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THE COUNTY SEAT NEWSPAPER

## SGT. ED BROWN IS MISSING IN ACTION

Mrs. Lola Brown received word last Thursday night that her husband, First Sgt. Ed Brown, is missing in action since Dec. 21. Brown has been in the fighting zone on the German western front. He had written his wife and two children three days before he was reported missing.

## Allison School To Sponsor March Of Dimes Program

The Allison school is sponsoring a program Friday night, January 26, for the benefit of the March of Dimes drive to fight polio.

During the evening an auction sale, selling "white elephants," will be conducted. Items, perhaps useless to the persons who donate them but of benefit to someone else, will be donated for the sale. For items that persons may have to sell but may not wish to donate, twenty per cent of the sale value will be charged for this service and contributed to the benefit fund.

In addition to the above program, a feature show, "Renfrew of the Royal Mounted," with comedy, will be shown before the sale is to start. Persons may contribute as they wish for seeing the show. Twenty per cent of the profits of the show will go to the March of Dimes drive and eighty percent will go to the school.

The Home Economics girls and their sponsor will sell coffee, cocoa, sandwiches and pie and a certain per cent of these profits will also go for the fund to fight polio.

"We really want to put this program over in a big way as we are whole heartedly fighting the dread disease, infantile paralysis," Sam A. Begert, Allison school superintendent, stated in making the announcement of the program.

## County Agent Views Agriculture Outlook

County Agent Jake Tarter in discussing the 1945 general agricultural outlook in Wheeler county states:

"There will be a AAA program in 1945 and it will be to the interest of all farmers and others to look into the provisions of the program before they make their plans for crop and livestock production. There is a time coming when the farmers will need and want this program as bad as they did in the beginning and it is also necessary that we keep some systematic plan of production in effect until the boys get back so they can be assured some returns for what they produce. Watch for final announcement of the program as the provisions will be so simple that no difficulty will be experienced in complying for the 1945 payments.

"A goal of 39,300 acres of cotton was given Wheeler county for 1945 so we hope to get that many acres planted to cotton. A goal of 140,000 acres was given to Wheeler county to be planted to feed crops in 1945 and we hope to get that many acres planted. This acreage includes corn, oats, barley and all grain sorghums. "An increase of 2 per cent milk production, 1 per cent increase in milk cows is asked; decrease of 22 per cent in egg production, with decrease of 3 per cent in chickens raised. Texans are urged to have same number of sows farrowed in 1945 as in 1944, so this will mean that we increase our sows and gilts 16 per cent in this area to make up for decrease in parts of Texas which raised no grain. We should have 97 per cent as many beef calves dropped in 1945 as in 1944, but put 17 per cent more cattle on market than in 1944 which will clean up herds and get the numbers on the farm down to the carrying capacity of pastures and feed supplies, so we should sell more than

## Hospital News

Allen Isaac of Wheeler underwent an appendectomy Jan. 18. The small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Harris of Pampa entered the hospital Jan. 18. Mrs. J. L. Mann of Allison entered the hospital for treatment Jan. 18. Mrs. Andrew Goad of Wheeler entered the hospital for treatment Jan. 19. Mrs. Baker of Twitty entered the hospital for treatment Jan. 20. Raymond Hamilton of Allison entered the hospital for treatment Jan. 21. Mrs. Ebb Patton of Mobeetie entered the hospital for treatment Jan. 23. Mrs. Noel George of Humphreys, Okla., entered the hospital Jan. 22. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Isaac are the parents of a daughter, Ruby Helen, on Jan. 20. Pfc. and Mrs. Buford Honey are the parents of a son, Jackie Don, on Jan. 18.



REV. HENRY H. KINKEADE

## Mobeetie Baptist To Start Revival Sunday

Rev. B. L. Higdon, pastor of the Mobeetie Baptist church, has announced that a revival meeting will begin at the church Sunday morning and continue through Sunday, Feb. 4. Pvt. Bob Lutz of the Pampa Army Air Field, will preach at the morning services Sunday while, beginning Monday night, Rev. Henry Kinkeade, young Wellington Baptist pastor, will be in charge of the services.

Morning services will be conducted at 11:00 and evening services at 8:00. Rev. Higdon extends a cordial invitation to everyone to attend the series of services.

## Fred Farmer Represents Soldier In FSA District Meeting Held Here Today

Fred Farmer, sergeant in World War I, will represent the returning G. I. when FSA supervisors and office personnel in the seven counties comprising this district meet at the District Court room in Wheeler today to discuss how the government farm loan will effect veterans under the agricultural phases of the G. I. Bill of Rights.

The law provides that the government through the Veterans Administration will guarantee a maximum of \$2,000, but in no case more than 50 per cent of any loan made to a veteran by a private or other lending source.

Oris R. Bruner, FSA district supervisor at Perryton, will be in charge of the meeting. Lee Little is Wheeler county supervisor.

## Attend Crusade For Christ Rallies Tuesday

Rev. E. D. Landreth, Supt. of Clarendon district, presided over the Crusade For Christ meetings held in Shamrock Tuesday afternoon and in Pampa Tuesday night. Dr. Earl G. Hamlett, Supt. of the Amarillo district and Major Allen Harvey-Brook were the main speakers.

The Crusade for Christ is Methodism's organized response for assuming its part in meeting the unsettled conditions and vast staggering needs created by the second World War. Local Methodists are being called upon to assist in raising \$25,000,000 for world relief and reconstruction, the first phase of the denomination's nation wide Crusade for Christ program of post war service. Local people attending the Shamrock meeting were Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Britt, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Willard, Mrs. Ollie V. Hubbard, Evonne Hubbard and Mrs. J. M. Porter. Those attending the Pampa meeting were Rev. Hunt, Bettie Hix, Patsy Hunt, Dolores Ahler, Pat Williams, Nell Garner, Pat Wiley and Billie V. Brown.

## HARDWARE AND IMPLEMENT DEALERS POSTPONE ANNUAL MEET UNDER ODT ORDER

Director Ernest Lee of Wheeler has announced that a meeting of the officers and directors of the Panhandle Hardware and Implement Association, Phit Club representative, and jobber and manufacturer representatives was held in Amarillo on January 14th for the purpose of considering the ODT regulation banning meetings and conventions of more than 50 people.

The order was read and its purpose stated. Following a thorough discussion a unanimous vote was cast for the postponement of the 36th Annual Convention of the Panhandle Hardware and Implement Association, to an indefinite date.

It is permissible to make application for permission to hold a meeting of more than 50 people but those present at this meeting voted that in order to comply with the order and fully support the nation's war effort, that the officers of the Association not make application but rather comply with the request of the regulation as stated.

## Junior Red Cross Appeals For Games For Service Men

Mrs. George Weems, local Junior Red Cross chairman, states that an appeal is being made by the Red Cross for the contribution of new games or used games which are in fairly good condition to be turned over to the men in service since they are in critical need of these for their recreation centers. Few games are available for purchase in any quantity any more.

Decks of playing cards which are in fairly good condition which people in the community are willing to release, Dominoes, Monopoly, Chess, Anagrams, Lotto, Parchesi, Bingo, Flinch, Pit, Rook, Lexicon, Contact games, jig saw puzzles, quiz games, and miscellaneous games are needed by the men in service. Anyone having such games they will donate are asked to please bring them to the Wheeler elementary school building where Mrs. Weems teaches, so she may forward them on to the Midwestern Area office in St. Louis. Mrs. Weems requests that the games be turned in before Feb. 15.

## Two Mobeetie Soldiers Are Reported Wounded

Word has been received from the War Department by two Mobeetie families that their sons have been wounded in the battle with the Germans in Belgium.

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Ebb Patton that their son, E. H., was seriously wounded January 7. Young Patton has been overseas for about a year and in the army two years.

Sgt. Claude Henderson was slightly wounded in Belgium Jan. 3, according to a report received Monday by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Henderson of Mobeetie.

## Pvt. Homer Lawler Missing In Action

Pvt. Homer L. Lawler, 31-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lawler, has been reported by the War Department as missing in action in the European War Theater since December 21.

This is the second member of the Lawler family to become a war casualty, Pvt. Joseph Lawler, 24 years old, having been killed in action in Italy on July 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawler were notified last week that their son was missing, the message first being received by the wife of the soldier who resides near Floydada.

Pvt. Lawler was with the Medical Detachment of the 423rd Infantry. Although relatives had not been notified as to his location, they are of the opinion that he was fighting in Belgium.

He enlisted for military service in January, 1941, training at Fort Sill, Okla., and a camp in Indiana before leaving for overseas duty in October, 1944.

Pvt. Lawler was born in Mobeetie on September 8, 1913, and resided in and near Shamrock many years prior to his entry into the Army.

Two other brothers are in service, Pvt. Roy L. Lawler in the Pacific and Pvt. Charlie Lee Lawler at Camp Cooke, Calif.

His parents and two sisters, Ethel Nora and Bertha Ree, reside in Shamrock.

## New High School Teacher Employed

Miss Celestial Lister, teacher of English in the Kelton schools last year, has been employed to teach in the Wheeler High School. She expects to begin her duties Monday.

Miss Lister has recently been employed at the Air Base near Amarillo.

## AAA COMMITTEEMEN TO MEET NEXT TUESDAY

Community and county AAA committeemen and other agricultural leaders are being called together for a meeting at the county agriculture building next Tuesday, Jan. 30. The meeting will get under way at 9:30 a. m.

V. B. Hardcastle, ACA administrator, states that the purpose of the meeting is to discuss the general farming outlook for 1945, its production goals and needs. There are 36 community committeemen and 3 county committeemen serving in Wheeler county.

## FIVE DIVORCES GRANTED IN DISTRICT COURT

Five divorces were granted in district court by Judge W. R. Ewing here Monday. One divorce suit was dismissed. Three of the divorce suits involved service men, two of whom are overseas.

Mrs. Bonnie Harmon is doing substitute teaching in the local high school this week.

## NEWS OF OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM

### Serving In Italy



SSGT. JOHN D. GREEN

With the XII Air Force Service Command — Staff Sergeant John D. Green, husband of Ruby Mae Green, Wheeler, is serving somewhere in Italy with an Ordnance Company of the XII Air Force Service Command. He has also served in Africa, Sicily and France.

