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# Developing New Uses For Rice

**P. J. R. MacIntosh Tells of Current Efforts to Develop New Uses for Rice Through Research and Experimentation. Their Success Will Add to the Value of this Texas Crop.**

(By P. J. R. MacIntosh, in The Texas Weekly)

Rice is an important crop in the moist sections of the Gulf Coast prairie region of Texas, along the lower courses of the Trinity, Brazos, Colorado and other rivers. The average annual production in Texas during the years from 1904 to 1931 inclusive, when we ranked as the second producing State, was about 2,250,000 barrels annually, with a value of approximately $9,000,000 per year. Rice growing fits in admirably with cattle raising, which was the chief agricultural industry of the region prior to the introduction of rice. The long growing season and generally high temperature of the Gulf Coast are very favorable for rice growing, and the quality of the product is high.

For long Jefferson was the chief rice growing county in the State and here the bulk of our production was grown, but as it expanded other counties attained prominence and at the present time Wharton and Liberty counties probably have leading places. The 1935 production of rice in Texas amounted to 8,932,000 bushels, valued at $4,607,000 and grown on 166,000 acres. Louisiana has long held premier rank among rice growing States and in late years Texas has sometimes been outranked by Arkansas and California for second place. Power has been introduced into the Texas rice fields; harvesting is done during the middle or late summer, the grain first being headed and the heads left on the tops of the standing straw to dry, the combines then cutting the straw lower and harvesting the dry heads of grain.

Rice is a "wet" crop, growing in ground which is kept covered with water during the growing season, which lasts from three to five months. The water is lifted from the streams or bayous by pumps and is carried by gravity to the fields by canals. Some water is also secured from wells. There are a dozen or more rice mills in Texas, the chief markets being at Beaumont and Houston. The rice producer sells his crop of rough rice to the mills on a basis of 162 pounds to the barrel. The buyer bases his bid upon the milling quality of the rice, this being the amount of milled rice which can be obtained per barrel of rough rice.

Rice forms the chief food for many millions of Asiatic peoples but in Europe and America it has never been so generally popular although its nutritive value is high. A considerable market has developed for breakfast and health foods made from rice and bran, but rice is usually considered as a kind of old-fashioned but reliable staple, with the rice pudding often holding a familiar and time-honored place on the family menu. Apart from the domestic market, much of our rice is exported, some of it going to Puerto Rico and the West Indies.

Rice is now coming in for a good share of study and attention in Texas, it being pointed out that a much larger amount of it could be grown with present soil and water facilities and that it presents a most tempting field for research to discover further uses, not merely for the grain itself but also from the waste by-products, the straw, bran, cleanings and other neglected material. It is stressed that out of every hundred pounds of milled rice there are 54¾ pounds of clean rice and 45¼ pounds of by-products which are now considered of little importance or are thrown away. Thus it would seem that we are now recovering only slightly more than half the value of our rice.

New investigations having to do with the utilization of agricultural wastage and by-products reveal that rice refuse contains a large amount of crude fibre from which can be made paper pulp and pure cellulose, the latter being a source of such a wide and varied list of products as artificial silks (rayon), lacquers, paints and enamels, collodion and celluloid and other plastics. Another derivative of cellulose is cellulose acetate, from which by chemical processes another long list of varied and apparently unrelated products may be obtained. At the Centennial Exposition in Dallas we are given interesting and revealing information as to the large number of these products which may be obtained from waste vegetable material, and in this field rice offers a wide range for profitable investigation.

Rice bran and straw, we are told, represent a promising source of paper pulp, the process consisting in part of boiling the stalks in caustic solutions and thus producing pulp which would have many times the market values now received for our rice. From cellulose, dextrin and ethyl alcohol may be made, and further processing makes possible the transformation of the cellulose material into non-inflammable photographic film, non-breakable glass, plastics, and other products. Bran and rice polish, forming 18 per cent of the rough rice, have high value as food for both human beings and cattle; they can also be used in the manufacture of soap. The high starch content of rice can be utilized in making glues and adhesives, in the sizing of paper, and in the manufacture of alcohol. Weather conditions under the Gulf Coast are claimed to be exceptionally favorable for the manufacture of starch products from rice.

