

Tuberculosis Not Found In Local Cattle

168 MILK COWS TESTED

Sutton County was declared free of tuberculosis in milk cows last week when Dr. Gregory, federal veterinarian working with the Texas Livestock Sanitary Commission, tested 168 dairy cattle for forty-nine city families and seventeen ranch families. This record means that Sutton County may ship milk or other dairy products out of the county for sale. Counties where tuberculosis is found in cattle are refused this privilege until diseased cattle are slaughtered and a clean bill of health is given the dairy cattle.

Dr. Gregory did not have time to test all cattle in the county the owners wished to have tested, but Dr. W. T. Hardy of the A. & M. College Experiment Station here will test cattle for those who notify County Agent H. C. Atchison, Jr. that they wish to receive this service.

Ranchers whose cattle were tested are Cleve Jones, Jr., Alvis Johnson, Bill Fields, John Fields, Miss Clara Allison, C. E. Stites, Alfred Schweining, E. D. Shurley, Mrs. E. E. Sawyer, M. G. Shurley, B. M. Halbert, Jr., Dr. de Berry, Joe Berger, Moore and Neill, Arthur Simmons, D. L. Locklin, and Ed Mayfield.

Sonora citizens whose dairy cattle were declared free of tuberculosis are H. V. Stokes, Granville Barker, A. B. Smithwick, Clyde Henderson, Mrs. Maude White, Ray Baker, Joe McKee, W. H. Barker, M. E. Adams, Joe Whiddon, G. W. Archer, R. E. Wall, Frank Smith, John Jackson, T. J. Wall, M. M. Stokes, Claude Prater, J. T. Penick, R. V. Cook, G. G. Stephenson, Mrs. Rena Mayfield, Jake Merck, Joe Hull, W. N. Poteet, Mike Moore, Fred Nichols, Sibe McKee, M. Truman, Sam Adams, Andy Faye, Francisco Ando, H. C. Kirby, T. C. Driskell, George E. Smith, Beaumont Speed, Charles West, Arthur Chadwick, Jack Drennan, Andrew Wall, S. P. Glasscock, Mrs. Jessie Powell, Charles Hull, Trinidad Ramirez, Louis Spraggins, John Eaton, Hugh Cross, George D. Chalk, C. W. Taylor, and Gabriel Mata.

Barker Horse Wins \$250 Race

Cot Play, owned by Granville Barker, won the \$250 matched race held at the Sonora Race Track Saturday afternoon against Rapid Belle owned by Jess Barker of McKavett.

The free-for-all was declared a dead heat. Entries belonged to John Hamby and Raymond Barker, Finis Hamby and Ed Fowlkes of Marfa.

Elliott Students Present Play

Students in the L. W. Elliott School presented a play in the form of a radio program, entitled, "Elmer and the Love Bug," under the direction of Miss Oleta McIlvain and Elodia Torres Friday night.

Cast of the play included Ernestina Gomez, Hortensia Torres, Consuelo Sanchez, Noemi Ramirez, Juanita Virgen, Eleda Lopez, Gertrud Baltazar, Salome Perez and Flavio Perez.

Spanish songs and dances were presented in costume, by Elva Garza, Josefina Flores, Minerva Martinez, Enidena Chavez, Lucille Brown, Dora Virgen, Ysabel Chavira and Maria Chavez. Rudolfo Garza played the piano accompaniments.

Charles Davis of Fort Stockton was in Sonora last week-end visiting Clayton White. Davis was formerly employed here by the Pan-Handle Santa Fe Railway Company.

A, B, C STAMPS

A, B, and C food stamps in Book II must be used before April 1, as they are invalid after that date. Those who have not used these stamps should do so, as the amount of stock the retailers will be allowed next month depends on the amount sold this month.

Frances Crook Put On WAAC Reserve List

Miss Frances Crook, teacher in the Sonora Elementary Schools, completed enrollment in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps last week and has been placed in the WAAC Reserve, awaiting call to active duty. When volunteering for the WAAC, Miss Crook said, "Knowing that every WAAC releases another able-bodied soldier for combat duty, as well as helping through her own efforts to win the war, I decided that this was the place where I wished to serve and should serve my country."

Miss Crook attended the high school in Martindale, Texas, four years. Later she attended Southwest Texas State Teachers College at San Marcos, majoring in art. She has been a teacher here since 1936.

Her date of call to duty has not yet been announced, pending action of the school board and that of the Eighth Service Command.

Sonorans Donate Blood To Red Cross

Mrs. W. L. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Shurley, Mrs. R. D. Trainer and Mrs. R. C. Vicars made a trip to San Antonio Sunday to make donations to the Red Cross Blood Donor Service there. This trip was planned after investigation, made by the American Legion Auxiliary, revealed that the San Antonio Red Cross branch has the nearest blood donor service.

Plans are being made by the Order of the Eastern Star, the Masons, the Auxiliary and the local Red Cross to organize other groups to give their blood to the service in San Antonio.

Information received by the group while there in the requirements of those who wish to donate to this service are as follows:

Those who can give blood are persons over eighteen years of age who weigh one hundred pounds or more, or anyone eighteen to twenty-one years of age who has permission of parent or guardian.

Nearest place where this service is available is the Moore Building in San Antonio, and those who go must make appointments ahead of time.

Preparations to be made by the prospective donor are dietary, in that he must eat no fatty foods, such as cream, milk, butter and fried foods. Fruits and vegetable juices, tea and toast are recommended.

