

# Red Cross Quota Set at \$3,200

# Matador Tribune

# National Drive To Open March 1

MATADOR, MOTLEY COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1945 PRICE 5¢

## RAIL DUST



Life has reached that droll stage where retrospection of the full folly that once produced a measure of chagrin, now as high and trivial clouds move beneath the sun with shadow.

It is not a subject of sentiment. Its only obligation is to become independent of the future. The harness house keeps its silent, rusting chains, or ed in the hardening, empty. Dried sweat on curling hands is browned in the years; only phantom tread the silent mule-lot. The black hands that he lines, and the songs of red Negroes have vanished across the rich fields. As with hearts of steel wait other dawn; red tractors in review, ready to rattle without sentiment once arrives and drops her chief.

are so far away, the are written on ice. If they are mistaken, then little star is aflame burn-sternly beside the altar ver's promise.

is the religion of slaves. rest most when at their

sharings are curbing many habits that have consistently to be bridled by establishments of betterment. liquor, cigarettes, fast autos and the Nyloned leg classic memories, a lot of material seems to be in the war effort.

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arms its feet the back of adversity.

Kealon Chicago

## J. C. McMahan Dies In Action In Belgium

Word was received here Thursday evening by Mrs. J. C. McMahan, advising that her husband, Pvt. J. C. McMahan, 25, was killed in action in Belgium, on January 22, the War Department having notified his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. McMahan of McLean, Texas. Immediately upon receipt of the message from her father-in-law, Mrs. McMahan and young son, Larry, left for McLean, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Marion Norris.

Pvt. McMahan left for overseas duty approximately the 28th of December, 1944, after having trained in the infantry at Camp Hood, Texas. As nearly as can be determined by correspondence received, he landed overseas around January 14, and was in Belgium only 8 days at the time he was killed.

J. C. McMahan was born at Sherman, Texas, December 23, 1919, and killed in action January 22, 1945. He was 25 years and 29 days old. He was reared in this community, his parents having

## Plans are Completed For Cage Tournament

District 3A interscholastic basketball tournament will be held at the Matador gymnasium Friday and Saturday according to coach Gordon Gatewood. Paducah, Lockney, Floydada, Spur, Crosbyton and Matador will participate in the contests which will start at 7:30 p. m. Friday. Three games are scheduled for the evening. Semi-finals will be played at 11:00 a. m. Saturday and finals for both championship and consolation will start at 8:30 p. m. Saturday. Consolation bracket is for the purpose of encouraging participants and the entertainment of fans. Total of seven games will be played in the tournament. Captain L. T. (Bark) Barksdale, outstanding West Texas basketball official, of the Childress Army Air Field will officiate the game.

## Candidate Card Is Printed On Metal

When W. A. Walton (deceased) was candidate for re-election for District and County Clerk of Motley county, Texas, election Tuesday, November 8th, 1904, he distributed metal campaign cards. One of these "cards" was found by carpenter Jimmy Green early this week while remodeling his house at the north edge of the town section. Mr. Green said he had been informed that the house was constructed about 1901 and was known as the old Sheridan house. It was built by a man named Bowen from Northfield and owned for a number of years by M. L. Patton.

Therein which turns back the pages of Motley county's history more than forty years, is of standard candidate card size and made of a material resembling aluminum. The bright metal (slightly damaged by fire) is printed in black ink with "hand-set" type. Information on one side includes Texas Grain standard and dates when Motley county District, County, Commissioners and Justice courts convened.

The back side contains "Texas Land Measures," as follows: 1 Vars, 33 inches; 1900 8/10 Vars or 5280 feet, 1 mile; 5645 376/1000 square Vars or 43560 square feet, 1 acre; 75 13/100 Vars square or 208 7/100 feet square, 1 acre; 5000 Vars square or 4428 4/10 acres, 1 league; 1 Caballerias, 108 acres.

**MOVE TO LUBBOCK**  
Mrs. H. E. Berry and daughters, Joyce and Nanelle, left Friday to make their home in Lubbock, where Mrs. Berry has accepted a position. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Godfrey have rented Mrs. Berry's home here.