The project of establishing a laboratory for making proper scientific tests of the possibilities of rice seems to be abundantly worthwhile. The cost would not be excessive and the results might mean much in the form of added value to our rice production, new industries, and new sources of wealth. At the present time not much outside attention is given to our rice activities; they are largely localized in one part of the State and the industry has grown practically unnoticed, although it is bringing in a fair amount of wealth. But there seems no doubt that it has further possibilities which may be easily and cheaply developed and which may possibly yield much greater returns than are now received from our rice.

Rice in Texas offers an exceptional field for research and experiment along the lines projected. It is a localized crop, and while the present growing areas may be greatly extended, its natural habitat is in such regions as the coastal plain where it is now being produced. Here, too, are adequate and abundant shipping facilities by both rail and water, and cheap fuel and electric power are easily available. Few Texas crops offer a greater field for thorough and complete research. We are told that rice millers and growers could easily equip and maintain a research laboratory by means of a very small assessment on the milled rice. This at least sounds feasible and might easily prove to be a paying proposition, not alone for the rice industry but for Texas as a whole.

We seem to be on the verge of a new era here in Texas in the development of our resources. Hitherto we have sowed and reaped what was ready to hand, but now we are beginning to discover that we have only touched the surface and garnered no more than a part of our potential harvest. If we had continued to use our oil only to grease our wheels or, as our forefathers used it, as a remedy for aching joints or to ward off incipient baldness, we would be nearly off indeed; but we have learned to refine and re-refine our crude petroleum and to utilize the vast volume of petroleum coke left in the extraction processes. And now we find that we have a new and undiscovered world waiting for us in the crops of our fields; paints and varnishes from tung oil, plastics from soy beans, paper and silks from corn stalks and the like—an endless store of hidden wealth which we have only to take. Many of these new products may be derived from rice straw and refuse, along with other products for which rice is especially suited. We can hardly expect to expand our markets for rice much further, but we may expand the uses for rice and thus create additional markets for more rice products.

Chemists and other scientists are devoting much study to plant structures, analyzing their chemical composition and not only finding new uses and properties in their various elements, but also finding better methods of distilling them and changing them into other forms which may be adapted for human needs. In this new realm of science, Texans should be especially interested. Our crops are many and varied, some of them contain valuable constituents which may be separated and extracted by chemical processes, and in all of them we have much waste in the form of stalks, hulls and an endless number of by-products which may be utilized to some extent as cattle feeds but of which a great amount is destroyed. But now we are being told of the vast stores of hidden and neglected wealth in these wasted materials, and we are being shown, as in the case of rice, how they may be turned to good account, made to yield large profits and create new industries; thus agriculture, science and industry are being linked together in a common bond of progress and well-being.

In an article which appeared recently in the Texas Weekly having to do with the trend of Texas agriculture toward industrialization, we were shown how closely industry and science are being bound up with agriculture; how the scientist is working hand in hand with the farmer and finding how new markets may be developed for certain products and how the identity of these same products may be so greatly changed that new uses for them may be found and entirely new markets and industries developed. A case in point is cottonseed, formerly a wasted by-product but which science has shown may be turned into an important source of wealth. And in the same way these three, agriculture, science and industry, are now planning to combine to make new products and find new markets for rice. This is a real and practical form of "farm relief" to which no one can find any objection; it is no empty, untried theory but one which has been proved basically sound in its inception and successful in operation. It promises to be revolutionary in its effect upon agriculture and opens up a new realm of possibilities. As to its success in the rice industry, we can not, of course, venture a prophecy at this time, but the whole idea of creating new products from rice seems well considered and fully worthy of a thorough test. The success of the idea will mean much to the rice industry of Texas, and it will bring new wealth to the entire State. Successful laboratory experiments with rice will be of benefit to many besides producers of the crop.

**GARWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(Hubert C. Travis, Pastor)

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning Worship at 11 o'clock. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Evening Worship at 7:30.

Thanksgiving Day is over for this year but let us not forget to be thankful in the future. You can always look around you and find someone who has less to be thankful for than you have, so let us always be thankful.

You will always find a welcome in our church as well as in other churches. Come out next Sunday and worship with us.