Rejections are given persons who have had malaria in the past fifteen years, tuberculosis, rheumatic fever, heart disease, fainting attacks, skin rash, boils, sore throat, or a cold. The whole operation of taking the blood requires less than an hour, and it is almost entirely painless.

Every donor is given a bronze medal for the first contribution, a recognition of merit for the second and a silver medal for the third. Donors also receive certificates acknowledging the donation and a letter of thanks from the Blood Donor Service.

The blood so obtained goes to the military forces or for use in civilian casualties which are a result of the war.

9 COUNTIES EXPECTED FOR JUNE WOOL SHOW

Nine counties will participate in the Wool and Mohair Show and Auction sale to be held here June 16 under the sponsorship of the Lions Club. Counties that will compete in the show are Coke, Concho, Tom Green, Sterling, Irion, Pecos, Reagan, Upton, Menard, and possibly, Glasscock County.

Stanley Davis, of the A. & M. College Experiment Station has been asked, as on previous occasions, to judge in the wool and mohair show.

Gene Kurtz, OPA representative from San Antonio, was a visitor in Sonora Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Huling and daughter, Monette, of San Angelo, spent Sunday in Sonora.

Mrs. H. V. Stokes spent Tuesday in San Angelo.

\$1,988 Given Red Cross War Fund

LOCAL CHAPTER KEEPS \$396

The local Red Cross Chapter, has collected \$1,988.80, or \$488.80 over its quota, in the War Fund Campaign to date. The County quota was set at \$1,500. Sutton County citizens have been most generous in their contributions and have thus made this drive a success here, according to Alfred Schweining, local chairman of the drive.

Twenty percent, or \$396.16 of what has been taken will remain in the treasury of the local chapter, the remaining \$1,584.64 being sent to the National Red Cross.

These figures were those available Wednesday; however, Schweining says that some of those soliciting contributions still have money to be turned in. Donations will be taken until Thursday, April 1, at which time the drive will close. Contributions may be turned in to Mrs. Maysie Brown at the First National Bank.

Forty-five To Get Ranch Equipment

Forty purchase certificates for farm and ranch equipment and machinery have been issued Sutton County and Sonora citizens by the Farm Machinery Rationing Committee.

Those who received these certificates are Collier Shurley, Roy Hudspeth, Bryan Hunt, Arthur Stuart, S. H. Allison, Mrs. Lula Karnes, D. W. Cleveland, David L. Locklin, Aldwell Brothers, Charles C. West, C. D. Crumley, J. A. Ward, Jr., J. T. Penick, Matt Adams, Tom Wall, Candelario Paredes, Theo Virgen, Jack Mann, Frank P. Bond, Juan Perez, Miss Nettie Word, Sol Mayer, Glenn Reeves, Dantes Reiley, James Wilson, B. R. Caution, A. H. Adkins, Manuel Villareal, Cliff Johnson, W. B. McMillan, George S. Allison, Joe Berger, Joe F. Logan, Mrs. R. V. Cook, and H. T. Bird.

Five certificates that were applied for have not been issued, as the owners have not yet called for them at the A. C. A. office.

No Check Made On Private Locker Meat

Mrs. B. H. Cusenbary, member of the Community Service Committee working in cooperation with the local rationing board, has received information concerning non-declaration of meat in privately owned frozen food lockers from James Blundell, district information officer of the San Antonio OPA branch office.

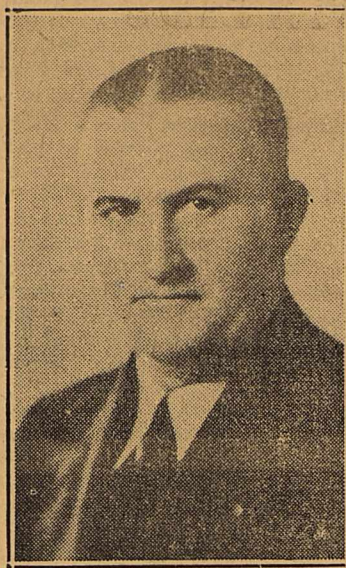
The statement from the OPA on this subject is as follows:

"If all nation's frozen food lockers were filled with meat, it would represent only two percent of the total national meat supply. Since lockers are used for storage of fruits and vegetables too, the estimate on meat runs nearer one percent. Most of such stored meat is owned by farmers and represents family supply from the farmer's own cattle. To attempt to distinguish between farmer's locker meat and other meats is virtually impossible. Obtaining declarations and tailoring ration books in face of these facts would be a waste of manpower and money and would be administratively impossible, since each locker plant would require individual treatment. The problem is also more difficult because there is to be no consumer registration at the outset of meat rationing."

EDWARD TIPTON PROMOTED TO CAPTAIN

Lt. Edward Tipton, formerly of Sonora, now stationed in Tampa, Florida, was recently promoted to the rank of captain. Before entering the Air Corps, Tipton was with the RCAF at Ottawa, Canada where he was a flying officer, and flight commander. He is a brother of Mrs. E. D. Shurley, and the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Babcock.

Mrs. S. A. Thomas and son Guy Gilbert of San Angelo spent Sunday here visiting Mrs. Thomas's mother, Mrs. J. W. Trainer.



C. H. Jennings

Services Held For C. H. Jennings

Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 17, at the China Creek Cemetery near San Saba for C. Homer Jennings, former game warden in Sonora, who was prominent worker in the Lions Club, being that organization's first key member.

He was a member of a pioneer member of the Fairview community, but was living at Lubbock at the time of his death. He died following a paralytic stroke in Amarillo.

Aubrey Loeffler Wins Essay Contest

Aubrey Loeffler was awarded the five-dollar first prize for writing the best essay on "Making America Strong," which was sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary and conducted by Miss Annie Duncan, teacher of history in the Sonora High School.