Sergeant Green entered the service in January, 1942 and sailed for foreign duty in January, 1943. He has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal and is authorized to wear the European African Middle East Theater Ribbon with three bronze stars. Before entering the service he was employed in a local garage as a mechanic.

Sergeant Green has three brothers also serving with the armed forces. Carl is serving with the Marines and Homer and Jesse are serving with the Air Corps.

### Bombardier

Headquarters, 13th AAF, Southwest Pacific — Second Lieutenant Tris S. Hooker of Dumas, who left the United States for overseas duty in September, 1944, has been assigned as a bombardier in the 13th AAF famed heavy bomber unit, the "Long Rangers" are striking unceasing hammer blows against the once-mighty Japanese fleet, which has been out-fought and outmaneuvered in its attempt to dislodge our foothold in the Philippines. Since the beginning of its overseas assignment in October, 1942, this crack outfit has participated in five major campaigns, including: Guadalcanal, the Northern Solomons, Central Pacific, Bismark Archipelago and New Guinea.

Lieutenant Hooker is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hooker, who reside at Dumas, formerly of Wheeler.

### War Prisoner Writes

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gordon of near Mobeetie are in receipt of a letter from their son, Lt. George W. Gordon, who has been a prisoner of war in Germany since January 31, 1944. The lieutenant entered the army before Pearl Harbor and had been a bombardier based with his crew in Italy when his plane was shot down over German soil. The letter, dated July 28, 1944, states:

Dear folks at home, Am certainly hoping you receive this soon. It was a real surprise to receive the good package two days ago. The best thing was that you know I am O. K. here. The food and clothes are very useful. The gifts were well selected, wrapped and in good shape. Now I'm hoping to hear from you and find out how you are. Maybe some pictures will be included. Would like to know about the farm, how it is this year and etc. Hope it is better than the garden I have here. Except for some radishes and lettuce, the rest isn't ready to eat. The climate is damp and a good, cool breeze is had too. Some friends came into this camp a few days ago. Helen R. will know Frank Hengeler. Be sure to give my love to the rest of the family and friends. We are still eating O. K. and in good shape. We play baseball, football and box quite a lot; so we are fine but still we are living and hoping for the day when we see you again. To all I send my love and best wishes. Always, George.

### Overseas

Cpl. Lonnie Schaub, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Schaub, formerly of Wheeler and now of Pampa, writes that he is now overseas. He cannot tell where he is but writes that "it's sure hot here. I saw the old year out and the new year in on the deep blue sea. I got sea sick—too sick to die. Would like to hear from all." Cpl. Schaub left the States last Dec. His wife resides in Oakland, Calif. A brother, Cpl. Clyde Schaub, is

## WAR FUND GOAL FOR 1945 ANNOUNCED BY RED CROSS CHAPTER

A goal of \$3,100.00 has been set for the Wheeler County Red Cross chapter's 1945 War Fund, Dr. H. E. Nicholson, chairman of the local Red Cross chapter, announced today.

This figure includes the local chapter's share of the national organization's budget needs, as well as funds for operating the local Red Cross program for the coming year, Dr. Nicholson stated.

"This quota figure represents the minimum goal of our chapter in the 1945 Red Cross campaign which will be held in March," the chapter chairman declared. "Because it is the very smallest amount on which the Red Cross operation can be conducted, it is essential that every person in Wheeler and neighboring communities resolve now to contribute his share toward raising the necessary money."

The national goal in the 1945 Red Cross War Fund is \$200,000,000 and this will finance continued Red Cross operations in the 52 nations and islands where American troops are stationed, as well as in the home communities of the entire nation.

"This 1945 Red Cross War Fund is, in many respects, the most important campaign to date, as it will enable the American Red Cross to stay 'at the side' of American fighting men in all of the expanding theaters of war and their families here at home," Dr. Nicholson said.

## BLANKENSHIP INFANT IS TAKEN BY DEATH

Cyndie Lou Blankenship, infant daughter, born Wednesday of last week to Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Blankenship of Dalhart in an Amarillo sanitarium, died Sunday night. Funeral services were held from the Blackburn-Shaw Memorial Chapel in Amarillo at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon. Burial was in the Lano cemetery.

Mr. Blankenship is a prominent wheat farmer and stockman of Dalam county and was formerly superintendent of the schools at Mobeetie, Conden and Perico. They were more affectionately known as "Mr. and Mrs. B." to the people of the Mobeetie community.

receiving training at Camp Hood and may be sent over seas again soon.

## Awarded Bronze Star

Pfc. John M. Ficke, former Wheeler bank and City Drug employee and brother of Mrs. C. C. Hall of Wheeler, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal. The official notice said that Pfc. John M. Ficke, Hq. Battery 33rd F. A. Brigade was awarded the Bronze Star Medal on Dec. 2. Pfc. Ficke, while serving with the army of U. S. distinguished himself by meritorious service during the period Sept. 21, 1944 to Oct. 15, 1944 in France in connection with military operations against an enemy of the U. S. Ficke's wife and small daughter are making their home at Stephenville. His mother, Mrs. H. E. Ficke, lives in Midland.

## Texas' "Lost Battalion"

(Editor's Note — The following article was written by Mrs. Clyde Fillmore in November and appeared in the Wichita Falls paper, Lt. Clyde Fillmore, formerly county attorney for Wheeler county, was reported missing at Java and later reports have told of his being a prisoner of the Japanese. Mrs. Fillmore now resides in Wichita Falls but since the couple is so well known locally, we think the article will be of much interest to Times readers. Mrs. Fillmore's sister, Mrs. Roe Green, resides in the Jewett community.)

The day was November 11th. The year was 1941. The hour was four A. M., and the last train had pulled out of Camp Bowie, carrying with it the men of the 131st Field Artillery. Armistice Day — signifying peace and the end of wars — yet our husbands and sons had just left, under sealed orders, for the West Coast. That was 1941. November 11th, 1944 — these men, 131st Field Artillery, 2nd Battalion, are prisoners of the Japanese in Java, March, 1942.

The 36th Division was mobilized, November 25, 1940; Battery D, composed of Wichita Falls men under the command of Captain Leroy Zeigler, was mobilized and quartered in the City Auditorium, and Headquarters Battery under the command of Major Winthrop Rogers was quartered in the old Bailey-Moline building in Wichita Falls, Texas, awaiting completion of Camp Bowie, Brownwood, Texas. January 11th, 1941 found them at Camp Bowie ready for their year's training with the rest of the 36th Division. They took part in the Nation's greatest sham battle, the Louisiana Maneuvers, fighting through dust, rain and mud and they did a

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## WEDNESDAY IS TAX DEADLINE

With the deadline for poll, state and county tax payments drawing to a close on the last day of this month, word comes from tax collector Terrell Gunter's office that only 1,652 poll taxes had been issued up until yesterday.

Persons who have become 21 year of age after Jan. 1, 1944 and before the time any election may be held during 1945, also persons who were not a resident of this state on the first day of January, 1944, but have since become eligible to vote by length of residence, must obtain a certificate of exemption on or before January 31, 1945, if they desire to vote.

Poll tax payment opened on October 1 and next Wednesday, January 31, is the last day to make payment of the \$1.75 tax.

Though there are no county, state and national elections slated for this year, it will be well to remember that there are city and school elections to be held and if special elections are petitioned for some time during the year, citizens who have paid their poll tax by the deadline will be only ones allowed to vote on the issue.

City and school taxes are also due and must be paid by the last day of the month to avoid penalty. City taxes may be paid at Mr. Gunter's office and Floyd Pennington is collector of taxes for the Wheeler Independent School District.

## Car Tags Will Go On Sale Next Thursday

1945 car and truck license plates arrived at the office of Terrell Gunter, county tax assessor-collector, yesterday and will go on sale at the office next Thursday, Feb. 1. The single plate is to be attached to the rear of all vehicles but truck-tractors which will have a front number. The plates have black numerals and letters on a gold-colored background.

Passenger license numbers for this county run from FY6050 to FY8449; commercial truck from MY400 to MY699; farm truck from RN5950 to RN6299; and trailer tags from TF8080 to TF8159.

Vehicle owners are asked to bring their certificate of title and 1944 license receipt with them when applying for the new 1945 licenses. Tags must be on vehicles by April 1.

## C. G. Barker Dies At Home In Gageby

C. G. Barker, 75, prominent in the farming and cattle business of the Panhandle since 1910, passed away at his home at Gageby last Thursday. He had been ill for several months.

Funeral services were held at the Gageby church at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon with the Presbyterian minister of Canadian in charge. Mr. Barker had donated land for a cemetery at Gageby and is the first to be interred there.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Annie Barker of Gageby; four sons, J. D. Barker, Canyon, B. G. Barker, Phoenix, Ariz., Tom Barker, Pasadena, Cal., Claude Barker, Gageby; three daughters, Mrs. J. E. Dodd, Briscoe, Mrs. Gaddy Vise, Briscoe, Mrs. J. H. Francis, Gageby. He had 14 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

## LION DISTRICT GOVERNOR HERE LAST TUESDAY

Lee Johnson, superintendent of the Wink schools and governor of the Lions of this district, met briefly with local Lions club members Tuesday afternoon. Johnson praised the local club for its efforts as a civic organization and its attendance record during the past months. He appealed to the club to make every effort possible to be of service to returning veterans and to help with community post war problems.

## WOFFORD NAMED TO DISTRICT SCOUT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Harry Wofford has been named as a member of the district Scout Executive Committee of the Adobe Walls Council of the Boy Scouts of America. The appointment was made at a recent meeting in Pampa and announced by Hugo Olsen, Scout executive for the Council.

## MRS. BUSTER WALSER LEAVES TO BE WITH HUSBAND

Mrs. Buster Walser left Saturday to be with her husband, Pvt. Buster Walser, who is in the Mayo General Hospital in Illinois. Pvt. Walser, who was injured in action Sept. 29 in Germany, is improving and expects to be moved to Ft. Sam Houston soon. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Walser, reside in Wheeler.

V. B. Hardcastle will leave today for Amarillo where he will attend a meeting for ACA administrative officers meeting tonight and tomorrow.