## Bank To Observe Holiday Feb. 22nd

First State Bank here will observe Thursday, February 22nd, George Washington's birthday, as a holiday according to an announcement made by officials this week. While most banks over the country observed Monday (February 12), Lincoln's birthday, as a holiday, the local institution remained open.

## Philippine Reader Pays For Tribune With Jap Pesos

Sgt. H. W. Wilson hasn't been receiving his Tribune since November, but he will soon be receiving the news from home regularly as his subscription starts this week by first class air mail. While there is no charge for subscriptions to the men and women in uniform, Sgt. Wilson enclosed 100 pesos in a letter received a few days ago. The note is invasion money issued by the Japanese government to the Philippines. Its value is probably a great deal less than when it was issued.

Excerpts from Sgt. Wilson's interesting letter follow: "The Philippines are in a pitiful condition. Not enough clothes to keep them covered and no shoes except clogs they make from wood. The Japs confiscated all the clothing, rice, chickens, pigs and carabao. An old, used car sells for 7,500 pesos. Common laborers earn just enough money for one meal of rice per day, less than a teacupful for a family of four or five. I talked with one today whose leg had been shot off by the Japs, who left him in the sun, because he tried to stop them from taking his wife. She was killed the following day. The Philippine guerrillas have been doing an excellent job here. They have saved several U. S. flyers that have been shot down. Well, Ben, it is time for bully beef and I must close. My regards to all. Sincerely, Sgt. Wilson. This letter is written on official Jap army paper. I am sending you a 100 pesos, invasion money." The letter was written January 26.

The Tribune wishes to express appreciation for the following unsolicited contributions in support of the more than 500 subscriptions going to men in the armed services, received since last publication: Rosa Stafford \$1, Odell Latham \$1, Mrs. C. D. Garrison \$1, Mrs. G. N. Wilson \$1, O. F. Etheridge (Northfield) \$3, W. W. Carpenter \$5, Kenneth Jeffers \$5, Capt. Fred G. Simpson \$2.50, and Mrs. Reece Kell (Flomot) \$1.

## CAPT. GEORGE STAPLETON SHOTS LAST JAPANESE INVADER ON ALEUTIAN ISLAND

Last Jap invader on the North American continent joined his ancestors after a burst of fire from 50-caliber machine guns manned by Capt. George D. Stapleton flying a P-38 over the Aleutian island of Kiska. Capt. Stapleton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stapleton of Flomot, participated in the grand push that affected the historical disengagement of Nipponese contacts with American forces in the Western Hemisphere, bowled over the warrior while on a strafing raid of enemy fortifications.

Stapleton's P-38 was one of a formation of four that had gone out looking for trouble. A mate flushed the quarry by splintering a small shack in the vicinity of gun installations in the harbor area and the soldier galloped for the sanctuary of the hills. Stapleton dipped to within 30 feet of the ground, got the sprinting foe in his sights and opened up with 50-caliber machine guns. The Jap collapsed. Shortly after the incident, American ground forces landed on the island but found it had been deserted hours previously by its unwelcome tenants. Capt. Stapleton had found the Jap north literally alive with Japs

**JUDGE CAMMACK HAS TWO NEW GRANDSONS**  
Within a ten-day period, Judge W. R. Cammack was blessed with two more grandsons. On January 22, a son, David Michael Park, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur G. Park, Houston, Texas. Mrs. Park is the former Clara Cammack. On February 1, a son, Richard Claude Cole, was born to Dr. and Mrs. William Frank Cole, also of Houston. Mrs. Cole is the former Lora Cammack.

**ENROLL AT A C C**  
Two of the 450 students enrolled in Abilene Christian College, Abilene, Texas, during the spring semester are Lee Thomas, son of Mrs. Ruby Thomas, and Bill Rushing, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Rushing.

## Banquet Date Set For Girls

Date for the annual Mother-Daughter banquet has been set for the night of Friday, April 13, according to an announcement made this week following a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Parent-Teacher Association, sponsors of the affair.

The committee met Monday night in the home of Mrs. Howe Hines, and after setting the date, plans were made to secure a speaker for the occasion.