Dr. and Mrs. John H. Foster of Houston and Mrs. W. L. Adkins and John Adkins of Columbus were Thanksgiving Day guests of Mrs. B. L. Vineyard and Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Haley.

**Visit Luna's Fountain for excellent service and quality products.—Luna's Drug Store.**

**LIFE BEGINS AT FORTY**

A man or a woman is like an automobile. The automobile bought new will run many hundreds of miles with little repair; however, it finally comes to a place where it will have to be overhauled. The same is true with this old human body of ours. Sometimes we have overworked it; have run it many hours without stopping; sometimes its teeth need pulling; sometimes its stomach gets out of order because it has not been fed right. Many times excessive abuses have arisen in the lives of people that cause a debilitated condition. It is very worthwhile to take stock when you get about forty, you may need to face about; it might be best to drink buttermilk instead of coffee or coca-cola; it may be you have neglected some important vitamine or need a noonday nap; your teeth might need pulling or glasses changed. It may be well to consult your home physician. Around forty is a blue period in some men's lives; they feel it might be a good period to die. But cheer up, old top, remember, "Life Begins at Forty," and the most efficient period is after 60. Get your wife interested in your case. That is the chief business of a good wife, to keep her husband strong and healthy. She may need to change the diet; she has more time to keep informed about things that will make strong, healthy husbands.—J. R. Kidwell, in Nixon News.

Though more than fifty deer have been killed in Colorado county this season, the Headlight editor got his first taste of venison Wednesday. And it was a woman hunter who sent it, thanks to Mrs. Thos. Waddell who killed a buck last week-end.

Bruce Waddell, a student at Shriner Institute at Kerrville, is spending the holidays here with home folks.

**GARWOOD METHODIST CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(A. F. Foerster, Pastor)

The Church will have a message and a welcome to everybody. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning services at 11 o'clock; subject, "The Face of Jesus Christ." Evening service at 7:15; subject, "The Call to Service." Young Peoples' meeting at 6:45 p. m.

A vital religion requires a loving God, that actually deals with men. Come and worship that loving God with us.

**FOOTBALL AS A BUSINESS**

Warren Piper, writing on athletics in the Rotarian, says:

"Formerly the game was played by college teams, viewed by student and alumni bodies of the two schools concerned, with very little interest from the general public. Football used to be a college game. Now football is a public spectacle, commercialized to a point where it is rapidly becoming a large industry. Colleges and universities have gone into the show business, and the public is "eating it up."

Some idea of the tremendous interest which the general public now takes in football may be gained from the persons voted in the contest this summer to elect the coaches and players of the All-Star game which the Chicago Tribune promoted for charity. Football games in 1935 drew 12% more attendance than in 1934 and equalled the previous top of 1929, according to Time. Football admissions for 1935 were estimated at $40,000,000, according to the Index of the New York Trust Co. for July, 1936. In case these zeros confuse you, permit me to spell them out in letters: P-o-r-t-y million dollars my boy; and that for an eight-week season is quite a business. What a business!

Miss Essie Miller spent the week-end visiting relatives in Rosenberg.

**AUSTRALIA BUYS TEXAS BEETLES**

"Barla," a tiny black beetle which attacks the roots of the plant, is being exported from Texas to Australia to assist in ridding that country of its cockleburs. Just as this five-way government, some years ago, used Texas insects with remarkable success in its fight against the prickly pear, it is now turning its attention to the cockleburs.

Ten thousand of the tiny fellows were shipped from Uvalde this week to San Francisco, where they will be placed on boat for shipment to Canberra, N. S. W., headquarters for the bugs control work in Australia. There the insects will be used for experimental purposes. Other shipments are expected to follow from Uvalde at regular intervals.

Investigations in this line in the United States are in charge of Leith F. Hitchcock, who some years ago was in charge of the prickly pear investigations in this country for his government, and who has his headquarters at Uvalde. He is being assisted by Alan R. Taylor, who also was for a time in charge of the prickly pear investigations, and Sam Kelley, formerly of Kansas A. & M. College, Manhattan, Kan.

