

Emerald Isle

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REA Appropriations

THE RURAL electrification administration has allocated \$18,831,000 to 61 borrowers for the rural telephone program involving 21,408 miles of line and 74,585 subscribers in the first year of its operation.

This allocation was made from a total of 609 applications amounting to \$60,470,956. The state of Texas leads in actual allocation of loans with seven borrowers, or new telephone co-ops, with \$4,704,000 for 6,869 miles of line and 15,461 subscribers. Minnesota comes second, Louisiana third, New Mexico fourth, then comes Iowa, Indiana, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, Utah and Alabama in the order named.

The loan allocations have been made to 20 newly formed farmer co-operatives and to 41 commercial companies. As was pointed out in this column last week, work of the rural telephone program will be hampered and cut back considerably during the coming year due to lack of money and the scarcity of essential materials. For instance approximately \$30,000,000 is available for 1951 fiscal year, but there will be only about \$14,000,000 for 1952. If you do not have telephone service on your farm write to the rural electrification administration, department of agriculture, Washington, D.C., and ask for their booklet "A Telephone for Your Farm." Answers to all questions are included.

House Throws Out Bill

You can lobby and high pressure a small group of men much easier than you can a 50-member house appropriations committee. That is the answer to the backward step taken by that committee when by a coalition vote of 31 to 18 the committee overrode its chairman, Rep. Clarence Cannon of Missouri, and threw the single-package appropriation bill into the ash can. As a result the house will go back to the 50-year-old obsolete methods of making up appropriations for the government expenses in 11 separate measures, considered by 11 separate sub-committees, passed at separate times which prevents any member from knowing what expenses of government will be until the final eleventh bill is passed.

Another reason for the retrogressive step was the jealousy for power, for under the single package appropriation bill the chairmanships for these 11 subcommittees were eliminated, and the chances for log-rolling and "back-scratching" in the whole committee are much less than in the smaller sub-committees. This is the second reorganization plan in the house which has been discarded at this session, the first having been restoring automatic and dictatorial power in the rules committee wherein eight men on that committee can, by their opposition, prevent any bill from coming to a vote on the floor of the house.

Washington Silhouettes

Washington Silhouettes — Land around the beautiful Jefferson memorial located on the tidal basin has sunk approximately 18 inches . . . With an influx of some 300,000 new war workers coming into the city, some agencies such as the patent office, the REA and other smaller agencies may be moved to other cities for the duration as was the case during World War II — and plans are being made for dispersal of some other important agencies to points within a radius of 20 miles of Washington, which means construction of new buildings. . . . Another angle to this dispersal is the possible bombing of the nation's capital. . . . For about two years there has been a "for sale" sign on a modern brick church edifice and rectory in the 4600 block of 13th street N. W.

Gas Sales Increase

Remember the Kerr bill, vetoed by President Truman, which would have taken the poor, down-trodden independent gas companies from under jurisdiction of the federal power commission and permitted unlimited rate increases? Well FPC reports operating revenue of these natural gas companies under FPC totaled \$110,219,004 for November, only 24.9 per cent increase over the same month a year ago, and gas sales to consumers up 12.2 per cent in the same period. For the year ending November 30, net income of the companies was \$169,022,049, an increase of 32.4 per cent.

So successful was the first one, that despite unsettled world conditions, a second United States International Trade Fair will be held.

That the United States finally had the back-bone to brand Communist China as an aggressor in Korea was received here with mixed feelings. First, elation that the United States position has been maintained, and second, some apprehension as to what the next move will bring—sanctions, blockades, or "limited" war.



Machinery Life Cut To Half by Exposure Storage Building Will Reduce Farm Overhead

Since farmers reduce by half the life of machinery left exposed to the weather through the winter months, according to a recent university survey, they will find it in their interest financially to replace old, inadequate and inefficient sheds with modern, well-planned structures.

The survey showed the life of equipment, housed and unhoused, as follows: Walking plows, 20 years or 15; cultivators 20 or eight; gang plows, 20 or 10; mowers, 12 or seven; corn planter, eight or four; binder, 12 or five; wagon, 24 or 19; and disk harrow, 15 or eight.