Loeffler's essay will be entered in the State contest in Austin, making it eligible for the prize of a complete set of the World Encyclopedia. Winners in state contests will be entered in the national contest, which offers an one hundred dollar prize to the Winner.

Other students who entered the contest here are Elena Jean Durham, Frances Atchison and Joette Boughton. Loeffler's essay appears in this issue of the News, and the other three entries will be printed at a later date.

Marlin Fox Injured In Truck Wreck

Marlin Fox of San Antonio, driver of the C&S Motor Lines, Inc., was brought to Sonora for emergency first aid treatment early Sunday morning after being found near the wreckage of his truck on the Ozona highway about eight miles from Sonora. After receiving first aid here, he was taken to a San Angelo hospital. According to last reports, he was resting well, despite severe lacerations on the head and both legs.

Fox was found by J. B. Davenport and Richard Gossett who brought him to town. The truck he was driving was completely demolished. His load of 17,000 pounds of defense equipment was scattered along the highway. Although no details have been given, it is believed that the truck overturned when it struck a bridge on the highway.

USDA WAR BOARD TO MEET MONDAY

The U. S. D. A. War Board of Sutton County will meet Monday night, March 29, at 7:30 o'clock at the Court House with livestock dealers, agents and butchers and slaughterers to discuss quotas and the issuing of permits to buy, sell and slaughter livestock. All dealers, agents and commission men, butchers and slaughterers and ranchers who intend to sell meat in 1943 are urged to attend this meeting.

FARM PLAN SHEETS

Miss Dessie Parsons, clerk of the local A. C. A. office, has announced the signing of farm plan sheets by seventy-six producers in Sutton County. Forty-one of these plan sheets are yet to be signed, and those who have not signed to date are asked to do so at once, as a deadline is expected very soon.

"Leadership" Theme Of Scout Meet

12-MONTH WORK PLANS OUTLINED

Four of the six counties in the ranch district were represented when Scout executives met Tuesday afternoon at the High School Gymnasium for a leader training program.

The two main themes of the program, which was presided over by E. D. Stringer, chairman of leader training, were emergency service training and the development of an Emergency Service Corps among Scouts who are fifteen years of age or older.

Talks made by three Scouters present were "First Aid in Emergency Service Mobilization" by M. E. Noble of Rocksprings, "Summer Camping" by Frank Hubbell of Junction and "Planned Action" by E. D. Stringer, which summarized the work to be done by Scouts during the next twelve-months' period.

The program planned for the coming year and the months in which each phase of the work is to be executed are: April, Camping Equipment; May, Speciality in Outdoor Cooking; June, Camping; July, Pioneering; August, Water Safety; September, Father and Son Outing; October, First Aid; November, Ropes and Knots; December, Toy Repair; January, Handicraft; February, Anniversary Work Celebration and March, Conservation.

Those who attended and the troops they represented were Sam Martinez and Eugene Ramirez of Ozona, Troop 63; M. E. Noble, Baylis Roe, and R. S. Cox of Rocksprings, Troop 27; Frank Hubbell of Junction, Troop 20; E. D. Stringer and Tom Bond, Troop 19; S. M. Loeffler, emergency service director and Joe Galbraith of Del Rio, Scout field executive.

Tuesday night, at the end of the meeting, a buffet supper was served to the guests. At this time certificates of leadership were presented to each man present.

Trustees To Be Elected April 3

An election of two new members to the school board of trustees of the Sonora public schools will be conducted at the Court House by Fred Simmons on Saturday, April 3. The two trustees whose terms expire at this time are Mrs. George H. Neill and Joe Berger.

Other trustees are Bryan Hunt, Ralph Trainer, John A. Ward, Jr., B. H. Cusenbary and Mrs. Wallace Dameron.

TWELVE MEN GET NEW CLASSIFICATIONS

The local Selective Service Board clerk, Miss Melba Kleitche, has announced the reclassification of twelve men in this county. Francisco Andrada, Juan Medina and Nicolas Duran have been put in A. P. E. class, or awaiting physical examination.

Five men have been recently placed in Class 4-F. They are J. W. Duckett, Jim Oliver Chadwick, David Alger, Edman Estep and Daniel Sessoms.

James Neill Allison has been reclassified 1-A, John Nelson Merck 2-C, Lewin Skains 3-A, category 4, and Edgar Drago 1-C, which signifies he is in the service now.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday Saturday, March 27—
Gene Cliff Johnson
Mrs. W. L. Teague
Mrs. Edgar Reese
Sunday, March 28—
A. J. Fought
Joe Ovie, Jr.
Monday, March 29—
None
Tuesday, March 30—
Horace Hill
Mrs. Harold Saunders Sr.
Wednesday, March 31—
Tommy Shannon
Thursday, April 1—
Rayford Lee Hull
Mrs. Bryan Hunt
Friday, April 2—
Mary Lehne Prater
Richard E. Saunders

Mrs. John Lee Nisbet has returned from San Antonio where she has been with her mother Mrs. Winnie Aldwell who is ill. Mrs. Aldwell is still in the hospital but is reported much improved.

Lions Told Of New Scout Plans

JOE GALBRAITH OUTLINES PLANS

Joe Galbraith, Boy Scout Executive from Del Rio, conducted the program at the Lions Club luncheon Tuesday. He opened the program by explaining the work to be done by the Emergency Service Corps of the Scouts, which is to be composed of Scouts fifteen years or older. In his talk he stressed the need for leaders among men of various communities to help train Scouts.

