet her?"

"I don't know. I just opened my wallet and there she was."

What if a worm does turn—it's the same on both ends.

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"Has your wife learned to drive the car yet?"

"Yes, in an advisory capacity."

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# THE ROUND UP

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The Seniors are very happy over having received their rings. We are proud of them. The only thing we see odd about them is that, Joy's ring has Sammie's initials, and vice-versa. And some of the others seem to be wearing rings with the wrong initials on them. We wonder 'how come'?

There are two new pupils in high school this week. Beth and Park Combest. Beth is a junior, and Park is a freshman. We are glad to have them enroll with us in BHS.

Mr. Holms spent the week end in Rankin with his folks.

### High School Party

Friday night Mrs. L. Coffee and Mrs. Everette Roe entertained us with a game party, followed by dancing to recorded music, in the English room of the high school building. We enjoyed this very much, and thanks to Mrs. Coffee and Mrs. Roe for a lovely time, refreshments and everything. The entire high school was well represented.

### Grade School

The 1st and 2nd grades are to have charge of the P-TA program this month. Music by the Rhythm Band will be given, under direction of Miss Margaret Mullins. Every one wants to play the drum, but of course we

can't all have this position. We hope every one enjoys our program Thursday evening, Oct. 3rd.

### Sports

Some of the boys, along with Coach Holms, have sore ankles from working out lately.

Mr. and Mrs. Bode Owens were hosts to a group of students recently to see the football game between Ozona and the San Angelo Kittens. We had fun, although it was a slow game. San Angelo did not score during the game.

### English

Mr. Hutmacher has adopted a method of making the students memorize poetry, when they fail to bring up an assignment. Even if it doesn't work, we are learning a lot of poetry. It isn't anything new to hear students quoting famous people almost constantly lately.

### Daffy-nitions

The number of divorces shows that America is determined to remain "The home of the free." The number of marriages leaves no doubt that it is still "The home of the brave."

You can't pay attention to your brakes, when your mind is on your clutch.

A modern home is one that has a

switch to control everything but the child.

Conscience is that still small voice that tells us not to do something—after we've done it.

Post card from H. C.: "Having a wonderful time; wish I could afford it."

Mr. Hutmacher asked English 1 students to turn in a theme on dogs. One theme paper stated, "Our Dog, We ain't got none."

### We Wonder????

Do the English pupils just naturally love to memorize poetry?

If Mr. Hutmacher's favorite expression is "A wise man changes his mind, but a fool never does?"

Which Buckshot fears most — the girl's father, or her dog?

If Janie really went to Abilene to see her Aunt?

If Marvin is going to turn over a new leaf?

If Mr. Hutmacher and Mr. Holms like to stay at the school house 24 hours a day?

If the boys have started a "TWIRP" week? If so how long will it last?

If the students in BHS have adopted "Give Me Five Minutes More" as their school song?

What Gerald and Bode admire most about a station wagon? Could it be the driver?

Who has gone 'all out' for that new student in BHS with the blond hair and skin you love to touch?

How Una Bell likes BHS?

If Lola B. likes 'High Brow' poetry?

### Orchids

To the teachers for deciding to eliminate some of the school exams.

To Mr. Strother for at last securing a full faculty.

To June for her excellent grades.

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### RAIN CONVERSATION

Dr. Deal: "Hear you got a good rain out your way?"

Mans Hoggett: "Sure did!"

Dr. Deal: "How much you figger you got?"

Mans: "Wal, I had a pan outside the house and it filled up fast. Then I put a tub out there and it filled up quick, but of course it was flared at the top so I couldn't judge just how much I got."

Montana is aptly named as the word means "mountainous."

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"Mother," he said, "may I have a piece of cake—only a small piece, please?"

"No," replied his mother. "You've had quite enough."

"Well, may I sleep with a bit under my pillow?" asked the boy.

"Very well, here you are, and remember to keep it under your pillow. Now run along to bed and go to sleep."

On going up to Johnnie's room some time later his mother was amazed to see Johnnie sleeping peacefully with the pillow over his stomach.

