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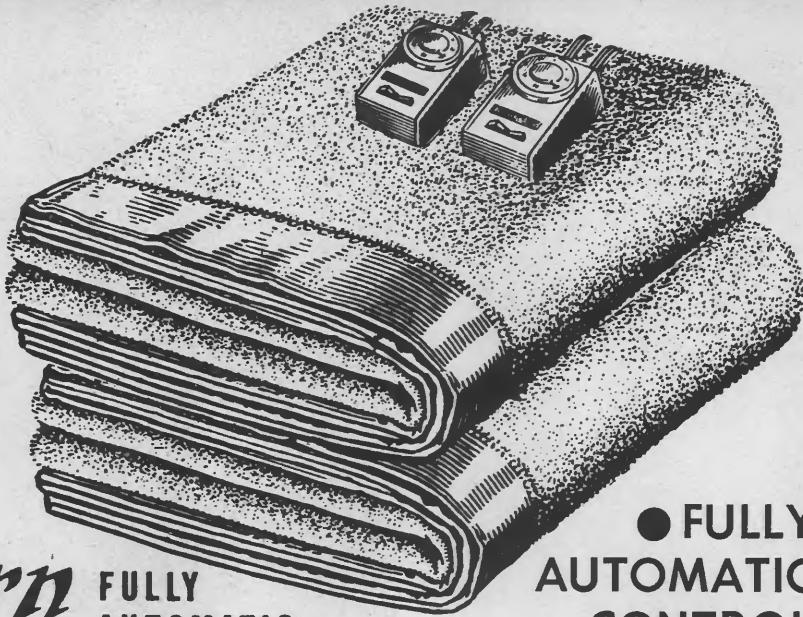
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Our leaders are hard at work. What then can we do to help our country in this time of dire crisis? We, perhaps can do more than the diplomats, or the military strategists. We, but children of God, can call upon our Father to help us in this hour of need.

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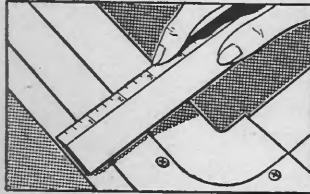
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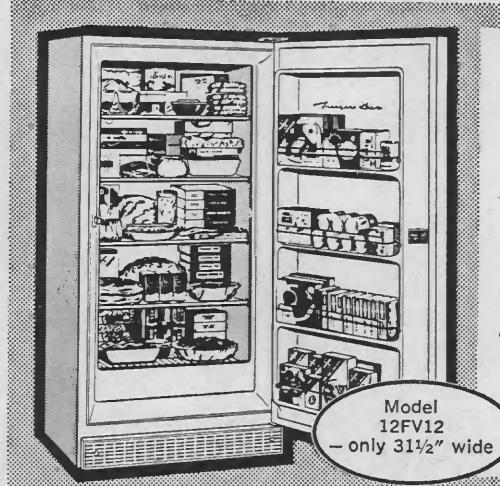
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National News Notes

Agriculture

Department finally receives Rural Area Redevelopment delegations from Commerce

■ The long-awaited delegation of authority for the rural segments of the Rural Area Redevelopment Program—from the Commerce Department to the Department of Agriculture—was given the last week of July. The announcement was made by Orville L. Freeman, Secretary of Agriculture.

The major responsibilities assigned to USDA under the Area Redevelopment Act include:

1. Recommendation of rural counties to be declared eligible for assistance.

2. Approval of over-all economic development programs for each eligible area, a basic requirement of the Act.

3. Approval of individual projects as being consistent with the Act.

Under the terms of the Act, \$100-million has been set aside for Federal loans to help finance industrial and commercial projects in rural redevelopment areas. Also, the new law provides \$194-million for loans, grants, technical aid, and retraining which can be used in both rural and urban areas that qualify.

The ARA program will supplement the USDA's own Rural Areas Development Program, presently operating in all states, and which is aimed at curing chronic underemployment in rural sections.

Four agencies of USDA—Office of Rural Areas Development, Rural Electrification Administration, Farmers Home Administration, and Federal Extension Service—have been assigned "responsibility for assisting local leadership" in redevelopment programs.

■ President Kennedy signed the Agriculture Appropriations bill the last week of July. The bill includes \$245-million for the REA electric loan **REA Loan Funds** program for the present fiscal year, and \$162.5-million loan authorizations for the REA telephone program. Of the totals, \$70-million of the electric authorizations and \$30-million of the telephone authorizations are earmarked as contingency funds. These are reserve funds to be used if needed.

With a carryover from last year's operations of \$34-million, plus \$3-million in revisions—loans made last year but cancelled—REA will have \$282-million for the electric program this year.

■ At the White House, on July 11, directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority announced a rate reduction, which can mean savings of up to 11 per cent for farmers and other electrical consumers in the TVA area. Rates of consumers of TVA power are already among the lowest in the country. Private power company representatives lost no time in complaining about this rate reduction, terming it misleading and unfair competition. However, Senator Estes Kefauver, in replying to these critics pointed out, "in these days when a price cut is about as rare as a July blizzard in Washington, such a move by this great Federal agency ought to be the cause for widespread rejoicing...."

The Senator observed that a study made a few years ago showed "that the nearer a private utility is to TVA area, the lower its rates and the higher its earnings are likely to be. Thus, the TVA yardstick has operated as a competitive factor benefiting both private utilities and their customers everywhere."

A bit of Old Kentucky is being transplanted to Illinois near Loda, Iroquois County, on U. S. Highway 45.

Here is the Illinois Stallion Station, a full-fledged thoroughbred race horse breeding farm, Kentucky-style.

Why is this "normally Kentucky" operation in our state?

According to B. J. "Bronco" Wuletich, the farm manager, "This beautiful rolling country was selected as the site for the Stallion Station, because it lends itself very naturally to the standards of some of Kentucky's finest thoroughbred horse farms."

The soil is perfect for clover. "It is also very good for Kentucky fescue", says Wuletich. Fescue is the base grass crop of the farm and as Wuletich explains, "it retains its color well and it drowns out the cockle-burrs. Orchard grass thrives well here also, and a mixture of this grass will be added to the pastures in the fall."

Also, good water and plenty of it are found here. There is a well 140 feet deep. This well tested at 60 gallons per minute! It is believed that the source is an underground river in the old Mahomet Valley. A two-inch main is being used with a two hp. submersible pump.

The farm is easily accessible. Its pastures border on U. S. Highway 45, and a well oiled road links the entire farm layout to this highway.

Wuletich states, "Although electricity is not used extensively it is very vital to our operation for lighting and pumping water. We are served by the Eastern Illinois Power Co-op, Paxton."

There is another good reason for bringing this farm to the state. "Under a law sponsored by the Illinois Horse Breeders Association, state bred horses are awarded an additional 10 per cent of their winning purses in all races. This money is paid to the breeders of winning state bred horses by the race tracks, through the State Horse Breeders Association," explains Wuletich.

Continues Wuletich, "Another feature of great interest to State breeders, is the special stake races. These races are open to state bred horses only, and the winners may earn as much as \$25,000 in these special events. We feel that some of our horses will soon be doing well in these races."

The farm is stocked with brood mares from Kentucky, Arkansas and other states. One of the more famous mares, is a beautiful dam named Quizzsong. Her sire is none other than Citation, the famous race horse owned by the Calumet Farms of Lexington, Kentucky.

There are four stallions standing at stud on the station at the present time. One is Woodchuck, a well known sire among state and United States racing circles. Another is Playtan who earned some \$243,000 in his own racing career. Prince Charger and Ouija Board round out the handsome foursome of fine stallions.

Wuletich says, "We have an average of about 100 horses per month on the farm. However, we now have a few over this number here. These include four stallions, 52 brood mares, 22 yearlings, and 28 foals from the past spring. Besides our own horses, these include mares and foals which we board for other owners."

"The foals are taken from the dams in September or October and are then called weanlings. These

foals celebrate their birthday on January 1, (the birthday of all horses) and they are then known as yearlings," Wuletich explains.

"In the chow department," Wuletich says, the base food is the Kentucky fescue and clover. In the barns the horses are fed oats and other supplements twice daily."

Concerning the physical well being of the horses, it is interesting to know that the animals are not shod while on the farm. Wuletich explains, "This allows for the natural development of the feet and legs of the horses. Since the leg structure of the horses are very pliable while in the process of growing, much can be done to correct defects which show up. For this reason we have the blacksmith, our foot and leg expert, come up from Kentucky each month."

When they are ready, the yearlings are shipped to Kentucky and elsewhere for the all important race training. Wuletich says, "Many of our horses will return to this state after training. In all probability, they will race at one of the tracks around Chicago."

