

The Roundup

By WILBORNE HARRELL

Saw a buttercup this morning—the first of the season. And this should be a good sign that Spring is on the way, or not far off, at least.

PHIL OSOPHER SAYS—A borrower will return your money quicker than he'll return your books.

It has taken me several years to become sold on television, and I have written derogatively on the subject; but now that I have joined the ranks of the devotees of the Big Eye, you'd have a fight on your hands if you attempted to part me from my TV—unless, of course, you were the repossess man. I am having a little trouble, though, adjusting myself to the midge silver screen. After several years listening to voices on the radio, it is increasingly difficult to fit the voice to the man on TV. The same applies

to radio dramas that are also produced on TV, particularly when played by different actors. For instance, Gunsmoke is played by William Conrad on radio, and by James Arness on TV. All the actors are different in Gunsmoke, and I have a sense of unreality when viewing it, after having become used to another set of voices. This also holds true in the case of commentators and newscasters. Also preconceived ideas of fictional characters are difficult to adjust to the TV version. Perry Mason, in my mind's eye, was a lean, hawk-eyed man; but on TV he is somewhat heavy set and not in the least is he hawk-eyed. Della Street I had pictured as a blonde; why, I don't know, but there it is. Dennis, as portrayed in the cartoon is a much younger, and chubbier kid than the TV Dennis. And so it goes—but I like it all, nevertheless, and as I said—try

to take it away from me. The next step in the development of TV, if the present trend continues, will be pay TV. You know, the coin in the slot, the pay as you play brand. I haven't given that phase of the situation much thought, but it occurs to me, if pay TV did materialize I'd hate to be caught in the midst of a tense cops-and-robbers drama or a Dodge City shoot-out without a spare coin. That would be a hardship far beyond the point of endurance, and cruelty personified. But maybe it won't be as bad as all that—it might be an advancement for the overall betterment of programs and a general improvement of the TV picture—no pun intended.

Cast out Castro!

Home Ec Teachers Meet At Camden

The Home Economics Teachers of the Albemarle Area held their monthly meeting in the Camden County High School. Due to a change in the April program, the March meeting was devoted to evaluation of this year's meetings. The following is a list of programs discussed: August—"Plans for the Year" September—"Strengthening Future Homemakers of America."

October—"Just in Case" (civil defense).
November—"New Trends of Teaching in the Areas of Family Relations, Clothing and Home Nursing with Emphasis on the Selection and Use of Printed Materials and Other Visual Aids"

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1962 State Easter Seal Child



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COLLEGE ENROLLMENTS HIT ALL TIME HIGH IN FALL '61

Enrollment of full and part-time college students increased this fall for the 10th consecutive year to an all-time high of 3,891,000, the U. S. Office of Edu-

cation has reported. This exceeded by 7.3 per cent the previous record of 3,610,000 set in the fall of 1960.

The number of students enrolled for the first time in college rose to 1,026,000, a jump of 10.4 per cent over the fall of 1960. The 1961 fall enrollees included 2,424,000 men and 1,467,000 women compared with 2,271,000 men and 1,339,000 women in the fall of 1960. The percentage increase for men was 6.8; for women it was 9.5.

A Good Yardstick

A young man was doing his own shopping. He said to the pretty girl behind the counter: "I want a pillowcase, please." "Yes," said the girl. "What size?" "Why—er—I'm not sure," said the young man. "But I take a six and seven-eighths hat."

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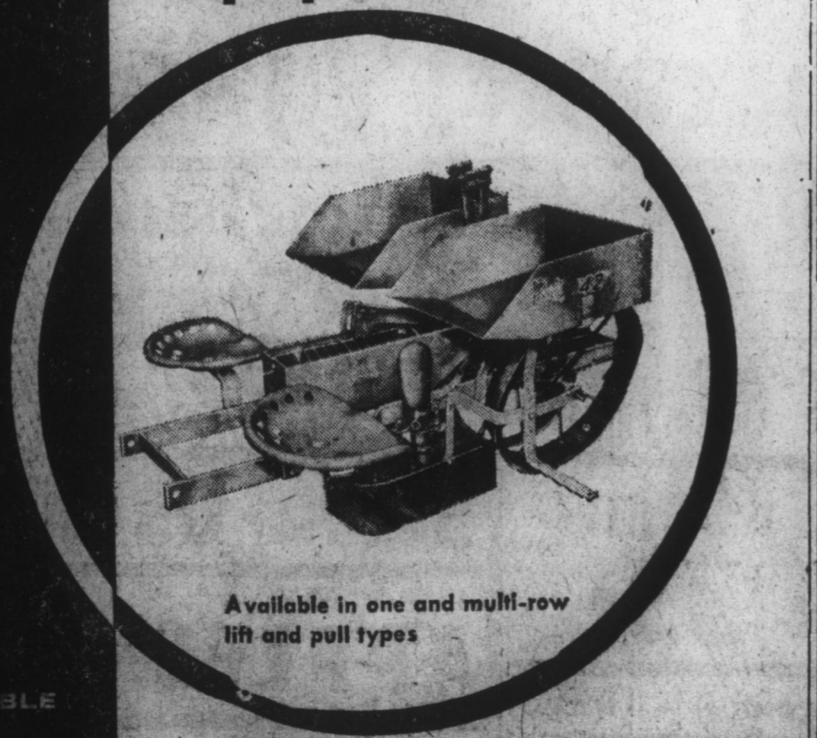
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