Three Scouters who were visitors at the luncheon showed how to tie different knots and explained the uses of each. They were Frank Hubbell of Junction, M. E. Noble of Rocksprings and Esteban Flores of Sonora.

The Club voted to have the secretary write a letter of appreciation to the Boy Scouts who assisted in serving guests at the chuck wagon dinner the club gave directors of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association when they met here March 6.

Guests Tuesday were honorary Lion and Lioness Charles Moore and Gene Cliff Johnson. Noble, Gene Kurtz of San Antonio, Hubbell, Flores, R. S. Cox of Rocksprings, Boylis Roe of Rocksprings, Sam Martinez of Ozona and J. B. Lee of Dallas.

Slaughter Permits Needed By April 1

COMPULSORY UNDER NEW MEAT PROGRAM

Sutton county ranchers who slaughter meat for sale were urged this week to obtain their slaughter permits before Thursday, April 1.

Individual permits will be issued by the county USDA war board at the local AAA office, Joe M. Vander Stucken, board chairman said.

Under the new meat management program, announced several days ago by Secretary of Agriculture Wickard, any person who slaughters animals for the delivery of meat must, in all instances, obtain a permit to slaughter. Farmers who slaughter animals only for home use need not obtain permits, but a permit is required if they deliver any of the meat to others. All slaughterers also must keep complete records of all livestock slaughtered.

The stamping of all meat is designed specifically to help stamp out the black market of meat. With every wholesale cut of meat sold in the retail market having a slaughter permit number plainly stamped on it, no illegally slaughtered wholesale cuts can be placed in the butcher's coolers or show-cases without being spotted immediately.

If black market operators can be kept from selling meat, then the only competition for livestock will be between legitimate slaughterers who sell meat within their price ceilings for civilian use, and who are helping to fill the Government's military needs for meat.

Mr. Vander Stucken also explained that anyone who buys and sells cattle, hogs, and sheep and keeps them for less than thirty days is considered a dealer and is required to obtain a permit from the county war board. He also is required to keep a complete record of his livestock purchases and sales, including the date he bought meat animals, their weight, the prices paid for them, to whom he sold them, and the price received. Farmers and ranchers are not required to obtain dealer permits but they are asked to keep records of their purchases and sales.

CHILDREN OF SCHOOL AGE MUST BE ON CENSUS

E. D. Stringer, school superintendent, has asked that all parents with children who will be of school age next September to turn the children's names in to him at their earliest convenience for the school census. The school census, according to the number of children listed now, has fallen off since last year, and as an allotment of \$22.50 is made by the state for each name enrolled, it is necessary to get a complete list of children who will be enrolled in the schools next year.

Miss Sadie Hatfield, state landscape specialist, of College Station was a guest of Mrs. Maysie Brown over the week-end.

Sutton County Bond Quota For March - - - - \$12,800
Sold To Date: \$11,450 - - Amount To Go: \$ 1,350

Announcements From The Churches



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
R. A. Scranton, Pastor
Down Town Men's Bible Class in Bakery Building 9:45 A. M.
Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Evening Preaching 8:15
Morning Service 11:00 A. M.
Training Union 7:15
W. M. U. - Each Wed. 3:00 P. M.
Mid Week Service and Choir rehearsal - Wed. 8:00 P. M.
G. A. and R. A. Meetings - Thurs. 4:30 P. M.
Brotherhood, first and third Tuesday 8:00 p. m.

BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES
R. A. Scranton
The pastor is encouraged by the good attendance at all the services. Let us all be faithful to the services and seek to get others to attend regularly. A blessing awaits all who come. There is no place so appropriate for one to be on the Lord's Day as in His house worshipping Him.

Last Sunday afternoon the pastor, E. W. Durham, Roy Sewell and Fred Wright went to Rock-springs and assisted the pastor and church in ordaining three fine men as deacons. The Reverend Alvin Swindell is the yood pastor

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Juniors-Seniors Honored With WPA Dance

The members of the freshman and sophomore classes honored the junior and senior classes with a WPA, Women Pay All, dance Friday night at the high school gym.

Misses Annie Duncan and Mary Lou Creasy had charge of the dance. War Savings Stamps were purchased for admission.

Attending were Wanda Cook, Bernie Dawn Gibbs, Lois Whiddon, Betty Taylor, Billie Cartwright, Sammie Jeanne Allison, Betty Faye Glascock, Geraldine Mordow, Sybil Burleson, Jerry Meckel, Frances Atchison, Martha Jo Moore, Margie Crowell, arguerite Howell, Gene Cliff Johnson, Lila D. Chalk, Charlene Hull, Edith May Babcock, Jo Beth Taylor, Jan Sanders, Margaret Smith, Carolyn Johnson, Marjory Dameron, Barbara Mund, Ada Ruth Martin, Aubrey Loeffler, Billy Shurley, J. W. Pepper, Bobby Martin, Sid Awalt, Duane Prater, Charles Moore, John Allen Ward, R. W. Wallace, Cleveland Nance, Jim Martin, Bobby White, Sanford Trainer, Raymond Cooper, Justin Odum, Raymond Johnson, Gene Wallace, George Schweining and Eugene Shurley.

Also Miss Mildred Mund, Miss Georgia Nance and Nolan Gibbs; Messrs. and Mmes. George H. Neill, E. D. Stringer; Mesdames Leonard Gibbs, O. G. Babcock, Nann Karnes Shelton, Boyd Caffey, Violet Morrow, J. F. Hamby and W. C. Gilmore.