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**HOUSEHOLD MEMOS**  
 by Lynn Chambers



**Invite the Neighbors for a Harvest Special!**  
 (See Recipes Below)

**Harvest Party**

If you're planning to ask some of the neighbors to drop in and help you with that last batch of harvesting, weeding, gardening or what-have-you, then be sure you have plenty of good food that can be served to them, family style.

Should the weather be warm and lovely, plan to eat under the shade of the old tree, or on the porch, as you'll find the outdoors makes even ordinary food taste pretty special. Set the table with your checked gingham and have plenty of paper napkins for buttery fingers and hands still wet from the succulent fruit.

Everything in the way of food should be simple, but good, and make sure there's plenty of it. This will be the reaping in of everything that's edible from your season's produce and the table should be as bountiful as you can possibly make it.

**Tomato Soup.**  
 (Serves 6)  
 12 fresh tomatoes  
 8 scallions  
 1 teaspoon salt  
 1/4 teaspoon pepper, freshly ground  
 1 teaspoon sugar  
 1/4 teaspoon sweet marjoram  
 1/4 teaspoon thyme  
 Juice of 1 lemon  
 2 teaspoons grated lemon peel  
 1/4 cup sour cream  
 1 teaspoon curry powder to taste  
 Dash of salt

Peel tomatoes and press through a coarse sieve. Add minced scallions, salt and pepper, sugar, herbs, lemon juice and peel. Chill for 2 hours or longer. Heat until just hot, then serve in soup plates with sour cream and minced parsley, if desired.

**Baked Beans.**  
 (Serves 4 to 6)  
 1/2 cup minced onion  
 1 1/2 cups minced green pepper  
 4 tablespoons butter or substitute  
 4 cups canned baked beans  
 1/4 cup diced dill pickle  
 1/4 cup grated American cheese  
 1/2 cup soft bread crumbs

Saute the onion and green pepper in 2 tablespoons butter. Add beans and arrange in alternate layers with cheese and pickle in a buttered casserole. Top with crumbs mixed with remaining butter. Bake in a hot (400-degree) oven for 25 minutes.

**Red Cabbage With Apples.**  
 (Serves 6)  
 1 2 1/2 pound head of red cabbage  
 1/4 cup boiling water  
 3 large cooking apples  
 3 tablespoons melted butter or substitute  
 1/4 cup vinegar

**LYNN CHAMBERS' MENU**  
 Pan Fried Pork Chops  
 Apple Rings  
 Candied Sweet Potatoes  
 Carrots and Celery  
 \*Frozen Pear-Grape Salad  
 Muffins  
 Peach Pie Beverage  
 \*Recipe given.

**LYNN SAYS:**

**Their Own Special Meanings:** Recipes have their own language which you must know before you can follow directions accurately. Check the following list and see if you know your language:  
**A la king:** means served in a rich sauce with green pepper, pimiento, mushrooms and perhaps some other vegetables.  
**Aspic:** a well-seasoned jelly made from stock, tomato juice or broth.  
**Blanch:** a verb meaning to plunge into hot water for a few minutes, then in cold water to remove skins as on tomatoes or peaches and nuts.  
**Braise:** means to brown meat by pan-broiling, baking or broiling, then covering it with a liquid and cooking at a low temperature until tender.  
**Brush:** to spread thinly.

1 1/2 teaspoons flour  
 1/4 cup brown sugar, firmly packed  
 2 teaspoons salt  
 1/4 teaspoon pepper

Finely shred cabbage, discarding core and tough portions. Add the boiling water and cook, covered, 20 minutes or until cabbage is tender. About 10 minutes before cabbage is done, add peeled, cored apples which have been sliced and cook 10 minutes longer. Then add remaining ingredients, combined, tossing lightly with a fork. Heat and serve.

