

Fishing Contest Now Open To All

Western Auto Associate Store
Resumes Contest Curtail-
ed By War

After a five year lapse due to the war, Western Auto Supply Company of Missouri, is again sponsoring its well-known and popular Big Base Contest. This year the contest is bigger than ever before. Prizes totaling \$10,657.50 in list value will be awarded the winning contestants throughout the country. This contest, which has proved so popular in the past is limited to fresh water large and small mouth bass taken from waters open to the general public. It is open to all men, women, boys and girls in the thirty-five states in which a Western Auto Store or Western Auto Associate Store is located.

To make the contest as fair as possible and eliminate any disadvantages one state would have over another in such widespread contest, Western Auto gives a separate set of awards in each of the thirty-five states. In this way the fish caught in any state are competing only with other fish caught in the same state, giving all contestants an equal chance at winning one of the valuable prizes. Past records show that bass weighing as little as 1½ pounds have taken first prize in some states.

First prize winner in each of the thirty-five states this year will receive a big six horsepower Wizard Outboard motor with a list value of \$159.50. Second prize will be a Heddon rod and Coxe reel with a list value of \$75.00; third prize a rod and reel with a list value of \$40.00; fourth prize will be assorted tackle valued at \$20.00 and fifth prize assorted tackle valued at \$10.00.

This contest is free and open to all. There are no obligations or purchases necessary. Free entry blanks with complete instructions are available at all Western Auto Stores or Western Auto Associate Stores. Official opening date of the contest was May 15 (subject to local or state laws). Entries are eligible from now until September 30, when the contest closes. All entries must be sworn to before a notary public or verified by a Western Auto Store manager of Western Auto Associate Store owner.

Timely Hints

Flour and feed bags have long been used by thrifty rural housewives for making house dresses, aprons, and children's clothes, bedspreads, draperies, luncheon cloths and towels. The first step in using one of these bags is to remove the black printed letters that labeled it, and textile specialists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture list the following directions:

1. Scrub bags with hot water and laundry soap. This often removes nearly all the ink. The rest usually disappears if bags are boiled in soapy water for half an hour and rinsed. A chlorine bleach may be used to take out the last traces of black.
2. Wet a bar of laundry soap and rub on the dry bag until it is entirely covered with a thick layer of soap. Roll up the bag and let it stand several hours. Then wash and boil if necessary.
3. Soak the bag in kerosene overnight. Then wash—first in lukewarm water, then in soapy water—and rinse thoroughly.
4. Cover the black print with lard or soft petroleum jelly, rubbing the grease into the fabric.

Twin Oaks News

Among those visiting Mr. and Mrs. Estel Anders Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Brady Farmer and children, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Farmer and children, Mr. and Mrs. Gwyn Anders, Mr. and Mrs. Buren Farmer and son, Mrs. Lenie Anders, Mrs. Len Farmer and Wilson Farmer.

Charles Sanders, North Wilkesboro, stopped with friends here, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hodge, and children spent Sunday with

thoroughly. Leave overnight to loosen the black, then wash in soapy lukewarm water and rinse.

5. Boil bags in water with sodium hydrosulphite or other dye removers, which may be purchased at drug stores. Follow directions given on the package. Rinse well.

A generous serving of fresh strawberries will, on the average, supply the recommended daily quota of vitamin C, a study recently reported by plant scientists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture shows.

friends at Independence, Va. J. E. Irwin, Gene Irwin and son Carl Wilson spent a while Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Douglas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Murray and sons, Paige and Troy, visited relatives here, Saturday.

Cecil Murray, J. M. Osborne and Carl Irwin made a business trip to Charlotte and Gastonia, Thursday, and visited William Musgrove in Catawba.

Miss Edna Sanders who has been employed in Bel Camp, Md., for several months, will arrive here this week to spend a vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Gwyn Sanders, here.

Miss Mable Wyatt, visited friends here, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Irwin will leave for Norfolk, Va., where they will live until he finishes his enlistment with the Navy next January.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Irwin Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Wade Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Irwin and J. E. Irwin.

Mrs. J. L. Bare, Sparta, spent a short while with friends here, Friday.

Stratford News

Mr. and Mrs. Letcher Gentry had as their dinner guests Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Joines; Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Truitt, also, Mr. Allen Irwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mabe and children visited, Mae and Kelly Williams Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Philo Caudill, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Caudill, and Estel Caudill spent Sunday with, Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Caudill.

Mrs. Liford Rector, and children, Louise, Dawane, and Roy spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Douglas.

Rev. and Mrs. Ray Billings and children, of Dobson, visited his sister, Mrs. J. F. Atwood one night last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Caudill, and daughter, Pauline spent Saturday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Brooks near Chestnut Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Southers, Jr., and baby visited her parents in Virginia Sunday.

Mrs. I. B. Richardson visited

her sister, Mrs. J. L. Irwin in Sparta last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Williams had as their Sunday guests; Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Taylor, also Mr. and Mrs. Earl Taylor.

James Douglas left this week for Williamston where he has accepted a position.

The word "tobacco" is thought to have originated either from a reed called tobacco that the Caribbean Indians used as a pipe in which to smoke a weed from a province now referred to as Yucatan, where tobacco was first grown.

Announcement

THURS. JUNE 5

is the last day for bidding on caretaker's position for Shiloh cemetery, which contains 4 acres.

Bids should be made to

J. T. Finney

Sparta, N. C.

The USDA announces that nearly ten million bushels of potatoes from the 1946 crop have been shipped abroad under the Department's potato export program.



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Want to Run a "Collective" Farm?

Was reading the other day about the "collective" farms they have in certain countries. It seems the folks who run them have plenty of help... good hours... and the best equipment.