**Complete FOUNTAIN SERVICE at Luna's Drug Store.**

Mr. and Mrs. Braxton Green of Houston are spending the Thanksgiving holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Darby. "Brack" was out on the opening day of the duck hunting season. He's an old duck hunter in these parts, an old Eagle Lake boy, and just naturally knows where to find them. "Brack" says that isn't all he knows how to hit 'em when he finds 'em.

I can save you money on your Magazine Subscriptions—any magazine.—Mrs. T. P. Doole. 20-nov-tfc

**SUCCESS FOR THE WILLING WORKER**

Opportunities still exist for those willing to work instead of complaining. Not many years ago a young man and his wife were working at a new idea. He had split an electric wire to get a spark, grounding one wire with the aid of the kitchen sink. His wife poured gasoline, one drop at a time, into a piece of gas pipe arranged as a cylinder. An electric spark ignited the gasoline and the thing actually moved.

The young couple were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ford and he was building his own first "gas engine," which still exists. It provided evidence that destroyed an attempt to establish an automobile monopoly.

A little later Henry Ford's father said to him: "Henry, I understand you are building as many as 30 of your automobiles a day. Be careful, or you will flood the market. Never create an over-supply."

Since then Henry Ford has built 24,045,000 cars. He built a great many more than 1,000,000 last year, with no sign of "over supply" that worried his father, and he will have "run off the line" several thousand more by the time you see this.—Arthur Brisbane in Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Mrs. Frank O'Dowd, formerly Miss Daisy Louise Wagner, returned to Eagle Lake Monday. Friends will learn with delight of her improvement since a recent blood transfusion at the Memorial Hospital in Houston. Since the transfusion, the blood for which was furnished by Bennie Howard, she has been improving rapidly.

Doyle Browning left Tuesday for Beaumont where he is spending the Thanksgiving season with his parents.

Little Miss Ernestine Jo Davidson spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Sens at Lissie.

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FULL QUART PREPARED MUSTARD . 10c

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Rindon Sugar Cured Sliced BACON, Lb 19c
10 lbs. No. 1 Idaho Russet POTATOES . 25c

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## Spain's Stormy History Recorded In Madrid's Prado Paintings.

While nearly a million flesh-and-blood citizens of Madrid have been exposed to the threat of sudden death from bombs and shells, other famous "citizens" of the Spanish capital, on canvas, by Spanish artists reposing in the world-famous Prado art gallery, have also been endangered, says a bulletin from the Washington, D. C., headquarters of the National Geographic Society.

"These unofficial diplomats from Spain have traveled afar and become familiar to many foreign stay-at-homes as colored prints and illustrations for art and history books," continues the bulletin. "To many who have never visited Spain, they are no less living than the actual Madrilenos of today.

"Previous bloodshed and strife is reflected in Madrid's art. A visit to the Prado Museum, where the most valuable paintings have been assembled from collections of a half-dozen spendthrift kings, can be a colorful survey of earlier wars. But the pictures are not alone interesting because of the history they record; they are of a quality that make the museum a gallery of masterpieces. Art critics say that the Prado includes less poor painting among its 2,400 works than any other European national museum.

"This is the headquarters for Velasquez's tiny tulip-skirted Infantas, the roguish cherubs of Titian, saints suffering beneath El Greco's tempestuous skies, for official portraits of kings with curling mustaches and taffeta sashes over polished black armor.

"The conflict of May 2, 1808, when Madrid resisted Napoleon's invading army, is depicted in the Prado Museum by the sardonic Goya in his 'Disasters of War' series. Two pictures reveal revolting scenes of that struggle, notably the midnight execution of peaceful citizens, bewildered and agonized as facing a firing squad in the glare of a large square lantern.

"Civil war indirectly gave the Prado Museum some of its finest works by foreign painters including 'La Perla,' a painting of the Holy Family, designated as 'the pearl of his Raphaels' by the monarch who acquired it. He bought it from the collection of Charles I of England, after the latter lost his head in England's civil strife.

"One picture, Raphael's religious painting of the 'Bearing of the Cross,' was captured at Palermo, and brought to Spain as a distinguished Italian prisoner of war in 1661.

