

### Art Collection Decorates Walls Of Bank in Texas

Midland, Tex. (U.P.)—A bank with bare walls is just another bank but a bank with beautiful paintings—well, that's something special.

This was the thinking behind one of the finest art collections in West Texas. The collection is housed in the First National bank of Midland, the largest in the sprawling Permian Basin oil area.

The collection was started 20 years ago by the late Marvin C. Ulmer, former president of the bank and long-time Midland mayor. He was one of the leaders in Midland's growth from a small cattle town to a leading financial center of the oil industry.

John P. Butler, president of the bank, recalls the beginning of the collection, which now includes approximately 35 paintings.

"Mr. Ulmer's thinking was that, rather than have bare walls, we should adorn them with beautiful paintings," Butler said. **Idea Appreciated**

"The people appreciated the idea, and, as the banking room was enlarged, we continued to buy additional paintings."

The pictures are on display on all four walls of the main floor banking room, on the second floor, and in the bank's directors' room.

The bank leaves its lights on at night, and blinds are adjusted so the pictures can be seen from the street. Butler says this is done so visitors walking by may view the art collection.

"Many times they will come in the next day to see the paintings," Butler added.

One space is reserved for a "painting of the month," a special feature added to the collection in 1949. This space features the only picture on display which does not belong to the bank.

A different painting obtained through an art dealer is shown each month. Press and radio publicize the "painting of the month" when it goes on display.

Currently, the bank is showing "Friesian Girl with Cradle," by a 19th century Dutch artist, Christoffel Bisschop. It is being shown through the courtesy of Dr. Carleton Palmer.

#### Variety of Styles

Although the First National collection covers a variety of styles and subjects, there is a predominance of western and landscape paintings. These include western horse pictures by Harold Bryant, and mountain scenes by Fremont Ellis, a New Mexico artist.

Most of the paintings are oils, but there is one water color by Peter B. Hurd. The collection also includes a painting by the French artist, Cachoud. Other painters featured include Chauncey F. Ryder, Paul King, Thomas Moran, and Robert Wood.

Butler emphasized that none of the paintings is for sale.

Despite several expansion and modernization projects in recent years, the First National has begun to outgrow its present banking facilities at the corner of Wall avenue and Main street, where it has been since its founding in 1890.

The bank last year acquired half a block of land two blocks to the west, and a new building is to be erected beginning this fall.

Plans for the new bank are still in preparation, but Butler says "some of the paintings will be moved into our new building because they provide pleasant surroundings."

### Hunters Often Waste Valuable By-Product

Ann Arbor—(U.P.)—Deer hunters often waste a valuable by-product of their success because they don't know how to treat buckskin, according to Prof. Warren W. Chase, of the University of Michigan.

Jackets, gloves, mittens, shirts and pocketbooks can be made from properly finished skins, he pointed out.

Chase said the hunter should make sure all flesh and fat is removed from the skin and place it hair down on a flat surface. Then medium coarse or ordinary table salt should be rubbed into the skin, using at least two pounds of medium coarse salt or four pounds of table salt.

Allow the skin to dry and send it to a tannery. The tannery will charge about \$3.50 for a medium-sized skin, and when it is finished the hunter will have useful material.

#### WOULD RETIRE HORSE

Memphis, Tenn. (U.P.)—Pete Zorzoli, retired mounted policeman, has decided his faithful horse, Tim, ought to retire too. Zorzoli offered to "give my next pension check" for the horse he rode for 12 years and take Tim into retirement with him.

## Three Virtual Unknowns Seek Wayne Morse's Seat in Senate

By JACK KERR  
Portland—(U.P.)—Everyone in Oregon knows Doug McKay and Phil Hitchcock are contending for the Republican U. S. Senatorial nomination in the May 18 primary and Sen. Wayne Morse is seeking reelection as a Democrat.

Little has been written or said about GOP Candidates Elmer Deetz and George Altvater and Morse's Democratic opponent, Woody Smith. None has done any extensive campaigning and none is widely known around the state.