Sounds pretty nice—till you learn that the "farmer" doesn't own his land, or even farm it, in our sense. He takes orders from the state; produces what they want, at prices they set. Even his off-hours are spent according to state regulations.

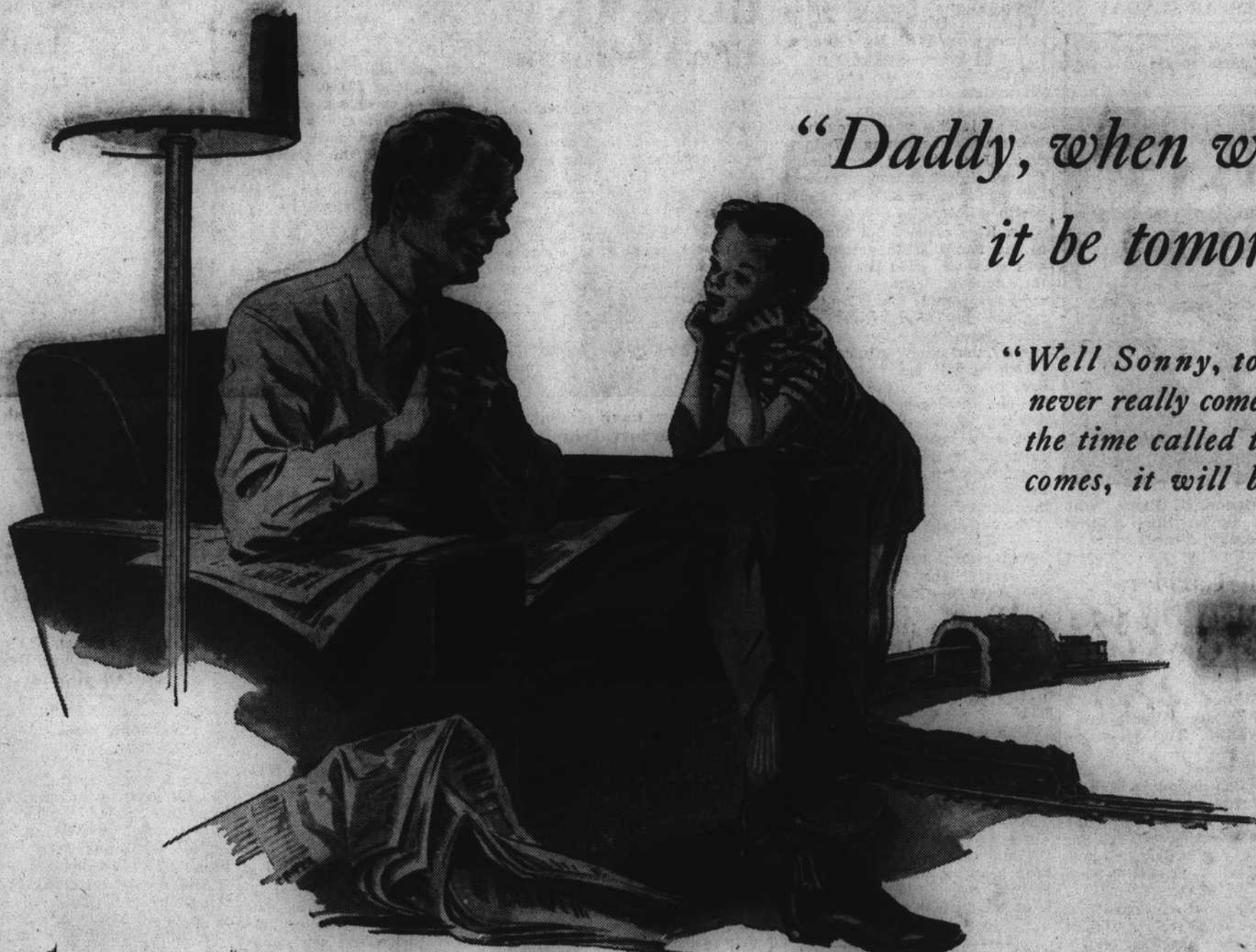
That wouldn't go here. We're

proud of our farms... but prouder still of the right to make our own rules. That goes not just for farmers, but for every American industry. Like the brewers' program of Self-Regulation which sees to it that taverns selling beer are decent, law-abiding places.

From where I sit, we've gone a lot further in this country with self-regulation than other nations have with strict controls. Let's never change.

Joe Marsh

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"Daddy, when will
it be tomorrow?"

"Well Sonny, tomorrow
never really comes. When
the time called tomorrow
comes, it will be today."

We on the Norfolk and Western believe that answer makes sense... for the railroad does things today. Tomorrow isn't soon enough.

Today, the N. & W. is working on a \$12,000,000 improvement and modernization track and tunnel project on one of the busiest districts of its main line in West Virginia, which will increase operating efficiency, improve safety, and enable the railroad to handle more traffic.

Today, the N. & W. is making important changes in grades and track, and installing Centralized Traffic Control on its line between Portsmouth and Cincinnati, Ohio, at a cost of about \$3,000,000, which will provide speedier, safer and more efficient movement of traffic on that district.

Today, the N. & W. is expanding its ocean terminal facilities by constructing one of the largest and most modern merchandise freight piers ever built, with new

warehouses and a supporting yard at the Port of Norfolk, in order to handle foreign freight and intercoastal traffic with the greatest possible speed and efficiency. Cost—about \$6,000,000.

Today, the N. & W. has on order a fleet of the latest streamlined luxury passenger coaches and the newest type roomette sleeping cars, which involves an expenditure of several millions of dollars.

These additions and improvements are some of the principal things the Norfolk and Western is doing today to provide better railway service. And there are many other things not so big, but important.

In short, this railroad and the Norfolk and Western Family are working tooth and nail to improve their service to, and their relations with, the public... today and every day.

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