Mrs. J. B. Ross Hostess To Idle Hour Club

The Idle Hour Bridge Club met at the home of Mrs. Joe Brown Ross Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Sterling Baker won high club, and Mrs. Ben Cusenbary second high. Mrs. F. J. Wood received the guest prize.

Spring flowers decorated the room, and a salad plate was served.

Members present were Mesdames Ella Wallace, Ben Cusenbary, J. F. Howell, Sterling Baker, and Josie McDonald.

Guests attending were Mesdames C. A. Tyler, W. T. Hardy and F. J. Wood. Tea guests included Mesdames Dawes, Frank Bond, and Edith Bond.

Eighth Graders Feted With Dance

The members of the seventh grade entertained the eighth grade class with an informal dancing party in the Gym Friday night, March 12.

Bottle drinks, sandwiches, and cookies were served.

Mrs. W. R. Cusenbary and Mrs. R. G. Nance, room mothers, and Mrs. H. L. Lackey, class sponsor, were in charge of the dance.

Attending were Clay Atchison, Billie Jo Barker, Frank Bond, Tommy Bond, Violet Bond, Hazel Caldwell, George D. Chalk, Jack Christie, A. B. Crosby, Jimmy Cusenbary, Francis Drennan, Jo Ann Featherston, Dorothy Gardner, Nolan Gibbs, Judy Lakey, Jean Lindsey, Robert Lovelace, Helen Martin, Frank Leslie Moore, Sydonia Nichols, Jimmie Robson, Kathryn Ross, David Shurley, Jerry Shurley, Tina Ann Taylor, Billy Wright Taylor, Tony Adams, John Barrows, Billy Bricker, Charles Lee Cusenbary, Chester Faught, Basil Halbert, Earl Johnson, Billy Jo Nance, George Neill, Gerald West, Johnnie Smith, Sadie Lee Hill, and Kathleen Schweining.

Betsy Ross Honored On Sixth Birthday

Mrs. Joe Brown Ross honored her daughter, Betsy, on her sixth birthday with a party last Friday afternoon.

A patriotic theme was used. Birthday cake and ice cream were served.

Winning the contests were Rose Alice Turney and Mary Ellen Stephenson.

Guests included Rose Alice Turney, Connie Mack Locklin, Joe Richard Lancaster, Billie Bob Ellingson, Lois Lu Lomax, Turney Friess, Houston Wright, Mary Ellen Stephenson, Bubbie Marvin, Connie June Crumley, and Joe David Ross.

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MAKING AMERICA STRONG

By Aubrey Loeffler

We can no longer take prosperity and freedom for granted; we must maintain and preserve the blessings that we have inherited. Let us now consider the importance of our land, natural resources, armaments, and the character of people, for it is these that make us strong.

America has more than three million square miles of the finest land in the world, in addition to which she has hundreds of thousands of square miles of land in her territories, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Philippines, and the Virgin Islands. If land makes a nation strong, America should be the strongest on earth. What other nation has within its boundaries nearly unlimited grazing areas, vast agricultural lands, and rich mining sections, where most of the important minerals of the world can be found? However, we are not using our rich and varied lands to the fullest advantage; not to do so is a reflection on any government and any people.

America has an abundance of valuable natural resources. In the East, the greatest coal mining regions in the world are being worked. In the West, gold and silver are found in abundance. Iron ore, lead, tin, and copper are plentiful. Texas has nearly the world's entire supply of helium. The wells of Texas and Oklahoma produce the oil which turns the wheels of the world, and warms the homes of our nation; from these wells comes the natural gas which supplies the Southwest with fuel. These natural resources should be utilized and conserved wisely and fairly.

We must have planes, ships, and guns; we must have rubber and food; for a nation must have armaments to remain strong!

America has intelligent industrious, God-fearing people. Education is vital to a strong nation. We must impress upon our citizenship the principals of democracy. A strong democracy depends upon an enlightened citizenship. We must educate our people concerning financial matters. They must learn that prices must be regulated in order to prevent inflation. A strong money system is also vital to a strong nation, as is shown by the fall of the Confederacy, which had a weak monetary system. We have an industrious people. What country could have done such great things if the people were lazy or indifferent? However, our country is being weakened in these perilous days by a few who are striking and halting the production of vital supplies and armaments so necessary to Victory. We

Woman's Club Meets Wednesday

The Woman's Club met in a business session Thursday afternoon at the club hall. Mrs. J. F. Howell presided in the absence of

The club discussed ways of raising money for the nurses scholarship. It was decided that the club members will keep the library this summer.

Attending the meeting were Mesdames I. B. Boughton, F. L. Meadow, Lloyd Earwood, Sterling Baker, J. F. Howell, and W. R. Cusenbary.

Sgt. Tyrus Holland Honored At Family Reunion

Sergeant Tyrus Holland, who is home on a twenty day furlough visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Holland, was honored at a family reunion Sunday at the Holland ranch.

Sgt. Holland has been in the Hawaiian Islands for the past 18 months.

Attending the reunion were Messrs. and Mesdames Hal Holland, Clay Holland, T. R. Driskill, and Vernon Hamilton and sons George and Clayton.

Supper Honors Noni Hutcherson

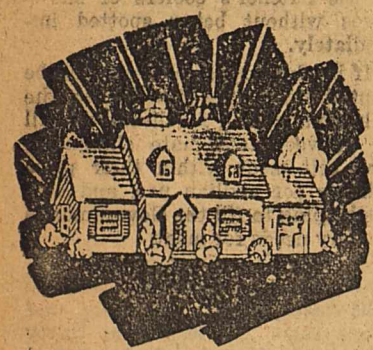
Mrs. B. W. Hutcherson honored her daughter Wynona, who is now teaching Physical Education in the Fort Stockton schools, with a birthday party Saturday night.