## LI. Wesley Yandell Gets Purple Heart

First Lt. Wesley Yandell has been awarded the Purple Heart medal for wounds received in action against the Germans July 28, while serving as a bombardier on a B-26 marauder bomber.

Li. Yandell, whose home is Matador, is a member of Colonel Thomas G. Corbin's "Crusader" group, now engaged in vital bombing raids against Nazi installations, railway bridges and communication lines in active attacks ahead of Allied army ground forces on the Western Front.

## Roaring Springs Revival Meeting To Open Friday

Mid-winter revival meeting at the Roaring Springs Baptist church will open Friday night, February 16, with Rev. B. N. (Bob) Sheppard, district missionary of Lubbock, in charge of the messages. The meeting will continue through Sunday night, February 25. Choir services will be in charge of J. D. Mitchell.

## WEEK END VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. McMahan and family of McLean and Mrs. J. C. McMahan and son Larry, came to Matador Saturday to spend the week-end. Also here were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Darsy and daughters of Muleshoe, accompanied by Mrs. Virgie McMahan and son Jimmie.

## PLANE CRASHES IN SEA

A feature article in "The Postscript" (January 12, 1945) Santa Rosa, California, Army Air Field magazine, where Capt. Stapleton is currently commanding officer of Squadron T, describes the historic event related above and also discloses the following experience not previously made public to friends and relatives here: "Stapleton had reason to respect the enemy anti-aircraft sharpshooters. Once when the bombardment of Attu was at its height, the Capt. was flying protection for a Squadron of 24's. One of the Liberators had just opened its bomb-bay doors and the bombardier was lining up his target when flak hit home and touched off the explosives. The august ship disintegrated in mid-air.

"Japanese ack-acks found the range on Stapleton's ship but once, yet that time almost cost him his life. Flak entered both engines during a heated duel with ground installations and the Yank (continued on back page)

## Matador Without Cleaning Shop As OPA Names Price

Modern Cleaners, Matador's only cleaning establishment, is closed. H. M. Solomon placed the following sign on his door Monday: "Closed on account of OPA restrictions. No more cleaning accepted."

Mr. Solomon said yesterday that his modern plant and building are for sale. He says he entertains no hope that the OPA will allow him a price of 65¢ for cleaning and pressing suits, altho this price is charged in shops at Floydada, Paducah and Spur. Spur Laundry is charging this price for cleaning and pressing in Matador, Mr. Solomon declared.

A letter from the OPA district office at Lubbock ordered Mr. Solomon to reduce his price of cleaning and pressing from 65¢ to 50¢, the rate which he charged in 1942. He said he had not received a single complaint on his rate from customers since moving to his new location and after he had installed new equipment and completely modernized his plant last year.

"We regret to inconvenience our friends and customers," Mr. Solomon declared, "but cost of operation and our volume of business will not allow us to operate at the 50¢ rate."

## DR. H. C. EARGLE DIES AT DUBLIN

Word was received here last week that Dr. H. C. Eargle, former Matador physician, had passed away at his home in Dublin, Texas, Monday, February 5.

Dr. Eargle made his home here for a number of years until poor health made it necessary to sell his practise about ten years ago. Dr. J. S. Stanley having succeeded him here.

## Sterling Price To Clear Courthouse Square By June 1

Sterling Price owns a courthouse. He was the successful bidder in securing the contract to clear the courthouse square of debris as announced by the Commissioners' Court in previous issues of the Tribune for the opening of bids on February 12.

Mr. Price is to receive all material which can be salvaged and \$100 for clearing the block. His bid was more than \$1,500 below some submitted to the court.

One bidder offered to clear away the old building for \$2,111.40 and pay the county back \$587.80 for the material. Another bidder wanted \$1,600 to clear the debris of the burned building and stack the salvaged material. Another bidder wanted \$1,600 to clear the debris of the burned building and stack the salvaged material, but did not want to buy the material.

The contract calls for Mr. Price to have the square cleared by June 1, 1945.

