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January didn't get by without one taste of zero weather, which is about all most of us want.

The sunshine removes winter's dreariness and eventually will remove the snow. Take heart, spring is only six weeks away.

Party records will be made in the 81st Congress and the country need not wait until 1952, to sense how the voters feel about it.

Stalin can set the world on a peace basis if he ends the Berlin blockade, releases the hundreds of thousands of war prisoners and restores free government to satellite countries.

What might be the forerunner of ending the 14 month-old strike of linotype operators on the Chicago newspapers, was the settling of the printer's dispute with the Hammond Times, also strike-bound for the same period. The papers have been published through the photo-engraving process, never missing an edition.

If political maneuvering means anything, it is evident that Governor Gates intends to contest Senator Capehart for the senatorial nomination in 1950. The two men are at sword's end and both are trying to control the state organization, with next year's election in mind. At the present moment, neither one could win.

The Indianapolis Star, commenting on the Republican fiasco in Omaha, says, "The closeness of the vote for Mr. Scott, 54 to 50, indicates how wide the split in GOP leadership is. If that split runs down through the party organization, Republicans might as well kiss their chances for success in 1950 and 1952 goodbye."

The National Committee for Traffic Safety is asking lawmakers in each of the 48 states to enact legislation to prohibit front seat television in automobiles. No screen would be permitted, visible to the driver while operating an automobile. A bill to that effect has been introduced in the Indiana legislature. It should become law.

What Brings On Gout Attack

By Herman N. Bundesen, M. D.
IT is interesting to note that about 95% of the patients with gout are men. Just why it is that women, apparently, rarely have this disease is not known. The disorder seems to occur most frequently in men of middle age but it may develop in persons as young as 18 or 19 years of age.

An acute attack of gout starts suddenly, usually in the early morning hours. The attacks develop most often in the spring and fall. The joints most frequently affected are those of the big toe. However, knees, wrists, ankles, and thumbs are commonly involved. The spine is rarely affected.

The joint becomes swollen and painful, and the surface may be red or bluish red and feels hot. Recovery from the attack usually takes place within a week or two. All symptoms clear up but, of course, recurrences take place.

Injuries, even slight ones, may bring on an attack. Such things as an unaccustomed long walk, a golf game, gardening or lawn mowing may precede an attack.

Alcoholic beverages, so-called dietary indiscretions, that is, overeating, and particularly the taking of rich foods such as highly seasoned foods, and seafoods, or a diet rich in fats may be responsible. Certain drugs, such as liver extract, mercurial preparations, and bacterial vaccines, may also be contributory.

Television and driving cannot be expected to mix.

It begins to appear that Israel is firmly established as a nation. The possibility of any outcome of the Palestine hostilities which would result in dissolution or collapse of the new state now seems so remote that it can be discarded altogether. Diplomatic recognition by France and Great Britain is only an acknowledgment that the turning point has been passed. The final stamp of acceptance for the State of Israel—admission to the United Nations—remains to be given. Apparently the way is now clear for the accomplishment of that step.

Admiral Blandy, commander of the Atlantic Fleet, says that only abolition of war or complete out-moding of sea transportation will make the navy obsolete. The Fleet Commander said that the world is still plagued by "aggressor" nations, imposing their will on weaker nations. The only way to block such aggression, Adm. Blandy explains, "is for peace-loving and non-aggressive nations like ours to help the weaker nations to resist, by giving them financial aid, by showing them the benefits of true democracy and backing it up by possession of a strong fighting force." Let's keep America in that position.

Margaret Smith, the Republican Senator from Maine, is a smart woman, and presumably isn't afraid to express her opinion. On the question of rearmament, the woman senator takes a stand contrary to most feminine ideas. In a radio talk, she argued, "We can't bluff the Russians. Russia must be convinced that we mean what we say." Further, she believes "there can be no question that risk of economic insecurity is preferable to the risk of military insecurity." And we don't believe that Mrs. Smith has a chip on her shoulder, nor can she be called a war monger.