Wuletich says, "We will soon know the results of some of our early efforts here. Some of the original horses foaled here are nearing the racing age of two years. These horses will soon start compiling the first actual racing records of horses bred here. A horse starts his record only when he wins his first race."

Construction was started on the Stallion Station in September, 1958.

Today, there are some five miles of fences which



Thoroughbred race horse breeding farm rising among grain fields

enclose the pastures and numerous paddocks of this 492-acre thoroughbred race horse farm.

There are three new green colored barns, each 154 feet by 40 feet. There are 20 stalls in the brood mare barn. These stalls, 14 feet by 14 feet, quarter the mares and foals. The yearling barns have 24 stalls, 12 feet by 12 feet, to house the prospective racing kings. In addition two old barns have been remodeled, complete with stalls.

A new stallion barn is on the drawing boards, and construction on it is scheduled to start soon.

The color scheme is different from the typical Kentucky horse farm. Instead of the traditional white fences, the Stallion Station has black fences.

As Wuletich points out, "We use this same color scheme on our other farms, because it looks distinctive, and the maintenance cost is much lower."

Wuletich calls attention to the fact that, "The corners of all paddocks and pasture fences are curved. This is done because the horses beat a path close to the fences as they run. The curves keep the horses from slamming into the boards."

There are eight employees at the Stallion Station in addition to Manager Wuletich.

The President of the group is Harry Trotsek of Coral Gables, Florida. L. C. Persch of Lansdowne, Pennsylvania, is the Vice-President.

Concludes Wuletich, "With the wonderful grain and hay we are able to raise here, together with the many other advantages and incentives, we hope to make this a major horse breeding state."

a bit of
Old Kentucky
comes to
Illinois

Young stallions, foaled on the breeding farm, will have to make their mark in racing history before records are kept. L. C. Persch, of Pennsylvania is vice-president of the organization which operates the stallion station.



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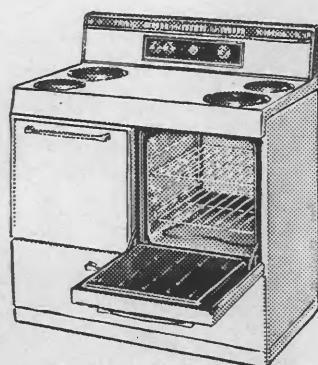
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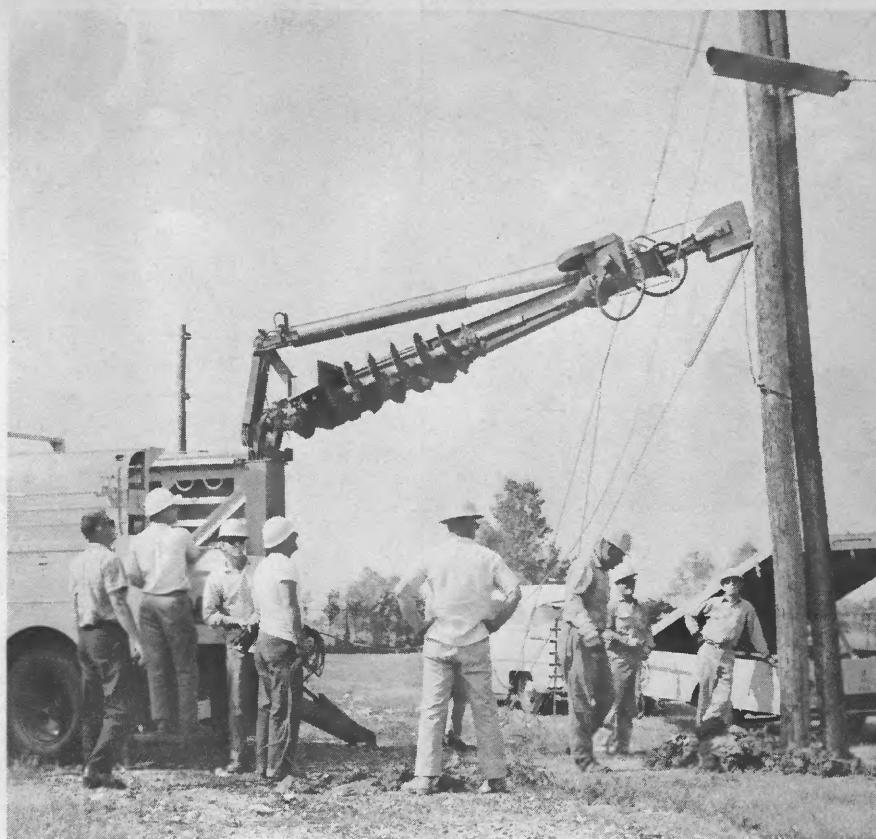
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OUR COVER

What child doesn't love a pony! Young Patty Ann Bloomfield, three years old, is no exception to the rule. The very cute young miss is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bloomfield, of near Ashland. The Bloomfields are members of Menard Electric Cooperative, Petersburg. By the way, Patty showed the young colt at the recent Sangamon County Junior Fair, and she placed third. Quite an honor for such a young exhibitor.

LINEMEN GO TO SCHOOL



■ Approximately 525 select linemen and groundmen from the state's 27 rural electric co-ops have studied at the Illinois Hot Line Maintenance Training School, near Carbondale, since it was founded in 1954. Linemen from the City Water, Light & Power Company, Springfield, have also attended this school.

The first such type school of its kind in the Nation, the Hot Line Training Institute is credited with producing valuable experience and knowledge for men on jobs which have always been considered dangerous.

Handling transmission lines up to 69,000 volts can be tricky business, but to these men it's all in a day's work. Safety precautions and improved tools, plus the emphasis on a combination of experience and training enable them to get the job done with a minimum of risk.

The Illinois school is located on the campus of Southern Illinois University's Vocational-Technical Institute, a few miles east of Carbondale. It is sponsored by Southern Illinois University, the Illinois State Board of Vocational Education, and by the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives,

headquartered in Springfield, of which all of the electric co-ops in the state are members.

The men who attend the school spend five days there. They live in dormitories, eat at the cafeteria and spend the daylight hours at such publicly unfamiliar subjects as "rods and ties"; "practice with transmission tools"; or "A-4 insulator change."

At classwork the men wear and use a mass of clothing and equipment. For example, they have rubber gloves tested to withstand 20,000 volts, if they come in contact with hot lines. Usually, however, their work is done with precision-like efficiency with insulated poles.

All who attend the school are experienced linemen. Some have been climbing electric-line poles for 25 years. But, because of improved methods and tools, they need refresher courses.

So well-known has the school become throughout the Nation, that instructors, C. M. Scott and Don Davis of the State Board of Vocational Education, say they've received no less than 75 requests from other states to use this as a model for similar programs.



ELECTRIC HEAT CABLES IN CONCRETE FLOOR SAVE TWO PIGS A LITTER IN THIS "CONVERTED CHICKEN HOUSE."

electric heat PAYS

Farmer puts radiant heat pads into concrete flooring of remodeled hog farrowing house.



Tom McGown of near Waggoner regulates floor heat for new pigs by setting thermostat.

Save two pigs per litter! That's the results electric radiant heat cable pads provide the McGown brothers of near Waggoner, Macoupin County.

Tom McGown, spokesman for the operation says that ever since he and his brother installed the electric heating cable in the concrete floors of his remodeled hog house, "We have raised two pigs more per litter."

The farrowing house is a converted 20 by 30 foot chicken house with insulated walls and ceiling. The concrete floor is poured over a four-inch layer of gravel, which is topped with a vapor barrier.

"In the six pen area," McGown explains, "insulation is placed over the vapor barrier. Over this are the electric heat blankets in a 'U' shape, 10 inches wide, and five feet, eight inches, up each side and across the front end of each pen. Two floor thermostats control the heat."

Over the entire pen area are two inches of concrete. The oak pens have a back-up rail at the thermostat end of the heating pad. This protects the pigs when they are dropped by the sow. The sow pen has a lower rail high enough for the pigs to creep under.

Tom McGown continued, "About a day before the litter is expected, we heat the pen to about 90 degrees. The middle of the 'U', where the sow lies, is unheated. When the pigs come, they take to the warm area, away from the sow. Here they get dry and warm and don't try to get back under the sow. For this reason we never worry about pigs getting crushed.

After two or three days, the temperature is gradually lowered a few degrees, every day until it reaches about 60 degrees, a comfortable temperature for pigs.

Tom McGown beamed when he said, "We haven't lost one pig since we started using these far-

rowing pens last January. We feel that the use of electric radiant heat has really made a great saving for us."

For good floor drainage, there is proper slope in all areas. In the pens, there is a drop of two inches from a point five and one-half feet from the foot of the pen. From this point to the front of the pen, is a one-inch slope. This is where the water is, and if any is spilled, it runs forward away from the sow and pigs.