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Paying Tribute

One heartening editorial with
which to start off 1945, is to com-
mend the effort and the triumph of
farmers around Wheeler and every-
where in this land, for their produc-
tion this past year. We feel they are
all worthy of our words of encourage-
ment for courage, patriotism and de-
termination. It is naturally accepted
that nature herself must be given full
credit, but the American farmer has
certainly measured up to the tremen-
dous task laid out for him of provid-
ing an almost impossible granary, to
peak proportions. There have been
discouraging voices on regimentation,
on being bureaucratized to death, a yell
over food programs and subsidies.
Machinery was hard to get and slow,
hired help equally as difficult to se-
cure—and then to keep. But in many
cases the advantages to be gained
by parity payments, commodity loans
and low-priced, conservation plans,
marketing services, rural electrifica-
tion, has benefited and even balanc-
ed the headaches. The farmers job
has often been a discouraging one,
for certain rural factors have made
farming a subject for argumentation
since we can remember. We know
there are burdens to bear, many tuss-
les with nature, but the farm produc-
tion of this past year has been
bigger and has been better than ever
before. Profits have been made too.
No business is without its worries, its
drawbacks. Farming is big business!

In The Wake Of Freedom

It used to be that self preservation
was the cause of war. That hungry
people will seek to conquer a fertile
land that they might be fed. This
does not hold true in more recent
years, the hunger of the body was for
primitive man, the hunger for power
and rule being a modern reason for
war. However, as conquered nations
freed from oppression today, the
hunger comes and the internal dis-
turbance begins. A free people de-
mand the comforts of such freedom.
Such moves slowly. There are many
to supply, with food and drink, with
clothing and shelter. There is a need
for forming a governing body for the
people. It too is not done quickly.
But as we pray, "Give us this day
our daily bread," the pronouns point
to many mouths to feed, each in due
time. It is NOT give Me, My bread!
Patience is needed as well as bread.

Will They Want Socialism Now?

The rapidity with which France
was adopting socialism, or commun-
ism, previous to World War II, was
causing economic instability in that
nation.
The will of the late Renault, own-
er of the great French automobile
factory, left that property to its 40-
000 workers. It will be interesting to
see how they take to nationalization
of the factory by DeGaulle, now that
they are its owners. They now have
a stake in private ownership, and
may not wish to see "their property"
absorbed by the state. The will caused
a sensation in Paris.
It is noticeable that the most ar-
dent socialist always wants the state
to run the other fellow's business—
how about his own?

Often as we read the news of the
day we feel as insecure as a skinny
old maid in a strapless evening gown.

One thing that can be said for the
automobile is that it virtually stop-
ped horse stealing.

ROGUE THEATRE
"DANGEROUS JOURNEY"
—with—
ELSA LANCHESTER
GORDON OLIVER
LENORE AUBERT
Fri. — Jan. 26-27 — Sat.
"THE NORTH STAR"
—featuring—
Anne Baxter — Dana Andrews
Walter Huston - Walter Brennan
Ann Harding - Farley Granger
Sun. — Jan. 28-29 — Mon.
"FRENCHMAN'S CREEK"
—starring—
JOAN FONTAINE
Unequaled Magnitude
Wed. — Jan. 31-Feb. 1 — Thurs.

Pertinent Paragraphs
from Panhandle Press

Items of interest culled from news-
papers on the Times'
exchange list.

In all the talk about manpower
shortage, one fact stands out clearly
—under the present labor monopoly
in the United States men are prevent-
ed from working unless they first
pay to get their job. If you don't be-
lieve this, try to get a job in a war
industry.
No American citizen should be
forced to join any organization,
whether it be labor, religious or polit-
ical, before he can earn his living.
Allowing labor unions to remain out-
side the laws which regulate all busi-
ness corporations, while collecting
millions of dollars in dues, is a trav-
esty on justice and a burlesque on
government.

Such tryanny within a so-called
free country cannot be continued
without ultimately leading to dicta-
torship by either labor bosses, polit-
ical bosses, or both. Freedom flies
out of the window when a man must
get permission of another man to
earn his daily bread.
—Memphis Democrat

Thousands of acres of what once
was the most productive in the coun-
try is now worse than waste land. In
the northwest part of the county
these acres have been abandoned.
Where once bumper cotton and feed
crops grew now coarse weeds struggle
to hold root in the loose sand. Unfit
for farming and grazing, this land
lies idle.

Owners say that the land could be
rebuilt in time if treated properly,
but the expense and period of years
involved make it not worth the ef-
fort.

Poor farm management ruined the
land and the whole county suffers.
—Anton Koch in The Quanah
Tribune-Chief

In view of the stark reality of what
is happening to little people in com-
munities such as ours, the glib gossip
of such columnists as Walter Win-
chell and the exposes of Drew Pear-
son leave me cold. I have not read
anything Winchell has written in the
last six months; but once in a while
I do hear some reader mention his
broadcast. I do continue to read
Pearson; but I have about decided
the total effect of his column is not
too good. Both are smear artists. The
fact that each of these men happens
to make a tremendous amount of
money from their muck-raking does
not interest me one way or the other.
But I am fed up with Winchell's 150
per cent patriotism and Pearson's
personal venom. There was a time
when I waited with bated breath to
hear the latest pronouncement of
these gentlemen. Now I feel that each
of these agile minds needs to have
some roots—roots that go back to
where the people live. If they had
roots, as Will Rogers had, they
would not seem so shallow in a time
of great national peril.
—Deck Wells in
The Wellington Leader

Mrs. J. A. Lee evidently has the
complete confidence of The First
State Bank of Miami. Mrs. Lee was
transacting business with the cashier,
C. C. Shield shortly before the noon
hour Monday, and was seated at a
table looking over some papers in her
safety deposit box, so quietly Mr.
Shield forgot all about her being
there, all employees went to lunch
and when the President, Clark Math-
ers returned he was surprised to find
a customer locked up for safe keep-
ing.
—Miami Chief

When you turn on the radio you
hear practically every morning that
such and so wild cat strike started



By BOYCE HOUSE

In this hour when the shadow of
death is falling across so many
homes, the man (or woman) who has
nothing more serious to worry about
than the cigaret shortage has nothing
to worry about.

And another thing that puzzles me
is, if there is a paper shortage in this
country (and I'm sure there is) then
why do the big metropolitan papers
devote so much space to the Chaplin
case and other Hollywood filth?

And why couldn't they cut down on
the size of those enormous pictures
on the Sunday society page?

County Clerk Dush Shaw of Gregg
County has begun his 24th term,
ranking him as one of the oldest
public officials, in point of service, in
the United States. The Longview
Lens comments that the popular
county clerk has "worn out" two
courthouses and is serving in the
third.

One of the most interesting law-
suits in the history of Eastland Coun-
ty wasn't tried in the courthouse at
Eastland but in justice court in Cisco
back in the '20's. A one-eyed mule
and a 1912 model Brush automobile
collided on the main street. (Can
you remember the Brush? It had a
door at the back and it cranked on
the side, like a phonograph, and you
steered it with a stick instead of a
wheel).

The case drew such a big crowd
that the "squire" moved from his little
courtroom over to the city hall audi-
torium. The trial took all day and
then everybody went home for supper
and came back that night for the
argument.

W. J. Barnes (now a prominent
Houston attorney) represented the
defendant and he brought out that
the value of the mule was only \$50,
yet the owner was claiming \$150

in such and so war plan, but union
officials deplore the strike which is
entirely unauthorized. That is a very
feeble excuse. Why does not the
union punish those who call unauth-
orized strikes? Why does not the ad-
ministration send the army to take
over the union headquarters and put
the men in uniform to work for 50
bucks per month until they get ready
to act like decent Americans should
in time of war? Both CIO and AFL
officials have pledged no strikes dur-
ing the war. So far this pledge has
been a mere scrap of paper, compar-
able to the late lamented Atlantic
Charter.
—Canyon News

A survey of boys and girls in mili-
tary service a year ago showed that
one million of them would want to
go to college after the war.

Dr. J. A. Hill, president of West
Texas State College, Canyon, recent-
ly said that if one-fifth of one per
cent selected this regional college,
there would be 2,000 of them, thus
taxing the capacity of the institution.

The situation at Canyon doubtless
is typical of the nation. Higher edu-
cation will have all it can do to
handle peak enrollments caused by
the normal number of students and
the returning service men and women.
—Panhandle Herald

DUST STORMS NOT LIKELY
THIS YEAR, SAY THE EXPERTS

There will be fewer dust storms
in the Panhandle in the spring of
1945 than at any time in history say
the agricultural experts.
R. I. Throckmorton of Kansas

damages to the animal! In fact,
Barnes made such a convincing
speech that the jury decided that the
auto didn't hit the mule at all but
that the mule jumped in front of the
auto — and so the owner of the
Brush was awarded damages!

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Commissioners' Court of Wheeler
County, Texas will on the 12th day
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accept bids for a Depository for the
County Funds, said bid is to state the
rate of interest offered on the funds
for the term between the date of such
bid and the next regular time for the
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be accompanied by a certified check
in an amount equal to one half of
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in an amount equal to one half of
one per cent of the average daily
balances of the amount of trust funds
in the possession of said clerks during
the preceding calendar year.
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tee which has made a study of the
dust situation, said in a report to the
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council:
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the Great Plains area is the most opti-
mistic ever presented to the coun-
cil.
"With reasonable spring moisture
conditions, prospects for 1945 wheat,
sorghum and grass are good. Rainfall
has been above normal and moisture
conditions are much more favorable
than a year ago.
"Last year, there were over 6,000-
000 acres in the region in condition
to blow. The reports this year indi-
cate that the area has been reduced

to about 2,000,000 acres."
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**MOBEETIE HI-LIFE**  
Items of interest pertaining to the Mobeetie Schools

**Highlights in the World of Sports**  
The Mobeetie basketball boys won and lost one game over the week-end. Miami defeated the Hornets by a score of 30 to 13. Kivelen was high point man for Miami with a total of 10 points.  
Mobeetie defeated Wheeler in a game with almost as many fouls as there were scores. The second string played the last half. The game ended with a score 29 to 19.  
Virginia Futch led the Mobeetie basketball girls to a victory over Miami Thursday night. The final score was 36 to 12. Futch made 12 points, Mixon 10 points, Abbott 8 points.