Prayer:

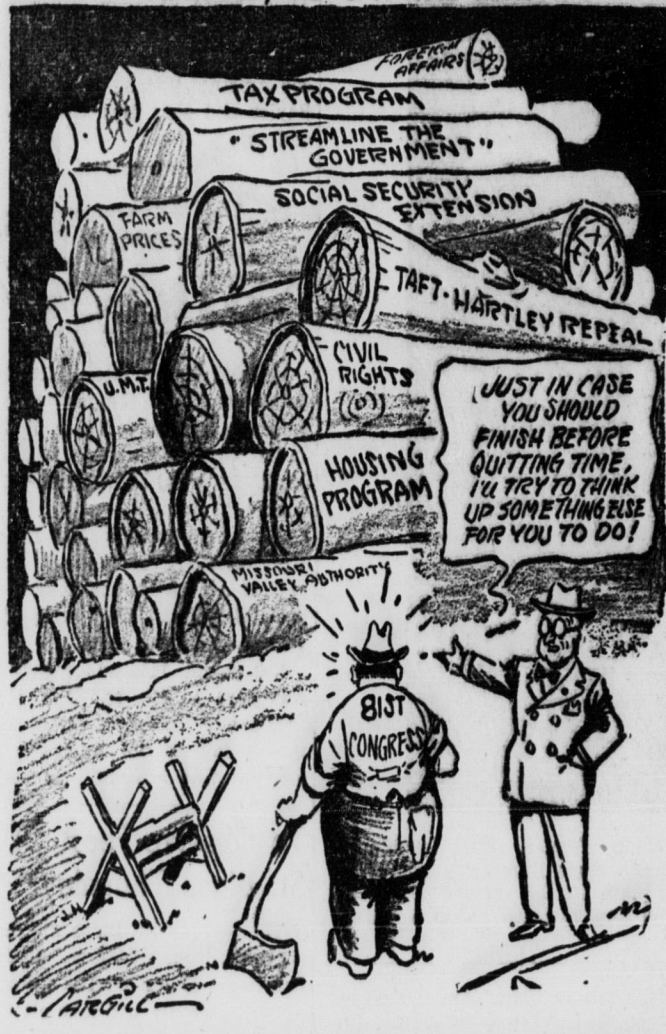
When the U. S. Senate convened last Thursday, the acting chaplain offered the prayer that had been prepared by Dr. Peter Marshall, Senate Chaplain, just before he died. Within minutes of his death, he prayed as follows:

Deliver us, our Father, from hopes and from clinging to lost causes, that we may move into ever-growing calm and ever-widening horizons.

Where we cannot convince, let us be willing to persuade, for small deeds done are better than great deeds planned.

We know that we cannot do everything. But help us to do something. For Jesus' sake. Amen.

HARRIED, TO SAY THE LEAST



Modern Etiquette

By ROBERTA LEE

Q. When a person is making an introduction, should he add a word or two of comment?

A. Yes; if the comment he makes will enable the two persons to begin a friendly conversation, he should not miss the opportunity to do so.

Q. What should one do if he gets food in his mouth that is too hot to swallow?

A. Get the food down somehow, and then take a swallow of water.

Never, under any circumstances, take water while you have food in your mouth.

Q. Should a note or letter of congratulation be sent upon receiving an announcement of a birth?

A. Yes, and promptly. Sometimes a little gift for the baby can take the place of this note.

Household Scrapbook

By ROBERTA LEE

Gelatin

The gelatin will not take so long to harden if only a quarter of the

amount of liquid is added while boiling hot and after the gelatin has been dissolved adding the rest of the liquid as cold as possible.

Colors

Three things that will help keep colored materials from running are lukewarm water, mild soap, and quick washing and drying.

Shoe Polish

A few drops of turpentine dropped into shoe polish which has become hardened will soften it.

20 YEARS AGO TODAY

Feb. 1—Adams Post, 43, American Legion, concludes membership drive. Now have 186 members. Bank creditors file suit for \$66,500 against stockholders of the Tocsin bank.

The Decatur high school seniors will present the play, "Cat O'Nine Tails," soon.

Fred Rohrer appointed postmaster at Berne.

Mrs. Lillian Burroughs assumes position at the Edwards Studio.

State prison board hears pleas of 63 prisoners for clemency and denies them all.

