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HORNETS DOWN HILLBILLIES 32-14

Last Saturday on the Mertzton home field the Hornets played the Knott Hillbillies to win the last game of the season 32-14.

In the first half Gene Hegwood completed four passes to Harvey Kubena for three touchdowns and one extra point. Knott made one touchdown by a center plunge. At the end of the first half the score was Mertzton 19, Knott 6.

In the third and fourth quarters Fayette Tankersley ran the ball over twice and Gene Hegwood completed another pass to Harvey for 13 more points. Knott made one other touchdown and kicked a goal for 8 points. Harvey Kubena acted as captain, with "Buzzy" Tankersley acting as co-captain.

Given is the total number of points scored by each boy during the season: "Buzzy" Tankersley 36; Harvey Kubena 26; Gene Hegwood 25; Roy Shilling 12; Jack Turner 6; Dale Hegwood 6; Bobby Glaser 1; E. L. Tankersley 1.

EVER FIND A PEARL?

Some folks dream of acquiring their fortune through a sweepstake ticket, a lucky long shot on a horse, finding a pearl in an oyster, or even winning a new car with a \$1 chance, but could be it will be more than a dream with Mrs. Johnnie Freitag and this "pearl" she discovered in an oyster.

The Johnnie Freights and Charles Watsons and son, Bob, visited last week end in Albany and Cisco. On the return trip Sunday night they stopped in Abilene for an oyster supper. Mrs. Freitag ate an oyster which contained this "pearl".

They plan to take it to a jeweler in San Angelo this week. "I know it ain't a rock," Johnnie says.

THE METHODIST CHURCH

In looking through my copy of the Pastors Journal, a magazine of Church Administration published by the Methodist Church, I saw this article.

This is the way the church sometimes looks to the preacher when he goes into the pulpit. The pastor would just as soon to preach to a woodpile as to empty benches. There is no inspiration in vacant pews.

This Is The Way It Ought To Look At Every Service And It Will If Each One Does His Part By Coming Himself and Bring a Friend, or relative. Our ushers would earn their big salary(???) we pay them for seating the congregation. The Best Way On Earth To "Pepup" the Preacher Is to Hide Empty Benches with people.

And the one just above is the way our church looked Sunday. We had the largest crowd we have had in many weeks. Our Sunday night service was also attended by a good number. Sixty-two by actual count were at the night service. Next Sunday evening the pastor will bring his fourth sermon of a series of sermons on the Parable of the Prodigal Son.

Services each 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. You are always welcome to worship with us in any and all of our services.

The fourth Sunday we will be at Barnhart.

Roy B. Shilling, pastor.

Miss Myra Tankersley, home demonstration agent in Abilene, visited her mother, Mrs. Fayette Tankersley, and her sister, Mrs. Leta Crawford, over the week end.

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P-TA HOLDS REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY

The Mertzton Parent Teacher Association met in the high school auditorium Tuesday, November 12. Mrs. Stotzel's room presented a Thanksgiving program which was followed by a vocal selection by a girls trio, Jean Evans, Mary Byrd and Kay Carpenter.

Dorsey B. Hardeman gave a very interesting talk on "Constructive Use of Leisure Time," which was followed by a youth panel discussion. The boys and girls taking part in this discussion were Jean Evans, Doris Tankersley, Geneva Hensley, Yvonne Van Court, Steward Evans Jr., Roy Shilling Jr., and Jimmie Record.

The senior class won the prize for best room representation.

Refreshments were served in the Home Economics laboratory by Mrs. Jaye Hargrave, Mrs. Biggs Crews, Mrs. Bayard Foster and Mrs. M. Helmers.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

"Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God; therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not." 1 John 3:1.

The sermon subject for the morning lesson will be, Behold the Manner of God's Love in the Creation of Sons of God.

There will be no evening service. The church will conduct evening services at the Reynolds School House. Our Bible classes meet each Sunday at 10 a. m., and each Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

Welcome to all.

W. A. Record, minister.

In last week's issue of the Star, Jack Howard advertised for the return of his khaki field jacket which he lost out of his car. His jacket was returned the following day. It pays to advertise.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Carr visited in Abilene last week end with their daughter, Frances, a student in A. C. C. They attended the A. C. C. and Howard Payne football game. It was the homecoming game for A. C. C.

Uncle Sam Says



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U. S. Treasury Department

COX FUNERAL RITES HELD TUESDAY

Funeral services for Mrs. Josephine Miller Cox, 80, who died at 11:30 Monday morning, were conducted at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon in San Angelo from Massie Chapel with Dr. G. N. Goldston of the First Christian Church officiating. Burial was in Fairmount Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Hugh Childress, Max Schneemann, Cecil Brown, Joe Miller, Johnny Girvin and W. H. Holcombe.

Mrs. Cox died at San Angelo hospital. She was born Nov. 25, 1865, at Goliad, and had lived in Sherwood and Mertzton for 20 years before moving to San Angelo. She was among the first settlers to move to the townsite of Mertzton.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. L. J. Slaven of San Antonio; three sons, X. B. Cox of San Angelo, Sam S. Cox of Ozona, and Boyd R. Cox of Rankin; four grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

FOOTBALL BOYS ARE GUESTS AT BANQUET

The Mertzton High School football boys were honor guests Saturday night at a banquet given in the school cafeteria by Mmes. Loil Tankersley, M. L. Van Court and Reginald Atkinson.

The banquet table was decorated with the school colors, purple and white, and a complete turkey dinner was served.

The guest list included Gene Hegwood, Margaret Macomb, Harvey Kubena, Jean Evans, Roy Shilling Jr., Annette Tankersley, Bobby Glaser, Doris Tankersley, Buzzy Tankersley, Yvonne Van Court, Steward Evans Jr., Elizabeth Turner, E. L. Tankersley Jr., Betty Moore, Dale Hegwood, Virginia Burleson, Jack Turner, Maxine Van Court, Jay Lindley, Joy Martin, Hubert Peyton, Mary Byrd, Coach and Mrs. Cagle Hunt, Supt. and Mrs. Jack McIntosh, Miss Elizabeth Cox and the hostesses.

The guests went to the show after the banquet and then met later at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Loil Tankersley.

INTERMEDIATE CLASS ENTERTAINED AT PARTY

The newly organized Intermediate Class of the Baptist Church were entertained by their teacher, Mrs. Earnest Dowell, with a Thanksgiving party Wednesday of last week in their Sunday school room of the Baptist Church.

The room was dimly lighted by an orange globe hidden in a shock of feed surrounded by pumpkins. Pumpkins and turkeys were used as decorations throughout the party room.

Sandwiches, soda pop and pumpkin pie were served to Gene Kiser, Norma Hensley, Buck Whitley, Amy McGilvray, Jimmie Kiser, Buck Bazo, Bayard Foster, Ira Dean Young, Mary Jo Teague, Jackie Tankersley, Wallace Harkey, Boyce Tankersley, Jr., Carroll Stratton and Virginia Martin.

Coach Cagle Hunt is the assistant leader of this new group which has 12 enrolled at present. Officers are Buck Whitley, president; L. Von Lane, vice-president; Ira Dean Young, secretary; Mary Jo Teague, assistant secretary.

MERTZTON BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

We believe that 76 was a good Sunday school attendance last Sunday considering the fact that it was a holiday week end. We expect 100 next Sunday.

At the close of the Sunday night service Mrs. Jack McIntosh was baptized. A good crowd was present Sunday night. We are greatly encouraged that our Sunday evening services are so well attended. It is good to see people at church at night.

We are planning to take a large representation of our Sunday school to the meeting of the Concho Valley Sunday School Associational Meeting at San Angelo next Sunday afternoon. Those wishing transportation should see the pastor.

Rev. L. T. Lemon will bring the morning sermon at the Concho Valley Baptist Workers' Conference meeting with Immanuel Baptist Church in San Angelo November 20.

Work was begun last Wednesday on the improving of the church grounds. Anyone wishing to assist in this work should see J. T. Davis.

L. T. Lemon, pastor.

New residents of Sherwood are Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Huntley and family and Mr. and Mrs. Elvie Baxter and family who leased the Paul Q. Mills irrigated farm. They are former residents of San Angelo. Mrs. Huntley and Mrs. Baxter are sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Macomb are the proud parents of a son, John Seabron III, born Friday Nov. 8 at 12:56 p. m. in a San Angelo hospital. John weighed 6 pounds, 7 and 3-4 ounces.

Barnhart News

By MRS. ALMA TARVIN

Scottie Houston has returned home after spending two weeks in St. Johns Hospital in San Angelo, where he underwent a major operation. He is recovering nicely.

Mrs. Neville Davis spent a few days last week in a San Angelo hospital under treatment of her doctor.

Mrs. Clyde Walton of Lexington, Ky., who has been visiting her mother here the past month, plans to return home Thursday. Mrs. Walton underwent a tonsillectomy at a San Angelo hospital recently.

On Thursday afternoon, Nov. 7th, Mrs. Clyde Parry gave a party at the school house for the 1st and 2nd grade rooms in honor of James Lee Parry on his 7th birthday. Mrs. Parry was assisted with the games and refreshments by Mrs. Sam Newman and Mrs. Rance Brunson. Guests included children in the two grades and their teacher, Miss Margaret Mullins. On Friday afternoon, Mrs. Parry gave a party at her home for her daughter, Janet, on her 5th birthday. Outdoor games were played and refreshments of orange sodas and cake were served to Janet Collins, Linda Taylor, Mary Ann Davis, Nancy Brumley, Geneva Turner, and the honoree, Janet Parry.