According to a survey in the sophomore English class, horseback riding is the favorite past time. Listening to the radio ranked next, then sports of all kinds. Other interests were picture shows, reading funny papers, clothes, music.  
Congratulations to Onie Sims who has completed his memory work of one hundred lines already. Although one hundred lines is an assignment to be completed by May, Onie's work was in three days after the semester opened. He should give his secret of memorizing to some of the seniors and juniors.

**Ex-Students**  
Cecil Seitz, a graduate of 1943 and an outstanding athlete, is on a battleship prominent in the Philippine battle.  
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Cherry pie, fresh cherries, and cherry preserves are within the reach of every family in Wheeler county. Get half dozen or a dozen two to four feet cherry trees. Plant these between now and mid-March, just as soon as the severest part of winter is over. Plant 20 feet apart.

Early Richmond and Montmorency are excellent varieties of cherries for Wheeler county.

The Early Richmond cherry ripens in late June to early July, or 7 to 10 days earlier than Montmorency. It is the leading early tart cherry. The tree is very vigorous, spreading and a prolific producer. The fruit is small, round, and light red. The fruit is of good quality.

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Additional information on planting, cultivation, and pruning of cherries can be obtained at either the County Agent's or Home Demonstration Agent's office.

remarks, is believed to be on Siapan.

**Abber and Jabber**  
We have noticed how nice Leroy Patton's fingernails look. Could Clea Fae have fixed them for him?

We haven't heard anything from the girl who says she loves Ray lately. Speak up Beverly.

Juanita Walker stayed out of school Monday morning waiting for the Montgomery Ward catalogs. Did they come in, Juanita?

Was it cold walking down to Mixon's Friday night? Mignon, Wallace, George B. and Vera might answer this.

Juanita, isn't Santa Claus a little late with the identification bracelet?

Evelyn, is it lots of fun riding the Mt. View bus? Who could attract your attention on it?

Frances C. was J. T. Jeffus at school looking for you Monday?

LeRue has acquired some new jewelry. Could it belong to Jesse Ray Leonard?

It is now revealed that the cocktail the major general drank in England, which caused him to give the tip off on D-Day, was a "radio special." Three drinks and you start broadcasting.

"I have a dog that growls, a parrot that swears, a fireplace that smokes, and a cat that stays out all night. Why should I want a husband?" the spinster says.

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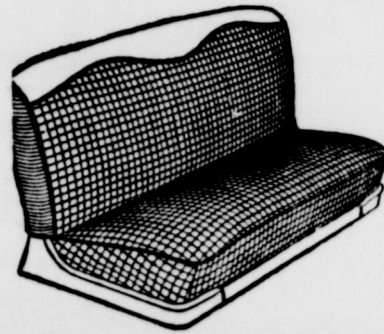
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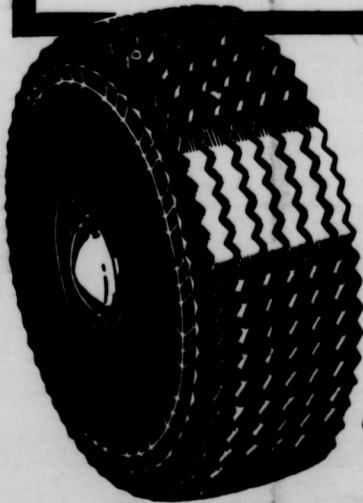


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Shopping Bags	.79	.69	Kitchen Knives, set of 7	3.75	2.98
Garden Aprons	1.89	.98	Butcher Knife	.98	.75
Water Proof Apron	.89	.49	Knife Set (2)	.75	.59
Forked Duster	.69	.59	Child's Table, 2 chairs	11.95	9.95
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### THE CORRAL

Items of interest pertaining to the Wheeler Schools

Mr. E. H. Boulton, state deputy superintendent was a visitor at Wheeler schools last week.

#### Basketball Notes

The junior team, girls and boys, played Shamrock Saturday, January 5. The girls were defeated 12 to 19 and the boys 20 to 14. They are hoping to get to play them again soon.

The Wheeler boys and girls were defeated in both of their games at the tournament. Madalene Burress was high point player of both games played. It was said the Wheeler girls never played a better team work game than was played Saturday. Don Farmer was high-point man of the boys team.

#### Homemaking News

The second year homemaking girls honored Mrs. Bud Conner, the former Miss Noi Lou Bolin, with a surprise bridal shower Tuesday morning, Jan. 16. The group played bingo, letting the honoree win, giving her a prize. The prize was a box of lovely gifts given her by the girls.

The table was laid with Fostoria. The centerpiece was a three tiered cake with pink icing. It was decorated with bridal bells, topped with a miniature bride and groom.

Refreshments of punch, cookies and sandwiches were served to the following: Floy and Joy Bradstreet, Melba and Helen Little, Vendell Starkey, Ida Mae Martin, Peggy Weatherly, Charlene Bradshaw, Florine Jackson, Nell Garner, June Johnson, Mrs. Wiley and the honoree, Mrs. Conner.

#### Junior and Senior News

Members of both the junior and senior class are rather anxious about the averages of their grades. Students are required to have a B average to take part in a class play. The plays will be begun immediately after the beginning of the new semester. As everyone knows, it is an honor privilege, and pleasure to be a member of the cast of these class plays, so here's hoping there are numbers of students who are eligible.

Everyone is trying to get in those last minute book reports, term themes, work books, and notebooks. Then everyone must burn a little midnight oil and cram for that mid-term examination which is scheduled for the last of next week. Many students have been overheard again promising themselves that never again will they be guilty of procrastination.

#### Freshman and Sophomore News

The freshmen had a party at the Ag. building Monday night. Each freshman invited one other person. Refreshments were served to about 25 persons. Everyone seemed to have

### LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. Bert Davis and Bessie of Briscoe were in Wheeler Saturday.

Mrs. Grady Meadows of Briscoe was a Wheeler caller Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Damaris Holt of Le-fors visited relatives here during the week end.

Everett and Joe Smith of Yukon, Okla., visited in the Bronson Green home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Norrid of Amarillo and Don Norrid S2C of San Diego came Sunday to visit Mrs. Norrid's mother, Mrs. H. A. Whittener, and other relatives. They left Tuesday.

Mrs. Roe Green left Wednesday for Temple where she will receive medical treatment.

Judge W. R. Ewing of Pampa was in Wheeler Monday.

had a good time. We have two new students this week. Billy Jones and Charlotte Smith. We are very glad to have them in our class and hope they enjoy our school.

#### Sophomore News

The sophomores had a class meeting to try to get up a box supper to raise funds for the F. S. A. sweet-hearts contest, but we couldn't decide where we could have it. There was no available place to have the box supper so it has been called off for the present.

#### Junior News

The juniors, like all others, are taking mid-term tests this week. The grades determine whether we will have a junior play or not.

#### This And That

What two girls had flashy sets of fingernails, Monday?

What two people make eyes across the study-hall in front of Bettie Hix?

Why will Donald have to have his sweater cleaned?

What was Edna pouring up Monday? Could it come in big bottles?

Why can't people ever catch Corkey doing anything?

We wonder what the conversation between A. D. G. and R. R. was?

Mr. Dyer, things in your office look suspicious!

Henry, where is your ring?

Dolores, where did you get the new name, Concetta?

All the kids enjoyed hearing the McMurry Chanters Tuesday.

We want to know whose ring Florine was wearing Monday?

We wonder who stood Melba up Sunday afternoon, and who she stood up Sunday night?

Does anyone know who John A's new girl is?

We wonder why Ida Mae's always laughing lately?

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- Grapefruit Juice** Texas Pure, No. 2 can **10c**
- Cut Green Beans** Muchmore, No. 2 can **10c**
- Garden Run Peas** Bluebird, No. 2 can **10c**
- Tomato Juice** Childford's Fancy, No. 2 can **10c**
- Salad Dressing** White Pony, 8 ounce jar **10c**
- Cut Beets** Scott County, No. 2 can **10c**
- Diced Carrots** Scott County, No. 2 can **10c**
- Noodle Soup** Morton House Chicken, No. 1 can **10c**
- Hershey's Cocoa** 8 Ounce package **10c**
- Baked Beans** Morton House, in Tomato Sauce, 16 oz can **10c**
- Quink Ink** Parker's, Regular 15c bottle **10c**
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**KAPPA BETA MEETS TUESDAY WITH MISS FERGUSON**

Miss Roberta Ferguson was hostess to the members of the Kappa Beta Tuesday night for a business meeting.

Mrs. H. E. Nicholson, sponsor, was leader of the program and gave the devotional.

The new handbooks were distributed and plans made for the programs for the first six months of the year, stating the hostess and leader of each.

Refreshments were served to the following: Mrs. V. J. Zeman, a new member; Mrs. H. E. Nicholson, sponsor; Mrs. Hervey S. Hutchins, Mrs. Calvin Harmon, Mrs. W. W. Meek, and Misses Ruth Barr, Leona Crossland, Mary Eunice Noah, Evonne Hubbard, and Roberta Ferguson, hostess.

The next meeting date will be Feb. 13. Mrs. Meek will entertain with a Valentine party.

**MR. AND MRS. JONES ARE HOSTS AT DINNER**

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Jones entertained with a birthday dinner Sunday honoring J. A. Bradshaw and grandson, Harold Edwin Reid.

Those enjoying the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Olin Pendleton and children, O. W. Junior and Charles Ray; Mr. and Mrs. Otis Reid and children, Jo, Winnie and Harold Edwin; Charlene and Beverly Bradshaw and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Jones and children, Buck and Sandra.

**BAPTIST W. M. S. MEETS MONDAY**

The Women's Missionary Society met in the home of Mrs. M. L. Gunter Monday afternoon for a Royal Service program. Mrs. A. C. Wood was leader.

Those present were Mesdames C. N. Wofford, A. C. Wood, Raymond Sayre, J. W. Williams, C. C. Clark and daughter, Minnie Farmer and the hostess, Mrs. Gunter.