### On The Side

By E. V. DURLING  
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As the woman sees the man, As the woman beholds the woman, Curiously they note each other, As each other only can.

Never can the man divest her Of that wondrous charm of sex, Ever must she dreaming of him That same mystic charm annex.

—Bryan Waller Procter  
The best barbers and beauticians in the world are in Rome. Price of a haircut in Rome is from 20 to 50 cents. For a permanent wave the charge is about \$3. Incidentally, the best looking women on the continent are the Italian females. This is especially true of the feminine residents of Milan.

Asking  
Queries from clients. Q.—You refer to the Irish saying: "May the wind be always at your back," as "a toast." Isn't it more appropriately described as a blessing. A.—I believe you are right, sir. It is an excerpt from the Gaelic blessing which in full is: "May the roads rest with you and the wind be always at your back and may the Lord hold you in the hollow of his hand."

Q.—You refer to the songs Irving Berlin wrote as "love messages" to Ellin Mackay, who became his second wife. Didn't he write a song in memory of his first wife? A.—Berlin's first wife was Dorothy Goetz. He married her in February, 1913. Dorothy died about five months after being married. The heart broken Irving Berlin then wrote the song titled "When I Lost You."

Baby Sitters  
Quite a few college students are helping pay for their education with money earned by acting as baby sitters. Male baby sitters are said to be much more reliable, efficient and conscientious than females similarly occupied. Just additional proof of the claim that man, if so inclined, can do most anything a woman can do, and do it better.

So They Say  
For those born under Virgo (Aug. 24-Sept. 23) the lucky color is purple, lucky day Wednesday, lucky number five. So if you are a Virgo, all you have to do is to put on a purple necktie, go out to the track on Wednesday and play five and five in the daily double. Or, so say the stargazers.

Bachelors  
How about it, young fellow, have you received many proposals of marriage this leap year? It was during a leap year, when discussing the acceptance of proposals by bachelors, that Artemus Ward observed, "The happy married man dies in good style surrounded by his weeping wife and children. The old bachelor doesn't die at all—he sort of rots away like a pollywog's tail."

Torrid Operas  
The first actress to portray Salome in this country was Mary Garden. The opera "Salome" was subjected to considerable criticism on the grounds of impropriety. In discussing this criticism, Miss Garden once observed, "When I think of what goes on in such operas as 'Faust,' 'Louise' and 'Aphrodite,' 'Salome' strikes me as pretty tame by comparison."

Who are these candidates who are competing against the "big three?"

Best known is Deetz, the Canyon "gallon-jug" dairyman, who gained a certain amount of fame by defying the late Oregon Milk Marketing Administration. Deetz contended he had a right to sell milk by the jug from cow to consumer. The administration said he didn't. Deetz took his fight to the voters, won a seat in the Legislature and led a successful battle to abolish the state's milk control laws and put the Milk Administration out of business.

Deetz has been critical of the state's GOP leaders and the newspapers for ignoring his candidacy. He says he is conducting a "poor man's campaign." He has at least one supporter in the Democratic ranks. Sen. Richard L. Neuberger said liberal Republicans should vote for Deetz because he is conducting a clean campaign. So far, however, Deetz hasn't done or said much which has been brought to the attention of the voters.

Altvater is a civil engineer employed by the city of Portland. He is a bachelor and has lived in Oregon for five years. He has done no campaigning in his first bid for public office.

He said he filed for a federal office because he felt the senatorial race should be decided on the issue rather than on personalities. He said he didn't try for local office because he is relatively unknown in the state.

Smith, a 44-year-old Hood River garageman, has confined his activities to several attempts to have Morse's name removed from the ballot. Smith, whose full name is Woodrow Wilson Smith, contends Morse is not a true Democrat and therefore it is illegal for his name to be on the Democratic ballot. So far, Smith's efforts have been unsuccessful, but he's still in there trying.

In the only statement on his candidacy he has issued up to now, Smith said if elected he will work to re-establish the two-party system in Oregon. He advocates private competitive enterprise and supports "equal rights for all Americans regard-

less of race, creed or birthplace of parents."

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ARGENTINE JEEPS DUE  
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