"Different nationalities represented by the Prado's painters reflect different chapters in the history of Spain's rulers. Belgium's Charles V added Spain to his empire and his favorite Flemish art to the collection; the paintings of Brueghel are assembled here to better advantage than even in his native country. French Bourbon kings brought to the Spanish throne a preference for French art, now Watteau's fountainy garden scenes and Poussin's stately heroes are found in Madrid. With Spanish gold plundered from the New World, old Titian's sunset genius was lured to glow over Spain instead of Venice. The Prado has no less than forty Titian canvases, the finest collection of his work to be found outside of Italy.

"Queen Mary the Bloody, of England, wanted a royal Spanish spouse. Her portrait, sent as an advertisement, hangs near that of her royal but none too ardent husband, Philip II.

"To art students the Prado Museum is far more than a vast book of Spain's gloomy history; it is a continuous display of magic tricks. By sleight-of-hand a few pigments are transformed into an airy room or a king galloping to battle.

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No more trouble with loose screws and wobbly lenses because there are no screws. Your lenses always remain tight.
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Optometrist
Eagle Lake, Texas.

"Chief wizard is Velasquez, most of whose more famous masterpieces are concentrated here, about sixty of them. In the famous portrait of the Infanta Margarita, surrounded by the miniature pomp of her own little court, called 'The Maids of Honor,' he permits the bare canvas to show through, the painting and transforms it into silver sheen on a dress. This picture alone, considered one of the finest in all Spanish art, draws throngs to the Prado Museum."

## Chesterville News

(By Mrs. Roy Graves)

Mrs. Beatrice Callaway of Bay City spent Friday night and Saturday with her parents and brother, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. McLain, and Floyd Jr.

Clinton Tubbs of Houston spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Tubbs.

Clem Denton spent the week-end here with the family of his sister, Mrs. Lansing Ingram.

Mrs. Lansing Ingram and son, Roland, Lenion and Gene Selph, Vera Louise Graves, L. A. Wills and Fred Gertson Jr. attended Sunday School and church in Lissie Sunday.

Mrs. M. E. Larson and daughter Mrs. Cordell Austin, and sister, Mrs. Roy Johnson and Mrs. Doll Hodde and baby of Eagle Lake were guests of Mrs. Russell A. and Mrs. Chas. P. Salladay Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Alice Webber and Miss Ruth McCormick of Eagle Lake were calling on the Mesdames Salladay Thursday.

Jack Rollo of Houston motored out Saturday for a visit at the Salladay home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Gertson and children of Pierce Junction and Alton New of Bonus were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wills Sunday.

Selman Wills spent Monday visiting in the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wills.

Mrs. J. H. Wills left Monday night for Austin where she is spending the Thanksgiving holidays with relatives.

## Garwood Gatherings

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stallman and family this week moved to the C. L. Raver farm.

Mrs. M. L. Heiman was hostess on Thursday afternoon to the Presbyterian Missionary Society. A short program on Home and Foreign Missions was given. During the social hour refreshments of sandwiches, cake and tea were served.

Mrs. F. J. Kallina gave a turkey dinner Sunday in honor of Mr. Kallina's birthday, in the way of a surprise to him. Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Henderson of Houston and Miss Cecelia Coulter of Eagle Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Glass and Harold Treybig spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs. Walter Treybig, near Glen Flora.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Smith and daughter, Ella Lee, of Houston, spent Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Green.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Drapela and daughter, Otis Maertz of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sicinski of Rosenberg spent Sunday here with relatives, coming over to form the acquaintance of their nephew Weldon Wayne Drapela.

Mrs. Jake Reitz and Mrs. Walter Abell of El Campo were guests of Mrs. F. J. Kallina Tuesday.

E. E. Green and Ben Woodruff were visitors to San Antonio Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Drapela are this week receiving congratulations on the arrival of a fine son, Weldon Wayne, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Field of Eagle Lake spent Thursday here with his sister, Mrs. J. W. Fling.

L. P. Rossi, with the Galveston police department, is spending the week here with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kremling.

Miss Elvain Schiurring left Wednesday for Austin where she is spending the Thanksgiving holidays with friends, and where she attended the Texas-A. & M. College football game yesterday.

Melvin Rees, who is attending school in Kingsville, came home Tuesday night to spend the Thanksgiving season here with his parents Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Rees.