Tom McGown concluded, "We are very happy with the results we are getting with our new farrowing pens and the electric radiant heat. There is a small added cost of operation, but we know there is a big saving in pigs. We also save time and effort in cleaning the building. We plan to build space for six more pens, soon."

McGown brothers are members of the Rural Electric Convenience Cooperative of Auburn.

electricity renews HOPE for farmer crippled by stroke

■ The silent power of electricity has brought renewed hope and interest to Howard Patterson of Timewell, Brown County.

Patterson suffered a severe stroke in the summer of 1959, at age 69. Although it appeared that he would be totally paralyzed, he regained the use of his right side.

Thanks to an electric car, he has been able to solve the problem of getting around the farm. Two, 12-volt batteries power a one-half horsepower electric motor which propels the car. Patterson has a battery charger in the shed and the batteries are charged three or four times each month.

The car has three speeds forward, reverse and a foot operated brake. A toggle switch reverses the electric motor to make the car back up. Patterson uses one hand to steer and one foot to press the pedals.

Electricity is also important to Patterson in another way. He uses heat lamps and vibrators to help stimulate circulation in his hands.

When misfortune befell this man, he soon realized that his old coal furnace presented a major problem. He solved this problem with the installation of electric baseboard heat units.

Prior to his stroke, Patterson had been farming 150 acres on the home place and 80 acres a mile up the road. He cared for cattle, hogs, and sheep. He was also in the process of building a herd of Herefords.

After his stroke, he sold his hogs and cattle and rented out the rest of the farm. This left him with the time to do other things. The electric car answers a large part of this problem, since it enables him to move about the farm.

Patterson is convinced that without electricity he probably would be in Veterans Hospital in Iowa or in some other hospital. As he says, "I can go anywhere that the ground is level. I get out where the men are working and where there is other activity."

Patterson is a member of Adams Electrical Co-op, of Camp Point.



**Patterson gets
around his farm on
a battery-powered cart**

Across the Manager's desk

Shelby

We sometimes think of August as the month in which we can rest before we start with the fall harvest. This is the month of harvest picnics throughout the area. This is also the month when we attend the many 4-H and F.F.A. fairs.

Last but not least we attend the various family reunions. We meet and greet many old friends, while patting the small fry on their heads. Yes, we all seem so young yet we are all a year older.

Have we finished all of those jobs about the house and on the farm which were to be completed before fall harvest? What are your plans for crop storage this fall?

If you plan to hold the beans and corn and as yet do not have the storage cribs and bins in readiness, better start soon. If you plan on some type of drying, either free air or heated air it is well to plan your work, then work your plan.

Plan Home Heating

Possibly you have given some thought to changing or improving the type of home heating which you have been living with. Here are some of the questions in regard to a satisfactorily heated home. Can you maintain a comfortable temperature in each room of the home? If not, then consider electric heat.

Electric heat for both old and new homes in the cooperative area is proving very popular. Members who have electric heat are very happy. Here are some of the rea-



W. L. Walker
Manager

sons for the satisfied all-electric members.

Electric heat is clean. There are no fumes, no smudges, and no smoke. Walls, furniture and draperies stay cleaner.

Electric heat is convenient. You enjoy complete pushbutton operation. You don't have to store fuel. There are no registers or ducts to take up wall space.

Electric heat is durable. There isn't a single moving part to wear out, if you install cable heat. There is practically no maintenance or replacement expense.

Electric heat is safe too. You can leave your home anytime without worrying about it. Flameless, odorless electricity eliminates fire hazards.

Electric cable heat is silent. There just isn't any noise because there are no motors or blowers to rumble and roar.

Check List

Stop for a moment and think about the problems you had with your heating system last winter. Ask yourself these questions:

1. Does my heating system overheat some rooms?
2. Are other rooms too cold?
3. Can I control the temperature at the comfort level desired for different rooms?
4. Does my present heating system waste fuel because of the distance heat has to travel?
5. Are there any fumes? Smoke? Soot? Ashes?
6. Do I have to worry about ordering, and storing fuel?
7. Does my present system detract from the appearance of my home because of bulky radiators, open floor or wall registers?

Remember, electric heat is suited for any room or any home in this area. If you are interested in

changing your present heating system, or are building a new home, think about heating it electrically.

Call or write the Shelby Electric office and Len W. Seaman, your power use adviser, will be glad to discuss electric heat with you. Remember, we have nothing to sell in the heat line. All power use services are free to the members of this cooperative. Ask for your free copy of our new booklet on home comfort heating.

Illinois Rural

By the time you receive this issue of the Illinois Rural Electric News our annual meeting will be past history. We wish that it were possible for us to report the annual meeting in this issue, but the paper must be planned and made ready for printing about a month before you receive it, so we will have to wait until the September issue for our report.

S. R. Faris
Manager

For those members who did not get to attend the meeting, we will try to include in this article some of the important facts which were in some of the reports.

President Longmeyer stated in his report: "Our most immediate concern has been the ever-increasing cost of operations. We feel that every possible action has been taken to maintain maximum efficiency of operations and control of expenses, but each year the material, fuels, lubricating oil and other supplies that we use and the prevailing wage scales continue to increase in cost to the extent that it is a matter of constant concern.

"The average increase in the use of electric service by our member-consumers helps some in offsetting these increased costs, but so far, there have been indications that the development of the use of service is not sufficient to keep pace with the increased cost. The answer, we believe, is to promote the use of electrical service by our member-consumers. Your board has, therefore, directed a more extensive power use program. We have confidence that once our member-consumers become convinced that they can do any job better and at less cost of their total operations by going all-electric, the use of electric service on our system will result in revenues that will assure our financial security."

Longmeyer went on to say that the board has been encouraged by the development of new uses of electric power on the farm and

the wide interest shown by our members in these new uses, electric power automatic feed-hoppers, stock waterers, etc., electric home heating.

"We are confident that our future will develop in these areas. Electric power for farm use is comfortable, which help our members to live in their homes and reduce their heating bills. We expect the use of electric power to spread over to the majority of living as soon as it is installed. If these developments of power usage continue, we will no longer need to depend on the use of electric power on the farm in the next few years. We have ever seen better times."

The manager's information relates to the development of the use of electric power in the cooperative's consuming areas during the 10 years from 1949 to 1959. The average use of electric service amounted to 18,000 kWh per month. In 1959 there was an increase in the use of electric power to only one month per consumer, indicating that it was the same as 1959 and

No Space

Do these trends in the three-year period from 1949 to 1959 indicate that the use of power in the farm and must, development of further growth? On the surface, it appears to be so, but studies do not show that more than 35 per cent of the farms cook electrically; less than 10 per cent heat water. There is still a large potential users of clothes dryers, food freezers and other appliances.

Many of these items are modern standards, but these members would like to have electric power for them to afford it? Recent surveys show that they are doing well, but the jobs that their employees do for them are not, in many instances, as good as they could be. It would cost to do the work.

For example, a member-consumer uses liquid gas, or the equivalent, and 39 per cent with the same fuel can be done better.

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Wayne-White

Tuesday, August 22, is annual meeting day. A day that is important to all members of this rural electric cooperative. Some of our members attend the annual meet-

ing every year, some attend occasionally, and many never attend. Are you among the many?

The annual meeting caravan will be here again. An evening show will be held Monday, August 21, with exhibits, professional entertainment, and the annual rural talent contest. The exhibit tent will be open to the public at 6 p.m. with the latest in electrical equipment on display. Entertainment for the evening will feature the 3 J's; the Jacob kids, Darlene, age 20, Bob, age 17, and Kay, age 11, who despite their youth are veteran performers.

Henry Marr, The Sultan of Balloons, will entertain as a clown, and with balloon creations. With balloons he creates dogs, cats, birds and well known kiddie TV personalities.

Reggie Cross, a former National Barn Dance favorite will entertain with musical comedy.

And last but not least is our annual rural talent contest, open to all boys and girls who live in homes served by the cooperative. This contest has been popular in past years especially for Grandpa and Grandma.

We will hold our annual business meeting Tuesday morning starting at 9 a.m. Reports on 1960 business will be made, future plans outlined and directors for the coming year will be elected.

In the afternoon, we will have another show featuring Reggie Cross, The Sultan of Balloons and the 3 J's, climaxed by our annual beauty contest. This contest is open to all single girls between the ages

of 16 and 22, who live in homes served by the cooperative.

Owned By Many

A question often asked is who owns America's rural electric systems. The answer is a lot of people, more than four and three-quarter million Americans, farmers, country residents, rural industries, these are typical owner-members of rural electrics.

