

Seed Purchases Previous Figures

Flowers May Be Cabled Overseas To Military Dead

Families who have sons or brothers in United States military cemeteries overseas can place floral wreaths on individual graves this Memorial Day by arrangement with their nearest FTD florist, according to Col. John P. New, commanding officer of the Charlotte Quartermaster Depot.

Floral delivery service has been arranged for military graves in Europe or Iceland, Hawaii or the Philippines on the same guarantee basis as domestic orders, an official of the Telegraph Delivery association has stated.

Minerals Laboratory Opening Announced

The public is invited to attend the formal opening of the N. C. State College Minerals Research laboratory Monday in Asheville.

Tobacco Program Pays For Itself, Says Rep. Kerr

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Delegations from tobacco raising states asked a house agriculture appropriation committee last week to allow "sufficient funds" to continue current tobacco programs.

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or recession which seems to be under way around Burlington. However, he has been assured that the layoffs in the mills are largely "third shift" discharges . . . that is, those who work the "graveyard" shift from 11 to 7, or along there. Raleigh hears that these reductions in personnel have occurred because markets are becoming flooded with high-priced materials. As soon as these move the mills will begin full blast again, but on commodities of better value.

SCHOOL BUSTERS

Now begins the season of "school-busting", as State officials are wont to refer to them. You might call them commencement. Most of the State office-holders are signed up right on through May. Dr. Clyde Erwin, superintendent of schools, can tell you in a minute the dates of most of the closing of the schools—and probably so can Gov. Cherry, just by glancing over invitations to speak.

Insurance Reinstated By 365,000 Veterans

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Veterans Administration says more than 365,000 World War II veterans have reinstated almost \$2,288,000,000 in lapsed National Service Life Insurance policies since Feb. 3.

Philadelphia Is Out For Democrats, Too

PHILADELPHIA—(AP)—Philadelphia business leaders, granted the job of host for the 1948 Republican Convention, have made plans to try to bring the '48 Democratic conclave here as well.

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that is their only expense. It is a great boon to government workers, coming here from all over the country.

No Threat Is Seen In Japanese Mills

TOKYO—(AP)—Allied headquarters officials commented here that plans for increasing the number of operable spindles in Japan's cotton industry presents "no immediate danger of any large-scale infringement upon interests of other textile areas."

Honest Diner

WILMINGTON—(AP)—The intruder who broke into a Wilmington diner left this note:

Famed Circus Town On Move (Again)

AP Newfeatures.
GAINESVILLE, Tex.—There are unmistakable signs of Spring all over America today.

The violet, the crocus and the bluebird herald the approach of the season in the poet's language. But citizens of Sarasota, Fla., Louisville, Ky., and Gainesville, Texas, have more lusty and obvious harbingers in the raucous notes of the calliope, the clippity-clop of horses' hoofs pounding the tankbark, and the notes of the blacksmith's anvil resounding from circus quarters.

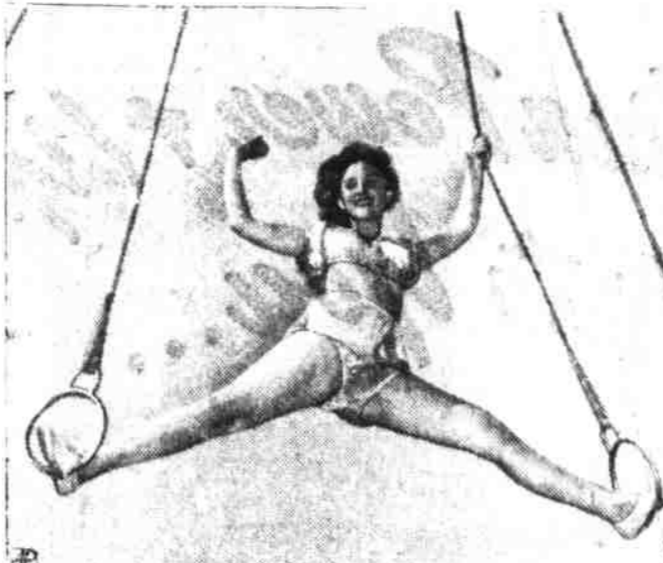
Spring is the circus season and already several of the 30-odd caravans of gaily painted trucks and wagons which haul the equipment to convert vacant lots into great tented cities have started their annual tours which will touch the largest of cities and the smallest of villages from coast to coast, and entertain millions of persons, young and old, in the way only the circus can.