On Friday afternoon the Gleaners Sunday School Class at the Methodist Church, with their teacher, Mrs. Bode Owens, were hostesses for a miscellaneous shower honoring Mrs. Will Kessler, Jr., who was Miss Janie Jeffers before her marriage Oct. 29th. Music was played during the party hours by Miss Margie Coffee. Hazel Taylor registered guests, while Lucy Ann Hinde and Joy Westfall were at the tea table. Appearing on the program were the girls chorus, singing two numbers: "Let Me Call You Sweetheart," and "I Love You." Readings were given by Virama Strother and Lola B. Roe. The guest list included about 75.

Mr. and Mrs. Boss' Neal are on a month's vacation trip which will take them as far as The Arbuckle Mountains of Oklahoma. They expect to spend about two weeks in Fort Worth, then on to Oklahoma to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hageman of San Angelo visited their daughter, Mrs. Joe Ross and family here the past week end.

Mrs. Davis of Ozona is spending the week here with her son, Neville Davis and family.

Guest in the Clyde Parry home the last week end was Clyde's mother, whose home is in Colorado, but who has been spending the past few weeks with a daughter, Mrs. Bill Hukill in San Angelo. Mrs. Parry expects to return to Colorado in another week.

A number of fans from Barnhart attended the rodeos in Mertzton and San Angelo last week end. Monday the 11th was a quiet day, with no holidays from school given here.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Cody Cardwell learned last week of their move to Phoenix, Arizona, where Cody goes to break horses. The Cardwells formerly lived in Barnhart. Cody returned in July from the Army in Germany.

Cpl. Bruce J. Everetts from Randolph Field spent the holidays with his wife and sons here.

Miss Chastain's room, the 3rd and 4th grades, had charge of the program given at the P-TA meeting Thursday afternoon, Nov. 7th.

Word was received this week of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Charles King. Mr. King was coach and principal of the school here at one time.

While hanging clothes in her yard last Saturday Mrs. Sterling Stratton was bitten on the leg by a cat. The head of the cat was sent to the State Health Department in Austin to be examined for rabies. Two days later she received a telegram from Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer, stating that no evidence of rabies was found.

Your Week

NOVEMBER 18-24

WEEKSCOPE

PERSONS BORN THIS WEEK ARE APT TO INDULGE IN DAY-DREAMING. THERE'S GREAT VALUE DERIVED FROM THIS PASTIME IF IT LEADS TO CONSTRUCTIVE ACTION.

MON 18 HOW TO BEAT THE RACES

TUE 19 REMEMBER THE MINE! 56th ANNIVERSARY OF THE LAUNCHING OF THAT FAMOUS BATTLESHIP

WED 20 147th ANNIVERSARY OF AMOS BRONSON ALCOTT, EARLY AMERICAN PHILOSOPHER AND EDUCATOR, FATHER OF LOUISA MAY WHO WROTE "LITTLE WOMEN"

THUR 21 VOLTAIRE FRENCH PHILOSOPHER AND HISTORIAN, BORN THIS DAY 252 YEARS AGO

FRI 22 WISHING YOU A HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHING ON A WISH-BONE WISH YOUR FRIENDS A GLAD THANKSGIVING WITH WARM AND CHERY GREETING CARDS

SAT 23 40 YEARS AGO THE SOS RADIO SIGNAL WAS ADOPTED

SUN 24 TODAY'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRANT ADMIRAL "ERNE" KING - HE'S 68

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

British to Adopt U.S. Arms;
U.S. Agrees to Disarmament;
Scotch World Food Proposal

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Pickets at Allis-Chalmers plant at Milwaukee, Wis., tip over workers' car as deputy sheriffs attempt to check act. (See LABOR.)

BRITISH ARMS:
Adopt U.S. Pattern

Close U. S. and British relations, first fostered toward the turn of the last century with the recognition of British naval strength in the Atlantic as a defensive bulwark, have been knitted even more firmly with Britain's decision to adopt American patterns for land, air and naval weapons.

Back of the move was the growing political unanimity of the two countries, already intimately bound by close racial, social and economic ties. Together they stand for a way of life spread over the width of the globe by British enterprise and now supported by U. S. diplomatic and military might.

Practically, standardization of U. S. and British weapons will permit the British to purchase arms in this country in case of a future emergency without the need for redesigning American productive facilities. At the same time, it will allow for the manufacture of American type weapons in such British outposts as Australia and New Zealand, where the U. S. will have ready sources of supply for Pacific operations.

Ten years may be required to complete the conversion of British arms to American standards, with rifles, cartridges, mortars, artillery and naval guns undergoing change.

U. N.:

In Accord
The U. S. and Russia came off all even in their first swap at the United Nations assembly in New York. If anything, the U. S. got the better of the exchange as Delegate Warren R. Austin of Vermont conducted himself with a gentlemanly reserve that contrasted with Foreign Minister Molotov's vitriol.



Warren R. Austin

Molotov was the first to speak, calling for international disarmament, a report on the number of allied troops in non-enemy states, retention of the veto power of the Big Five in the security council. He bitterly attacked U. S. and British imperialists, headed by Winston Churchill, for seeking world domination.

Ignoring Molotov's political charges, Austin entered into a discussion of the proposals raised by the Russian:

If the Russians wanted international disarmament, the U. S. would gladly oblige, provided an adequate system of inspection and other safeguards would be established to guarantee fulfillment of the program. After the last war, Austin recalled, the U. S. accepted the principle of disarmament but remained alone in carrying it out.

If the Russians desired a report on the number of Allied troops in non-enemy states, the U. S. suggested that the check be extended to former enemy countries as well. (Such an all conclusive report would provide the world with an adequate estimate of Russian troop strength behind the iron curtain, said by Churchill to total 200 divisions.)

If the Russians opposed a modification of the veto power at this time, the U. S. also was against revision of the U. N. charter. However, the U. S. hoped that the Big Five could get together in the future to modify the veto in the case of peaceful settlement of disputes, although retaining it on the question of applying force.

FAO:
U. S. Backs Down

Having heartily endorsed a plan of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization at Copenhagen, Denmark, for distribution of food to needy countries at bargain prices, the U. S. repudiated its position as an FAO commission met in Washington, D. C., to work out details of the project.

Under the plan, FAO would have purchased food from surplus producing countries out of a revolving fund contributed by member nations. When the world price for food would have gone above a predetermined level, then FAO would have sold its reserves to needy buyers at the lower figure.

In rejecting the plan, Undersecretary of Agriculture Norris E. Dodd expressed doubt that FAO could achieve its objective under present conditions. Instead, Dodd suggested that the problem of future farm surpluses and marketings could best be solved through a system of international commodity arrangements.

LABOR:
Militant

Police were hard put to maintain order at the Allis-Chalmers tractor plant at Milwaukee, Wis., as striking pickets of the CIO-United Automobile Workers bucked a back to work movement of over 3,000 employees. As violence mounted, the number of returning workers was cut in half.

As militant pickets turned over cars attempting to enter the plant, clashed with returning workers and hurled stones at company windows, county and suburban police were compelled to appeal to Milwaukee authorities for reinforcements. Over 200 of Milwaukee's finest were sent to the plant, but even so the enlarged police detail encountered difficulty holding the strikers in check.

Allis-Chalmers remained adamant against granting UAW a closed shop as the strike entered its seventh month. While agreeing to check off union dues with workers' permission, the company stood out against compromise on compelling employees to join the UAW.

WORLD TRADE:
Hit British Pact

The U. S. state and treasury departments joined in objecting to the recently concluded British-Argentine trade pact, with American officials feeling that provisions of the treaty violated promises Britain made in obtaining a 3.75 billion dollar loan from this country.

State department objections centered around Britain's agreement to purchase 83 per cent of Argentine beef the first year and 78 per cent annually thereafter. Officials declared that such provisions as incorporated in trade pacts with Canada, New Zealand and Australia as well as Argentina tended to restrict world trade as advocated by the U. S.

The treasury protested against the clause restricting Argentina's use of blocked sterling balances in world trade. Blocked sterling balances represent the credits owing Argentina for goods and services provided Britain during the war. Britain agreed to release some of Argentina's sterling balances for use in world trade only if she buys more from the United Kingdom and associated countries than she sells them.

Washington Digest
U. S. Awaits Russian Game at Foreign Ministers' Parley

By BAUKHAGE
News Analyst and Commentator.

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UNITED NATIONS, N. Y.—Of course this dateline isn't official.

But, since the brand new station where I got off had a nice "United Nations" sign on it in bright Pennsylvania red and gold, I can call it that. The United Nations is really meeting in two different places: The assembly, where I happen to be at this writing, at Flushing, N. Y., and the headquarters of the security council, miles away at Lake Success.



Baukhage

The broadcasting booth in which I sit looks right down on the first row of delegates, the United Kingdom under my chin, United States next, then Uruguay, then Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. Senator Austin, the white-haired and dignified head of our delegation, sits on the end seat. Foreign Minister Molotov, who has deputy delegate Vishinsky on his right, the translator, then Ambassador Gromyko on his left, sits about in the middle of his crowd.

The two groups represent clashing ideologies, conflicting ideas. But neither wears a steel helmet or carries a tommy gun. They are in peaceful conflict to avoid conflict.

Force Reds'
Hand at Paris

Even the most cynical now admit that the Paris meetings served to reveal what the Russian objective was and temporarily, at least, Byrnes was able to block that objective. It was plain from the be-



V. M. Molotov (left) and Andrei Vishinsky, Russia's two top diplomats, lead Soviet delegation at U. N. parley.

ginning that Russia had one negative purpose and that was to prevent any conclusive action regarding the situation in Europe which she could not dictate. Chaos, if not time, fought on her side.

