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## d Mrs. Verlin Gibson

in Gibson are shown at the 85th birthday cele- on May 29. The occasion was observed with a home of a daughter, Mrs. Amos Moody, and Mr. ve of Haywood County, is a retired farmer and Mrs. Gibson, the former Miss Ellen Prater, will thday on Christmas Day. Both are active mem- Baptist Church. eight children: George Gibson of Waynesville, e, Mrs. Amos Moody of Dellwood, Mrs. James Gibson of Canton, Grady Gibson of Portland, of Rockwood, Tenn., and Mrs. Mack Edwards of

## WNC Welfare Officials To Meet Here Friday

Public welfare officials and laymen from 20 western North Carolina counties will hold an all-day meeting tomorrow at the Haywood County Court House to discuss problems and recent legislation affecting public welfare work.

Among those scheduled to appear on the program, which will start at 10 a.m., are Dr. Ellen Winston, state welfare commissioner; Dr. R. Eugene Brown, director of public assistant for the state department; Miss Anna Cassatt, of the staff development section; and Mrs. W. B. Aycock, supervisor of personnel and county organization. Mrs. Sam L. Queen, Haywood county superintendent of public welfare, announced today.

Members of the state department will lead the discussions.

Presiding will be Mrs. J. H. L. Miller, chairman of the McDowell County Welfare Board.

Following the luncheon intermission, the afternoon session will begin, continuing through mid-afternoon.

Mrs. Queen said all persons interested in public welfare problems are invited to attend.

## Ice Cream Sales Add To Fines Creek Funds

By MRS. FURMAN NOLAND
Mountaineer Correspondent

The Fines Creek Community treasury was fattened last Friday night through the sale of ice cream and soft drinks at the Community Development Program meeting at the school house.

The funds will help finance the projects of community improvement being carried on under the program.

Major goal is getting a telephone line to Fines Creek as soon as possible. C. B. McCrary was elected chairman of a committee to push this project.

Other plans are to paint the Methodist parsonage, complete construction of the Baptist church, and improve individual mail boxes.

Community Chairman Charles Duckett presided at the session.

There are many forests north of the Arctic Circle.

## Floods Hit Western North Carolina

Flood water races down Main street in Franklin, (left), during an invasion by high torrents in several mountain towns of the area. Two Franklin citizens, Zeb Angel and Jay Mashburn, make their way afoot through the swirling current. Right: Boatmen in Canton, paddle their small craft right up to the front of a flooded home in Clyde. (AP Photos).

Sour milk is a favored drink in some parts of Europe.

If free of bacteria, milk will keep almost indefinitely.

Air is a mixture of gases, not a chemical compound.

## State Gasoline Taxes Again Top Billion

CHICAGO (U.P.) — Motorists paid more than $1,300,000,000 in state taxes on gasoline and motor fuel last year, the Federation of Tax Administrators reports.

The federation said net collections from gasoline taxes in 1948 were 11.8 per cent above those of 1947. It was the third straight year that state fuel taxes topped the billion-dollar mark.

The federation said the rise in gas tax collection "has corresponded to the increase in the number of motor vehicles on the highways." Automobile registration at the end of 1948, the federation said, had reached an all-time high.

Another factor in the increase, however, has been higher tax rates.

**HOLE-IN-ONE DESPITE 100**

PORTCHESTER, N. Y. (AP)—Jesse B. Jacobson, 20, failed to break 100 but he did get a hole-in-one. Playing the Green Valley course his tee shot went into the cup on the 131-yard third hole. He used a No. 8 iron, switching from a No. 7 on the advice of another player. His 18-hole score was 100.

William C. Ackerman is in his 29th season as tennis coach at UCLA.

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ture farmers and homemakers.

**The field of agriculture, however, is not limited to those men and women who have had their training in rural institutions. In cities all over America, courses are being taught which are strongly related to this field —especially research. As an example the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Laboratory at Beltsville, Md., has employed both rural and urban trained workers on its staff. This is just one of the many such places throughout the country where there is a growing demand for trained personnel.**

Like the field of research, economics is playing an even more important role in the field of agriculture today. No longer is the farm considered a remote segment of our economic structure, but the very basis of that structure. With the important task of feeding the world resting on our shoulders, farming has become big business. There is a real challenge to any young graduate who wants to put the theories of the classroom into actual practice.

For those who do not care to follow the suggestions mentioned above, there is the field of business administration. Large farms and small farms alike are as much a business as any other type of business. Making a success of the "farm" business takes as much careful planning as running a drug store but, unlike the drug store, the successful farmer must cope with the weather, fluctuating market conditions and a host of other thing. The work of the businessman-farmer, therefore, is aided greatly by researchers and economists, but no one of these trained persons should feel that he is doing the more important task. All are important, all have an equal service to give to agriculture.