'Cooks' Corner

BY MARY R. SMITH

LOW-COST MAIN DISHES

As I said in my column about cooking on a 61 cents a day per person figure, we don't eat T-bone steaks or choice rib roasts. Less tender cuts of meat are most frequently purchased. We take advantage of best buys in meats, also. Often times meat is stretched by combining it with other foods and making tasty casserole dishes.

Here are three of the low-cost main dishes that have been served

in Home Management House 4. My roommate served the sausage and scalloped potatoes. The girl who is cooking at the present time made the meat biscuit roll. The recipe for creamed hamburger on baked potato is mine.

Sausage With Scalloped Potatoes

1 pound link sausage
5 cups thinly sliced raw potatoes
1 onion, sliced
5 tablespoons flour
2½ teaspoons salt
Dash of pepper
2 cups hot milk
Cook sausage in skillet very slowly for about ten minutes. Do not brown. Combine potatoes, onion, 4 tablespoons of the flour, salt, pepper, and 4 tablespoons of fat from the sausage in a large bowl, mixing until each slice of potato has come in contact with flour and seasonings. Put potatoes in 2 quart casserole. Pour milk over all and sprinkle with remaining flour. Arrange sausage on top. Bake in a moderate oven 325 F. for about 1½ hours. Recipe makes 7 servings.

MEAT BISCUIT ROLL

1 pound ground beef
1 tablespoon meat drippings
½ cup chopped green pepper
½ teaspoon pepper
½ cup chopped onion
½ teaspoon salt
Biscuit dough
Melt drippings in frying pan. Add onion pepper, and meat; brown lightly. Season. Make your favorite biscuit dough. Roll and spread with meat filling. Roll like a jelly roll. Cut in 1½ inch slices. Bake with cut side up on cookie sheet in a hot oven (425 F.) 20-25 minutes. Serve with brown gravy or mushroom sauce. Recipe makes 7 servings.

CREAMED HAMBURGER ON BAKED POTATO

1 pound hamburger
1 onion, chopped fine
Salt and pepper
1 can cream of mushroom soup plus
Equal amount of milk
7 medium-sized baked potato
Brown meat and onion in skillet. Add seasonings, cream of mushroom soup, and milk. Simmer for 30 minutes. Serve on baked potatoes. Add a dash of paprika for color. Recipe makes 7 servings.

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Full Recognition By U. S. To Israel

President's Action Is Hailed By Jews

Washington, Feb. 1—(UP)—President Truman's action granting full diplomatic recognition to Israel was hailed by Jews today as a boon to the infant nation.

Elihu Epstein, Israeli representative in this country, declared that "the gratitude of the people of Israel goes out to the President of the United States . . ."

Mr. Truman granted full recognition to Israel and the neighboring Arab state of Trans-Jordan yesterday. He thus kept a promise to Israel that he would take action as soon as the country elected a permanent government. The election was held Jan. 25.

Recognition of Trans-Jordan was viewed here as a step to alleviate possible Arab displeasure.

Two officials of B'nai B'rith, national Jewish organization, were present when Mr. Truman signed the recognition announcements. They were Frank Goldman, president, and Maurice Bisgier, secretary. The chief executive's former business partner, Eddie Jacobson, also was present.

The granting of full, or de jure, recognition by the United States was seen here as improving Israel's chances for admission to the United Nations.

Some diplomatic quarters be-

lieve also it may give the Egyptian truce talks a boost and the way for permanent peace in the Holy Land.

SALES TALK IS

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We are in a period when must be created through good merchandising methods and advertising. The lush days when the customer looked you up and bought whatever you had, are over.

"Selling is serving your customer and helping to improve standard of living," he said.

Corn cob pipes and tobacco distributed to the members for a smoker.

Dave Rankin, freshman football coach at Purdue university, showed a film of the complete game between Notre Dame and Purdue last fall. He highlighted it with personal comment and explained the various gridiron plays.

Coffee and doughnuts were served following the meeting. A smoker is planned for the end of February, the program committee announced.

Final clearance on all Fall and Winter dresses, \$5 and \$10. Values to 32.95—E. J. Gass Store.