No other business in the United States is owned by so many individuals. Money borrowed from the Rural Electrification Administration built the rural electric systems, and the loans are being paid back with interest by the millions of local owners. Rural electrics have provided the power needed to produce higher quality food products, helping to raise the American standard of living. Wayne-White Counties Electric Cooperative is proud to be one of these rural electric systems, owned by 10,000 members.



Owen J. Chaney

Manager

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for operating expenses is used to pay for investment in electric lines—either directly or by paying off the loans from REA. There are no other stockholders—you members are the owners individually in proportion to the amount of electric bills you pay.

You, the members, control the co-op service and operations by electing the directors who operate it. Each member receiving service has one vote at the annual meeting where directors are elected, by-laws adopted, and any other major items of business acted on.

Serve Only Members

Only members can be served by the co-op. Therefore every applicant for service must become a member. This is provided for in the law under which we are incorporated and in our bylaws. The membership fee of \$5 is paid by each applicant for service and is not refunded except in cases where service is never used.

Since member-users are the owners the co-op is really a large partnership; like a few farmers buying a combine together, each paying his share of the operating costs and enough more to pay for the machine. Your co-op has 6,000 members so it needs an efficient office force as well as service crews to take care of the business. In a small partnership you would not make a profit by selling to each other. Your electric co-op works the same way. There is no profit made since business is done only with members.

We think members should understand how your business is organized. We welcome questions. We hope the above explanation will help make you realize why your co-op can furnish your electric service at such low rates.

Corn Belt

Sheryl Kath, of Carlock, and Mary Shipton, of Delavan, took the week long bus trip to Washington, D.C., sponsored by Illinois co-ops. They won this trip by writing the best essays on "What the Electric Co-op Means to My Community".

They have colored slides taken on this trip, and we are sure would be glad to tell about their experiences to any groups of people interested.

Bargain Counter

For members and electricians. The following used, serviceable material, is available at co-op office:

No. 6 W.P. copper wire, suitable for service wire or underground neutral @ 25c per lb., 2.7c per foot.

6" x 5/8" eye bolts @ 25c

7" x 5/8" machine bolts @ 15c

Square washers for above bolts @ 5c

Square clevises @ 25c

Insulators for square clevises @ 15c

House knobs (wire holders) @ 20c

Your Membership

Membership in your electric co-op means ownership and control of your electric service. You, the members, own the co-op property. All of the money you pay in electric bills above the amount needed





■ "A momentous occasion," is what one speaker termed the ground-breaking ceremony, July 21, for the Southern Illinois Power Cooperative's power plant, to be built on a site south of Marion, Williamson County. R. S. Holt, president of the power co-op had this to say, "Construction and energization of this plant will be of tremendous importance to the people of Little Egypt, all of them, rural and urban alike."

L. T. Clevenger, manager of the

power co-op, pointed out that when completed the plant will be rated at 99,000 KW with a capability of approximately 120,000 KW. It will provide electricity to members of Southern Illinois Electric Co-op, Egyptian Electric Co-op, and Southeastern Illinois Electric Co-op. Participating in the ceremonies were: (left to right, above), K. R. Douglas, vice-president of the power co-op; Holt, and Ray Webb, secretary-treasurer.

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- Purchase or build a home.
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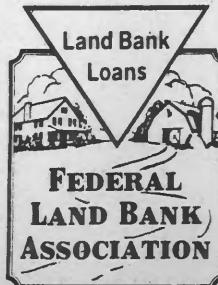
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Smile Awhile

THOUGHTFUL PAPPY!

A heavy lunch basket brought by an old couple to the county fair was being carried by the wife. Suddenly, in the midst of a thickening crowd, her grizzled mate took it over.

"It is burdensome, Pa," she said gratefully.

"I know it," replied the old fellow, "and there's always a chance of you gettin' lost."

SHORT SAYINGS

An expert is someone who is called in at the last minute to share the blame.

Some humans want to remedy with a liquid the damage that is done with a knife and fork.

INEXPERIENCED

A clergyman from a large town preached in a rural Scottish parish and was asked to pray for rain.

He did so. The rain came in floods and destroyed some of the crops, whereupon the elder remarked to another, "This comes o' entrusting a request to a minister who isn't acquainted wi' agriculture."

WHO'S BOSS

A large manufacturing concern asked purchasers to fill out a card saying what dominant thing made them buy the product. One man answered. "My wife."

BEGINNER

A gentleman walking home one night with a blanket wrapped around his middle was stopped by a policeman who asked, "Hey, are you a poker player?" "Nope," replied the man, "but I've just left a couple of guys who are."

A GOOD THOUGHT

Instead of worrying about getting politics in education we ought to be trying to get some education in politics.

SILENCE, PLEASE!

"How is your wife?", the man asked an old friend he hadn't seen for years.

"She's in Heaven," replied the friend.

"Oh, I'm sorry." Then he realized that was not the thing to say, so he added: "I mean, I'm glad." That was even worse. He finally blurted out, "Well, I'm surprised."

WINDY EGG-HEAD

If you add just five words a month to your vocabulary, in a single year your friends will wonder who in the heck you think you are.

His dream comes true! East meets West as Elmer Waddell builds a Chinese pagoda, which is shown on his farm near Taylorville.

FARMER



BUILDS CHILDHOOD DREAM

'PAGODA'

A labor of love and a dream comes true at age 69!

As a result, Elmer Waddell owns a 40 foot high Chinese pagoda—probably the only one in Illinois—on his farm near Taylorville.

One can imagine the speculation which blossomed at the sight of this Chinese structure rising in the mid-Illinois corn fields. A rumor had it that Waddell married a Chinese lady and that she refused to come to America until he built her a pagoda. However, Mr. Waddell is married to a lady of French descent from Assumption.

Another fantasy has it that Waddell built a "Chinese chicken house." Seems that the chicks were started on the top floor and were moved down a floor at a time as they grew. When they reached the ground, they were full grown and ready for market.

Why then did Mr. Waddell build a pagoda?

Elmer's finished product started as a dream when he was a mere lad. He looked at pictures of pagodas in books. The image of this odd-shape building stuck in his mind. With each passing year, he toyed



Shades of the house of "the old lady who lived in the shoe." Waddell stands in front of latest addition to this playground for his grandchildren, great-grandchildren and neighborhood tots.

with the idea of building a pagoda of his own, right in the heart of the prairie land.

Waddell combined his dream and his plans with a practical reason for building the pagoda. He decided that the pagoda would be a very fine center of attraction for a playground for his grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and the neighborhood children.

As to how and when he did all of this, Mr. Waddell says, "I worked in my spare time, building with used lumber. It took me two and one-half years, and except for having help one-half day, I did all of the work myself." In case you've forgotten, this made Mr. Waddell past 71 when he completed the project.

On two floors of the pagoda,

Waddell built a merry-go-round. He also added Chinese gongs which always delight the kiddies.

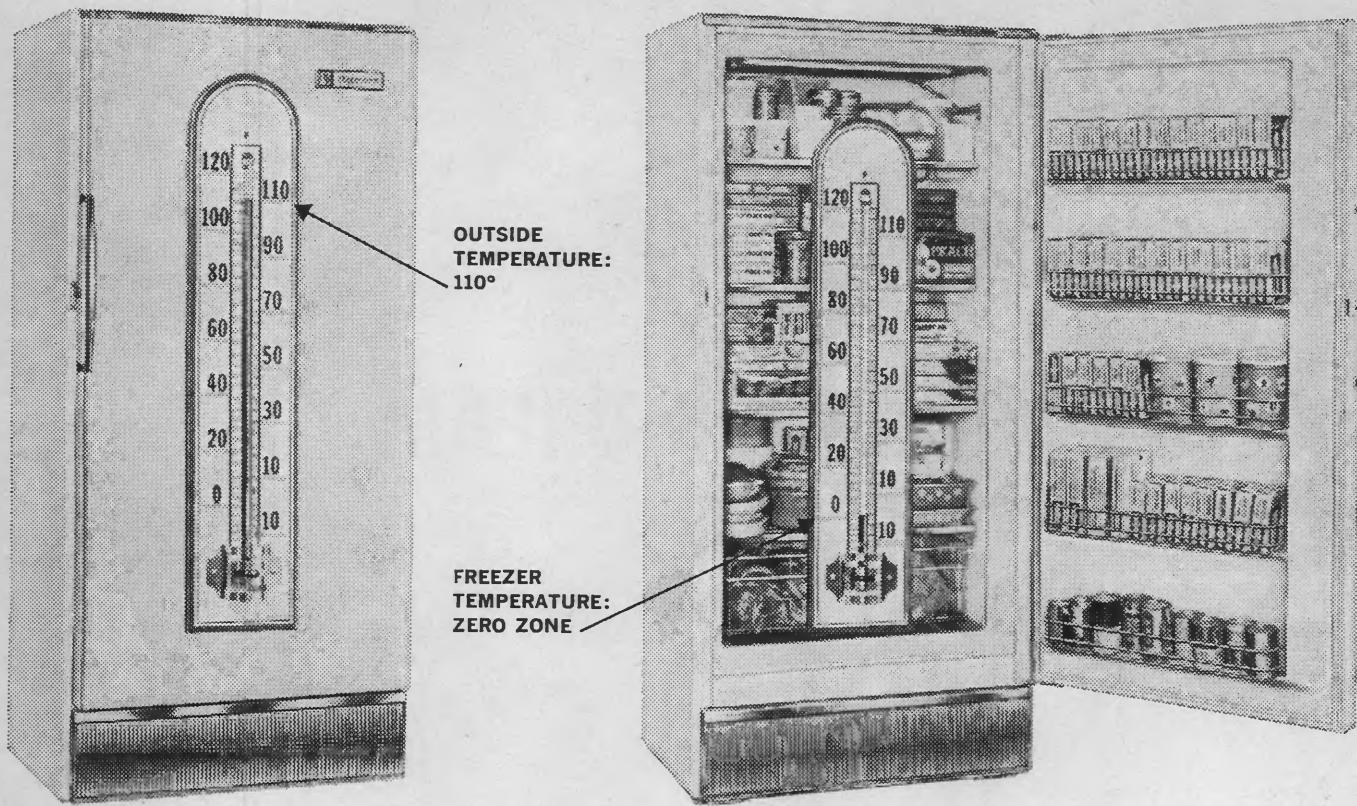
Most recent addition to the playground is a Chinese "joss house" (a Chinese temple or place for idolatrous worship). On one end of this is built a large "shoe" which reminds one of "the old lady who lived in the shoe."