Given a dose of his own medicine, Sheriff H. H. Courtney was one of the many "adult delinquents" who faced the swift justice of Boy Scout Troop 60, in charge of Matador's city government, Saturday. Sheriff Courtney was arrested and found guilty of impersonating an officer and assessed a fine of 50¢. He paid the Scouts \$1 for the privilege of not being molested for the remainder of the day. More than \$100 was collected in

Quota of \$3,200 has been assigned Motley county as its part in the national Red Cross drive for \$200,000,000, according to Motley county chapter chairman R. E. Campbell. M. S. Patton has been named as War Fund chairman for the drive and will announce county community organizations and community Quotas in the near future. The national drive will open on March 1, and it is probable that plans will be made to start the county drive simultaneously.

Break-down of the \$3,200 county quota, as announced by the St. Louis office, is 71.9% for national and international purposes, which amounts to \$2,300. Local chapter needs have been placed at 28.1% or \$900.

While the quota is the largest ever assigned the county by the American Red Cross, county organization leaders are confident the public response will be immediate to the extent of raising the amount with a minimum of effort on the part of the solicitors.

More complete details of the War Fund organization will be carried in subsequent issues of the Tribune.

## Bond Sales Fall Short

Monthly sales of War Bonds are falling short of the quotas, according to Elmer Stearns, county chairman of War Bond sales. He said that a number of counties in this area are dropping below their monthly quotas and that state headquarters of sales has exercised all county chairmen to exercise every effort possible to bring sales up to and if possible, over the small quotas. Motley county's quota for February is \$12,300, Mr. Stearns declared.

Discussing the situation yesterday, Mr. Stearns said, "We must have a united effort of the county's citizenship to bring the monthly assignments up to the quotas. It is regrettable that with the outstanding record which Motley county possesses in all war fund drives, that monthly quotas should fail to be achieved. In the past we have over-subscribed all Large War Fund drives, Red Cross drives and other campaigns in support of the war effort. Never has there been a time in history when our men on the fighting fronts deserved more support from the people at home than during these crucial days when our enemies are being defeated on every battlefield. For every three dollars invested in War Bonds now, four dollars will be returned.

"I want to make this appeal to the patriotic citizenship of the county at this time to invest every possible dollar in war securities that we may make a favorable report to those who are defending our way of life with their lives."

Bob Johnson visited his wife, a patient in Lubbock General Hospital, Sunday.

Ed Hurst of Turkey was treated for a crushed finger, Friday evening.

## GINNING REPORT

Census report shows that 8,800 bales of cotton were ginned in Motley county from the crop of 1944 prior to January 19, as compared with 9,490 bales for the crop of 1943, as reported by Maudie L. Marler, special agent for the U. S. Department of Commerce.

Sheriff Takes Rap In Boys' Control of City

Scouts and court costs by the Scouts, which will go to the organization's general fund. Most "violations" involved jay-walking and infractions of driving regulations. Scouts were active throughout the day and very few escaped the alert representatives of law and order. Many citizens made contributions to the Scout fund and in turn, received "special privileges" including to violate traffic ordinances.



**STANLEY CLINIC**  
Miss Mildred Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ross of Flomot, was admitted to the Clinic Sunday for treatment.  
Mrs. Owen Eggar of Aton, is a patient at the Clinic, having been admitted for treatment Monday.  
Mrs. J. H. George of Flomot was dismissed Saturday, January 24, after receiving treatment.  
Yvonne Edwards, daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Edwards of Aton, and Beverly Harper, young daughter of Lt. and Mrs. Merrell Harper, underwent tonsilectomies at the Clinic, Tuesday morning.  
**TRAWEEK HOSPITAL**  
Tommie Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moore of Northfield, was dismissed from Traweck Hospital, Monday, February 5, after receiving treatment for an

ailment which has confined him to bed the past several months. He was removed to the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Simpson, north of town. His mother has been attending him during his illness.  
Miss Glenda Nelson was dismissed from the hospital Saturday, February 3, after undergoing appendectomy the previous week.  
Mrs. J. T. Garner of Turkey who has been a medical patient in the hospital recently, was dismissed Saturday, January 27. Her son, Major Willis Garner, recently returned from the China, Burma, India theatre of operations, was at her bedside during her stay in the hospital.  
Mrs. N. V. Hamilton of Quitaque and Mrs. Ollie Nall of Turkey, were medical patients in the hospital the past week.