As the negotiations continued, however, slowly out of the mists along the Volga another shape became visible. It was the materialization of one phase of the divide and conquer principle. In this case it was the open bid for German sympathy which Russia hoped would turn the Germans in the American, British and French zones away from those countries and toward Russia. Although it was Russia itself which prevented the economic unification of Germany (plus Communist influences in France and French fears) it was Russia which suddenly offered the grandiose plan of a unified Germany with a hint at a rectification of the eastern frontier at the expense of Poland. This sensational suggestion burst over Europe and the conference like a thunderbolt, but thanks to the quick action of Byrnes it proved a boomerang. Byrnes knew what to shoot at and he shot.

The Wallace incident which for 24 hours threatened to cut Byrnes' support from under him fortunately had just the opposite effect. Byrnes insisted on repudiation of Wallace by the President and got it. Then Byrnes took the stump, showed that American policy would give Germany everything that the Russian plan would give her and made it clear that the question of the eastern frontier might well be opened with the United States sympathetic toward a revision of the boundary to the advantage of Germany.

Thus, in a lightning flash Russia's policy was illuminated and im-

mediately blocked. The question now remains as to what line of approach the Russians have decided upon, if any. In the meeting of the assembly they tried to continue their obstructionist tactics.

The real test will come in the foreign ministers' conclave at New York.

There is a considerable element in the United States, by no means entirely composed of convinced Communists or their more hesitant fellow-travelers, which believes with former Secretary of Commerce Wallace that the United States can pursue some middle-of-the-road policy and that East and West can thus move together without friction. There is no question, however, that the task that Secretary Byrnes has set out for himself admits of no appeasement.

Draw Line on
Soviet Expansion

There have been a long series of books by experts and others, telling just what is wrong with our foreign policy and what might have been done or might be done to improve it. William Bullitt tried in a book (already mentioned in these columns) to show that Russia's dreams of empire are nothing new, that the Soviets are merely taking up where the Czars left off. More recently Louis Fischer has come along with his "Great Challenge." Edgar Ansel Mowrer, reviewing this book in the Saturday Review of Literature, says that "if Henry Wallace had read and understood this book, he would not . . . push a completely unrealistic policy of appeasement of Soviet Russia." Mowrer probably would be the last person to claim that he was prejudiced in favor of the Soviet rule but he is certainly familiar with his subject and his comment is worth consideration. As for Fischer, he laughs

at the idea put forth by the Russophiles that all we have to do is to assure Russia of her security, remove her suspicions and fears of democracy, and then she will march shoulder to shoulder with the rest of us. Fischer says Russia's behavior is explained not by fear of attack but by certainty that she will not be attacked. This belief seems to be back of the American action here today. It is to be hoped that during the negotiations at Lake Success, Russia's more specific objectives will be revealed as they were in Paris. Fischer claims that "Russia is not afraid and not suspicious for two clear reasons: The British empire is in decline and on the defensive; America rushed from victory to headlong psychological and military demobilization." If that is true then it must be made very clear to the Soviets that regardless of what we may think about the decline of the British empire and America's sharp reaction against military activity, there is nevertheless a line beyond which Russian expansion will not be allowed to go. It is to be hoped that line already has been reached. The necessity, however, is to make it very clear to both the American public and the Russian government that this point has been reached. Since it is admitted that Russia cannot and does not want to fight, it is not a question of war.

It is expected that the pin-pricking policy by Yugoslavia will continue. At this writing further efforts to obtain control of the Dardanelles are limited to name-calling in the Russian press. It must also be remembered that when the United States put its foot down and Russia saw that it would not pay to go farther, Tito could go into reverse.

Household
Hints

White woolen toys which are not too soiled can be freshened by cleaning them with a paste made of white starch and a little cold water. Rub in and let dry thoroughly, then brush off.

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BROWNIES HAVE MEETING

We had our monthly meeting Wednesday afternoon.

We resumed work on our thread holders we are making; we have enjoyed painting them. We also drew names for our Christmas party we

will have the second Wednesday in December.

With closing we sang songs, repeated the Brownie Promise and The Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present were: Patsy Allen, Marcia R. Davis, Jayne R. Hargrave, Janet Shaw, Carolyn Burney, Beth

Shilling, Rose M. Stratton, Janelle McGilvray, Evelyn Ann McGilvray, and Mrs. Allen.

—Brownie reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. Mans Hoggett spent several days in Sonora this week with Mrs. Hoggett's mother who is ill.

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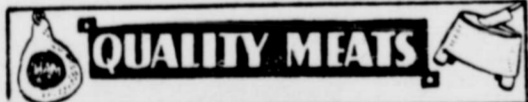
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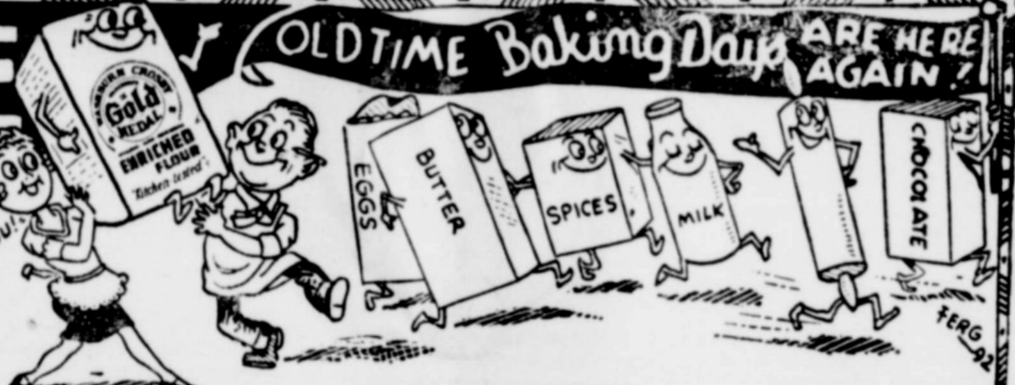
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- 1 egg, well beaten
- 3/4 cup milk
- 3 tbsp peanut butter
- 1 tsp. Worcester-shire sauce
- 1/8 tsp. pepper

METHOD

1. Mix all ingredients together thoroughly.
 2. Pack tightly into ungreased pan, and bake. Serve on platter surrounded with Hot Fruit Garnishes, sprigs of watercress or parsley, etc. (If a ring mold is used, center may be filled with vegetables of contrasting color—green beans, peas, Brussels sprouts, cauliflower, etc.)
- TIME—Bake 1 hr. to 1 hr. 15 min.
TEMPERATURE—350° F., moderate oven.
SIZE OF PAN—1 loaf pan, 5 by 9 inches (and 2 1/2 inches deep), or 1 ring mold 10 inches in diameter.

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BANNER HARVEST

Record-shattering Crops Boost Farm Production to New Peak

WNU Features

While international crises and domestic difficulties have been dominating the news scene, American farmers have been rolling up one of the most impressive production records in history during the current year.

Crop production for 1946 is setting an all-time peak, 2½ per cent above the record output of 1942, best previous year, and 28 per cent above the average for the prewar years of 1935-39, a summary compiled by department of agriculture

The story of the farmer's big year, as told in the pictures:

1. FARM RECORDS are being broken throughout the nation as farmers wind up the biggest year in agriculture's history. This scene of a farmer storing corn in temporary cribs is being repeated throughout the grain producing areas as farmers gather in the greatest feed crop ever grown in this country.

2. FOOD NEEDS exceeded even heavy wartime demands and farmers met the challenge with the largest harvested wheat acreage since 1938—940,000 acres over 1945. The combination of improved wheat varieties, good growing weather and national yield of 17.8 bushels per acre resulted in whopping 1,169,422,600 bushel crop. Production of all food grains set a new record—more than 37 million tons.

During the harvest season, farmers worked night and day, frequently with multiple crews and machines, as shown here, to save the precious grain. The new crop helped to relieve the bread shortage which resulted at mid-year when the nation shared its slender wheat stocks with hungry people overseas. Exports of wheat in this calendar year may reach 350 million bushels, highest since 1921.

3. READY FOR THE FUTURE. With the help of this big year, farmers are in better position to face conditions ahead. Good feed crops will help to maintain livestock production at high levels and savings of nearly 20 billion dollars provide a reserve for poor years or farm improvement.

This West Virginia farm, with its crops set in easy-to-work contoured strips, offers a pattern for the future. With his farm's soil enriched by lime and green manure, and slopes protected from costly erosion, the operator has the assurance of maximum efficiency and minimum production costs. As of July 1, 2,750,000 acres had been laid out in

contoured strip cropping, with plans ready for an additional 2,250,000 acres. Two-thirds of all U. S. farms are actively participating in 1,675 soil conservation districts.

4. GOOD WEATHER favored the farmer in his fight for big crops. An early spring sent crops off to a flying start. Ideal conditions, illustrated in this summer scene on a New England farm, often helped the farmer at critical times, such as haying and grain harvest.

Little wheat was lost because of wet weather during harvest or after, but sudden ripening of grain over large areas produced more grain at one time than elevators or railroads could handle. Drouth did strike some areas, notably New Mexico and Arizona, and prolonged rain interfered with planting of grain sorghums. The weather wasn't perfect, but it was generally better than 1945 and proved a big factor in a record crop.