F. W. Goodell returned Wednesday from a week's visit to his son, Wallace, and family, in San Antonio.

## Lissie Happenings

B. F. McCormick returned from a visit to the John Sealy hospital in Galveston Wednesday, where his son, Charles, was taken for treatment for injuries received in an automobile accident near Capten.

Mrs. Bertha Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Thomas went to Beaumont on November 15th, where Mrs. Smith was honored with a birthday dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cutler. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Willis Cutler.

Mr. and Mrs. George Taska and family of Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weaver of Wallis and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Adkins and June spent Sunday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Briggs.

Mrs. B. D. Fussell entertained with a birthday dinner Sunday, honoring her daughter, Miss Lona Lee. Guests were Misses Barbara Reese, Jane Crim, Maurine Heffley, Imogene White and Bobby Colly.

Mrs. Bertha Smith left Sunday for Lake Charles, La., to be with her brother, Jesse Cutler, who is seriously ill.

A delightful miscellaneous shower was given at the hall Monday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Victor Corman, a bride of last week. A band of gypsies happened by to amuse the guests, with the telling of fortunes, songs and stories. Those impersonating the gypsies were, Mrs. Pearl Clippon, Mrs. Helen Smith, Eula Jane Sunderman and Dexter Anderson. Mrs. C. W. Causey sang "Love's Old Sweet Song." The bride was presented with a host of beautiful gifts. At the close of the afternoon, refreshments of chicken salad sandwiches, cookies and tea were served.

The WMS entertained their families, friends and neighbors with their annual Thanksgiving supper at the hall Thursday night. The school children gave their Thanksgiving program immediately after the supper.

**SOY BEAN MAKES ITS BOW IN GRAIN PIT**

The soy bean stepped onto the grain market of Chicago's famous Pit a few weeks ago, becoming the first legume, or pod-bearing plant, to join the grains featured for "futures" trading.

"The new commodity, a naturalized Chinese immigrant, has had less than ten years stardom in the American agriculture," says a bulletin from the National Geographic Society in Washington, D. C. "Yet last year it leaps to the center of the stage beside grains which discovered America soon after Columbus.

"Like the grains, each soy bean crop will hereafter find its way into the market channels of a nation by the daily drama of the Pit, staged within the building of Chicago's Board of Trade. In name only are grains and bean present in its paneled oak trading hall. Silo-high and more than barn-broad, the hige room has no farming connections except by telephone. Its harvesting implements are clicking telegraph keys and blackboards on which fortunes are feverishly chalked up and as feverishly erased. Futures, the contracts for crops sold now but yet unseen or unplanted, roam by the light of tall windows rising five stories high and a chandelier 40 feet in diameter.

"Visitors in the galleries may watch this noisy many-ring circus of marketing by remote control. The riders are the Pits, one each for wheat, corn, oats, barley, rye, etc. Wheat, because it travels well and bakes best, performs its prize-jumps in the largest ring. The Pits are enclosed craters sunk in the floor, seething with traders. Their major eruptions are noted in history as panics.

"The clamor of commerce produces such a din that the trader must resort to sign language to make himself heard. His hand lifted vertically, to signal the quantity of grain in the transaction, gives him, let us say, 25,000 bushels for better or worse. Fingers extended horizontally govern prices. The flick of a thumb in Chicago may determine whether the housewife in California will soon" court out a penny more or a penny less at the grocery.

"Similar trading in corp futures takes place on the grain markets of Winnipeg, Liverpool and Buenos Aires, and in this country in Minneapolis, Kansas City, Duluth, St. Louis, Milwaukee, Portland and New York City. But Chicago holds the key to the grain bin of the United States. Since 1848, when merchants gathered upstairs over a flour store to fix cereal prices, it has been almost continuously the world's leading grain exchange.

"Converging lines of steel, which make Chicago the foremost railroad hub in the country, garner the grain from every direction. Six times 'cultivated' by the steam-roller effect of glaciers and enriched almost daily by the swift alternation of sun and rain, the surrounding countryside has the greatest total value of farm property in the United States. Within a radius of 500 miles of Chicago lies much of the Corn Belt's dark rich soil, the most extensive corn-corp country in the world. Farther west, between Chicago and the Rockies, is concentrated much of the fertility which makes the Wheat Belt famous.