Mrs. Albert Traweck Jr., and Mrs. Joe Bloodworth. Mrs. J. D. Craven will give a short talk on "Founder's Day."  
A high school girl's quartet, composed of Frances Schweitzer, Jolene Bloodworth, Betty Price and Dorothy Woodruff, will sing, accompanied by Mary Janice Wilkinson at the piano.  
The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend.

**LOCAL ITEMS**

Tribune, Matador, Motley County, Texas, Thursday, February 5, 1942

**Traweck Hospital**  
Patsy Christine is the name given the 8 pound, 12 ounce daughter born to Cpl. and Mrs. John Briscoe at Stanley Clinic, at 9 p. m. Monday, February 5. Mrs. Briscoe has been making her home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stafford, since Cpl. Briscoe left for overseas last fall. His last letter was written from a fox-hole in France.  
A daughter, Sandra Kay, weight 7 pounds, 8 ounces, February 1 at 2:30 p. m. at Stanley Clinic, to Anna and Mrs. Mize. Sandra receives his mail in one fleet postoffice, New York. Mrs. Mize has been parents at Roaring Springs. Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Matador are parents of a weighing 9 pounds, born February 1 at Stanley Clinic.

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**MISS JANELLE JACKSON ACCEPTS NEW POSITION**  
Miss Janelle Jackson, who has been employed as clerk in the office of the War Price and Ration Board, assumed duties Thursday in the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector H. H. Courtney. Miss Jackson is filling a vacancy made by the resignation of Mrs. Ward Rattan.

**Program Announced For P-T. A. Meeting**  
The Parent-Teacher Association will hold its regular meeting Wednesday afternoon, February 14, in the library of the grade building, at 3:30 o'clock.  
Subject for the program is "Are you teaching your children to be honest?" A five minute talk or paper concerning this subject will be given by Miss Verlin Reeves.

**Dads-Lads Meet**  
Continued from page one:  
cocca. Former years of experience and the direction of general chairman Elmer Stearns were reflected in the well-coordinated manner in which the large group was served without delay or friction.  
Scout James Garth made a brief address on "Fundamentals of Scouting" in which he outlined the high purposes and ideals of the Scout oath. He was followed by Lion R. E. Campbell who made a brief address and introduced the speaker of the evening, Piano music during the banquet was provided by Harry Morris.  
P. H. (Pat) Lewis, Scout field executive of Lubbock, was a guest at the meeting.

**Boys In The Service**  
Sgt. D. J. Anderson of Laughlin Field, Del Rio, Texas, visited last week with his wife and parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Anderson of Flomot.  
Cpl. Joe I. Anderson of Spur, visited friends in Matador this week before returning to Mc. Klosky General Hospital at Temple.

**NEW ARRIVALS**  
Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Turner of Flomot, are parents of a 9½ pound son, Donnie Lee, who was born Sunday morning, February 4, at Stanley Clinic, Matador.  
Cpl. and Mrs. Clint Hicks are parents of a daughter, Wreathel Elaine, weight 7 pounds, 11 ounces who was born Saturday, January 27, at Traweck Hospital. Cpl. Hicks is serving in the armed forces in Germany, and Mrs. Hicks has been making her home at Quitaque.  
A son, Donald Dean, weight 8 pounds, 14 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Hagel of Matador on January 25, at 8 p. m. at

**WANT ADS**  
WANTED—Clean wiping rags, Bob's Oil Well.  
FOR SALE—Farm of 83.75 acres, all in cultivation. Located 3½ miles southeast of Matador. See or write J. P. Sturdivant, Paducah, Texas.  
PIANOS—Spinets, Small and Medium Uprights, New Mirror Pianos, also benches available.  
MARY E. SPENCE MUSIC STORE, 1026 B. West 6th, Amarillo; 710 Broadway, Plainview.  
FOR SALE—F20 International Farmall tractor with 2-row lister, planter and cultivator; also one 3-row lister, one 3-section drag harrow, one 2-row knife sled. Would rent 300 acre farm at Whitestart. New 10 foot, direct stroke, wood wheel, Eclipse type windmill. — Leonard Crowell, Flomot. 25-tfc  
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# In the Armed Service

**Johnnie Allsup, A. R. M. 3/e,** and Mrs. Allsup arrived home Sunday night from Jacksonville, Florida, for a visit with her father, W. W. Carpenter, who met them in Childers to accompany them here.