5. BIG BUYERS. Record production and good prices have created the greatest farm purchasing power of all time. From total cash receipts of more than 23 billion dollars this year, farmers will realize a net income of more than 14½ billion dollars, or more than three times the net income of 1940.

Like city folks, farmers find goods scarce and prices above prewar levels. As he shops for new shoes, this farmer finds proof that the average price of farm work shoes rose from \$2.53 for the 1935-39 period to \$4.49 on June 15. Prices received by farmers for their goods had doubled meanwhile.

6. MORE HELP, provided by returning veterans and war plant workers, made the job easier for the farmer, but everyone had to work hard, early and late, to handle the bumper output.

Typical of the veteran's return to the land, this ex-army sergeant and his wife, former army nurse, bought

discloses. Wheat and corn production soared to new high marks, followed by record-shattering harvests of tobacco, peaches, pears, plums, truck crops and potatoes. Other crops have come through in good measure, with exception of cotton, rye, broomcorn, dry beans and pecans.

Livestock production continued high, despite critical feed shortages in mid-year.

Taking agricultural production as a whole, 1946 may stand for a long time as the farmer's biggest year, the agriculture department concludes.

an Alabama farm with the help of an FSA loan. By mid-year 1,045,000 veterans were working on farms, representing about three-fourths of the number of farm workers who entered military service before July 1, 1945.

7. TWO ON ONE means good corn and accounts for this North Carolina grower's pride in a promising crop resulting from use of hybrid seed corn and contoured field. In the nation as a whole, two out of every three acres this year were in high-yielding hybrids, accounting for 20 per cent increase in corn yields by department of agriculture estimates.

In some sections of the corn belt, hybrids were planted on 100 per cent of the acreage, boosting Iowa's corn yield to a phenomenal 61 bushels per acre. Better varieties of other crops, developed by agricultural scientists, helped push production to new records. Improved fertilizers and new cultural methods also boosted yields.

8. NEW TOOLS also helped to swell 1946 production. Expansion by REA co-operatives brought electricity to additional thousands of farms and made daily chores like milking (above) faster and easier. On July 1, nearly 53 per cent of all U. S. farms received central station electric service and new customers were being connected to REA lines at the rate of 250,000 per year. Farmers also found DDT and chemical weed killers potent weapons against old enemies.

Production of new farm machinery during the first half of the year fell below the war-limited production of a year earlier, forcing most farmers to get along with old machines. Tires, fuel and seed were in fair supply, but containers, steel products and lumber continued scarce. Farmers used more fertilizer in their drive for maximum production.

Man's 'Best Friend' Causes Most Farm Accidents

Old Dobbin may be man's best friend—but he doesn't act like it. In fact, horses are involved in more accidents on American farms than any other animal, including the bull. Dr. H. Herman Young of the Mayo clinic, Rochester, Minn., told delegates to the farm safety section of the National Safety council's 34th national safety congress in Chicago.

Life on farms is full of peril, Dr. Young asserted, pointing to a nine-year survey of farm accidents, made under joint auspices of Mayo clinic and the safety council, which

disclosed that 38,700 farmers were killed at work during the period. About 133,200 farm residents were killed accidentally and 100,125,000 non-fatal farm home and work accidents also occurred in that time, he reported.

"The farmer usually is his own boss or employs only a few men, probably carries no accident insurance, and is not as conscious of the need for safety measures as those employed in other industries," Dr. Young said.

Accidents take an enormous toll every year, with victims not limited to farmers, delegates to the safety congress were told.

Statistics show that there's an accidental death every 5½ minutes, a traffic death every 12½ minutes, an occupational death every 33 minutes and a home death every 15½ minutes.

National Safety council is a non-profit, non-commercial corporation supported mainly by industrial concerns. It has 25 separate sections to deal with safety in every field.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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Lesson for November 17

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PAUL MINISTERS TO THE THESSALONIANS

LESSON TEXT—Acts 17:1-7; 1 Thessalonians 1:2-8
MEMORY SELECTION—Be not weary in well-doing.—11 Thessalonians 3:13.

A great city, commercially active, religious to a high degree, a military center and a harbor so fine that it is important to this day—such was the city of Thessalonica. It presented a challenge to the preachers of the gospel and, in the name of Christ, Paul accepted and won a great victory.

I. The Gospel Preached—Accepted and Rejected (Acts 17:1-7).

Paul began his long and successful ministry in Thessalonica in the synagogue. It was to the Jews who worshiped the one true God that he came with his message about their expected Messiah—Christ the Lord. Here he established a strong church.

What was the message which so signally succeeded in this great strategic center? Well, it was not (as some modern preachers in large cities seem to think necessary) a series of social, political, or literary discourses. Paul preached Christ. He reasoned with them and presented the Saviour (v. 3) as One who was

1. Dead for our sin. These people were like us in that they needed a solution for their sin problem.

Without the death of Christ there is no salvation for any man. Only through the shedding of blood can there be remission of sin (Heb. 9:22). Paul had no part in the folly of a "bloodless gospel"—as though there were any such gospel.

2. Raised for our justification. It was not enough that Jesus died, marvelous as that is in our sight. For many a man has died for his convictions, but none has risen from the dead. Christ could not be holden of the grave. He arose the victorious Redeemer.

3. Declared to be the Christ. He is more than a man, more than a great leader and an earnest teacher. He is God's anointed One, himself divine—and our Lord.

Some believed (v. 4), including many devout Greeks, and not a few of the leading women. The gospel does have life-giving power as the Holy Spirit applies it to the hearts of willing men and women.

Others opposed (vv. 5, 6). Note that they were "of the baser sort." They always are, even when they appear to be cultivated and educated, for there is something fundamentally wrong in a life which rejects Christ.

It was a serious charge they made against the Christians (v. 7), for it was treason punishable by death to have any other king but Caesar if one lived in a Roman colony.

But the thing which they hated worst in these Christians was the fact that their topsy-turvy world was in danger of being set right (they put it the opposite way, v. 6), and they did not want to be made right. It is interesting to note that these early preachers had divine power to turn over the social order. Would that we showed more of that power in the church today!

II. The Gospel Lived—Followers and Examples (1 Thess. 1:2-8).

Paul, the missionary, was a courteous preacher. He recognized the faithfulness of Christian brethren and did not hesitate to commend them. We could do more of that when we meet true and faithful believers.

They were followers of Paul, but only because he followed Christ (v. 6). His power was from above (v. 5), even as they also were chosen from above (v. 4).

Following Christ meant affliction to them (v. 6), but it also meant the joy of the Holy Spirit, which is entirely independent of the circumstances of life—and above them.

These Thessalonian believers were examples of what it meant to be Christians. Wherever Paul went their faith toward God was recognized and he did not need to explain or argue for his gospel. People knew the Thessalonian Christians, and thus they knew real Christianity.

There could be no finer witness to the faith of anyone than to be able to bear testimony that it is an example—a model—to which others may look and not go astray. Do we dare to measure our Christian lives by such a standard?

'Drone' Plane Sends View To Operator Guiding It

The control of a "drone," or pilotless plane flown by radio, is switched between operators, one in the air and another on the ground or the deck of a carrier handling it during take-offs and landings, says Collier's.

When flying beyond the range of vision, even as far as 50 miles away, the operator is able to watch it through images received from two television cameras in the drone, sending one picture of the instrument panel and the other a view of the area in front of the plane so he can prevent it from colliding with another object.

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Choral Club News

If you tuned in your radio Saturday at 11:00 to San Angelo, you heard the Mertzon High School Choral Club singing from the Municipal Auditorium. Formally dressed in their new white choral robes, this group of high school students looked very distinguished.

Announcing and a brief history of the numbers sung was given by Murrel Stein. The club sang four songs, in this order: "Come to the Fair" by Martin, "Danny Boy" from an old Irish melody, "To a Wild Rose" by McDowell, and "Goin' Home" by Dvorak. This was followed by "Deep In My Heart" by Sigmund Romberg, sung by the trio, Kay Carpenter, Mary Byrd, and Jean Evans. The last number on the program was a solo by Mrs. C. F. Turner, "Arise, O Lord" by Leon A. Hoffmeister.

"Senior of the Week"

This week's senior is Elizabeth Turner. She is president of the senior class and vice-president of the choral club. She is also a member of the A.B.O.U. T. Club and the pep squad.

Elizabeth is 5'6" tall and weighs 116 pounds. She has brown hair and

green eyes and was born March 14, 1930, at Voss, Texas. She attended grade school there and moved to Mertzon her freshman year. Then she moved to Mertzon and has spent her sophomore, junior and senior years here. She plans to enter nurse's training school next fall in San Angelo.

Elizabeth's favorite food is coconut pie, her favorite color is red, and her favorite sport is volley ball. Her favorite movie stars are Cornel Wilde and John Hodiak.

(Answer to last week's Guess Who — Maxine Van Court.)

"Stinger"

Harvey, that's quite a vocabulary you have there.

We wonder if Kay and Joyce really like to play football.

Maxine, did you ever find out who was in which car Monday evening?

The choral club girls "sort of" changed a little on the trip home after the broadcast Saturday morning, didn't they? Hmmm — We wonder why?

Jay, how do you like for people to spy on you when you are taking Joy home?

"Buzzy," never jump at conclu-

sions. How could you tell whose jacket Annette was wearing Monday evening?

Jean, why did you take so long drinking your R. C. Sunday afternoon? Could it have been because of the boys in the two cars parked near you?

Coach, what's this we hear about a blonde? After all!!!

Are the freshmen absent-minded, or are the freshmen absent-minded? How about that, E. L.?

Steward, don't you think Annette can get out of a car easier without your help? Especially when she never lands on her feet.