"The soy bean, latest satellite to the grain galaxy, thrives best in Illinois, which produces as much as all the other forty-seven States put together. The rapidly expanding bean belt includes Indiana, Iowa and Missouri. Any soy bean census however, is probably incomplete for much of its acreage is distributed in small patches on large farms, where it gives the good earth a rest and a square meal of fertilizer, or where it offers a new kind of green pastures to corn-fed hogs. The hay is even now encouraging some of the nation's livestock to face a hard winter.

"The versatile bean has been ground into meal with bread as its final destination, or such flour compounds as macaroni and crackers. American factories are now making soy sauce which has been and still is imported in large quantities from the Orient.

"Soy bean oil has been successfully initiated into the paint industry, and now may paint the barn that houses its hay, as well as the truck that hauled it to market. Waterproofing for cloth, size for paper and glue are some of the other forms in which the bean is serviceable. When ground up, it can be mixed into a pasty plastic, and used as a substitute for celluloid and hard rubber. The purchasing public may be enterlining soy beans unaware in fountain pens, ash trays, chocolate candy or linoleum.

"The United States is still second in soy bean culture to Manchuria, where most of the crop for China's millions grows. Five years ago, Japan was growing more soy beans than the United States, but now the ratio is reversed. Manchuria, Chosen and Netherland India are still the leading bean-raisers of the Orient.

"It has been estimated that the crop in the United States this year will be double that of last year, with a possible production of thirty-nine million bushels."

**HE EARNED IT**

Dallas Journal: "The Troup Banner reprints from "Red River County paper" this notice:

"To Whom it May Concern: It is currently reported that I am drawing a pension. Just why I should be made a target for such false reports I cannot understand. Wife and I have plenty of this world's goods to take care of us as long as we live, under any circumstances, independent of county, State, Red Cross, children or kinfolks. Besides, our annual income is sufficient to more than take care of our present needs. Any person who persistently repeats this falsehood is a notorious liar. Anyone can guess what. I wish to make this statement in order to keep the record straight. Respectfully, (Signed.)"

Adds the Bannerman: "We have never had the joy of knowing the man who signed his name to that ad, but we do know about him, know his name, his background and his achievements. He is a genuine Eli, one of those born in the 80's. He helped to build that north country. Every cent he owns he dug from Mother Earth. He is an American, proud, independent, standing or falling on his own merits."

To that let us add an amen. Gimmeocracy hasn't completely grabbed the country yet.

**CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m. Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Evening Prayer and Sermon at 7:30.

Come and worship with us Sunday. Life is not complete without worship. Spiritual refreshment awaits you.—C. G. Marmion, Rector.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Neblett of Houston and his mother, Mrs. N. F. Neblett of Meredithville, Virginia, were week-end guests of Mrs. Haynie Matthews and Misses Sallie and Marie Jones.

**Lady Took Cardui When Weak, Nervous**

"I can't say enough for Cardui if I talked all day," enthusiastically writes Mrs. L. H. Caldwell, of Statesville, N. C. "I have used Cardui at intervals for twenty-five years," she adds. "My trouble in the beginning was weakness and nervousness. I read of Cardui in a newspaper and decided right then to try it. It seemed before I had taken half a bottle of Cardui I was stronger and was soon up and around."

Thousands of women testify Cardui benefited them. If it does not benefit YOU, consult a physician.

## BUSINESS LOCALS

**FOR SALE**

Very desirable residence lots on Prairie Avenue (former Dr. Bruce property). Also semi-business lots on Main Street, Low prices and easy terms.—L. D. ALLEN.

FOR RENT—Apartments, sleeping rooms; modern, close in, hot running water; garage if desired.—Phone 263-W. Mrs. M. Floyd.