**MISS MERRITT IS MEMBER OF STAFF**

Miss Naomi Merritt of Siloam Springs, Arkansas has been elected as a member of "The Three Fold Advocate," John Brown University, newspaper staff. She is also a member of the newly organized journalism club and has begun her first assignment by interviewing new students.

Cpl. Leroy Lamb of Kearns, Utah, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Wagner of Tulsa spent the week end with their sister, Mrs. Dortha Wright, and other relatives.

Pfc. A. T. Pitcock, who has been serving in Africa and Italy the past twenty-seven months, is visiting his brother, Homer Pitcock.

**W. S. C. S. HOLDS PLEDGE SERVICE**

The Woman's Society of Christian Service held its 1945 Pledge service in the home of Mrs. H. M. Wiley Monday.

The theme for the year is The Open Door. "Behold I have set before thee an open door and no man can shut it."

Phases of our own American life and that of other lands were presented by different ones of the group.

The nineteen adults and two children present were Mesdames Fred Farmer, J. A. Bryant, G. W. Bryant, P. Mayfield, C. Robison, J. M. Glover, Wiley, Lloyd Davidson, Harold Nash, D. A. Hunt, Hervey Hutchins, Joe Hyatt, J. M. Porter, Dorsie Hutchinson, C. C. Hall, H. H. Hunt, Luther Parks, H. E. Nicholson, Miss Evonne Hubbard, Garth Nash and Richard Dan Parks.

**"A" Coupon Holders Must Keep "Mileage Rationing Records"**

All operators of passenger cars with basic "A" rations must have "Mileage Rationing Records" to be eligible to apply for any gasoline rations. R. C. Woodruff, District Gasoline Rationing Officer for OPA, pointed out today.

In the recent re-registration of the nation's 23,000,000 basic "A" ration holders, each registrant was issued one of these mileage record forms. The form replaced the old tire rationing record, on which was kept a list of all gasoline rations issued to the vehicle.

Without this important record form, no motorist may be issued a "B" or "C" supplemental ration, he emphasized.

Information has been received from local War Price and Rationing Boards that many motorists did not understand the use of the record form and lost or destroyed theirs.

No supplemental rations or special or furlough rations for cars with basic "A" rations may be issued to an applicant who does not present his mileage rationing record with his supplemental gasoline application, Woodruff emphasized.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Murphy of Canyon were week end visitors in Wheeler.

Mrs. G. A. Boltin of Canyon visited from Wednesday until Sunday in the Cecil Richardson home.

Mrs. Will Finsterwald of Jowett was in Wheeler Monday.

Some men are known for their deeds. Others for their mortgages.

Anyone can be brave from a safe distance.

**MESDAMES SMITH AND WALKER ARE HOSTESSES AT SHOWER**

Pvt. and Mrs. Maxie L. Poole were honored with a shower at the home of Mrs. J. L. Smith, Briscoe, Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Cash Walker was co-hostess.

Those attending were Mesdames H. S. Poole, E. B. Woodruff, Louis R. Stone, Lawton Clark, J. A. Wood, Clarence Dyson, W. A. Finsterwald, Milton Finsterwald and Larry, R. L. Ramsey, Boyd A. Hensley, John McCarrroll, Sherman Smith, Roscoe Meek, John McCarrroll and Sgt. and Mrs. Argues Poole.

Those sending gifts were Mrs. Jim Selby, Mabel Alice Smith, Maudine, Hellon and Ima Gene Poole; Lloyd, Eugene and Red Poole, Mrs. H. S. Poole, little Butch Poole, Eva Glenn Wilkinson, Frances, Betty Jean, Gary and Russell Stone.

**BRISCOE BRONCO**

Items of interest pertaining to the Briscoe Schools

**Freshman Fish Pond**

We are all working and studying for our mid-term tests. Some of us are behind on our book reports as Mrs. Venable is finding out.

Most of us are looking forward to our theater party that we are planning for the first of February.

**Seen And Heard**

Having an assembly program Monday.

Dude not at school Monday.

Piggy having a time Monday.

Bessie with a plaid shirt.

Non-librarians ordered out of the library.

Sammie and Ewing arguing in the lunch room.

Briscoe boys having to play a AA school in the tournament at Canadian.

Something of mid-term tests.

Mozelle very happy Monday.

Jean looking sad Monday. (What's up, Jean?)

A 'squeezing contest' going on Monday. (Who won, fellows?)

Sammie not letting anyone read Booker's letter.

**Sophomore Strategies**

We are still working on the first act of our play but the zealous studying for our tests is interfering somewhat.

Kirk is rather good at making love (don't get excited, girls—I mean in the play). The sophomores are finding that they have many talents that they didn't know they possessed. Good grunting, Rosie.

Dude has been rather conspicuous by her absence lately. (Is it neck trouble again, Dude?)

**Assembly Monday**

The seventh and eighth grades presented the following program Monday afternoon:

Singing of "America" by the audience lead by Thomas Pruitt and accompanied at the piano by Dorothy Brotherton; Flag Salute, led by Thomas Pruitt; play by the eighth grade, C. B. Brotherton, Rosemary Finsterwald, Truman Zybach, Janice D'Spain, Richard Higgins, Betty Jo Standee and Jack Hefley; Piano duet by Janice D'Spain and Betty Jo Standee; Play by the seventh grade, Frankie Venable, Marie Edwards, DeVonne Childress, Wilma Jo Lane, Margaret Reems and T. G. Reems. The next assembly will be announced later.

**Social Items**

Nelda Barry spent Sunday with Mozelle Wilson.

LaVerne Finsterwald spent Sunday with Emily Seedig.

**Third and Fourth Grade Basketball Game**

Tuesday afternoon of last week the third and fourth grades met in a hard fought basketball game. The game was called by Dude Mooney. Those playing on the third grade team were Donald Taylor, Jackie Daughtry, Jerry Hayes, Dean Tipps and Billy Joe Dyson.

Players on the fourth grade team were Bobby Helton, Carol Wayne McCraw, Eugene Mooney, Dwight Higgins and Leroy Hudson. The final score was 8 to 3 in fourth grade's favor.

High point man was McCraw with 5 points. Daughtry made the three points for the third grade.

**Eighth Grade News**

We are very glad that we have finally given our assembly play. We think it is time for the sophomores and freshmen to give a program. We are all trying to be good to our teachers because of mid-term tests this week.

**Seventh Grade News**

Thomas and Sam Pruitt are back with us again. We will have all of our mid-term tests Wednesday. I'm sure that we all dread Wednesday very much.

Dear Snooper: Why do the basketball boys and girls like to go to Booker so well? Interested.

I heard that Booker has attractions. Dear Snooper: Why does Sammie blush so when we mention lemons? Seniors.

I believe she is allergic to them. Is that right, Sammie?

Dear Snooper: I simply must know, was Bessie still able to hold on to Scarth even with the other Briscoe

Mrs. T. Hays and son of Ft. Worth left Thursday after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Maxwell. They went to Shamrock to visit Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Mundy.

She and Mrs. Tommy Hyatt of Green Cove Springs, Florida came Monday night for a ten-day visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hyatt and Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Maxwell.

high school girls around? Kelton Boy. Don't worry, she lives much farther than you do, but yes, I'm sure she did. You underestimate her charms.

Dear Snooper: Why is Mrs. Venable such an important person the last period of an evening? Onlooker.

It is time for half of our reading points to be in. Didn't you know?

**MOBETIE HAPPENINGS**

By Mrs. F. C. Peace

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Johnson and Mrs. J. B. Oswalt attended the funeral services held for Mr. Barker in Gageby Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Henderson were notified Monday that their son, Sgt. Claude Henderson, was wounded in action in Belgium January 3. Mr. and Mrs. Ebb Patton also received word that their son, E. H., was wounded in action in Belgium Jan. 7.

Mrs. J. Y. Wright and Mrs. Pearl Ferguson attended the funeral services held for a brother-in-law, H. G. Holcomb, in Pampa Monday.

Mrs. Ruth Huie and sister, Viola,

were business visitors in Pampa Monday.

Mrs. Stella Guthrie of Denver, Colo., spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wright.

Pvt. Carlton Murrell has returned to Ft. Sam Houston after an extended visit with friends and relatives.

Sgt. Johnnie Murrell is now stationed in England. He reports he is getting along fine.

Mrs. Marvin Roberts of Briscoe was a business caller here Tuesday.

Mrs. S. B. Rose of Pampa visited her mother, Mrs. Roberts, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lowrie and children, who have lived here since 1920, moved to a farm near Texico, New Mexico Tuesday.



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<b>PORK &amp; BEANS</b> 15 oz. jar	<b>14c</b>	<b>PRESERVES</b> 2 Pound Jar
<b>RAIDER - CUT</b>		<b>DIAMOND FANCY PURE</b>
<b>GREEN BEANS</b> No. 2 Can	<b>10c</b>	<b>HONEY</b> 5 Pound Can
<b>Armour's Star</b>		<b>24 Oz. Jar</b>
<b>Peanut Butter</b>		<b>29c</b>
<b>HERSHEY'S</b>		<b>SUNSHINE KRISPY</b>
<b>COCOA</b> Half pound box	<b>10c</b>	<b>CRACKERS</b> 1 Pound box
<b>VAN CAMP'S</b>		<b>MARCO PANCAKE or WAFFLE</b>
<b>TENDERONI</b> Per Box	<b>5c</b>	<b>FLOUR</b> 20 Ounce box
<b>Sunny Boy</b>		<b>50 Lb. Bag</b>
<b>FLOUR</b>		<b>1.98</b>
<b>PUDDING</b> CLINTON Per Box	<b>5c</b>	<b>WHEATIES</b> Per box
<b>GRAPENUTS</b> 2 Packages	<b>25c</b>	<b>SORGHUM</b> PURE Per gallon
<b>Merit, ALL MASH</b>		<b>100 Lb. Sack</b>
<b>STARTER</b>		<b>3.75</b>
<b>Merit, Print Bag</b>		<b>100 Lb. Bag</b>
<b>EGG MASH</b>		<b>3.40</b>
<b>BAB-O</b> Per Can	<b>10c</b>	<b>MUSTARD</b> Per quart
<b>BRAN</b> 100 Lb. Sack	<b>2.25</b>	<b>OXYDOL</b> Large box
		<b>23c</b>



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**NEWS OF OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM**

(Continued from First Page)

good job. They, the 131st Field Artillery, 2nd Battalion, were chosen as a crack unit and shortly after maneuvers were on their way to the West Coast.