Put all of these features together and you have a wonderful attraction for the kiddies, especially on Sunday outings.

Waddell and a son, farm 280 acres of highly productive land. He also has a very ardent interest in the herd of 70 to 80 head of purebred Hereford cattle, which is managed by his son.

Waddell is a member of the Shelby Electric Co-op, Shelbyville.

Good news for farm families!



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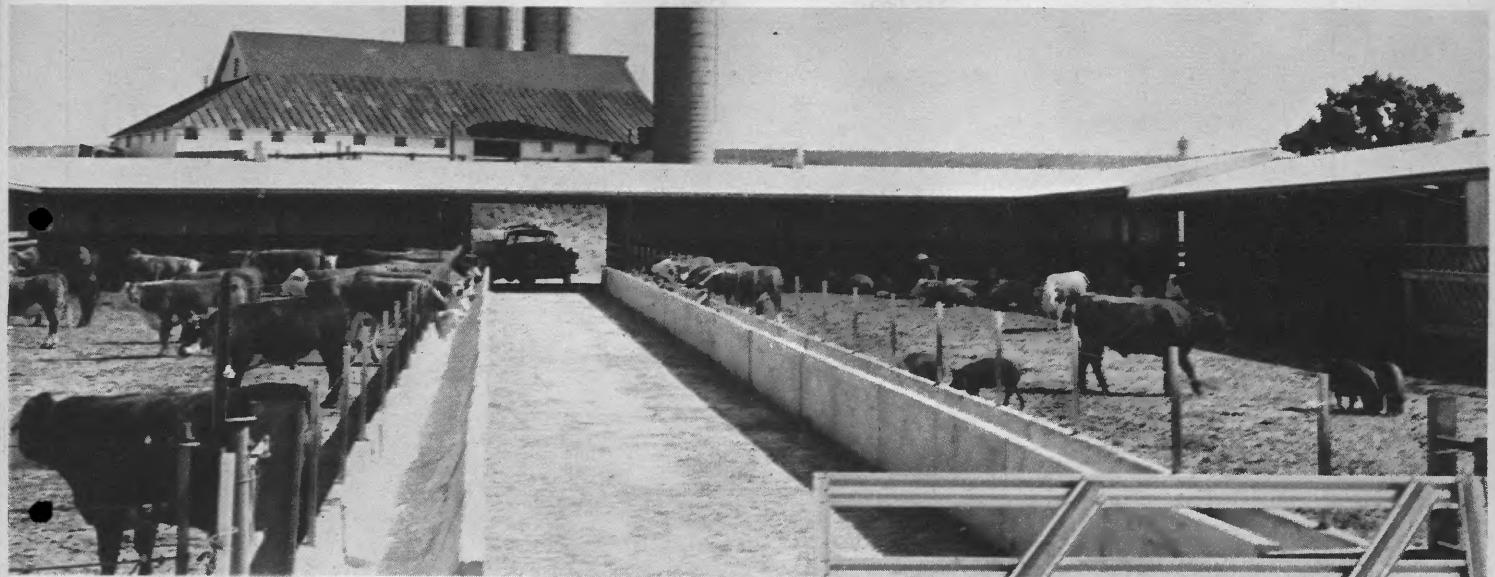
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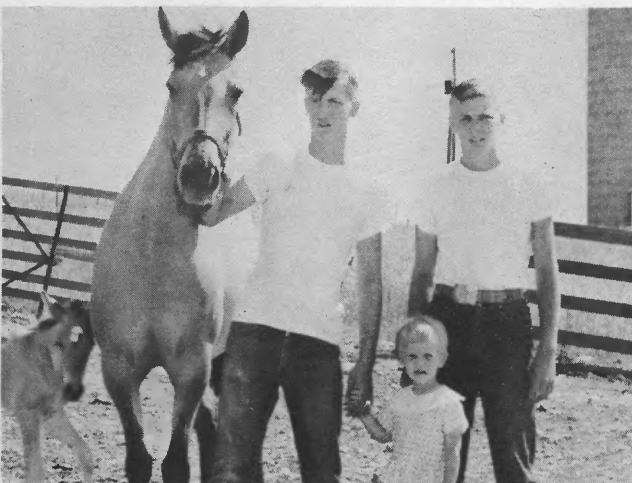
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A 'ranch' in Illinois?

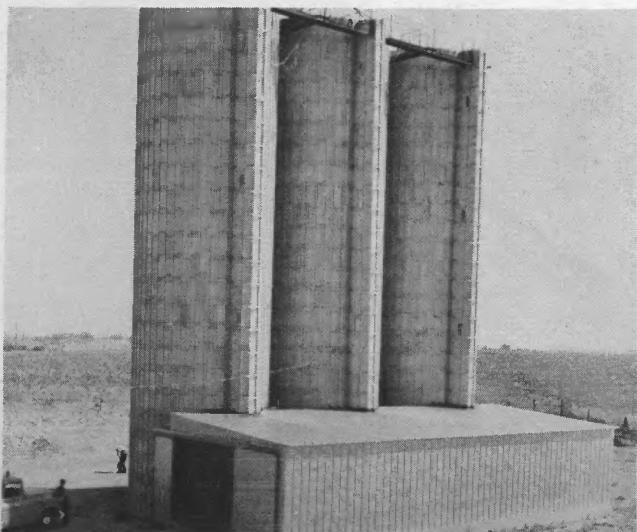


Right down the driveway between the two concrete feeder troughs, comes the truck pulling a self unloading wagon full of ground feed.



This scene makes the ranch complete. Shown are three Wells children with a fine saddle horse and foal. The boys, of course, are fine riders and their little sister will also be one when she grows up.

These three large silos house the grain. Electricity from the Jo-Carroll Electric Cooperative moves the feed by auger to the wagon.



Horses, hundreds of beef cattle, over a thousand acres of land and a name like Apple River Ranch—it must be a place out west. But, it isn't. All of this adds up to one of the largest beef feeding operations in the state.

Apple River Ranch is located on 1,286 acres of rolling ground in Jo Daviess County, north of Woodbine. At present there is a herd of 620 Angus and Hereford cattle, consuming about one ton of feed a day—not on the range—but from feed troughs in a concreted, divided feedlot.

John Wells, manager of the farm the last 12 years for owner Alex S. Gardner, Evanston, points out that automation is the key to the whole feeding operation. Heart of the operation is the feedlot, three sides of which are surrounded by windbreak shelters.

Ground feed is delivered to the cattle in a self unloading wagon, after electric elevators have filled the wagon with the grain from three huge silos. Electricity from Jo-Carroll Electric Cooperative, Elizabeth, helps to start this vast feed undertaking.

From the wagon, the prepared feed is distributed evenly into two concrete feed troughs which run the length of the feedlot, and are located on each side of the driveway, which cuts the lot in two.