The table was centered with an arrangement of jonquils. Following the supper the group played bridge.

The guests included Mmes. Stanley Mayfield, Ralph Trainer, J. E. Grimland, and Miss Jo Ann Marion. Miss Hutcherson was recently re-elected by the school board for the ensuing year.

must instill in their minds the importance of keeping on the job, and never letting down until the task is completed. Above all, our country must be God-fearing. "A mighty fortress is our God," and He will protect and make strong the nation which fears and obeys His teachings. Our American sages and heroes would tell us, "Let there be a 'virtuous populace that will stand a wall of fire' in defense of their country." America must be strong! Let us all work together to make her so.

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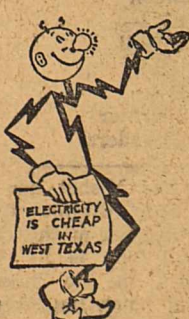
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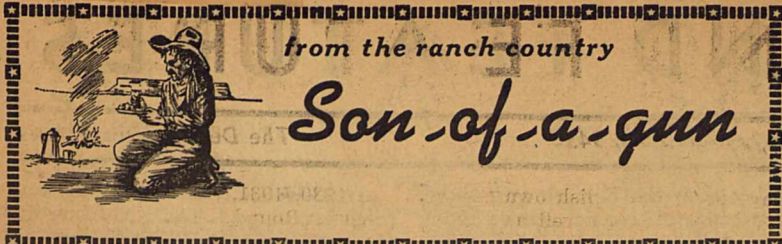
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Son of a Gun

Only five shotguns have been turned in to G. E. Ellis by local citizens to be sold to the United States Army, following the request made by the army at the first of this month for all who have guns that can be used to turn them in.

The five who turned their guns in are Dr. I. B. Boughton, Dr. W. T. Hardy, E. L. Nuerberg, Jack Lindsey and G. E. Ellis.

The kinds of guns wanted are double barrels, pump action repeaters, and automatics. The guns sold to the army are to be used for guarding purposes and to train service men in wing shooting.

There are still a few more days left in which these guns may be turned in. If you have a shotgun that is just sitting idle and collecting dust, sell it to the army.

—(\$* & lb 1/2 # lb & ! \$)—

Sam Hull and Ed Albe returned last week-end from a fishing trip at Don Martin Lake in Old Mexico. Unlike most fishermen they won't say much about the trip, but we hear by the grapevine that real fisherman's luck was with them.

—(\$* & lb 1/2 # lb & ! \$)—

We want to write something beautiful and eloquent about the rain, but words fail us.

Just the facts are good enough. Rainfall, measured at the Wool House, was 1.3 inches, and according to reports, the rains were general over the county. Gus Wheat got about 3 inches, W. R. Cusenbary got a good one-half inch rain, Willie Miers said that the best measurements he could take showed around two inches, and others reported around one to one and one half inches.

—(\$* & lb 1/2 # lb & ! \$)—

J. B. Lee of Dallas was a Sonora visitor Tuesday and had lunch with old friends at the Lions Club. Lee, who is now an inspector with North American Aviation Corps, drove the first passenger bus into Sonora years ago.

—(\$* & lb 1/2 # lb & ! \$)—

Windows of three Sonora business houses, E. F. Vander Stucken Co., Hamilton Grocery and J. W. Trainer and Son, were broken Wednesday night, and money and gum were taken from the Hamilton Grocery. The Methodist Church was also broken into.

Son-of-a-gun has one clue that it will pass on to anyone with the Sherlock Holmes urge who wants to try to break the case.

So few crimes of this nature occur in Sonora that the citizens are unusually indignant when such an action is committed.

—(\$* & lb 1/2 # lb & ! \$)—

We often hear that it takes all kinds to make the world, but we believe that a new and none too desirable specie has been borne—that is, the civil service employees who are forming labor unions.

Unions purportedly started in the beginning with the worthwhile ideals of protecting employees from abuses and exploitation. Now Son-of-a-gun wonders who is going to protect the rest of us from exploitation by the unions.

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RANCHING NEWS & INTERESTS

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I GIVE YOU TEXAS by BOYCE HOUSE

When this observer was a mere youth, I used to attend the boxing matches occasionally in the old, barn-like Phoenix Athletic Club. One of the most skilled of the pugilists was Dixie Kid, a negro, former welterweight champion of the world. He was unbelievable fast on his feet and—unusual for a speedster—he had a powerful punch. I recall one bout in which his opponent swung, Dixie Kid ducked and leaped under the other's arm, then whirled so quickly that he was facing the same way his opponent was, and hit him in the back from behind!

That was a long time ago. What called him to my mind was a brief item a while past in the papers that the Kid was on the Pacific Coast, broken in finances and health.

"I whipped 'em all 'cept liquor," he said.

Hollywood reminiscences:

The Egyptian Theter, entrance ornamented with small sphinxes and a courtyard before you enter the theater itself—and, in the courtyard, a wishing well, the printing press from the "Hunchback of Notre Dame," a cart from "The Good Earth" and a dugout used in "Hurricane."

A little cafe serving Italian food, on Vine off Hollywood Boulevard, room for only 25 people; long sticks of bread, imported cheese (grated) that you sprinkle on the platter of steaming, savoury spaghetti and meat-balls. The eating of spaghetti is an art; you coil the long strands around your fork, using the spoon to make it coil, unless you are one of the few who can lift the string high enough in the air, put one end in your mouth and suck the lengths in, like a magnet grabbing a steel filing. On the cafe walls are pictures of celebrities who had dined there: Major Bowes, Eddie Cantor, Ken Murray. Unfortunately, I didn't have one of my photographs along!