The 131st Field Artillery, 2nd Battalion was composed of West Texas men Battery D, Wichita Falls, Texas; Battery E, Abilene, Texas; Battery F, Jacksboro, Texas; S & A Battery, Plainview and Lubbock, Texas; Medical Detachment, Amarillo, Texas. There are 68 families represented in Wichita Falls; 6 officers and 62 enlisted men.

On November 21st, 1941 the 131st Field Artillery 2nd Battalion, sailed from San Francisco—their destination unknown—their address was "Plum" care Postmaster San Francisco. They reached Pearl Harbor November 28th, 1942. December 7th, 1941, Pearl Harbor was bombed and the fate of the 131st Field Artillery was unknown until January 17th, 1942 when telephone calls and cablegrams began coming in from them and it was learned that they were with the American Forces in Java. It was later learned that they were pulled into Brisbane, Australia, the first American forces to land there, and 10 days later were sent into Java. We learned, also, that these men had never received any word from their families since leaving the United States and did not up until the time of the fall of the island. The island of Java fell the first part of March, 1942 and with it went the men of the 2nd Battalion, 131st Field Artillery. For months after the island fell it was believed that the 131st F. A. was evacuated or that they were holding out in the mountains of Java. After waiting three months, June 6th, 1942, the next kin was notified, by the War Department, that these men were "Missing in Action, presumed to be Prisoners of War." In the fall of 1943 word began to slowly come in, in the form of Prisoner of War cards, that these men were being held prisoners by the Japanese. Some were being held in Japan, others in Burma and Thailand and a very few left in Java. One death was reported, Gordon Grif-

fin, Battery A, Wichita Falls, Texas. Very few of these men were officially reported to be prisoners by the Japanese government and the fate of some of the men is still unknown. An occasional card adds a new name to the slowly growing list.

Today, November 11th, 1944, we pause to pay tribute to our men of the "West Texas Lost Battalion." The first man to see action on foreign soil and under a foreign flag. Let us not forget these men who were expendable. Today—let us remember them proudly—our men who sailed from the American shores, under a peaceful sky, and who, four months later were taken prisoners of a treacherous enemy.

There are Texans fighting all over the world and they are giving a good account. Our "Lost Battalion" lived up to its tradition—it gave a good account. Our men had little chance, they had little equipment and our planes were not there to help them. They will go down in history with the men who fought at the Alamo. Those men in Java wrote another glorious chapter for the pages of history.

Clark Lee of Associated Press tells more than we could of their bravery and courage when he told this in his article about our Texas boys.

"Java was bleeding profusely from the Jap thrust and the show was about over. Correspondents and radio men hurried through the jungle to reach an airdrome where flight to Australia awaited them. The Japs weren't far behind. Out of the jungle came a feeble sound. It grew louder and drowned the chatter of monkeys as the correspondents hurried down the trail. Finally it struck them—men were singing! Down the trail swung 800 unmistakably American men. The guys were headed straight for a terrific Jap force, singing out there in the jungle, mused Lee. Drama! Bravery! Hell, those correspondents won't see the equal of it in this war. Singing, yeah! Singing 'The Eyes of Texas Are Upon You'."

This was the 131st Field Artillery, 2nd Battalion. The Japanese and Java will long remember the 131st Field Artillery whom the War Department "Presumes has been captured by the Japanese in Java." These men who fought in the green jungles of Java were expendable and they knew it.

In going back over the clippings of the past three years we find that headlines tell a story, a story of wistful thinking, of high hope, of uncer-

**GRAY-WHEELER MEDICAL GROUP HOLD REGULAR MEET**

The Gray-Wheeler County Medical Society held their regular monthly meeting in Pampa January 18. A dinner was served at the Court House Cafe and the scientific program and business session was held in the BCD office.

Those present were Drs. R. M. Brown, H. L. Wilder, Chas. H. Ashby, P. C. Christian, W. C. Jones, W. Purviance, C. E. High, and K. W. Pieratt of Pampa, H. E. Nicholson of Wheeler and J. W. Hendrick of Amarillo.

Dr. Hendrick lectured on the causes of back pain with lantern slides to illustrate his lecture. Some moving pictures of interesting and instructive operations were shown. The next meeting will be held in Pampa February 15th.

Mrs. Marion Reynolds of Shamrock and Capt. Doyle Reynolds spent last Wednesday with Mrs. Bronson Green.

Mrs. D. G. Sims and Mrs. Callie Sollock of Mobeetie were in Wheeler Tuesday.

tainty, of low morale for the families of the "West Texas Lost Battalion."

"Texas Artillery Unit Holds Java Front Line Town."

"Texas Artillery With Aussies and Tommies in Java."

"Battalion, Feared Lost in Java, Rough and Ready Lot."

"Artillerymen May Have Escaped Java."

"Artillerymen Helped Save Australia."

"Interest Grows in the Texas Lost Battalion."

"Petition Asks Fate of 131st F. A."

"Part of Lost Battalion Are Prisoners."

All these headlines tell a story, a story of brave Texas men, men who were made of the same stuff as Sam Houston, David Crockett, who will go down in history with them, and they too, will merit the same praise and glory. It tells a story of brave American men who left the peaceful shores of America—war was then just a rumble in the distance—never once thinking that war would overtake them before they reached their destination. Of men who fought against great and overwhelming odds and, who proved first, that they were AMERICANS, and second, that they were TEXANS. They tell a story not yet complete after three years.

As to their fate, all the information that we can gather, holds the view that they are prisoners of war. The battle for Java was another of "Too little and too late." Some were able to get away, but the battle was swift and they had little or no chance of escape. Whether they were all captured, only time will tell. Our hopes and our prayers are that they will return before another Armistice Day, and that they will not have sacrificed in vain. We can work with speed to win this war as quickly as possible, every day counts for our men who are behind the barbed wire, to do everything in our power to bring a lasting victory. This we owe to our men!

Today let us remember, proudly that they, the 131st F. A., were well trained and fit. That they left long in advance of the remainder of the 36th Division. That they were given a hard task to do and that they proved themselves true Americans.

People are prone to forget so let us carry the torch for our men; let us keep our faith and our hope. You can rest assured that wherever our men are, they have not lost their faith nor their hope—their hope of coming home again, or seeing their loved ones, a hope of having a free life and a home once more. You can be assured that they are making as brave and courageous a prisoner as they did a soldier.

They are called the Lost Battalion, but they will never be lost nor forgotten. Most of the members of the Battalion survive in Japanese prison camps; patiently waiting the day of their liberation. They are dreaming of their home and longing for this—AMERICA! They gave everything for America; like the men of Bataan, Wake and Guam. They were worthy of America—forgive us this—we, the relatives, sometimes wonder if we, here in our peaceful homes, in America are worthy of them.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to take this means of thanking our many, many friends of this community and other communities for their generosity in various gifts and help in the loss of our home and its contents January 9th, May God richly bless each of you. Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Lancaster and James

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**ACA NOTES**

By V. B. Hardcastle  
Administrative Officer

**Triple-A In 1944**

The Agricultural Adjustment Agency has just completed a successful year of operation and has just elected new farm committeemen to assist in administering the 1945 program.

Past records of Triple-A should instill new confidence among farmers that agriculture will have the strength and resourcefulness required to cope with any problems which may lie ahead. It has stood by ready to assume the responsibility of administering any program as requested by the War Food Administration to carry out the war effort. Somehow these problems, big and uncertain as they are, appear less fearful when we look back at the accomplishments of our farmer-run agency during 1944.

Under the 1944 Triple-A program farmers carried out more soil-building and erosion controlling practices than ever before. Two hundred and eighty seven million dollars is indicated for 1944 compared with two hundred fifteen million in 1943 and one hundred sixty-eight million in 1942. Plans are now being made to carry out a profitable program for 1945.

Committeemen are now preparing to help individual farmers plan their productions on crops to meet the national goals and keep production up to the 1943-44 level as farmers broke all records for food production in 1944 despite many obstacles encountered in securing labor and equipment needed in achieving this production.

Among other responsibilities of the Triple-A was to administer the Commodity Loan program on cotton, wheat, grain sorghum and other commodities in other areas which have placed a solid floor under the prices of these commodities.

Local committeemen have helped to give fairest distribution possible on rationed farm machinery and other scarce items. They have applied their practical knowledge of local farm operations to get scarce supplies of protein meal and feed wheat distributed where they contributed most to food production.

Dairy feed payment program on dairy products is another example as to how Triple-A can put a program into operation quickly. When dairy production was at a low ebb and many producers were being forced out of business due to high cost of production the War Food Administration passed this program on to the AAA Committee to administer, it was quickly put into operation and the declining production of this product was stopped and an increase was achieved.

In addition to the above mentioned performances, Triple-A has carried out many other services for farmers such as the purchase program, to support farm prices, assist dealers in purchasing war supplies and helped to secure priority assistance on restricted materials such as lumber, wire and electrical connections and

has assisted the Office of Price Administration in issuance of gasoline ration for farm use.

The Triple-A has assumed new obligations with a reduced office personnel with a decrease in administrative cost, below that of previous years, new programs have been taken on at much less expense than it would have been if new agencies had been set up.

The Agricultural Adjustment Agency can look back with pride on 1944. As always, its accomplishments were due to the unselfish willingness and common sense judgment of its county and community committeemen in helping farmers to work together. We are looking forward to the same fine service and loyalty of the newly elected committeemen in 1945.

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Real competition doesn't come from punitive taxes, or subsidies, or any other sort of horse-race handicapping to make everybody in business start even. For it isn't equality that's needed; it's the inequalities that are the true measure of progress.