**Math Barkley** left Sunday for Lubbock, where he enlisted in the U. S. Navy.

**Flight Officer Bert Schweitzer** of Del Rio, Texas, arrived home Wednesday morning for a 15-day leave to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Schweitzer.

**Cpl. Burrell Tipton** left this morning for Grandfalls, Texas, where he will visit his sisters, Mary Ola Tipton and Mrs. Nolan Fulkerson and family, before going to Corpus Christi, to report for re-assignment.

**Lewis Judd, A. M. M. 2/e** is on a short leave from his base and is visiting his wife, Mrs. Marie Judd and daughter of Roaring Springs.

**Pvt. Billy Long** of Camp Walters is spending a 10 day furlough visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Long of Matador and relatives and friends in Roaring Springs.

**Marshall R. Timmons, S 2/e** now receives his mail at Rec. Brks., Shoemaker, California.

**LT. C. M. Jackson, U. S. M. C. R.**, has the following address: Pers. Gp. MCAD, Miramar, San Diego, California.

**Sgt. Glenn Woodruff**, of 1013 Engrs. Treadway Bldg. Co., has been transferred from Fort Riley, Kansas, to Camp Gruber, Okla.

**Pvt. Virgil G. Stanfield** has been transferred from Chickasha, Okla., to Key Field, Meridian, Miss., at the following address: Sq. A. 347 AAF, B. U.

**Bill B. Knight, F 1/e** of the U. S. Navy, advised a slight change in his address last week.

**Odus Odell Marler**, who has been based at San Diego, Calif., has been transferred to U. S. N.

Armed Guard Center, Treasure Island, San Francisco, Calif.

**T/Sgt. Charley L. Meador** has a new A. P. O. has been furnished last week. His mail goes in care of the postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

A new A.P.O. has been furnished for Pvt. Walton C. Moore, who was recently in training at Ft. Jackson, S. C. His mail now goes in care of the postmaster, San Francisco, California.

**T/S Buena V. Shirley** has a change in A. P. O. number, according to information furnished this week. His mail goes in care of the New York postmaster.

**LT. and Mrs. Haynes Baumgardner** arrived here Monday from Miami, Florida, for a short visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Barkley, before going to Fort Worth, where he will be stationed.

**David Yandell Jr., S 2/e** advises a change in his address, due to a recent illness which hospitalized him for a week and caused a change in his company number. His address now is: David Yandell Jr., S 2/e (CA), A. O. M. Class 29-B-45, Barracks 77 N. A. T. C. Norman, Oklahoma.

Coronado, Calif. February 7, 1945

Dear Ben:  
I have frequently received copies of your interesting paper, and wish to thank you for the enjoyment that it has brought myself and many of my Texas friends. It is to me a tremendous morale builder and gives me a feeling of being back in the old home town, and your items in "Trail Dust" are worthy of publication in "Mr. Anybody's" book of knowledge.

My duties aboard this base can be explained in one short, insignificant sentence: I am skipper of a liberty boat.

I shall look forward with enthusiasm to your return letters in the form of the "Matador Tribune." Sincerely yours,  
John

**John W. Jackson, Cox, Boat Operating Division, Naval Amph. Tra. Base, Coronado, California**

**Arthur J. Harmon** was recently advanced in rank from corporal to staff sergeant, according to information received. He receives his mail at an A. P. O. in care of the New York postmaster.

**Pvt. Mildred Vinson**, in training in the Women's Army Corps at Big Spring, is on furlough, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Vinson of Dumont, and with friends here.