Corn which makes up most of the cattle's daily ration is purchased locally from neighboring farms at a high moisture content, between 26 and 31 per cent. "We raise very little ourselves," Wells explains. Most of the ranchland is planted in alfalfa and brome grass, also part of the cattle's feed.

Cattle for this ranch-farm are bought at about 700 pounds out west. They are put on full feed for 120 to 130 days and then are shipped to market. Angus run around 1050 pounds, while Herefords run between 1150 to 1175 pounds. "The Herefords seem to do better," Wells adds.

Still a ranch wouldn't be a ranch—west or midwest without a horse barn and saddle horses. Wells has these animals, which are especially enjoyed by his sons, Jim, Jack and Jerry. Daughter, Robbie, only 3½, longs for the day when she can ride the range with the menfolk.

for the homemakers

By Judy Parker



TOMATO BARBECUE SALAD



CRAB MEAT SPECIAL



TUNA AVOCADO RING



Salads are more popular than ever and no longer considered company fare—they take their place right along with meat and potatoes in everyday meals. There is a good reason for this—women have learned to use a little more imagination in making salads and that a salad to be good must be cold. Modern refrigerators have been one of the big contributing factors in the wholehearted acceptance of salads as an attractive way of improving nutrition by providing needed minerals and vitamins in the diet.

A good tossed salad, you will find, adds a great deal to any meal and is worth the small amount of extra care that makes the difference between the crisp, inviting salad and the defeated-looking, soggy bowl of greens that no one enjoys. Don't limit yourself to lettuce and cabbage for the greens—use a variety and have them crisp. Keep your salad greens in the hydrator of your refrigerator, washed and ready for the salad bowl at the last minute. Use a large bowl, preferably a wooden one. (Never wash your wooden salad bowl. Wipe it out with damp cloth after using, cover and store. It will have a beautiful luster and provide flavor to salad.) If you love a touch of garlic, rub the inside of bowl ever so lightly with a clove cut in two. Tear the greens to bite size—never cut them—and accent with raw cut vegetables, try red radish, green onion, chives, parsley, young spinach leaves, cucumber, tomato, green pepper, avocado, carrot, cauliflower, zucchini (the new long green skinny squash) or mushroom. Add the chilled dressing at the last minute, using only enough to coat leaves, but not enough to collect in a little pool at the bottom of bowl. Too much dressing makes the salad soggy and robs it of flavor. Before using a dressing, be sure all ingredients are well blended. If you have an electric blender, use it. Stores offer a wide range in prepared dressings and salad-dressing mixes, or you can make one to suit your own taste.

BASIC FRENCH DRESSING

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup vinegar (tarragon, wine, cider or malt)
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup salad oil
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon pepper

Combine all ingredients in a pint jar, beat or shake until blended. Shake well before using.

ITALIAN-STYLE DRESSING: Use wine vinegar and olive oil, add 1 clove garlic, finely chopped, and $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon finely crushed basil or red peppers.

AMERICAN FRENCH DRESSING

$\frac{1}{4}$ cup sugar
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon dry mustard
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon paprika
1 can cond. tomato soup
1 cup salad oil
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup vinegar
1 teaspoon Worcestershire

Combine ingredients in order listed, mix well. Keep in refrigerator, this does not separate.

MAYONNAISE

$\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon sugar
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon dry mustard
Few grains cayenne
1 egg
2 teaspoons tarragon vinegar
1 cup olive or salad oil
1 tablespoon lemon juice

Combine sugar, salt, mustard and cayenne in deep bowl; add egg, mix thoroughly. Add vinegar slowly, stirring constantly. Beat in 3 teaspoons oil, a drop at a time, using rotary beater or electric mixer at medium speed. Beat in remaining oil in a small amount at a time until mixture thickens. Be sure mixture is smooth before making next addition of oil. Stir in lemon juice, store covered in refrigerator. $1\frac{1}{4}$ cups.

THOUSAND ISLAND DRESSING

1 cup mayonnaise
2 tablespoons chili sauce
2 tablespoons green pepper, chopped
2 tablespoons pimiento, chopped

Blend all ingredients. Chill. A chopped hard-cooked egg may be added.

CAESAR SALAD

2 cloves garlic
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup salad or olive oil
8 slices white bread
3 quarts mixed salad greens including romaine
1 teaspoon salt
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon pepper
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup lemon juice
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons Worcestershire
Parmesan cheese, grated
1 egg

Slice garlic; add to oil, let stand several hours. Trim crusts from bread, cut in $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch cubes; toast on pan at 325 degrees about 25 minutes. Just before serving tear greens into bowl; pour half of garlic oil over them. Add salt, pepper, lemon juice, Worcestershire and cheese; break raw egg on top. Toss until egg disappears. Remove garlic from remaining oil, pour over toast cubes, mix. Add toast to salad; toss. Serves 8. Good with garlic French bread.

Saladtime

TOMATO BARBECUE SALAD

1 pkg. lemon-flavored gelatin
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup hot water
1 small can tomato sauce
1 1/2 tablespoons vinegar
Dash of pepper
1 cup diced cooked beef
1 cup finely diced celery
2 tablespoons sweet pickle relish

Dissolve gelatin and salt in hot water. Add tomato sauce, vinegar and pepper. Blend. Chill until slightly thickened. Then fold in beef, celery, and pickle relish. Pour into 1-quart mold or individual molds. Chill until firm. Unmold. Garnish with crisp salad greens. Serve with mayonnaise, seasoned with horse-radish or dry mustard. Serves 4 to 6.

CRAB MEAT SPECIAL

3 large tomatoes
1 can crab meat
2 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
1/2 cup chopped celery
6 ripe olives, pitted and chopped
1 can rolled anchovy fillets
1/4 cup mayonnaise
1/4 cup heavy cream
2 tablespoons horse-radish
1 teaspoon Worcestershire

Cover the tomatoes with boiling water; drain. Carefully remove the skin. Cut the tomatoes in half crosswise. Scoop out seeds, invert, chill. Cut the crab meat into pieces. Add to chopped eggs, celery, olives and four of the anchovies, mix. Moisten the mixture with six tablespoons of the combined mayonnaise, heavy cream, horse-radish and Worcestershire. Heap the crab meat mixture in the tomatoes. Garnish with remaining anchovies. Place on chilled platter. Pour remaining horse-radish mixture into a sauceboat, sprinkle chives or parsley on top. Serve to 6.

TUNA AVOCADO RING

1 pkg. lemon-flavored gelatin
1 cup hot water
1 tablespoon salad oil
2 tablespoons vinegar
1/2 teaspoon salt
Dash of pepper
1/2 teaspoon paprika
1 cup (7% oz. can) tuna fish
flaked and drained
1/4 cup finely diced celery
2 tablespoons chopped pimento
1/4 cup chopped green pepper
2 teaspoons prepared horse-radish

Layer I

Dissolve gelatin in hot water. Add cold water. Chill until slightly thickened. Meanwhile, combine oil, vinegar, salt, pepper, paprika; blend well. Add remaining ingredients and mix thoroughly. Let stand 20 to 30 minutes. Fold tuna fish mixture into slightly thickened gelatin.

Pour into 2 1/2-qt. mold and chill until almost firm.

Layer II

1 pkg. lime-flavored gelatin
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup hot water
1 tablespoon lemon juice
3 tablespoons mayonnaise
1 avocado, pared and mashed

Dissolve gelatin and salt in hot water. Add cold water and lemon juice. Chill until thickened. Stir in mayonnaise and avocado, blending well. Pour over first layer and chill until firm. Unmold. Garnish with mayonnaise if desired.

FRESH SPINACH SALAD

1/2 cup garlic-flavored French dressing
1 pound fresh, young spinach leaves
Accent
1/4 pound sliced bacon
3 hard-cooked eggs

Put scored garlic cloves into French dressing a few hours before using. Wash, dry and refrigerate spinach. Sprinkle Accent over greens. Fry bacon until crisp, then drain on paper towel. Tear the spinach into fork-sized pieces, crumble bacon and slice eggs, toss all together. Remove garlic from dressing, pour over salad, toss. Serves 4 to 6.

PEAR WALDORF SALAD

2 cups diced pears
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 teaspoon sugar
1/2 cup mayonnaise
1 cup sliced celery
1/2 cup broken walnuts

Toss fruit with lemon juice, sugar, 1 tablespoon mayonnaise. Just before serving, add celery, walnuts, rest of mayonnaise.

WALDORF SALAD: For pears, substitute 2 cups diced unpeeled apples.

CHICKEN SALAD

3 cups diced cooked chicken
1 cup finely diced celery
2 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
1/2 cup mayonnaise
1/4 cup chopped sweet pickle
2 tablespoons lemon juice
2 tablespoons chopped pimento
1/2 teaspoon salt

Toss chicken with the chopped celery and eggs, mayonnaise, lemon juice, pickle, pimento and salt. Chill. Serve on crisp romaine and trim with sliced hard-cooked egg. Pass cruets of Italian or French dressings.