POSTED—All lands owned and controled by Mrs. J. A. Dromgoole in Colorado and Wharton counties are posted against day and night hunting. Anyone caught will be prosecuted.—H. A. Dromgoole. 13-nov-4t

WANTED—One of the largest manufacturers of farm implements and tractors in the world wants a dealer in Eagle Lake, and has adopted this means to get in contact with the man who desires a business of his own. If you are looking for a job, do not answer this advertisement. On the other hand, if you really want to enter business—a business that requires the closest kind of attention and plenty of hard work, but with energy properly applied yields splendid returns on the capital invested, then we want to talk to you. A man with limited means but good character is preferred to the man with plenty of money and no character. Write Box 458, Eagle Lake, Texas, for particulars. (20-nov-2tp)

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Red Cockerels. Call or see Mrs. W. A. Stallmann, Garwood, Texas. 20-2t

**HUNTER'S NOTICE**

POSTED—All lands owned or controlled by I. V. Duncan & Bro. in Wharton and Colorado Counties are posted against hunting or trespassing. The graded roads through our rice fields and pastures are private roads. Please respect our rights and avoid yourself trouble. —I. V. DUNCAN. 20-nov-3t

**POSTED NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that no hunting or trespassing is allowed on the Geo. Herder Est. survey No. 2 of 235 acres; or on the west half of same survey of 335 acres of land owned by Estate of K. Brandon.—John Kallina. 20-nov-3t

YOUNGBERRY PLANTS—Will have a supply of Youngberry Plants both with thorn and thornless, for delivery about December 1st. Write me at once how many you will want.—Gust Goeckler, Route 1, Weyleton, Texas. 20-nov-3tp

FOR SALE—Two-story building —Mrs. Corrie Wheeless, Rock Island, Texas. 27-nov-1tp

ALL NIGHT DANCE—Fifth Annual Turkey Strut at Schneider Hall, Saturday night, November 28th, presenting Cornelson's Famous Orchestra. Admission $1.10. An all-night dance, from 9:30 until! Don't miss it.

## Eldridge News

Mrs. W. T. Mueller and Mrs. G. M. Cason spent Saturday afternoon in Wharton.

Mrs. Clarence Meyer has returned to her home in Columbus after a week's visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Weishuhn and small daughter, Mary Ann, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Wallace, here this week.

Miss Bessie Wallace spent Sunday afternoon visiting in Columbus.

H. A. Dromgoole, "Billy Bounce" of Eldridge, spent Wednesday visiting in Houston.

Mrs. H. A. Dromgoole visited in El Campo and Jones Creek Wednesday.

**LUTHERAN SERVICES**

Friday, November 27th, there will be Lutheran Services at the Presbyterian Church in Eagle Lake, beginning at 7:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend.—W. A. Flachmeier, Pastor.

Jack Waddell of Rock Island was over on business Tuesday afternoon.

**Christmas Gifts, gifts that your relatives and friends will cherish, now displayed at Luna's Drug Store.**

EAGLE MARKET SPECIALS

CARTER WALKER, Proprietor

Mutton Veal or Beef Barbecue, lb 30c

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| BEEF STEW, Lb | 10c | LAMB CHOPS, lb | 20c |
| BEEF STEAK, Lb | 12c | CALF LIVER, lb | 15c |
| VEAL ROUND STEAK lb | 20c | PAN SAUSAGE Lb | 12½c |
| BEEF ROUND OR LOIN, Lb | 15c | BEEF Rump Roast lb | 12½c |
| VEAL STEAK, lb | 15c | PORK CHOPS lb | 20c |
| HAMBURGER OR CHILI, Lb | 10c | VEAL RUMP ROAST lb | 15c |

FRESH VEGETABLES AND GROCERIES

**FAST COTTON PICKING**

Lots of people have the idea that darkies are just naturally shiftless and lazy, but this theory has been quite fully demonstrated to be erroneous, according to W. S. Bond, a prominent Alabama farmer, who certified to some cotton picking records made by young negroes on his farm, as follows:

E. V. Grimsley, aged 15, picked 601 pounds in one day.

Mary Lou Grimsley, aged 14, picked 492 pounds in one day.

Harvey Grimsley, aged 16, picked 497 pounds in one day.

When it is considered that from 50 to 60 separate bolls of cotton must be gathered to make a pound, it must be admitted that these negro youngsters moved about some to make such records.

We regret deeply to learn that our old friend, W. J. Wright, is in ill health. We have not seen him in town for some time, and sincerely hope that he may soon be o. k. up and about again. Your friends in Eagle Lake miss you, "Jay."

Mr. John Baxter of Rock Island was a visitor here Tuesday afternoon, en route home from a business trip to Houston.

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