"No matter what the cost of build-



The picture above shows how one farmer houses his machinery in a modern structure. The life of machinery left exposed to weather is reduced by half, experts report.

ing, it is always cheaper than machinery," an agricultural engineer reports. "No building on the farm will pay better dividends than the machinery shed."

Typical of the modern type machinery building being used on many farms is the one pictured above. It is located on the Vincent Lilly farm near Rochester, Minn. Its dimensions, 24 by 48 feet, and the absence of inside posts due to the arched roof construction, provide ample room for this farmer's machinery.

City People With Money Inflate Farm-Land Market

The agriculture department reports that city folks with money—and worries about possible further shrinkage in its buying power—are helping to inflate the farm-land market.

Many buyers are businessmen and investors who are seeking good farms as an investment hedge against inflation. As a result farm prices increased on a national average basis 3 per cent between July and November of last year. They now are 5 per cent above the record set in March, 1920.

The department said land values advanced in all states. The east north central states showed the largest average gain for any region—6 per cent—but the west north central, west south central and pacific regions were up 5 per cent.

Average prices are higher than a year ago in all but three states. Florida showed the largest gain—19 per cent—largely because of favorable returns from citrus fruits and pasture lands.

Dressmakers



These 12 girls captured top prizes in the national 4-H clothing achievement contest at the International Livestock Exposition. Each won a \$300 scholarship for her skill. They are, left to right: Arlene Olson, 18, of Hartland, Minn.; Bonnie Needer, 18, Hartford City, Ind.; Joan Engle, 18, Abilene, Kan.; Evelyn Waugh, 17, White Plains, N. Y.; Mary Dick, 17, Yukon, Okla.; Betty Deen, 16, Jena, La.; Patricia Lynch, 17, Gaithersburg, Md.; Dolores Mombac, 16, Las Cruces, N. M.; Nancy Boyd, 16, Seely, Tenn.; Dorothy Straus, 16, Johnson, Vt.; Wilma Beale, 17, Pomeroy, Wash.; and Dorothy Heideman, 17, Sheboygan Falls, Wis.

Bad Utensils Can Hurt Quality of Milk, Cream

Milk pails, milking machine containers, strainers or milk and cream cans often are the cause of poor quality milk and cream, according to dairy marketing specialists.

Dairy utensils with open seams, rusty spots or rough surfaces caused by dents, rough solder or milkstone cannot be properly cleaned. Bacteria thrive in these places because small portions of milk or cream lodge in the crevices.



Different

Hotel Clerk: "How do you spell your name, sir?"

Annoyed Guest: "Are you blind? Can't you see the register? It's a name of distinction—not just like every other name."

Hotel Clerk: "Oh, yes, indeed sir. I'm sure that's why I couldn't make it out."

Play on Words

Joan: "Do you think it's the real thing this time?"

Jean: "Oh, no—probably just a passing fancy."

Acid Test

"Nora, do you know how to use the thermometer for little Archie's bath?" inquired Mrs. Brown. "Glory, ma'am, I don't go to no such fuss," exclaimed Nora. "I just puts him in and if he gets red that's a sure sign the water's too hot."

Habit Hat

Harry: "Say, why did you tip your hat to that dame that just passed—you don't know her, do you?"

Larry: "Nope, but Harold does and I borrowed his hat today."

Disagreement

A district attorney objected to a lawyer calling the State's evidence "tainted testimony." His objection was sustained by the judge, before whom the case is being tried. "The testimony isn't tainted," he declared.

"Tis," replied the lawyer.

"Tain't," voiced the judge.

No Loss

1st Gossip: "Did you hear? Mr. Banks' wife ran off with the butler."

2nd Gossip: "Well, I understand he was going to discharge him next week anyway."

Prisoner's Choice

"I shall have to give you ten days or \$20," said the judge.

"I'll take the \$20, Judge," said the prisoner.

Gentle Hint

Clerk: "To what do you attribute your early start in life, sir?"

Executive: "Nothing but a good

old-fashioned alarm clock, young fellow—and I might say that a few people in this office might profitably invest in one."