Masonic

Stated convocation of Decatur Chapter No. 112, R. A. M., at 7 p. m., Tuesday, Feb. 1, 1949. Norman G. Lenhart, H. P.

Public Auction

Household Goods and Personal Property at Bobo, Indiana on State Road No. 101, or 2 miles South of Jct. of Roads 224 and 101.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1949

Commencing at 1:00 P. M.

1 Hog House 12x12; 12 Hog Farming Houses 6x7; 4 Hog Houses, Double Siding 8x10; 2 Hog Houses 10x10, Single Siding; 4 Hog Houses 8x9; Good Moline Hay Loader; Farm Wagon with Bottom Hay Ladders; Horse-Drawn Wagon; ½ Ton Stock Trailer, with Stock Rack; Tractor Drawn Double Disc Harrow; 3 Section Iron Spade Tooth Harrow; Oliver Breaking Plow; Single and Double Plow; Cow Boy Stock Tank Heater; Hog Watering Fountain; DeLaval Milking Machine complete except motor; 3 sets Work Harness and collars; 3 Log Chains; Milk Cans; Manure Forks; 2 Pitcher Pumps and 35 lb. 1½ inch Galv. Pipe; 21 feet ½ inch New Galv. Pipe; 42 feet ¾ inch New Galv. Pipe; Kitchen Sink, like new; Odd Lengths of Used Galv. Pipe; 30 Only Gates 12 feet long to be used around Hog Houses; Solid Oak Dining Room Table and Buffet; 1 Bicycle (Girls).

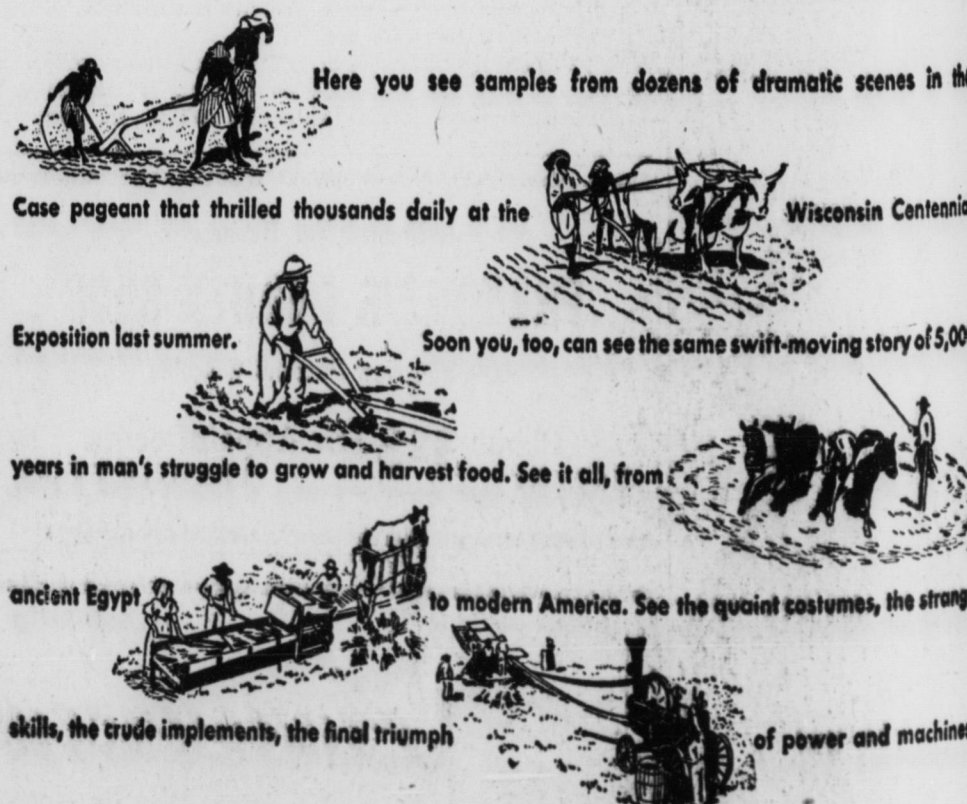
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 7:30 P. M.

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