**Cpl. Lloyd Latimer** of Bryan, Texas, spent a three-day pass last week, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Latimer. (Special to the Tribune)

**Pvt. Aylve M. Speer**, Women's Army Corps, formerly of Floreat, has graduated from the School for Medical Department Technicians according to an announcement from William Beaumont General Hospital, El Paso, Texas. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Speer of Floreat, Private Speer entered the service at Abilene, Texas, August 24, 1944.

**Cpl. Aubrey I. Seigler** is spending an 18-day furlough with his relatives on Seigler ranch, near Northfield. He is stationed at Claiborne, Louisiana.

A recent letter from **W/O J. D. Robbins, U. S. M. C.**, now stationed at San Diego, is as follows: "Well I am once more settled down to the old routine of being a marine, after spending a wonderful 30 days in good old Matley County. I can truthfully say

that Matley County has some of the finest people in the world and they certainly treated me swell, and believe me I appreciated it. I am going to like this base as it is old and beautiful. Although I don't know much about the women Marines, I am going to get along fine with the ones in my office."

**Pvt. Leldon A. Bynum** sends a card of appreciation from Ft. Benning, Ga., where he is training as a parachutist. He says, "I want to take this time to thank you for the Tribune. I have been getting mine pretty regular and sure enjoy it."

**Frank J. Pohl, Y-3/e**, with his wife and small daughter, arrived here Saturday for a visit with friends during a leave from Camp Elliot, where he has been based.

## PRAYER IS THEME OF WSCS PROGRAM

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church had as program theme, the subject of "Prayer" in regular meeting at the church Tuesday afternoon of last week.

Leader of the program was Mrs. F. M. Jenkins, Spiritual Life Chairman. Theme for the year, "The Ten Doors of Progress", was stressed in a poster which Mrs. Jenkins prepared, representing an open door and bearing the scripture, "Behold, I have set before thee an open door".

Those on the program besides the leader, included Mrs. A. J. Dafern, Mrs. Chas. Keith, Mrs. G. E. Hamilton and Mrs. H. H.

Schweitzer. Others present were, Mesdames Ted Steen, W. Y. Higgins, C. T. Jenkins, R. P. Moore, C. D. Pipkin, G. E. Turrentine, Homer Sheats, Harry Willett, Joe Poteet and Annie Tudor.

Names of the boys and girls in the Service of our country were drawn by the women to go on their prayer list.

## LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. A. E. Westmoreland has been visiting a brother in Galveston, Texas, the past few weeks.

Mrs. Morris Jackson of Pasadena, Calif., has arrived here to make her home with her husband's family while he is overseas. His mother and sister, Mrs. J. M. Jackson and Miss Annie Mae Jackson, met and accompanied the new-comer from Amarillo, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eiring of Plainview, former Matador residents, were week-end visitors here with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. D. I. W. Birnie.

Mrs. Lesley Yandell returned home Wednesday of last week, from a visit with relatives at Cunningham.

Miss Helen Stanfield of Lubbock, visited her parents, Mr.

and Mrs. Herman Stanfield over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Rattan and family of Amarillo, spent the week-end visiting here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Rattan.

Miss Alene Bloodworth, student at Draughon's Business College, Lubbock, spent the week-end at her home here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Bloodworth.

Mrs. C. M. Hammersley has accepted a position at Plainview, assuming her duties Monday. She has been employed at Bob's Cook Shack here.

Mr. and Mrs. Rhea Wilson and small daughter, Jane, of Paducah, were Matador visitors Monday.

Ralph Cooper of Altus, Oklahoma, visited during the week-end with his parents at Roaring Springs, and with his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Cooper, of Matador.

Mr. and Mrs. David Guest of Turkey, former Matador residents visited here Monday as they were enroute to Plainview on business.

Miss Rachel Patton, accompanied by Mrs. B. F. Jackson and daughter, Janelle, and Mrs. Claud Wilson, were Spur visitors Saturday evening.

Mrs. Luther Griffin and Miss Mallie Lee of Lubbock, are visit-

ing their parents. John Lee, this week Pat Sheridan, T. H. Duvall returned day from a trip to New Mexico. Mrs. Noble Dugan, James Stanley, Melvin Drickson, June, made a Spur Tuesday.

Mrs. Nellie Eddy received treatment February 9, for She was dismissed.

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