MOLDED CHICKEN SALAD: Soften 2 envelopes unflavored gelatin in 1 cup cool chicken broth. Dissolve by stirring over

low heat. Add 3 more cups chicken broth. Mix in above ingredients. Chill till partially set. Turn into 6-cup mold. Chill until firm.

MACARONI SALAD

4 cups cooked elbow macaroni
(1/2-lb. uncooked)
1 1/2 cups sliced celery*
1/2 cup cut-up green onions
1/4 cup sliced radishes
2 tablespoons snipped parsley
1 cup mayonnaise
2 tablespoons vinegar
2 tablespoons prepared mustard
1/2 teaspoon celery seeds
2 teaspoons salt
Dash pepper

Combine all ingredients. Chill. Serve on shredded lettuce; garnish with tomato or hard-cooked egg wedges, sliced olives. Serves 6. *For 1/2 cup celery you may substitute 1/2 cup sliced green olives; 1/2 cup diced, pared cucumber or green pepper; 4 chopped hard-cooked eggs; or 1 cup slivered process American Cheddar cheese.

TWENTY-FOUR HOUR SALAD

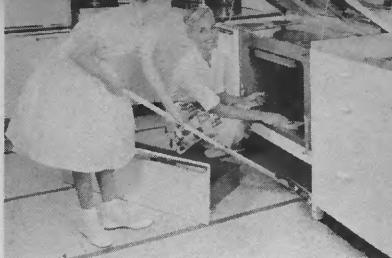
1 cup diced canned pineapple
1 cup orange sections, cut in halves
1 cup quartered marshmallows
1 cup sweet green grapes, cut in halves
1 egg
1 tablespoon sugar
2 tablespoons cream
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 cup cream, whipped

Combine fruits. Beat egg until light, gradually add sugar, cream, and lemon juice. Cook over low heat until thick, stirring constantly. Fold in cream. Pour over mixed fruit, toss lightly. Chill in refrigerator 24 hours. Do not freeze. Garnish with fresh mint leaves. Serves 8.

REFRIGERATOR BRAN ROLLS

Salad meals call for something special in the bread department. For these easy to make rolls measure 1 cup whole bran, 1 cup shortening, 3/4 cup sugar and 1 tablespoon salt into a bowl. Pour 1 cup boiling water over this and mix well. Let stand until lukewarm, then add 2 well-beaten eggs and 2 packages of yeast softened in 1 cup lukewarm water. Add 7 cups flour. Mix thoroughly and beat smooth with a spoon. Cover and store in refrigerator overnight. The next day, flour your hands lightly, shape dough into rolls, and let them rise in greased muffin pans in warm place until doubled in bulk. Bake at 400 degrees 15 minutes until nicely browned. Makes 2 1/2 dozen.





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TIME WAS when only the top-of-the-line deluxe ranges were equipped with the features that make electric cooking completely versatile. However, the spotlight is on convenience in all 1961 electric ranges, both free-standing and built-in. But more convenience features are included in the middle and budget-price models. That means more homemakers will benefit from the latest in design and engineering.

Practically all 1961 ranges are easier to clean. This is one feature women wanted and are getting. Design contributing to this happy state include: removable or drop-down doors; pull-out oven liners; disposable-foil oven liners; rounded edges and corners in oven interior; removable oven rack guides; removable or tilt-up oven units; removable broiler shields; no-spatter broiler pans; storage drawer removable for cleaning floor; control knobs that come off; recessed tops that catch spillovers; tilt-up top with full-width splash pan; plug-in surface units; lift-up surface units that permit easy removal of chrome rings and reflector pans; disposable reflector-bowl liners. To sum up cleanability, one range has 39 parts that are removable for easier scouring.

The new ranges tend to be easier to operate. Practically everything is spelled out for you right on the range. Controls are in logical order and clearly marked. There is an increase in printed-on cooking instructions as a permanent part of range. Ranges have better lighting. Push-buttons and knobs are bigger. There's a trend toward fewer control buttons to set no matter what's cooking.

Automatic oven timers are not the bugaboo they once were. They've been simplified to the setting of two indicators: One for the hour you wish food to start cooking (sometimes the cooking time required) and the other the hour you want the oven to stop. Brand new is a doubly automatic oven control which combines automatic timing with a "very low" setting for keep-warm temperature at end of preset cooking time. Frequently the appliance outlet can be timed automatically.

The guess-work has been taken out of meat cookery. There are automatic meat thermometers which do everything but tap you on the shoulder to tell you the roast is done. They function in a variety of ways but always with the intent of producing just the degree of doneness you desire. You insert the thermometer in the middle of meat, and when it's done as you like it, a buzzer tells you. In some ovens, the meat is automatically held at the just-right stage without further cooking until serving time. Rotisserie attach-

ments come with many ovens which are self-basting. They give indoor cooking an outdoor flavor.

Surface units have ended potwatching. You can dial the exact amount of heat you want. Some may get hotter faster but all maintain good, steady, low heat when called for. Almost every range today has at least one surface unit with temperature control like an oven. You don't have to bring a pot to "boil" then turn it down to "simmer." A sensing element adjusts surface heat for true one-step cooking. Some of these units even cut down the working portion of the heating element to fit your cooking pan—whether it be 4-inch, 6-inch or 8-inch.

There was an increase in sales of free-standing ranges last year, but the built-in look, continues to be increasingly popular, and this year's market offers many ways to achieve it. The trend is really to free-standing appliances with the built-in look. The popular one-piece models, variously called "drop-ins," "set-ins," or "convertible" ranges slide neatly in place between sections of work counter and fit flush with wall and cabinets. Several makes have recessed tops, one with a "terrace top" recessed at two levels making the cooking platform a bit lower than work-counter for more convenient stirring and cooking. Others combine a drop-in cook top immediately over oven section. Some are built-ins, some are complete free-standing ranges.

Increasingly popular, also, are the eye-level ovens and cook tops with pull-out work surface or surface units. One of these makes has glass doors that glide upward, not over, the cooking surface. Some models are free-standing. In other cases, the oven and cook top are combined with stack-on cabinets, the oven either stacked on or wall-hung. All, however, designed to achieve the built-in look and some are built-in.

With squared corners and measurements coinciding with those of kitchen cabinets and countertops, even the plain free-standing electric range has taken on a new look.

There have been some changes in the standard built-in wall ovens and drop-in cook tops, too. Surface units are more compactly designed, stealing less space from storage beneath. Controls are moving away from the front, sometimes placed in a row at the side, often on wall or venthood. Ovens are bigger in size. You can choose an oven 24 or 30 inches, single or double.

Most manufacturers offer a variety of color and metallic finishes in addition to white. Take your choice.



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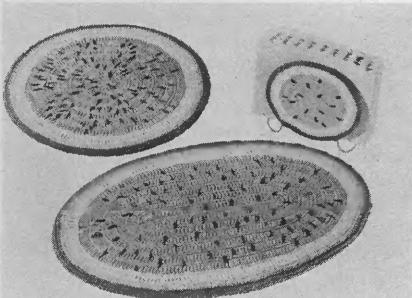
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PEN PALS

Hi Pen Pals,

We were very sorry we had to omit the Jr. Rural Electric News last month, but those things happen sometimes and just can't be helped. However, here is a page jammed full of letters from Pen Pals waiting to hear from you, so better get busy right away and get yourself a new Pen Pal. Address any letters for publication to: Judy Parker, Jr. Rural Electric News, Box 1180, Springfield, Ill.

LIKES TO SEW

I am 13 years old. My birthday is September 15. I am in the eighth grade. I have brunette hair and blue eyes. I am five feet, three and one-half inches tall. My hobbies are sewing, cooking and styles. I am in the Hutsonville High School band. I play a Clarinet in the band. I take piano lessons also. I would like to hear from boys and girls between the ages of 13 and 16. I will try to answer all letters I receive. I would like to have pictures, if possible.—Sharon Donner, R. R. No. 1, Annapolis, Ill.

CAPTAIN OF BALL TEAM

I am 12 years old and my birthday is July 26. I go to Scofield Grade School. I have short brown hair and light blue eyes. My hobby is horseback riding. I also like to read, play baseball, football and am captain of our ball team at school. I promise to answer any letters I get.—Dorothy Wear, R. R. No. 3, Carthage, Ill.

COLLECTS BOOKS

I am nine years old. I have brown hair and brown eyes. I am in the fourth grade. My hobbies are collecting books about horses and magic tricks. My birthday is June 14. I would like to hear from boys and girls of all ages. I would like to have a picture, if possible.—Danny Fout, Box 196, Mt. Erie, Ill.