The hotel lobby bore was relating his experiences in the wilderness in winter when his horse wandered off and he was left on foot, with a band of hungry wolves coming toward him:

"I drew my pistol and killed a wolf and the others stopped and devoured the carcass, then started toward me again. I fired and killed a second wolf and they consumed him, then came on. I killed a third, a fourth, a fifth and a sixth—each time the others stopped to consume their fallen comrade."

And now my last bullet was gone and still there was one huge, old wolf left. What do you think I did?"

A listener said, "I didn't have any idea, but as he had eaten six wolves by this time, I wouldn't think you were in any danger."

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40 Years Ago

R. A. Mitchell who is looking after the R. F. Halbert ranch, was in Sonora Saturday trading.

Dud Yaws was in Sonora Tuesday and took in the oyster supper and dance.

John T. Brown and R. F. Halbert left for Kansas City Saturday to take in the goat show or to be taken in.

Arthur Stuart was in from his ranch Wednesday trading. Arthur is expecting his father and mother out here very soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Mayer were in from the Middle Valley ranch Wednesday shopping and visiting.

Mrs. W. R. Rudicil who has been visiting relatives and friends for a few weeks left for her home in the Territory Wednesday.

George Trainer was in Sonora Wednesday from the Arthur Stuart ranch shaking hands with the voters.

James Hamby was up from his ranch for a few days this week having a good time.

J. M. G. Baugh was in from his

ranch Thursday attending to some business.

A. P. Belcher was in from his ranch on the Llano Wednesday attending to some business.

James A. Hagerlund has returned from a visit to his brother at Phoenix, Arizona. Mr. Hagerlund is pleased with the prospects for money making by irrigation in the land of Montezuma. Mr. Hagerlund says the valley lands are rich and cattlemen pay \$125 to \$200 per head per month for grazing on Alfalfa. The expenses are considerable, however and the country has its drawbacks as well as all others.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Holland arrived home Saturday from a visit to friends and relatives in San Angelo, Miss Myrtis Woodard accompanied them and will remain for some time.

Ira Word who has been looking after his cattle in the Territory for several months is in Sonora on a visit to his family and attending to some business.

The oyster supper given by the ladies of the Episcopal Church at the Decker Hotel Tuesday night was well patronized and the proceeds amounted to over \$50. The oysters were fine and prepared in all styles and those who bought as well as those who sold were pleased with the transaction.

W. A. Glascock arrived home Thursday from the Territory where he had been looking after his

Cox Says Confine Contagious Cases

AUSTIN, Mar. 25—If every case of suspected communicable disease could be promptly visited either by the family physician or the local health officer, thousands of susceptible persons would be protected from disabling illness, according to the State Health Officer.

To quote Dr. George W. Cox, "The old fashioned theory that it is a good thing for children to have a number of the catching diseases and get them over with has long since been known to be a serious and sometime fatal error. The longer a child can keep from having these diseases, the better it is for him. Every child should be completely protected by immunization against smallpox and diphtheria."

Prompt diagnosis, isolation, good medical and nursing care give the patient the best chance for a satisfactory recovery without the serious complications that sometimes accompany even the mild forms of communicable diseases. Dr. Cox emphasized that obeying the public health laws regarding isolation and quarantine of communicable diseases protects not only the patient, but helps prevent others from contracting the illness.

cattle. It is reported that he has sold all his stock he had up there.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Mayer and children, Mrs. Lee and Miss Liefeste were in from the ranch Monday shopping and were guests of the Stewart House.

THE OLD JUDGE SAYS...



"I can't think of anything else you'll need for your Victory garden, Judge... you've got pretty nearly everything."

"I think so, too, John. Ever get your asparagus patch going?"

"I gave that up last year, Judge. Tried it six years in a row with no luck. Just haven't got the right soil, I guess?"

"Well, I think you're wise, John... no use keeping on trying things you know won't work. Just like prohibition. State-wide prohibition has been tried in this country

seventy-two times in the last ninety years. It has been adopted forty-seven times in the past thirty-three years and discarded everywhere except in three states. Same thing was tried in eight provinces in Canada and in Norway, Sweden, Finland and Russia but it was an admitted failure and universally abandoned.

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Post War Planning

By Miss Anne Palmer

It is very easy to agree on Victory but not on the place of each ally in the peace that follows, because differences of viewpoint are unavoidable. A discussion of post-war plans while the war is still in progress may sharpen discussion. However, there are also dangers in postponement: Unwarranted suspicions of one another may arise, and delay may permit the crystallization of demands that are hard to reconcile, especially as danger recedes. In view of these facts and of what happened at the peace conference at Versailles that followed World War I, the United States has decided to begin discussions with other governments at once, and Anthony Eden has already arrived in Washington to begin such discussions.

Prime Minister Churchill and President Roosevelt early in this war announced the four cardinal points of the Atlantic Charter: freedom of the press, freedom of speech, freedom from fear, and freedom from want. These four principles, however, are subject to various interpretations, because they are generalities. What might seem plenty to one might seem want to another.

At least it is vital that the Allies plan now to handle the economic problems that will demand immediate solution in Axis-conquered countries when the war ends, or revolution will break out as soon as the Nazi conquerors leave their soil. Starving millions cannot wait.