What They Have Been Wearing
Margie Pate looked exceptionally nice in a black skirt topped off by a white blouse trimmed in red. Her black hair was curled very softly around her face and held back by a red band of ribbon.

Doris was wearing a pretty tomato-red blouse. It was trimmed with ruffles around the yoke and a soft bow at the throat.

Dale H. looked unusually cheerful in a blue and red plaid shirt.

Dell Harper's pretty grey sweater made her an "added" attraction.

Buzzin' Around

This week end was very important, because it marked the end of football season. We were all proud of the way our boys played football Saturday evening, and hope to see them play that way at every game next year.

Saturday morning the choral club went to San Angelo and sang over Station KGKL. Saturday evening the Hornets stung the Hillbillies, and then everyone celebrated for the next two days.

Football boys and their dates seen at the football dinner Saturday night were "Buzzy" and "Blue", Harvey and Jean, Jay and Joy, Jack and Maxine, Roy and Annette, Bobby and Doris, Gene and Margaret, E. L. and Betty, Dale and Virginia, Hubert and Mary, and Steward and Elizabeth.

Margie spent Sunday night and Monday in San Angelo with Minnie Jo Evans and Janette McFarland.

Several kids were seen at the rodeo Sunday afternoon and Monday.

Jean, Elizabeth, Mary Lou, "Blue", Georgia, Maxine, Annette, Doris, and Joy went to San Angelo to the show Sunday evening.

Georgia visited in Midland Monday with Pepe McDaniels.

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The Swayne Dudley home at 1835 Webster in San Angelo was the scene of a family dinner Sunday honoring Mary Dean, two year old daughter of

the Dudley's, and Roy Girvin, father of Mrs. Dudley. The two honored guests observed their birthday anniversaries Sunday. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Roy Girvin, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ball and daughters, Sandra and Becky, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Estes, Jr., and Eunice Nell Girvin. Mr. and Mrs. Girvin were in Waco last week end for the Baylor-T. U. football game and were accompanied to San Angelo by Eunice Nell.

Mrs. Neita Rutledge and Mrs. Ella Smith of San Angelo spent Armistice week end here. Mrs. Rutledge visited with her sister, Mrs. Bonnie Wilson and Mrs. Smith with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. DeLong.

Plant Is Scene Of Busy Activity As Operation Gets Underway

Ever since last Saturday when the Mertzon Frozen Foods was opened to the public, the plant has been the scene of bustling activity. Then Monday when most of the town was taking a holiday for Armistice, the first fat calf was butchered and business got underway in earnest.

The first calf butchered belonged to Lake Tankersley and is probably well packed in a locker box by now. Others were waiting right behind the first calf with two in the pen at the door and several in parked pickups

and trucks. This scene continued on this week.

Ray Weatherford, proprietor of the new frozen food plant, first began construction of the plant on May 22 and finally after having everything in readiness for some time construction of the cold storage vault was begun in September.

The vault was tested last week and pronounced ready to go. It represents the latest in frozen food plants and was designed after much planning and looking at other frozen food plants throughout this area.

A complete service on meat is offered. All the customer has to do is tell Ray what he wants and he will get the job done.

In a modern slaughter room the livestock is killed, skinned and dressed. The carcass is hung on an overhead track on hooks and taken into a chill room where it stays about 10 or 12 hours. Next comes the aging room where the meat is kept about a week. Then it is cut up and packaged and put in the sharp freeze room for another 8 to 10 hours. After this process the meat is placed in the locker boxes and ready for its owners to use. Temperature in the locker box room is maintained near zero most of the time.

The citizens of Mertzon and Irion County can point with pride to their latest establishment. In case you wish to call up the Mertzon Frozen Foods their telephone number is 156.

Ray says he welcomes inquiries on any phase of his business and he hopes to satisfy all he is privileged to serve.

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Willis Burke, Bill Carter and Dick Baker arrived home Tuesday night from Springfield where they have been attending to their livestock in snow bound Colorado. They reported three feet of snow in the section where their stock is pastured.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Kerbow enjoyed a visit last week of their son and

family. Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Kerbow and Mary Kathryn of Amarillo. Mary Kathryn is remaining for a visit with her grandparents while her family is moving to Borger.

Mrs. George James arrived home Saturday morning from a week's visit with her husband in Springfield, Colorado.

GRAY STATIONED IN LECHFELD, GERMANY

From the 305th Bombardment Group headquarters at Lechfeld, Germany, comes the following news release:

T-Sgt. Carrol P. Gray is stationed at Lechfeld, Germany and is with the 305th Bombardment Group. The 305th is one of the veteran groups of the Eighth Air Force. Formerly the Group was stationed at Chelveston, England and moved from there in July 1945 to St. Trond, Belgium. The 305th took part in the growth and development of the Eighth Air Force and shared in all its major campaigns and missions. Of its 537 daylight bombing attacks the highlights are made by commendations from the 8th Bomber Command and later by the Ninth Air Force. Two of its members received the Congressional Medal of Honor.

The 305th, as a subordinate command of the United States Air Forces in Europe, is doing its part toward the successful Air Occupation of Germany.

The Lechfeld Army Air Base, once bombed by this group, is one of the largest in Europe and formerly was a Messerschmidt jet research field. Located eighteen miles south of Augsburg, it is in the center of the famous province of Bavaria.

T-Sgt. Gray is the son of Mrs. Lora Gray of this city. Before entering the service he attended the Mertzon High School and then he worked as a cowboy in Marathon, Texas. T-Sgt. Gray re-enlisted on 20 November, 1945 and arrived in the ETO on 28 March, 1946. He is attached to the 366th Bomb Squadron and his present duty is flight engineer-gunner. T-Sgt. Gray flew fifty combat missions and wears the Air Medal with six Oak Leaf Clusters, the ETO Ribbon with five Battle Stars, and the Unit Citation Medal.

Miss Evelyn Baker accompanied by her new roommate in the Students Nursing Home in San Angelo, Miss Margaret Wright of Arkansas, and Miss Ada Ballard, also a student nurse from Ozona, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Baker.

Attending the Ballinger-Coleman football game in Ballinger Armistice Day from Mertzon were Mr. and Mrs. Preston Dudley, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Freitag, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Watson and son, Bob.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Stratton and family visited last week end with Mrs. Stratton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Carroll of San Saba.

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Sports

In a practice game Thursday night, the Town team defeated the basketball team. The final score was 27 to 19. The players of the town team are: Clyde Parry, Blue Newman, Joe Ross, Cecil Robertson, Bill Hutmaker, and Will Kessler Jr.

Camping Trip

Troop 50 and their Scout Master, Mr. Holmes, spent the week end at Camp Louis Farr. Mr. Holmes passed his initiations by teaching the boys how to cook over a camp fire. There were lots of fish stories brought back but no fish. Some of the best food lips

ever smacked over was dished out. (So the boys say) the average meal consisted of: 1 dozen eggs, 4 cans of Spam, 3 loaves of bread, 2 pots of coffee.

The only casualties were two burnt hands, acquired during the cooking seige. The Scouts that attended were Dick Newman, Joe Roy Collins, Jack Grace, Park Combest and Franklin Roe, all of whom came home rested and each weighing three pounds more.

Troop 50 extends their invitation to all boys in Barnhart to join their future camping trip. They guarantee good food and a good place to sleep.

Spanish Club Meeting

The Spanish Club held a regular meeting Wednesday afternoon. The meeting was called to order by June Caruthers, president, and the roll was called by Bobbie Roe, secretary. Suzie Strother gave the treasurer report which was \$27.50. It was decided that the members would take times serving refreshments. Next week the meeting will be held in the kitchen and Mr. Hutmaker will serve. It was suggested that the club give a Latin-American play at which they would serve a Mexican supper. The plans for taking a trip were discussed, but nothing definite was decided.

Senior of the Week

The senior of this week is five feet eight inches tall. She has light brown hair and hazel eyes. She is the captain and one of the stars of the Barnhart volley ball team. After finishing high school she plans to enroll in nurse's training in San Angelo. She is happiest when eating chocolate cake and listening to "Rumors Are Flying."

We Wonder???

If Mr. Holmes is going to have to move across the hall at Christmas?
Why Mary Lou cut her hair off?
If the Biology class ever found their pulse?
Why Taylor and Marvin did not attend school Monday?
If the kids had a good time at the Ozona Carnival?
If Joy Westfall really went to Mertz on to the rodeo yesterday?
Who the girl was with Lucy Hinde?
If the Juniors will ever finish their book?
Why Park is continually looking at Joy N.?
If Buck is going deer or dear hunting?

Teacher: And this, Beth, is Mr. Ware.

Beth: Oh, Mr. Ware, I've heard about you—we've got some furniture stored in one of your houses.

Beth: I wonder when Clinton is going to propose?

Virama: You'll have to wait six months more. He didn't propose to me for nearly a year.

The teacher asked the Freshmen class to write a theme on frogs. This was turned in by a student:

"What a wonderful bird the frog are. When he stand, he sit almost. When he hop, he fly, almost. He ain't got no sense hardly. He ain't got no tall hardly either. When he sit he sit on what he ain't got, almost.

Teacher: What is a mushroom?

Gerald: A place to neck.

The absent minded professor drove up to the door of his garage, looked inside, blinked, and then leaped back in his car and drove at breakneck speed to the police station. "Sergeant, my car has been stolen," he gasped.