Real competition is the kind that encourages the manufacturer, the farmer, or business man to get his quality up, his costs down, and to develop new things his customers want. It's this kind of competition that produces something better rather than something just as good—that insures to the public a steady increase in the value it gets for its money. General Electric Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

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**Wheeler Personalities**  
By Mrs. Charles Warren

Among the very interesting people of Wheeler is Mr. W. E. Pennington, the senior partner in the W. E. Pennington & Son mercantile business here in Wheeler. Mr. Pennington's life has been a life of surmounting difficulties and overcoming hardships

since he was a very young boy back in the foot hills of the Cumberland Mountains of Tennessee.

Mr. Pennington opened his business here in Wheeler in 1909, and it has been continuously in operation for almost thirty-six years. He has seen people come and go, businesses opened and closed, but somehow, he has managed through good years and bad years to continue, and is now one of the five citizens left in Wheeler since he settled here in April, 1909. The other four, as he recalls them are the Dennis Holt, Minnie Farmer, Julius Carter and I. B. Lee families.

Floyd Pennington was 11 years old when his father moved to Wheeler, and as soon as he was old enough he was taken into the business. Mr. Pennington has one grandson, W. E. II, who is an aviation student in Carlsbad.

Mr. Pennington began selling goods in 1903 in Oklahoma, with a capital stock of \$61.25, and has built the mercantile store to its present size. This self-made venerable gentleman of Wheeler has truly weathered all storms, and made good. He is an example of determination, honesty and hard work, with the final reward of success.

Mr. Pennington was born September 29, 1867, in White County, Tennessee. He received his early schooling in Tennessee, but circumstances forced him to go to work at the early age of 11 years, at the hardest work in the world, farming, to support his widowed mother and two sisters. He worked many a day for 25c a day.

He said that many times he had plowed the ground when it was frozen over, the hard way when there were no modern implements to make farm work lighter. His bare feet would be bleeding, and almost frozen. Then at the close of the hard day's work he sat down to just a frugal meal of corn bread. Canning was not thought of in that early day, and the pantries and cellars were not stocked with canned and preserved foods as they are in this age of development. He never had a holiday in his life until about twenty years ago.

He is a member of the Baptist church, a Mason, and is a good citizen. He has always been interested in good schools, churches, and good roads, and he has donated to every church and other worthy cause for the upbuilding of Wheeler. He has lived with his business, and has taken very little time for recreation or social affairs.

It was interesting to hear Mr. Pennington tell of the first Model T cars that made their appearance in Wheeler. They were tested out on the sandy hill north of town, and no one dared ride out without five or six men to help push if the car became stuck. Ten or fifteen miles an hour was considered great speed.

His grandfather was a captain in the Civil war, and Mr. Pennington remembers when the little darkeys of Tennessee called him "Marse Bill." His interesting experiences would fill a goodly sized book.

Mrs. Linda Clay was a business caller in Shamrock Monday.

If the paper shortage continues they are going to have to make our shoes out of leather again.

**MOUNTAIN VIEW NEWS**  
(By Times Correspondent)

(Intended for last week)  
The Mountain View Quilting club sponsored a "42" party and pie supper Friday night. A large crowd attended. Prizes were awarded for high and low for men and women. Herman Eisingminger was awarded high for men, Mrs. Callan high for women, Mr. Pettit low for men and Miss Duren low for women.

Miss Billie Lou Trimble won the cake offered to the prettiest girl. James Barrett, as ugliest man won the soap.

The net proceeds were \$76.60. Part of the money will be used to repair the club building. The remainder will be used for necessary expenses and emergency measures.

The Mountain View Quilting club, friends, and neighbors met at the Totty school house Thursday and again on Tuesday to quilt for Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Lancaster whose house was destroyed by fire last week.

Five quilts were completed and one more partly finished.

Vondell Hodges is convalescing at her home after a severe attack of rheumatic fever. She was brought back from Amarillo on Tuesday of last week.

Herbert Eisingminger and Jeff Seitz made a business trip to McLean Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Meadows and daughter of Shamrock were visitors in the community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Trimble made a business trip to Oklahoma City Saturday.

Frank Totty, who suffered a severe attack of strep throat last week, is much better.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Seitz visited in the W. H. Roberts home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Grimes were in Shamrock Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Collins and family and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Lancaster and family visited in the Charlie Seitz home Tuesday evening of last week.

Mrs. Glen Hodges spent Tuesday in the John Hodges home.

Alfred Hill and Dos Trimble were in Wheeler Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hathaway were in Wheeler Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clebe Turner visited the L. W. Williams Sunday afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. Higdon visited in the Alvis Burkes home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Eula Trimble and family visited in the Pierce Walker home Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mote visited in the L. W. Williams home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Boots Martin of Borge visited in the Alvis Burkes home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Carter and family took Pvt. Carlton Murrell to Pampa Monday. Pvt. Murrell left for San Antonio.

Barbara Colwell spent Saturday with Olive Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Ford and children left Friday for California.

Times Want-Ads get results!



**The Times War Time Reporter Says**

Folks I'll tell you: I never will forget the time a fellow was trying to trade Grandpa a hog for his razor. And Grandpa says, "No, I ain't never a aiming to trade hit. Hit's a family heirloom," he says, "that's the same razor my paw used to cut his own throat with and I ain't never got all them gaps out he made when he was cuttin' thru them long whiskers."

Just to look at my Grandpa you wouldn't a thought he was religious, but he was. Every time he got sick he used to git the Bible down and read it. He said it was a book that was bought more and read less than any book published. And he believed the theory was all right and he wished some body would try it out. He sorter figured his interest might be a little personal but he was tired of buying locks.

Grandpa was a man that liked to bear his burdens alone. I remember one time he got a big dose of the flu and he was dead three days before Grandma found it out. And on account of his religious principles, I'm dedicating my little poem to him today.

Many millions roam our land  
But none can say — and mean,  
"God save us—I have faith to pray  
My life has been lived clean."

But it's there—God's words in red,  
Plainly for us all to read,  
That mountains can be moved  
With faith as large as tiny seed.

Let's not all go to church  
For prestige, show or style,  
But just because we love our God  
And try that for awhile.

**LOCAL NEWS ITEMS**

Mrs. Delton Sanders of Pampa was a Wheeler visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Forrester were Shamrock visitors Sunday.

Mrs. O. L. Maxwell spent Friday

night with Mr. and Mrs. Milton Finsterwald in Mobeetie.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bryant were in Shamrock Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Floyd Pennington returned from Electra Saturday afternoon after a week's visit with her father.

Mrs. O. L. Maxwell visited her

parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Topper, in Sweetwater Saturday night.

R. G. Russ of Shamrock was a Wheeler visitor Monday.

Miss Tommie Cook and Mrs. Joe Hammon of Raton are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cook.

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**NOTICE  
TAX PAYERS**

**1944 TAXES ARE DUE**

And Should Be Paid Before

**FEBRUARY 1, 1945**

TO AVOID PENALTY!

STOP BY THE OFFICE — and

**RENDER PROPERTY FOR 1945 TAXES**

Property owners are urged to come by the Tax Assessor's office in the Court House, when they happen to be in Wheeler and render property for 1945 taxation.

We will appreciate it very much if property owners will cooperate with us in helping to conserve gasoline and tires by eliminating special trips to your place to get tax renditions.

Make it a point to drop by our office the next time you are in Wheeler and render your property for taxation. Thanks.

**T. L. GUNTER**

TAX ASSESSOR, COLLECTOR OF WHEELER COUNTY

# Ladies!

We now have a rather plentiful supply of Cara Nome articles, such as:

- Lip Sticks
- Rouge
- Hand Cream
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- Astringent
- Lotion
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- Cleansing Cream
- Cold Cream
- Masque
- Foundation Cream
- Skin Cream, Etc.

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### LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Pfc. Max Wiley was here Sunday. Mrs. Wiley returned to McCook, Nebraska with him for a week's visit.

Mrs. Kemp of Canadian spent the past two weeks visiting Mr. and Mrs. Pete Mayfield.

Gene Hubbard took part in the Golden Gloves boxing tournament held in Amarillo this week.

Sic W. C. (Dub) Noah left yesterday for a brief visit in Amarillo.

Mrs. J. M. Lawrence was a Shamrock visitor Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. Doris Hutchison and daughter, Mrs. Alvin Hampton, and son spent Sunday in Amarillo with Mr. and Mrs. Enos Morgan and children.

Mrs. Edgar Blocker and Jeanette of Kelton were in Wheeler Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Crump returned yesterday from Mineral Wells.

Mrs. Bill Black is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bill Perrin and daughters in Lefors this week.

D. O. Beene left Wednesday for a few days stay in Mineral Wells.

Mrs. D. O. Beene attended an income tax school held in Amarillo Friday. She visited relatives there and returned home Sunday.

The home of Mrs. Minnie Farmer is being reshingled this week.

The R. G. Russ apartment is being redecorated this week. Mr. and Mrs. Russ plan to move here from Shamrock soon after the first of next month.

### RATION REMINDER

Meats, Fats — Red stamps Q5 through X5 good indefinitely. No new stamps until January 28.

Processed Foods — Blue stamps X5 through Z5; A2 through G2 good indefinitely. No new blue stamps will be validated until February 1.

Sugar — Sugar stamp 34 good for five pounds indefinitely. No new stamp until February 1.

Shoes — Airplane stamps 1, 2 and 3 in book three, good indefinitely.



**Speed-up PRODUCTION PRINTED FORMS**

\* Listed below are a number of printed form suggestions that take the "Guess" and "I forgot" out of your business!

- Business Reports
- Sales Progress Reports
- Daily or Weekly Summary
- Work Plan Reports
- Instruction Forms
- Salesman's Daily Reports
- Analysis of Customers Purchases
- Complaint Forms
- Salesman's Itinerary Forms
- Summary of Calls and Orders
- Want Slips
- Record Inquiry Forms
- Purchase Requisition Form
- Quotation Sheets
- Receiving Report
- Material Requisitions
- Printed Business Checks
- Stock Record Cards
- Departmental Budget Forms
- Operating Statements
- Materials Budget Forms
- Stock Orders
- Collection Reports
- Inspectors' Report
- Work Orders
- Daily Sales Report
- Inventory Record
- Business Statements
- Salesman's Call Report
- Sales Bulletins
- Sales Tickets
- Letterheads

## THE WHEELER TIMES

### County Agent Views

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in 1944.