With all these vegetables, you'll want to savor of a light fruited salad such as this one:

**\*Frozen Pear-Grape Salad.**  
 (Serves 6)  
 6 to 8 pear halves, canned or fresh  
 1 3-ounce package cream cheese  
 Green or tokay grapes  
 Salad greens  
 Dressing

Mash the cream cheese and add slivered grapes to it. Stuff into cavities of the pears. Use 1 cup pear juice or mixed fruit juice and add six tablespoons french dressing to it. Beat with a rotary beater, adding to this mixture one extra package of cream cheese and mixing till smooth. Place stuffed pears in refrigerator tray, pour beaten mixture over them and let freeze until firm. Serve on greens with extra salad dressing.

**Bran Refrigerator Rolls.**  
 (Makes 2 dozen)  
 1/2 cup shortening  
 6 tablespoons granulated sugar  
 1/4 teaspoon salt  
 1/2 cup boiling water  
 1/2 cup bran  
 1 cake yeast  
 1/2 cup lukewarm water  
 1 egg, beaten  
 3 to 3 1/4 cups sifted flour

Mix shortening, sugar and salt with boiling water; then add bran and cool to lukewarm. Soften yeast in lukewarm water; add with egg to bran mixture. Stir in enough flour to make a soft dough and beat thoroughly. Cover and store in the refrigerator overnight. Form into small balls and place three of the balls in each greased muffin pan. Cover with a clean towel. Let rise in a warm place until almost doubled in bulk. Bake in a hot (425-degree) oven for 15 to 20 minutes.

**AROUND THE HOUSE**

A large paper bag slipped over the end of a furnace pipe will save a lot of dirt when cleaning the pipes.

For a door or opening which appears too small, the eye can be deceived with a wallpaper border of the right width around the door.

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To remove decalcomanias from your walls before painting, soften them a bit with denatured alcohol. Then sandpaper the surface carefully for its coat of paint.

Before stringing small beads dip the end of the thread in glue which will dry quickly. The beads will thread easily without the use of a needle.

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 "Hey, Bill," shouted Joe, "come up here a minute."  
 After half an hour's laborious climbing, Bill reached the top.  
 "What do you want?" he asked breathlessly.  
 "Sh-h-h! Listen!" replied Joe. "But can't hear anything," said Bill, breaking the silence.  
 "No. Ain't it nice and quiet up 'ere?" came the reply.

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 At a ceremony held by the Haida Indians on the Queen Charlotte Islands off British Columbia in 1893, one of these coppers brought 7,500 blankets and, incidentally, lived up to its lengthy name—"All Other Coppers Are Ashamed to Look at It."

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"My dear Mr. House: Your kind letter at hand. I assure you that I most sincerely appreciate your generous words. I have not thought it wise to discuss publicly the question which you ask and I will ask you to regard this letter as confidential. No condition that I can now foresee would justify me in being a candidate next year.

"I see no such demand as would make acceptance seem a duty. Besides, there is work to be done for the party and the country—work which I can do, which seems to me to be more important than running for any office. I could not do it if I were waiting for a nomination. Again thanking you for your confidence, I am, Very truly yours, W. J. Bryan."

Rambling over Texas: The white, two-story Southern homes in Crockett . . . and El Camino Real (King's Highway), blazed in 1690.

Near Jacksonville, a lumber mill with window panes of tinted glass.

Jefferson White, Cameron editor, has 14,000 Indian relics.

The highway south of Sweetwater presents a series of hills, each a little higher than the other, making driving something like the exhilaration of riding a roller coaster. The countryside is clad in shaggy cedars, with the road lined with sagebrush. Far away is a wall of mountains, misty blue.

The last echo of the August primaries has hardly died away, with the promise on all sides that there would be no increased taxes and already a proposal is advanced to raise the

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state gasoline tax 2 cents a gallon. The advocate of this increase of millions of dollars in taxes to be paid by the people of Texas is Senator G. C. Morris of Greenville.

Mothers spend months trying to teach their babies to talk; then spend years trying to keep them quiet.

An optimist is a fellow who plants a couple of trees and then dashes to town to buy a hammock.

#### TWIN BABIES TO MRS. GRIFFIN

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