

Third Annual Old Maid's Day Friday

The Girls Are Thinking About Raising \$150,000 For Gilstown

By MARTHA COLE

DENTON, Tex. (AP)—Bet you had forgotten about Aug. 15.

It's Old Maid's Day!

In Denton, Tex., in the whole big state of Texas. Anywhere there's an old maid with the good humor to admit it and a good friend to celebrate it.

The old maids have been so successful in their self-proclaimed day that they want to share.

This year—the third annual year of celebration—the big day's founder and patron saint says they should help out a sister old maid.

The founder—she's who else but Miss Dorothy Babb, North Texas State College Latin teacher of the upswipe gray hairdo and the twinkling eyes. The one who gets introduced the year round as THE old maid.

"I'm just about worn out with it all," said THE old maid, fiftyish and smiling.

"Some of us got to thinking we ought to help out another old maid."

Now the other old maid is Miss Amelia Anthony, 37, who founded Gilstown, U. S. A., out on the West Texas prairies just a few years ago.

Miss Anthony sent her best wishes to the Aug. 15 celebration in Denton last year and became a member in good spinster standing.

"We thought people who wanted to give a gift to an old maid could do it by making a donation to Gilstown in the name of some old maid," Miss Babb said. "Why just this week I got a \$5 check for Gilstown."

The old maids in Denton haven't made any definite plans about helping Gilstown yet.

They're going to have a party at Miss Babb's house Aug. 15 and talk about it.

They're gonna have fun, too.

Miss Babb has gotten stacks of letters in recent weeks from old maids who say they're being fêted in their hometowns, too—in Oklahoma City, Louisville, Durham, N. C.

And now a gift for Gilstown, a home at Whiteface, Tex., for girls who need a home and love.

Next Executive Officer Of USS Redfin



Official U. S. Navy Photo

LT. LEAHMAN J. HOLT, USN, will soon be detached as an instructor in pro-submarine warfare at the U. S. Fleet Sonar School, Key West, and will report for duty as Executive Officer of the U. S. S. Redfin (SSR-218).

In early 1944, Lt. Holt received his commission as Ensign in the United States Naval Reserve at the Midshipman's School of Notre Dame University. He then attended the Diesel School at Cornell University, and Submarine School at New London, Conn. Other schools, ships and stations he attended and served, include Submarine Division 142 (relief crew), U. S. S. Dragonet (SS-293), Sonar School, San Diego, U. S. S. Seacat (SS-399), Line School, Newport, R. I., U. S. S. Requin (SSR-481), Instructors School, Norfolk, Va., and Sonar School, Key West.

He is authorized to wear the American area, Asiatic Pacific area with two stars, European Occupation Theater ribbons, the World War II Victory Medal, and the Submarine Combat Pin with two stars.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Holt, Wetumpka, Ala. Lt. Holt is married to the former Lessie Brock of Climax, Ga. They have three sons; Leahman, Jr., age 5, Richard, age 3, and Edward, age 1.

Commonwealth Company Wants Oil Rights In Everglades Park But Director Opposes

TALLAHASSEE (AP)—Commonwealth Oil Company thinks it should have priority if drilling for oil is ever permitted in Florida's Everglades National Park.

But National Parks Director Conrad L. Wirth, Washington, doesn't think it would be a good idea to drill for oil in the park area. He said it would drive away wildlife and ruin an area which has no duplicate anywhere in the country.

Wirth was the principal opponent against Commonwealth's application at a hearing Warren said he wanted to think about the matter and said he may be ready to vote on it at the regular Cabinet meeting next Tuesday. The Cabinet agreed to take the application under advisement and reach a decision at the earliest possible date.

Commonwealth, which holds some oil leases in the park area, argued that there would be no point in spending a half million dollars or so in developing oil fields if other companies would stand an equal chance of reaping the benefits.

Oil rights are retained until 1958

under terms of agreements by which private landowners gave up their holdings to the federal government.

Representatives for Commonwealth, which wants the Cabinet to sign an agreement giving it drilling priority, said tests show a strong possibility of striking oil 40 miles west of Miami and said development of an oil field in the area would do no harm to the park.

Commonwealth Attorney Thomas H. Anderson, Miami, said he thinks the park has been "overplayed and overrated. I don't think people are going down there to see a bunch of swamps and mangroves which make up the everglades."

Joe Moore, also of the park service, replied he did not think visitors would enjoy looking at bird life through the legs of a derrick.

Wirth said if oil was found it would prove profitable to the discoverers but said "man does not live by bread alone."

Stevenson, Barkley Team Up To Defend Party's Cause In Speech-Making Preliminaries

By DON WHITEHEAD

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP)—Adlai E. Stevenson teamed up today with Vice President Alben Barkley for a speech-making preliminary to his big presidential campaign kickoff on Labor Day with President Truman.

Stevenson, Democratic presidential nominee, and Barkley were slated to speak at the Illinois State Fair where GOP vice presidential nominee Richard M. Nixon of California told Republicans Wednesday Stevenson is a candidate of "the bosses."

Barkley and Stevenson will have a chance to answer that charge and make a few observations of their own in their appearance before a Democratic rally.

The formal Labor Day opening of the Democratic drive to put Stevenson in the White House will find the Illinois governor speaking at noon in Detroit while President Truman appears at 9 p. m. (EST) in Milwaukee the same day.

Their Sept. 1 speeches will be sponsored by labor groups in those cities.

Beyond this opening day's strategy, the Stevenson command was reported to have adopted no firm

campaign plans except the general agreement that Stevenson will carry the main burden of the attack against the Republicans.

Campaign strategy, speaking dates and itinerary are expected to take shape within the next 10 days after Stevenson's special strategy board meets here this week end.

At Lackland Field



GARLAND L. JOHNSON 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Johnson, 1109 Fleming street, Key West, is completing his AF basic airmen indoctrination course at Lackland Air Force Base, the "Gateway to the Air Force."

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THE KEY WEST CITIZEN

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FORT BLISS, TEXAS—First Lieutenant John William Robinson, son of Mrs. Camille Robinson, 318 Margaret St., Key West, is now attending an Associate Battery Officers Course at this Post.

He will spend 15 weeks studying antiaircraft tactics and gunnery, communications and guided missiles.

Lt. Robinson is a graduate of Key West High School.

Sliced fresh tomatoes make a delicious garnish for a meat loaf.

Water Shortage

Key West isn't the only place that knows the suffering that can be caused by a water shortage. Recently an eight-inch line carrying water to Port Vue, Pennsylvania, broke. The town's officials immediately threw on crews with heavy equipment to fix the break. A dairy company brought in water in its huge tank trucks and distributed it to the needy residents. Within twenty-four hours, Port Vue once again had water.

The quickest KO by Joe Louis in defense of his heavyweight crown was 2:04 of the first round. His opponent was Max Schmeling.

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