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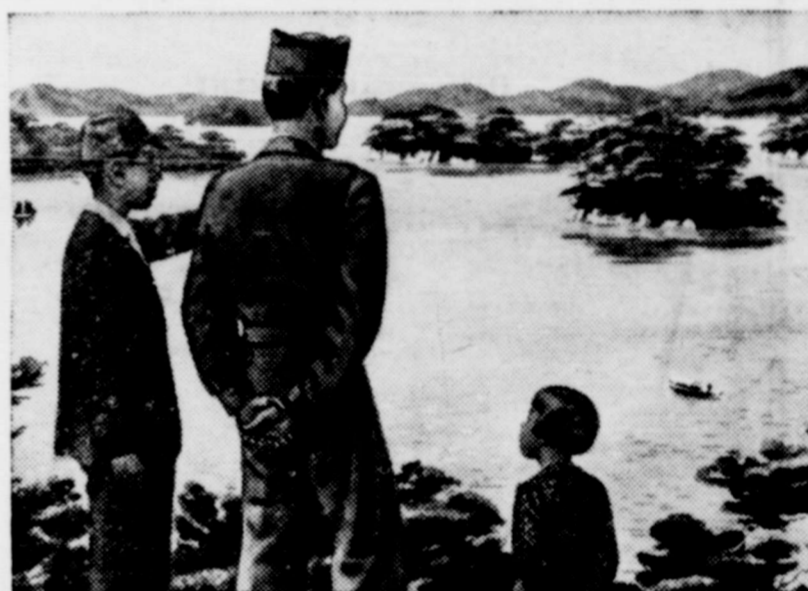
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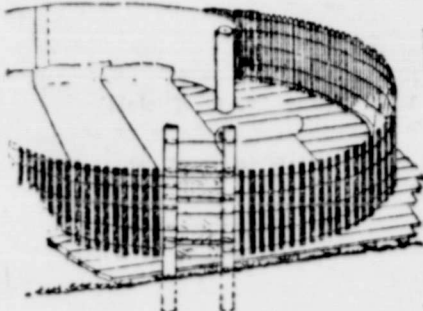
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By W. J. DRYDEN



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A series of tests proved that dermatitis was caused by a combination of "wool yellow dye" in a saddle soap and "sulfonated neat's-foot oil," in a leather conditioner.



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. She is the principal suspect. McCale learns of a deep plot to keep control of the great fortune in the family through a deal with Vallaincourt. Shari Lynn, Vallaincourt's former wife, is shot to death. Someone fires at McCale, wounding him in the shoulder. McCale hurries to the Bigelow mansion where Sybil, Veronica's mother, has been slugged. She was searching in an old trunk. McCale finds a large black silk handkerchief in the trunk that puzzles him. Miss Adelaide Bigelow is not able to place it, either.

CHAPTER XVI

He fingered it, feeling the coarse pull of the silk. A signal seemed to flow from the material in his hand along his arm, into his brain.

Suddenly, revelation poured over his mind like a searchlight. He jumped up. Placing a firm hand on Miss Bigelow's arm, he guided her, surprised and bewildered, to the stairway.

"We must go down immediately," he said. "Is everyone at home? You said Christopher Storm was here."

"Yes. They are all here somewhere. Must you see them all?"

"Not yet."

He strode ahead of her on the third floor hall. He reached the floor of the second floor drawing room before she was halfway down the second stairway.

As he went in, Karen stopped playing. She sat cold and austere at the piano, letting her long fingers rest quickly on the keyboard. She turned toward him as he quickly crossed the room to her side.

"You drew \$800 at your bank this morning." He hurled the statement at her. "Why?"

A sullen smile turned up one corner of her mouth. She shrugged. He waved a hand in exasperation. "Very well. You don't talk. You do know why the murderer did not kill Sybil this afternoon?" He was aware that she drew away from him. "That was a mistake, wasn't it, not finishing the job?"

She set her mouth in a hard line. He looked his exasperation. He shrugged then and turned to the door, where stood a startled Miss Bigelow.

In the library once more, McCale called his own number.

"Hullo, boss."

"Did you get those pictures? A list? Read them off."

"Okay, coming through. A couple of football players; some guys in a canoe; a petty officer, a jockey (no horse); a marine, kind of dejected-looking; an army lieutenant; and whoops, an acrobat!"

"Uh uh. Just what I thought. Okay. Hop on over here."

"Where are you?"

"Oh, I forgot to tell you. The Bigelows. Make it snappy. This is the kill."

He dialed headquarters, asked for Donlevy.

"Donlevy. I'm at the Bigelows'. Can you get over here on the double quick? I've solved the Vallaincourt-Lynn business. Proof? Of course I've got proof. Yeah. In twenty minutes—sooner if you can. Good-bye."

Involved Motives Are Unravelled

It came—as he held the receiver a moment too long at his ear. He heard Donlevy put down his instrument. Then, so nearly after it that the sound was almost simultaneous, came another soft click, as someone else carefully cradled a receiver.

McCale and Miss Bigelow were in the library. He leaned against the mantle and spoke in a soft, ruthless voice.

"This is the end, Miss Bigelow. It will be all over in a few minutes. The police are on their way."

"Strange," he said. "Both you and I saw the murderer the afternoon of Curt Vallaincourt's death. Besides that, all the clues have pointed in the same direction. I, at least, should have remembered the complete picture of that afternoon."

"Clues? Pointing to—?" She shook her head.

"Yes—a figure in the dark outside the house that afternoon. Sybil bathed in sherry in order to drown out what she saw. A visit by Karen to The Abbey Club the night before. A picture missing from the collection of Shari Lynn's admirers. A revolver in a family, where, to everyone's knowledge, a revolver had never been owned, and last, but not least, not at all the least—this."

He drew the black silk handkerchief from his pocket. Her brow wrinkled.

"But—but I still don't understand."

He went on, softly, inexorably.

"The trouble in solving this crime lies in the fact that in the failure of the original plot, everyone had a motive. You are aware by now of the plan to gain control of the Bigelow millions through Curt Vallaincourt. Stephen met Curt in Chicago, through Victoria or vice versa. Curt and Victoria had an affair, even though he was married to Shari Lynn at the time. He and Shari probably had some sort of arrangement, for the only business Vallaincourt practiced was preying on wealthy women."

Miss Bigelow's chin came up. She seemed to be steeling herself for what she knew was to come.

"Vallaincourt probably intended to marry Victoria until he found that the Bigelow fortune was controlled by you, to be passed on to Veronica at her marriage."

"To Veronica's husband, Mr. McCale."

"Yes, yes." He held up his hand.

"How he obtained that information is theory, but not illogical theory. In view of the nonchalance of his character at that time and the open, too worldly outlook of both Victoria and Stephen, it is not wrong to assume that, in a moment of rallery, they told him. Possibly they mentioned that he was barking up the wrong tree—that while you allowed Vicky and Stephen generous allowances, the real gold bags were Veronica's, with your and Sybil's approval, of course. Yes, the whole thing must have been hatched before Victoria and Stephen came home to prepare the way, for in the meantime Vallaincourt had to divorce Shari Lynn, no doubt promising that when he got his hands on the money and had salted away a few million, he would renege and remarry Shari."

"How horrible." She shuddered.

"But Stephen and Victoria? What would they have gained?"

"That's where the real Machiavellian touch came in. Victoria, no doubt, thought Curt would marry her eventually and that they would live on Veronica's money. You see, there were two women Curt fooled."

"Fooled?"

"Of course. But to go back a bit, Victoria brought Curt home as a friend she had run into in New York. He wooed Veronica, who forgot her childhood romance with Christopher Storm overnight in the excitement of the biological spell Vallaincourt was able to cast. Everything was going fine. The wedding over, a few months for Curt to manipulate the Bigelow money, and Victoria would have Curt. Stephen would have—he thought—Karen."

Miss Bigelow closed her eyes in anguish. McCale continued in a rush of words.

Even Christopher Storm was convinced of Vallaincourt's sincerity. He had met Curt that morning and in a rush of boyish feeling had deeded The Nest, the house he had built for Veronica and himself. That left the others out in the cold. Better now that Veronica should marry Storm than Vallaincourt, if he was going to turn his back on them. Storm, at least, would see that they had their allowances, maybe something more. But Curt, in his complete aboutface, could not be relied upon. He might cut them off completely, in disgust with himself and them, too. You can't take chances on a reformed rake. He is liable to become very self-righteous and unapproachable. You see? Curt Vallaincourt had to die."

Miss Bigelow's eyes remained closed. She was breathing heavily. McCale hurried on.

"Vallaincourt, of course, had told only Veronica, to whom he had made full confession, and Christopher Storm because he was forced to, and Shari Lynn. Shari Lynn, fatalistic in all things, probably more so about the enigmatic Curt, set out to do a little blackmailing. Knowing that he hadn't come clean to the four who were in the plot, she started plans for extortion. She got in touch with Karen and threatened to let the cat out of the bag before the wedding bells rang. Although they all knew that something was wrong, that there was a rat somewhere, Karen decided to be on the safe side. She took \$500 with her to The White Abbey for Lynn that night. She surprised Vallaincourt with her, and believe me, surprised was the word for Curt. He was utterly nonplussed when Karen walked in. She was observed by my secretary and myself; by her husband who was there on his own account, probably to watch for Shari Lynn. Sybil was there, too. She and Karen met on the steps. No doubt she was upset over the

rumor that Curt had been seen with the Lynn woman, and in her muddled way, wanted to see for herself."

Hard bunches showed against McCale's jawline and his face looked relentless in the shadows.

"The next afternoon, Curt Vallaincourt was shot on your doorstep."