JULY 4 BIRTHDAY

I am 13 years old and my birthday is July 4. I am five feet, three inches tall. I have long blonde hair. My hobbies are skating (ice). I am in the seventh grade. I would like to hear from boys and girls from 13 to 15. — Rita Renscher, Box 286, Breese, Ill.

COLLECTS ROCKS

I am 11 years old. I have brown hair and brown eyes. I am four feet, 11 inches tall. I weigh 89 pounds. I live on a farm. My hobbies are sewing, baking and collecting rocks. I am in the sixth grade. I would like to hear from boys and girls from 11 to 13 years of age. I would like pictures, if possible.—Linda Beard, R. R. No. 4, Marshall, Ill.

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PLAYS GUITAR

I am 15 years old and I am in the eighth grade at Roadhouse Junior High School. I have brown hair and eyes. I am five feet, 10½ inches tall. My favorite hobby is playing the guitar. I would like to hear from boys and girls of all ages. I will try to answer all letters.—Pat Henry, Roadhouse, Ill.

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LISTENS TO RADIO

I am 12 years old and my birthday is October 11. I am in the seventh grade. My hair is light brown and my eyes are blue. I like to listen to the radio when music is on. I like to ride horses but I don't have a horse. I would like to hear from boys and girls from 11 to 13. I will answer all letters I receive. I would love to have pictures of boys and girls that write to me.—Mary Jane Morrell, Loraine, Ill.

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LIKES TO DANCE

I am 13 years old. I am five feet, two inches tall. I am in the eighth grade at Russellville Grade School. I have dark brown hair and dark brown eyes. I like to dance and listen to Rock n' Roll music. I would like to hear from boys and girls between 14 and 16 years of age.—Naomi Wilber, R. R. No. 2, Vincennes, Indiana.

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COLLECTS RECORDS

I am 15 and a freshman of Chapin High School. I have long brown hair and blue eyes. I collect Elvis' and Fabian's records. My hobbies are roller skating and dancing to Rock n' Roll music. I would like to hear from boys and girls from the ages of 15 to 17. I will try to answer all letters.—Wilda Hullinger, R. R. No. 1, Chapin, Ill.

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WATCHES TV

I am 10 years old. I have brown hair and blue eyes. My hobbies are watching TV and dancing to Rock n' Roll music. My birthday is September 17. I would like to hear from boys and girls between nine and 13. I would like to have pictures also.—Dena Jean Haught, R. R. No. 2, Goreville, Ill.

COLLECTS POSTCARDS

I am 14 years old and my birthday is November 4. I am in the eighth grade at Beardstown High School. My hobbies are collecting postcards, cooking, sewing, and listening to the radio. I have four sisters. I am five feet, three and one-half inches tall. I weigh 121 pounds. I have brown short curly hair. I would like to hear from girls between the ages of 14 and 16. I would like to have pictures if possible. I will try to answer all letters I get.—Zella Mae Avery, R. R. No. 2, Beardstown, Ill.

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ENJOYS SWIMMING

I am 12 years old and have blonde hair and blue eyes. I am in the seventh grade. My birthday is November 27. I am five feet, four inches tall. I go to the Centennial School in El Paso. I like dancing, Rock n' Roll, sewing, cooking, swimming and music. I would like to hear from boys and girls from 12 and over. I promise to answer every letter I receive.—Susan Stimpert, R. R. No. 1, Carlock, Ill.

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WANTS PEN PALS

I like Pen Pals. I had two but only have one now. I am 12 years old. My birthday is February 21. I am four feet, seven inches tall. I have light brown hair and green eyes. I am in the seventh grade in Central Junior High School. My hobbies are horseback riding, listening to Rock n' Roll music, and also sewing and cooking. I would like to hear from boys and girls from 12 to 15 years of age. I will write to anyone who sends me a letter.—Christine Mikenas, 809 N. Chestnut St., Kewanee, Ill.

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PLAYS FLUTE

I am 11 years old. I am in the sixth grade. I have brown hair and blue eyes. I am four feet, 11 inches tall. I play the Flute and the piano, and like them both very well. I would like to hear from boys and girls of all ages.—Harriet Frances, Mill Shoals, Ill.

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LIKES TO READ



I am 14 years old and my birthday is February 28. I am a freshman at Flora Township High School. I have brown hair and hazel eyes. I like to read. I would like to hear from boys and girls of all ages. If possible, I'd like a picture.—Lela Carol Smith, R. F. D. No. 4, Xenia, Ill.

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CHEER LEADER

I am 14 years old. I am in the eighth grade at Funkhouser Grade School. I have brown hair and eyes. I am five feet, six inches tall and weigh 110 pounds. My birthday is January 22. My hobbies are horseback riding, swimming, listening to Rock n' Roll records, roller skating, and cheer leading. I would like to hear from boys and girls between the ages of 13 and 16. I will answer all letters.—Fran Suzette Ervin, R. R. No. 2, Box 97, Effingham, Ill.

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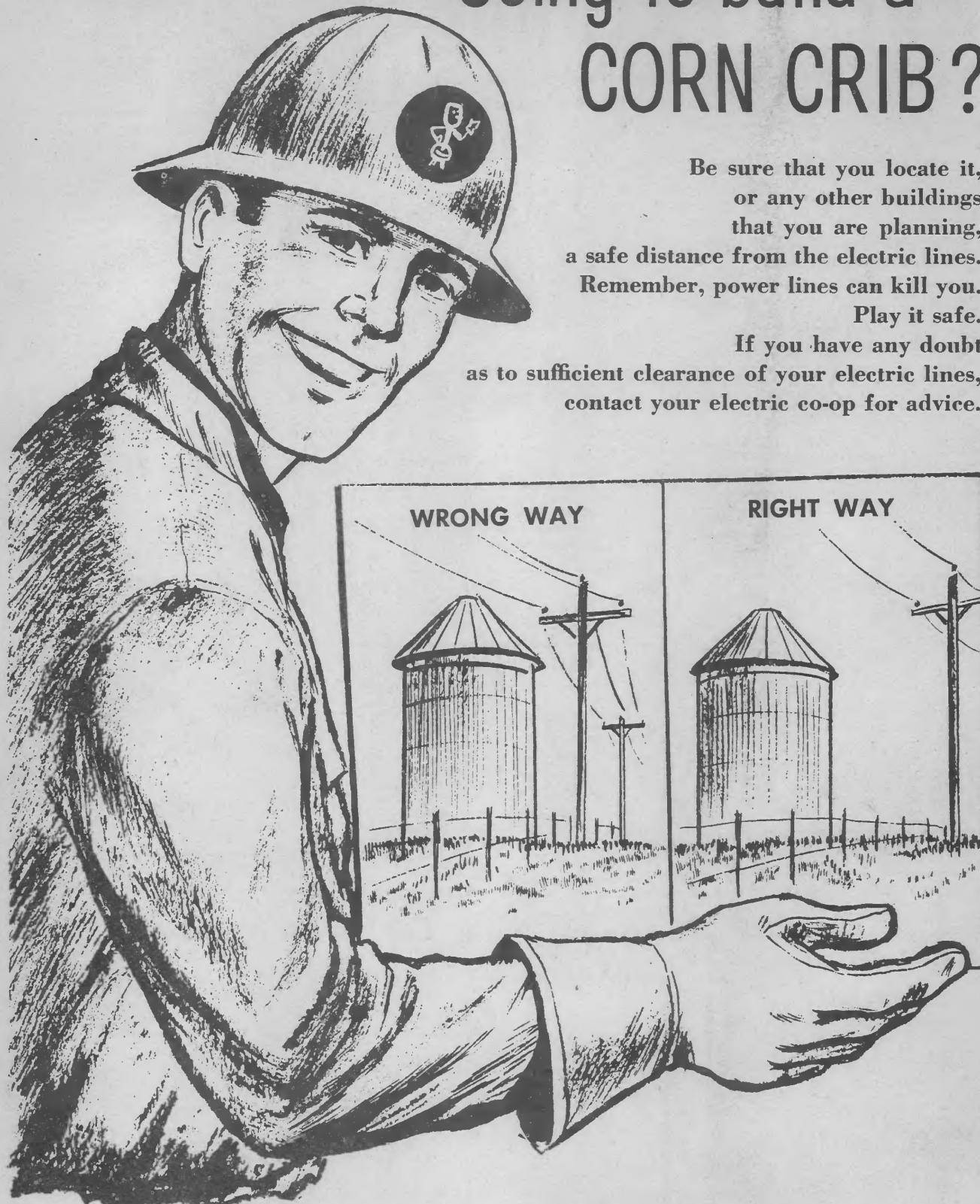
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