## First Iron Warship To Be Scrapped

ERIE, Pa. (U.P.)—Plans are being made to junk the 106-year-old U.S.S. Wolverine, the world's first iron warship.

Various organizations, including Henry Ford's Dearborn Museum, have tried to get possession of the vessel, but the Erie Foundation for the Wolverine failed to raise the thousands of dollars needed for restoration and decided to dismantle the ship.

The Wolverine's keel was laid in Erie in 1843 and she maintained order on Lake Erie for 80 years. The vessel was taken off active duty several years ago and docked for the last time at Presque Isle.

**WET ME DOWN!**

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (U. P.)—Duelling, modern style, has returned to popularity at Harvard University. Nearly 25 per cent of the 400 residents of Kirkland House own weapons for participation in the sport, a survey showed. The traditional firearms and sabres have given way to water pistols in a new wave of duelling.


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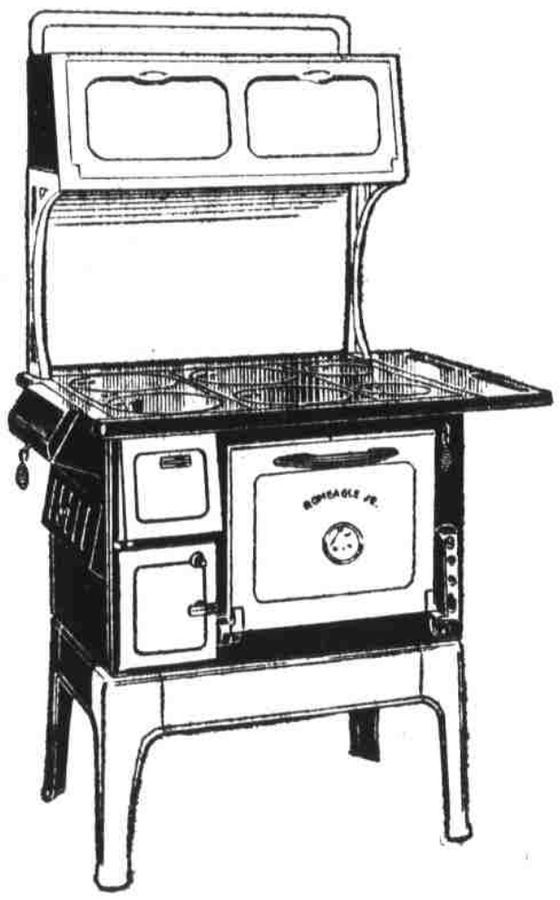

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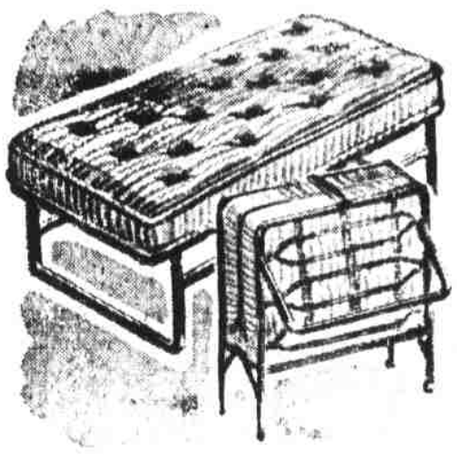

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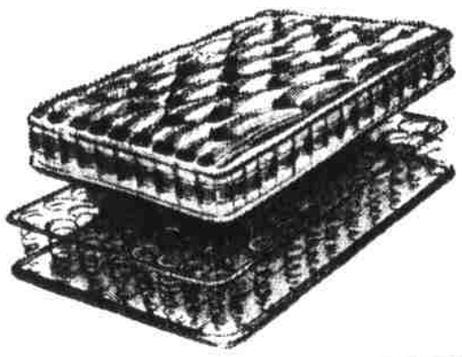

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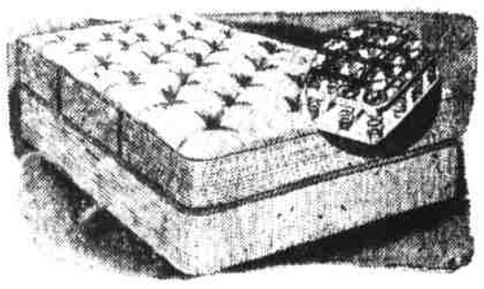

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