"All farmers should watch and make up farm plan sheets when requested to do so as this is production for the War Effort. Support prices are promised to cut out some of the risk of production of war crops and livestock.

"Start up chicken brooders two days before getting the chickens. Place thermometer 3 inches from floor, and 8 to 10 inches from edge of cover and get temperature up to 90 to 95 degrees and see that it can be held at that temperature, and most of all, remember that chicks soon outgrow a small place and die back to fit the brooder house, so after 10 weeks, 4 feet of floor space will be needed for each 10 chicks at which time sexes should be separated and to provide room for pullets.

"All tanks should be cleaned and limed at this season of year as no dairy cow will give milk unless you get water down her. Those having gas should keep water warm so cows will drink, and others can keep water clean."

Wayne Morris, F2c of Alameda, Calif., arrived Monday for a fifteen-day visit with his wife and children and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Morris.

### WANT ADS

FOR SALE — Allis Chalmers combine. Nathan Miller, 15 miles east of Wheeler. 5-1tp

FOR SALE — Two-room house, 16 by 32 ft. \$225. F. H. Ing. 5-2tp

FOR SALE—Modern five-room stucco home, 2 acres land, in east Wheeler. Mrs. John Stilwell. 3-1tc

FOR SALE — Plenty of Firestone Antifreeze. Nash Appliance. 51-1tc

FOR SALE — Stoves, new and used, cook stoves and heaters. Wheeler Gas Company. 52-1tc

FOR SALE — Two high grade Hereford bull calves; old enough for service in the spring, \$75-\$100. George Porter, Wheeler. 5-1tc

FOR SALE — Hudson chicken brooders, also nice line of chicken feeders and waterers. J. P. Green and Son Hardware. 5-1tc

FOR SALE — 1930 Model A Ford, good one. See Raymon Holt. 6-1tc

FOR SALE — Good Maytag washing machine with gasoline motor. Joe Stenbridge, 3 miles east, 1/2 mile north of Wheeler. 6-1tp

FOR SALE — Eight No. 4 steel traps, carpenter tools, Perfection oil heater. Mrs. John Stilwell. 6-1tc

FOR SALE — Good, clean barley seed, \$1.00 per bushel. John Dunn, Mobeetie. 6-3tp

FOR SALE OR TRADE — Brown mare, smooth mouth, wt. about 1200 lbs., No. 1 work animal. John Dunn, Mobeetie. 6-3tp

THE LADIES' NEW spring coats and suits have arrived at Melhany's. 6-1tc

FOR SALE — 8 ft. Sampson Windmill, practically new, with 24 ft. tower and posts, 60 feet of 2-in. pipe with sucker rod and working barrel. Cecil Martin, 8 1/2 miles west of cemetery. 5-2tp

TRY OUR VITAWAY 3-day flock warmer. Lawrence Hatchery and Feed, Wheeler. 43-1tc

### LARGE SHIPMENT

of truck and pickup tires just received, also a big selection of mud chains. Still have some pre-war innertubes of various sizes left. Tower Service Station, Shamrock. 42-2tc

FOR SALE — Shade trees, fruit trees, shrubbery and evergreens. Will Warren, Wheeler. 46-1tc

### MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED — Furs. Write me when you have furs for sale. I pay more for your furs than you can get by shipping. Alton Hendershot, Box 634, Canadian, Texas. 1-6tp

ANYONE WANTING WOOD TO burn is asked to see W. H. Templeton on highway south of Wheeler. 5-2tp

FOR LEASE—480 acre farm 8 miles west of Wheeler, 150 acres in cultivation, balance grass, improved; also team of mares, cows and some feed for sale. Horace Blair, northeast corner Pampa Air Base. 3-2tp

WARNING — We have been notified that, due to military demands, when present supply of GRADE A QUALITY CAMELBACK is gone, recaps will have to be from reclaimed rubber and that there is only enough GRADE A CAMELBACK on hand to last thirty days. If your tires need recapping see us today. Nash Appliance and Supply Company. 3-2tc

TYPEWRITER and adding machine repair service. E. J. Cooper, Phone 9016-F3, Shamrock. 3-8tp

STRAYED — From Mobeetie, White face cow, branded rafter E on left side. Ernest Lee. 52-8tc

PUBLIC enemy No. 1—ALCOHOL

### MOVIE Things And Stuff

(Or should it be stuff and things)

Well, folks, it has been several weeks since movie chatter has made its appearance in the columns of the Wheeler Times. This absence was in no way the fault of our mutual good friend and neighbor, the editor of the county seat paper, but rather to a complication of things and stuff such as making income tax returns, out of town business, influenza, and just plain bellyache. However, we hope to be able to continue our line unless you, the readers, discourage us. For it is you that we strive to please with our service and our pictures.

We have tried recently to offer a little constructive criticism which we hope will promote a mutual understanding leading to your further enjoyment when you visit the Rogue. We have reference to a few pet annoyances that occasionally take place at the show and which detract from the fullest enjoyment of the program at hand. Among these annoyances would be listed—too much talking and moving around by the children down on the front seats, and do not get the idea that it is always the other fellows kid, it might be your own. Won't you, as parents, talk to the kiddos about this? Then, there is the teen age youngsters who are always popping in and out of the show or looking for some one, forgetting that they are perhaps bothering a lot of people with their talking, so if this is multiplied by several score it really becomes an unwarranted nuisance. Then, too, there is the problem of the crying baby. This thing cannot be prevented, and it always happens just when you are the most interested in the show, and besides you paid to see the show. But, did you pay enough to want to spoil it for many of your friends and neighbors? Of course not. You are perhaps accustomed to hearing the kid cry and just did not notice it so very much. And last, there is always the wise guy, at the previews especially, who anticipates the end of the picture anywhere from five to forty minutes before the show is actually over and starts a mad stampede to get out ahead of the crowd, thereby ruining the moral of the story for those who would enjoy it. (You can always tell when the picture is over by the words, THE END, which come on the screen.) By actual timing it takes only three minutes for a full house to get outside after a picture ends, so why not wait?

These are little things, folks, and we say them not to criticize you but rather to encourage you to help us help you to fuller enjoyment of the time spent at the theatre. We appreciate you and your patronage and it is our earnest desire to serve you better. Thanks, for listening.

Lee and Sal

Mrs. Charles Varmellion of Shamrock spent the week end with Mary Ruth Vinson and Lucille Hutchison.

### LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE (First published in The Wheeler Times January 25, 1945.) 2t

Any person or firm having a claim against the estate of the late S. T. Morgan, deceased, or of the estate of the late Mrs. S. T. Morgan, deceased, will please file such claims as soon as possible with Chester Morgan who has legal authority to transact business for said estates. Also any indebted to either of said estates will please see the said Chester Morgan for settlement of same.

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### 'Essential' And 'Critical' Draft Guide Listed

The guides set up by the War Manpower Commission for Selective Service in inducting men in the 26 through 29 age group make a nice difference between the "essential" industrial employment and that which is considered as "critical" to the war production program. Most smaller communities (excepting mining and specialized manufacturing towns) which are closely related to their agricultural areas, will find that most of the men in the affected age group fall in the category of "essential" employment when they work in such fields as the following:

Agricultural services: Commercial poultry hatcheries, seed processing, animal breeding, crop disease protection services, initial processing services of compressing, threshing, cleaning, shelling, curing and the like, irrigation services, farm repair and maintenance services, farm product assembly services, custom grist milling and ice harvesting. No "critical" employment is listed under the WMC guide for agricultural services. The production of packaging materials for shipping and preserving essential products is also listed as an essential class of employment.

In the category of "critical" employment, as it may affect the draft status of citizens of non-industrial smaller towns, is listed such work as the repair of automobiles, buses, trucks, tractors and farm equipment. However, it is intended that in the category of repair services consideration be given only to individuals qualified to render all-round repair services on the types of equipment included in the essential list. Types of repair service other than the above are deemed "essential."

In the field of health and welfare services the critical classification is applied to physicians, surgeons, dentists, oculists, osteopaths, sanitary engineers, veterinarians engaged in farm live stock treatment, medical, dental and optical laboratories, pharmaceutical services, hospitals, nursing services and institutional care. Into the "essential" class go mortuary services, auxiliary civilian welfare services to the armed forces, welfare services to civilians, church activities, accident and fire prevention services and structural pest control services. Only educational service considered critical is the United States Maritime Service Training Program; most others are listed as essential services.

In the forestry and lumbering fields

### MOUNTAIN VIEW NEWS

(By Times Correspondent)

Mrs. Loy Seitz of Fort Benning, Ga., arrived Thursday for an indefinite stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hodges.

Pvt. and Mrs. Vincent Smith of Fort Sill left Tuesday after a short furlough here.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hathaway were in Wheeler Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thompson, Mrs. Eula Trimble and Mr. and Mrs. Williams and daughter visited in the Doe Trimble home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Totty were in Wheeler Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Walker were in Pampa Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rhoday spent Sunday in the Tom Hathaway home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Trimble of Amarillo spent last week visiting relatives here.

Dennis Reynolds of Amarillo was a caller in the Jeff Seitz home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Arrington of Pampa were callers in the G. T. Arrington home Sunday.

Mrs. George Arrington, who suffered a broken hip the latter part of December, is reported to be much better.

Dean Collins and Monroe Seitz were in Wheeler Saturday.

### W. B. WOFFORD IS HONORED

Mrs. E. H. Kennedy entertained with a birthday dinner Wednesday honoring her father, W. B. Wofford. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. Earl Etter and Nancy and Frank Wofford of Shamrock; Mr. and Mrs. W. M. McMurtry; Mrs. C. N. Wofford and Reba, Harry Wofford, the guest of honor, W. B. Wofford, and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Kennedy.

the only critical classifications are those of timber tracts and logging camps, cutting of pulpwood, wood for tanning extract, sawmills, veneer and planing and plywood mills.

Substantially, the guide system set up by WMC, which is in accordance with the Directive to Selective Service by the Director of War Mobilization and Reconversion, James F. Byrnes, reflects the intensified demands on American resources of men and materials to wage the war, and the fact that the past years of war have absorbed the more really available resources.

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