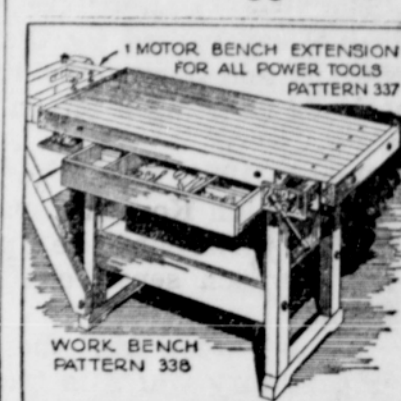
Wants to Please

Grandma: "Would you like to go to the fair and ride on the merry-go-round?"

Modern Child: "I don't mind if it will amuse you."

Planning for the Future? Buy U.S. Savings Bonds!

This Bench Will Stand Stress of Rugged Use



Make This Sturdy Workbench

HERE IS A bench that will stand the stress and strain of rugged use. Pattern 338 gives all directions needed to make it. An extension for mounting power tools is made from directions on pattern 337. Use one motor for various tools. Patterns are 25c each.

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Bedford Hills, New York

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—want solid pounds of flesh?

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Take it regularly. Quickly, your appetite will increase, and Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will aid your digestion to change the food you eat into solid pounds of flesh. Try it. Get Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery today. Recommended by druggists everywhere. (Cut this ad out—it means extra pounds.)

"COLD DEMONS" got him...?



Don't give in to the "Cold Demons"—get Mentholatum! Fast, safe Mentholatum soothes smarting nostrils, helps open stuffed-up passages so you can breathe again in comfort. Eases painful chest congestion and coughing, too. In jars, tubes.

Quick Relief with MENTHOLATUM

END O' HAM PANCAKES



FRIED LIGHT—FRIED RIGHT

SNOWDRIFT Serves 'Em Up—Quick and Good!

Use up the end of the ham this simple new way. Quick-frying in Snowdrift makes fried foods lighter—tastier—digestible!

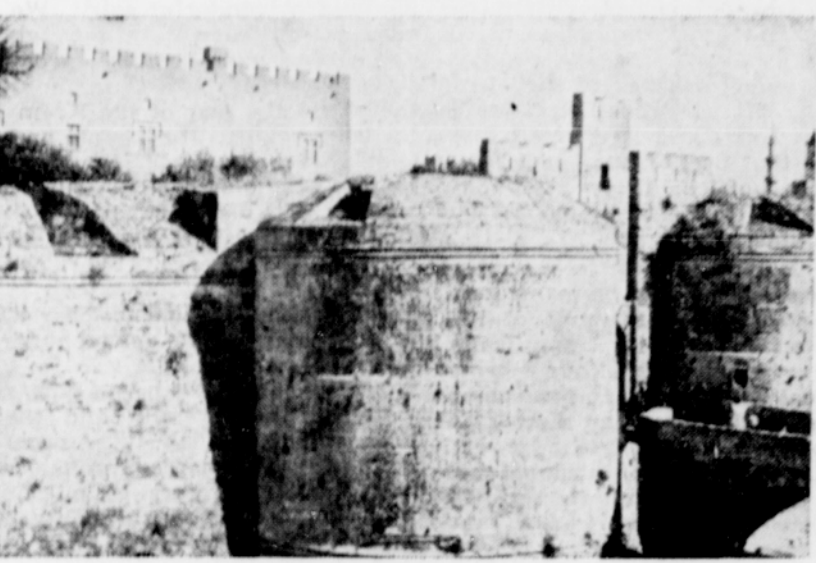
SNOWDRIFT'S HAM AND EGG PANCAKES

This recipe tested by Good Housekeeping magazine.

2 eggs
1 tablespoon milk
¼ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
¼ cup flour
¼ cup cooked ham, finely chopped
¼ cup Snowdrift for quick-frying

Combine first 6 ingredients. Beat 2 tsp. Snowdrift in skillet. Drop half of mixture by tablespoons into hot Snowdrift. Fry until browned on both sides. (Snowdrift is so light, pure and digestible). Add 2 tsp. Snowdrift to skillet and pan-fry second batch. Serve at once. Makes about 12 small pancakes. An excellent way to use up leftover ham.