Miss Bigelow sat up straight, shaking herself out of her reverie.

"We—we saw the murderer?" she whispered.

"Yes," he answered slowly. "Think back. What was it we saw?"

"Why," she faltered, "there was a woman with red hair. Veronica!"

"No," he said. "Not Veronica. That was Shari Lynn—in a red wig."

She gave a cry of surprise. "Then—"

"No. She did not shoot him. She was not near enough. She saw who did and tried to blackmail afterward, to her sorrow."

"Then it must have been the other one—the other woman—the one in the raincoat."

"That was Sybil. She saw the murder, but in her confusion did not recognize the murderer—then. Think, Miss Bigelow. When we looked out of the window two or three times in those few minutes before the shot—think. Wasn't there someone else there? Someone already waiting?"

He picked up the black kerchief and dropped it in her lap. She stared at it blankly for a long horrible moment. Then she understood. "Yes—yes," she said, finally. "Awful—for Sybil. Oh, God!" She buried her face in quivering hands.

In the silence that followed, McCale heard a soft footfall outside the door. Someone was tiptoeing quickly, furtively, toward the service stairs.

In a flash it came to McCale that during the time he had spent in preparing Miss Bigelow for the coming arrest, his lengthy explanation, his gift of gab—had given someone the needed few minutes to plan escape. For a moment he felt panic, not knowing what to do next, where to turn. Excitement raised the hair on the back of his hands. He controlled himself with a titanic effort of will.

Not stopping to explain to the old lady who sat motionless, he raced out into the hall, threw open the front door. He was in a frenzy. He ran down the front steps into blinding sleet.

For a moment, he was utterly befuddled. Anger mounted in him like a flame—anger at himself. He had lost. He turned to retrace his steps when he heard a sound near him. He looked into the dark wetness and saw a form materialize out of nothing and walk toward the curb. He recognized the snug-fitting pants, pea jacket and round hat of a sailor.

He stepped up to him quickly, fumbling for a cigarette, and said, "Got a light, buddy?"

"I should have Noticed That Sailor"

A match flared suddenly and McCale looked up over the flame to stare into the dangerously narrowed blue eyes of Stephen Bigelow.

The man gave a growl, making a quick gesture with his right hand.

"I wouldn't do that," McCale said, his voice harsh. "This block is lousy with police. You'd better come quietly. Every one of them has a gun. They've got a bead on you right now. They'll shoot—to kill."

Then Bigelow said, "Not before I get you, they don't." He fumbled in his coat and laughed hysterically.

In that instant, McCale's knee came up with all the force he could muster. Bigelow gave a sharp cry of agony and doubled up on the sidewalk, tripping McCale as he went down. It was not until that moment that Rocky loomed up out of the fog.

"Gosh!" McCale heard Rocky say as he gripped the fallen man under the shoulders, bringing him upright. "The Navy! You sure this is the guy, Duke?"

"No less." McCale gingerly felt the wounded arm on which he had fallen. "Mr. Stephen Bigelow in the uniform of Uncle Sam. He joined the navy once—remember? He must have saved his suit. Oh, yes, and his pistol. By the way, see if his black kerchief is missing." It was.

Bigelow mounted the steps between Rocky and the officer. All the fight was gone from him.

A squad car slid up to the curbstone as McCale turned to follow the trio. He walked over to it and opened the door with a flourish.

"Welcome!" He bowed as Donlevy stepped out. "Late as usual, Lieutenant."

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Gems of Thought

THE inner side of every cloud is bright and shining, and so I turn my clouds about, and always wear them inside out—to see the lining.

Every man is at his best when he adds enthusiasm to whatever he honestly believes in.

No man is too big to be kind and courteous, but many men are too little.

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FORT WORTH, Oct. 31. — Miss

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Some 650 students are residents of T.C.U.'s four dormitories, two of which are for girls and two for boys. Two additional dorms, one for girls and one for boys, are now being built, to be ready for occupancy in 1947.

Over-all enrollment of the school is at an all-time high, totaling approximately 4,000. There are 2,800 in day classes, some 1,200 in the Evening College. Veterans account for 1,967 of the 4,000 total.

Miss Wilson, freshman student in Foster Hall, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilson, Mertzon.

BRADFORD BUYER OF SURPLUS VEHICLES

WICHITA FALLS. (Special)—Calvin H. Bradford, Box 172, Mertzon, was among the 338 successful purchasers of surplus motor vehicles at the first "high bid" sale held by War Assets Administration last week at Sheppard Field.

Bradford bought 3 Nash cargo trailers for an average of \$135 each.

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which 338 were sold in the two-day sale. Veterans paid a total of \$154,000 in cash for vehicles that originally cost the government \$461,000.

All vehicles were offered on a "where is, as is" basis and were located at 10 Army camps and air fields

in West Texas. WAA officials considered this sale one of the most successful disposals of surplus vehicles to veterans.

Oklahoma is Choctaw for "red people."

HOTELS for LIVESTOCK

The central livestock market is as American as the "hot dog." No other country has the like of it. European sellers and buyers haggle over individual animals. In South America most of the dealing is done right on the *estancias*, where the livestock is raised. But here in the leading livestock nation of the world, for 75 years central markets have played a big part in the job of moving meat toward dinner tables of the United States.

When a carload of livestock rolls off the prairies or out of the mountains into one of the 65 or more great central markets, the animals are "greeted" and "registered" at the unloading dock, much as travelers are received and registered in hotels. From there they are sent to their "rooms"—the pens assigned to the commission man to whom the owner has shipped his animals. There these hogs, cattle, calves and lambs are rested and given food and drink.

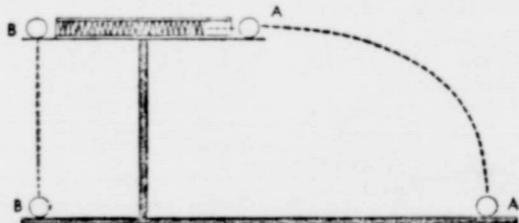
Just as hotels compete for guests, so these central markets compete with each other for the business of accommodating the 88 million head of livestock which come in each year. Thousands of livestock buyers and order buyers bid against each other and the sale is made to the highest bidder. With 26,000 meat packers and other commercial slaughterers active in livestock

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Things Are NOT Always as They Seem



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In our business, too, things are not always as they seem. On September 1, 1946, the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture reported that in the entire country there were 356 million pounds of meat stocks in cold storage. That is a lot of pounds. But actually it is the lowest on record for that date... and compares with 626 million a year ago and a 631-million average for 1941-1945. Here in America we eat about 50 million pounds of meat a day, so the September 1 supply of meat in cold storage was barely enough to feed us for seven days.

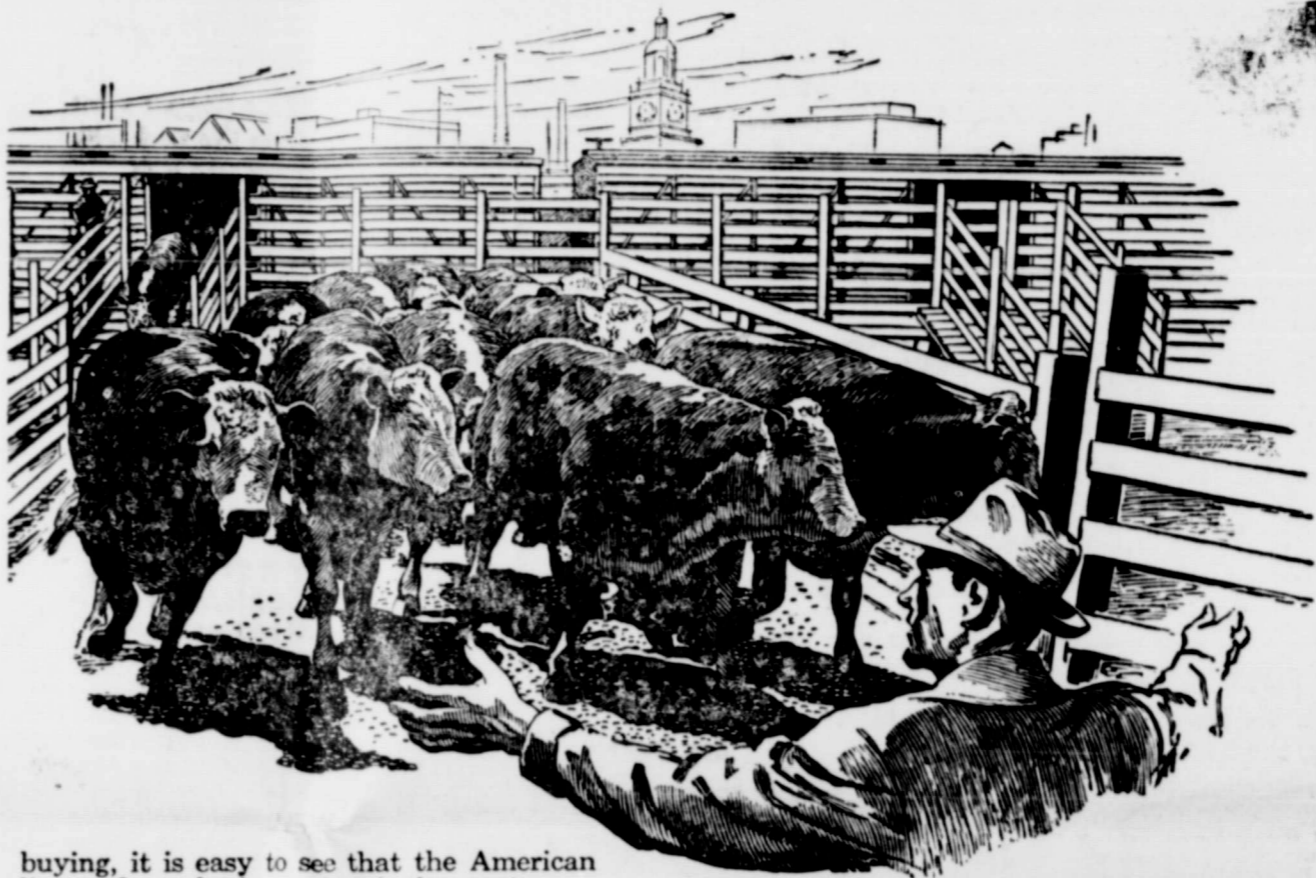
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1 tablespoon melted butter	1/2 cup sifted flour
1 egg	2 teaspoons baking powder
4 tart cooking apples	1/2 cup nutmeats
1 cup sugar	1/2 cup chopped raisins or dates
1/2 teaspoon vanilla	

Pare and chop apples. Sift dry ingredients together. Combine all ingredients. Spread in a 9-inch square buttered cake pan. Bake in a moderate oven (350° F.) about 30 minutes, or until apples are soft. Serve hot or cold with foamy or hard sauce.