Unique among these amusement enterprises is the Gainesville Community Circus, now in its 18th season. Its personnel is composed entirely of citizens of the Texas town its title bears.

The principal bareback rider is a truck driver for a dry cleaning plant, the death-defying girl on the loop-the-loop trapeze is a high school junior, and the funny clown with the bulbous red nose is her mathematics teacher.

In Gainesville, as in no other city or town in these United States, circus acts are taught in school physical education classes and aerial and acrobatic devices replace the conventional parallel bars and volley ball nets.

Opening of the circus season in



TRAP-EASY ON EYES is this local aerialist

Gainesville has become such an event that national figures, including Elliott Roosevelt and U. S. Senator Tom Connally have been on hand to act as honorary ringmasters. They ride prancing horses at the head of the parade and blow shrill blasts on gold whistles to inaugurate the first performance.

There is a homecoming celebration, too, for thousands of ex-Gainesvillites, who like to come back home to see what their former neighbors are doing. They will see a still-walking clown who drove a truck in Belgium during the battle of the bulge; a slack wire artist, who entertained his buddies in the air corps in England between raids over the continent, using improvised props; and a horse trainer who conceived new ideas for his act during the long months he was

isolated on Attu with the Seabees.

In addition to the home town celebration, the circus has been scheduled to do a modest bit of touring over the Southwest, sponsored by charitable organizations to provide funds for their philanthropies.

One requirement of the Gainesville circus is that a member be a bona fide resident of the town of 12,000 population, without any previous circus experience. The other is that a performer receive no financial remuneration for his services.

The plaudits of half a million persons who have seen the show, and comments such as that of Billy Rose: "It is the most delightful thing I've ever seen," are sufficient recompense for the home-town troupers, they avow.

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By R. J. SCOTT.
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WHAT FLYING MAMMAL HAS BETTER CONTROL IN FLIGHT THAN BIRDS?
THE BAT

NBC Ends Feud With Comedians

HOLLYWOOD—(AP)—The four-day skirmish between the National Broadcasting company and its radio comedians was over Thursday with the comedians planning an unopposed field day of jibes at the network.

The controversy started Sunday night when Fred Allen was cut off the air briefly during a wisecrack about a mythical network vice-president in charge of overtime, who gets a vacation by accumulating seconds from the ends of overtime broadcasts. Bob Hope and Red Skelton were next.

Now all three are "honorary vice-presidents of NBC."

Gen. Eisenhower Will Address N. C. Farmers

WASHINGTON—General Dwight D. Eisenhower, making his first appearance on a public platform in North Carolina, will address the August 28 evening assembly of Tar Heel farmers attending the state farm and home week at North Carolina State college.

The army chief of staff and wartime commander of allied forces in Europe accepted an invitation, tendered by Senator Clyde R. Hoey, to deliver one of the principal speeches to state farm bureau federation members and other farmers during the week. Senator Hoey indicated Gen. Eisenhower will speak in State college's Riddick stadium.

Some writing fellows have taken exception to Ingrid's apparent inability to find time to be interviewed, some of them have muttered no little about it, but most just say that if she wants to be alone, Garbo style, that it's okay with them.

Except that she attracts attention wherever she goes shopping or dining, Miss Bergman seems able to enjoy a more nearly normal existence than any of her sisters of the current acting profession. The others do all sorts of social acrobatics to call attention to themselves and their plays. But Ingrid goes serenely, coolly along and her show doesn't lose a customer, because of such solitary habits.

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