When good taste counts—
Count on
SNOWDRIFT
PURE VEGETABLE SHORTENING—
MADE BY THE WESSON OIL PEOPLE

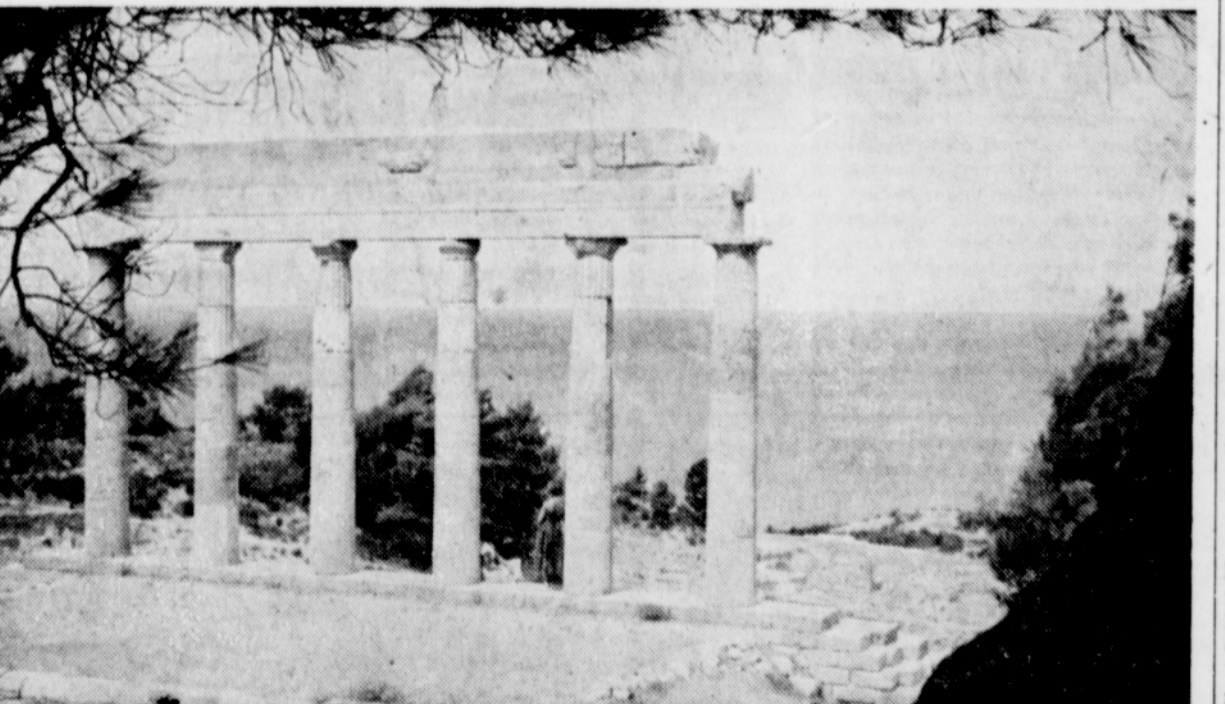


● The six miles of crenelated walls, ramparts, moats and bastions (above) which surround the medieval city have remained intact to this day. These mighty, 36-foot-thick walls successfully withstood the repeated onslaught of the Turks during four sieges within a hundred years and give to the city a dominantly gothic atmosphere so attractive to tourists.



● The above picture shows the few remaining ruins of Lindos and its harbor in the background. Lindos was one of the three cities Greek emigrants founded when they moved to the island. The armies of Europe made Rhodes their headquarters for their crusades from 1309 to 1523.

● In the Iliad, chronicler Homer tells of the founding of three great cities on Rhodes which attracted the attention of the ancient world—Lindos, Camiros and Ialyse. In the picture above are ruins of the Acropolis of Lindos. In modern times, between World War I and World War II, Mussolini persecuted the population but preserved many such ruins. Barely 50 miles long and 25 miles wide, Rhodes is a swimmer's paradise, with many beautiful and uncrowded beaches as pictured at the right.



● Withstanding the ravages of time, the colonnade (above) overlooks the valley which holds the ruins of Camiros, the second ancient Rhodian city which was built on the western shore of the island.