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In this Thanksgiving month, the people of our nation—and of many other nations—owe a debt of gratitude to the ranchers and farmers of America. All through the war, in spite of its tremendous requirements, our people ate well. And in spite of sharing with the earth's hungry, our people are still eating well. Today, to be sure, not all the meat they would like to have... but plenty of nutritious food to keep them well and strong. That is because for long years millions of farm and ranch men, women and children have kept the food supply up, working harder than ever before, overcoming shortages of help and machinery and many other obstacles. Yes, Americans may well offer thanks this month to all those who produce our food.

OUR CITY COUSIN



City Cousin on the farm
Thought that there was little harm
In eating apples by the dozen...
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FERTILITY OF RANGE BEEF CATTLE

by A. L. Baker and J. R. Quesenberry
United States Department of Agriculture

Cows in the western ranch states drop from a 40 to a 70 percent calf crop with an average of 63 percent. This means that for every 100 cows the average rancher can expect to get only 63 calves.

However, the following recommendations, based on a study made, should aid the rancher in increasing his production:

1. Cows should be identified by proper markings so that shy breeders can be culled from the herd at an early age. Good producing cows may be kept until at least ten years of age without loss of fertility.



SPREAD

When visiting with livestock producers on farms or ranches, or at meetings, the subject of "spread" often comes up for discussion. Then I give them an explanation of the difference between the price they get for livestock and the price we meat packers receive for the meat we sell.

To me it is a source of continual surprise that the spread is not greater than it is. During my years of experience in the livestock-meat industry, here is what I have learned about spread. We at Swift & Company have been paying farmers and ranchers approximately 76¢, on the average, out of every dollar we receive from those to whom we sell, for all products we process and handle, including hides, glands, and all by-products. That leaves us 24¢ to cover the cost of processing and marketing.

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F.M. Simpson,

Agricultural Research Department

2. Cows that fail to produce calves in two successive years should be culled from the herd.
3. Where practical, it is advisable to test bulls for semen quality before breeding season in order to eliminate the partly sterile bulls.
4. There is an advantage in using bulls four years old or over, of proven breeding ability.
5. The establishment of small breeding pastures capable of maintaining herds of about 30 cows is recommended as a means of increasing the calf crop.
6. Even some larger ranches would do well to resort to pasture breeding if they could thus obtain even the 6 percent raise in calf crop obtained in this U.S.D.A. study.

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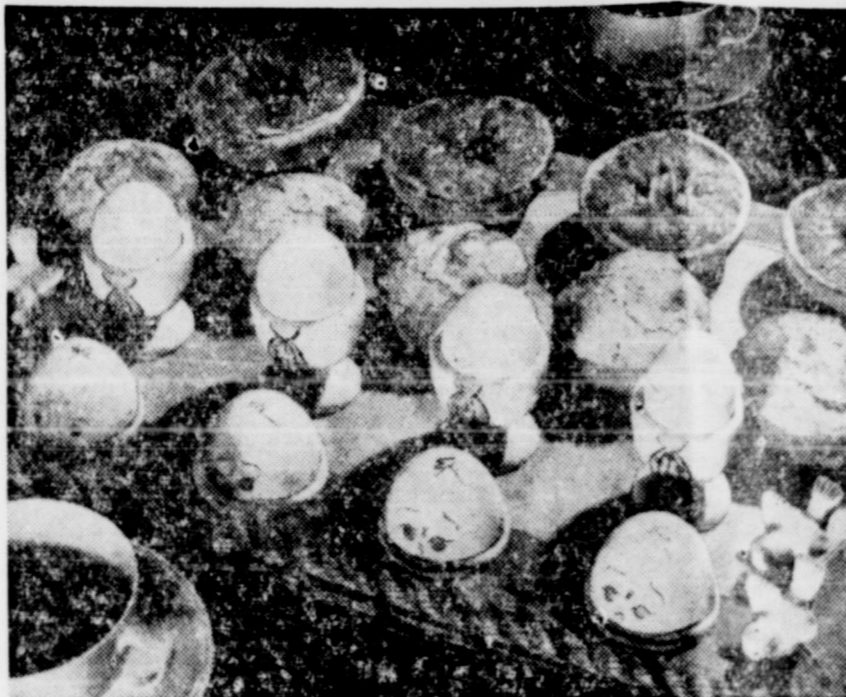
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Breakfast Breads

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If the latter is the case, then sit down right now and do something drastic about it. You may have to do without bacon and sausage, those breakfast standbys, but the ingredients required for breakfast breads are available. Let them give you a lift for that important first meal of the day. Your family can't resist light, fluffy rolls with the tangy smell of cinnamon and raisins, or light and hearty pancakes.

Bran is a good food item for any day of the week, but it's especially good at breakfast when served in these tasty muffins:

Bran-Molasses Muffins.

1 1/4 cups flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
3/4 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon salt
1 1/2 cups sour milk or buttermilk
1/2 cup molasses
1 1/4 cups bran
1 egg, slightly beaten
2 tablespoons melted shortening
Sift flour once; measure; add baking powder, soda and salt. Sift again. Add milk, molasses and bran; let stand until most of the liquid is absorbed by the bran. Add egg and melted shortening which has been slightly cooled. Add flour mixture and stir just enough to moisten the dry ingredients. Fill greased muffin pans 3/4 full and bake in a hot (400 degrees) oven for 20 to 25 minutes.

Peanut Butter Bread.

3 cups flour
5 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup sugar
1 cup dates or candied orange peel
1 1/4 cups orange juice or milk
1/2 cup peanut butter
Sift flour; measure; add baking powder, salt and sugar. Sift again and add dates or orange peel. Add milk or orange juice slowly to peanut butter, blending thoroughly. Pour into flour mixture and mix just until dry ingredients are moistened. Do not beat. Turn into a greased loaf pan and bake in a moderate (350 degrees) oven for about 1 hour.

*Sally Lunn.

2 cups flour
3 teaspoons baking powder
3/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup shortening
1 egg
3/4 cup milk
Sift flour; measure and add baking powder and salt; sift again. Cream shortening, add sugar gradually; continue beating until light and fluffy. Add sifted flour mixture and stir just enough to moisten the dry ingredients. Do not beat. Pour batter into a greased square pan,

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sprinkle with topping and bake in a hot (400 degrees) oven for about 20 minutes. Cut in squares and serve hot.

Topping for Sally Lunn.

1/2 cup brown sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 tablespoon melted butter
Combine brown sugar and cinnamon; blend with butter.

Corn cakes are a variation of pancakes and are especially good on cold, hard-to-get-up mornings. Make them nice and thin and serve with honey or syrup.

Lacy Corn Cakes.

(Makes 40 cakes)
1 1/2 cups yellow cornmeal
1 teaspoon salt
2 eggs, well beaten
2 cups milk
4 tablespoons melted shortening
Combine cornmeal and salt. Combine eggs, milk and melted shortening. Pour in cornmeal and stir until well combined. Bake on a hot griddle, stirring batter each time before removing a spoonful. Serve while hot.

Streusel Coffee Cake.

1 1/2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon mace
6 tablespoons sugar
2 tablespoons shortening
1 egg
3/4 cup milk
Sift dry ingredients. Cut in shortening, add unbeaten egg and milk. Stir until smooth. Turn into a square or loaf pan which has been greased and top with the following mixture:

Streusel Topping.

4 tablespoons sugar
2 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon butter
1/4 teaspoon mace
Mix all ingredients with a fork until mixture crumbles. Scatter over top of batter and bake in a hot (400 degrees) oven for 25 minutes.

Blitz Coffee Cake.

Bake Streusel coffee cake in tin, preferably a round one. Cover top, before baking, with shaved almonds and brown sugar. After cake has baked and cooled, split in half and spread with whipped cream and raspberry jam.

If you want to impart a buttery flavor to baked goods without using butter itself, then use sour cream. It imparts richness and taste to almost any baked food.

Sour Cream Waffles.

1 cup flour
3/4 teaspoon soda
3/4 teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup rich sour cream
3/4 cup buttermilk
2 eggs, beaten separately
Add well beaten yolks, sour cream and buttermilk to melted shortening and sifted dry ingredients. Mix thoroughly. Fold in carefully the stiffly beaten egg whites and bake on a hot waffle iron.

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