After World War I Congress scuttled our peace, and America was betrayed by leaders without convictions who were trying to get votes and to put the Republican Party back in power. If you can

read the handwriting on the wall, you can see the same situation shaping up again. Now for most Republicans and many Democrats to know that President Roosevelt indorses a policy is sufficient reason to condemn it. This same thing happened to President Wilson's policies at the end of World War I. Whose fault was it? Today 90,000 American soldiers sleep the last long sleep in the fields of Flanders and on the slopes of the Arlington National Cemetery. They gave "the last full measure of their devotion" to make America safe. They, with our allies won that last war, but it became popular among isolationists and pacifists in America to declare that those men died to make the world safe for Democracy, yet failed in their purpose. If those soldiers won the war, then who lost the peace? Congress lost it by refusing to join the League of Nations, and the average citizen was responsible because the average citizen is the most powerful factor in any democratic government, and not even Congress dares to thwart his will, if that will is made known. If the citizens of this country will write demanding some sort of powerful leader or federation at the end of this war, we shall not again have twenty-five years of uneasy peace shattered by another even bloodier war, and present-day Americans will not have to see their sons and grandsons go marching off to war to die and "to make some corner of a foreign field forever" American. Both war and peace are made by the acquiescence of the ordinary citizen.

As much as I respect and admire George Washington, I regret that he ever made his famous statement about entangling foreign alliances, because the world has changed so radically that our

country that was so then so far distant from foreign countries as to be secure and safe now has those same countries as neighbors. We were entangled in European affairs before Pearl Harbor. Hitler had reached into every American purse and extracted tax money; he had reached into over a million American homes and conscripted soldiers. And as for entangling alliances, what is the Monroe Doctrine but such an alliance? It is a national policy, which if violated, would draw us immediately into a European or Asiatic war, for by this doctrine we warn other nations to keep hands off in this hemisphere. Who guaranteed our ability to enforce this doctrine? Britain, with the might of her powerful navy, pledged to aid this country to enforce the Monroe Doctrine, has made enforcement possible. Without Britain's guarantee, American would have been unable to enforce it.

Most of us do not realize that the bases of Ireland are closer to our shores than is Buenos Aires. Yet England gave the Irish ports to Erie party to appease American public opinion. It would make America friendlier to the British, they argued, and, besides, surely DeValera would let England use them for Ireland's own protection. DeValera accepted the protection and kept the ports, and as a result thousands of American and British seamen have gone to a watery grave.

Isolationists refuse to acknowledge that absolute freedom for one means absolute destruction for another. If some of the anti-imperial and isolationist advice had been taken, we should not today hold Iceland, Greenland, India, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, or even the Panama Canal, Malta, or Gibraltar, and Germany would already have won the war! Americans do not hesitate as citizens of the United States to unite in their national government to protect the weak against the strong, the peaceful and law-abiding citizen against the lawbreaker, because they know that each citizen cannot protect himself or his family. They often fail to realize, however, that it is just as necessary to unite with other nations to protect the weak against the strong, or there will never be law, peace, justice, or a

stable civilization.

This war could have been prevented in 1931 when Japan marched into Manchuria. If England, alone, had offered armed protection, Mussolini in 1934 would not have dared invade Ethiopia, and any sort of effective league could have kept Germany out of Austria in 1938 and Czechoslovakia in 1939. Does this mean, then, that Americans must pass upon the merits of foreign quarrels which they know nothing about? No, for we do not have to pass upon their merits. The only thing we must guarantee is that issues shall not be settled by a war of the stronger nation against the weaker, but by a neutral board of arbitration. China asked for arbitration; Ethiopia did too, but Japan and Italy, strong enough to force their will, refused to arbitrate.

Hitler's avowed policy has always been: "Divide and conquer," of Europe by this policy, and now, Already he has conquered most when the tides of war are turning definitely against him, that is the only hope he has left. Axis propaganda is now aimed at dividing the United Nations. Hitler plays on hate, distrust, religious and racial prejudice, and naturally the German radios are pouring out daily propaganda in a last effort to divide the Russians, Americans, Chinese, and English. It is as vitally necessary that England, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and America unite to gain a permanent peace as it is that they unite to win the war. Many bewildered Americans, who have been filled both at home and abroad with distrust of the English, ask many questions, put into their minds by isolationists, German propagandists of the American anglophobes of the Midwest.

A favorite question asked by these groups is: Why should America fight to perpetuate British imperialism. The dominions of New Zealand, Canada, Australia, and South Africa came into this war by free vote of their own parliaments. England has no power to force these dominions to make or alter a law or to choose or reject a national policy. These dominions acknowledge allegiance to the English King as a symbol, showing them to be a part of the British Empire. American financiers own more property in Canada

today than the English own there. These dominions, as well as India, can and do raise tariff barriers against England whenever they choose.

Another question frequently asked by honest Americans is this: Why, if this war is being fought for the four freedoms, does England refuse to give freedom to India? This question is usually based on ignorance of the Indian question. England has a right to refuse a concession that would endanger not only her existence but ours as well. How long would a free but internally divided, unprepared India last against well-prepared and aggressive Japan? India is a land of 400,000,000 people. Of these many millions, 250,000,000 are Hindus, and among these Hindus there are four main castes: Brahmin or priest, soldiers, merchant and laborer. These four main castes are subdivided into about 3,000 castes. Members of these castes cannot intermarry. Most of them cannot even share a meal. Among the Hindu castes there are more than 60,000,000 untouchables, whom the Indian Congress Party refuses, if given Indian freedom, to allow a vote. These untouchables leave the roads when other Hindus pass, because even the touching of their garments defies the other castes. Other Hindus cannot eat food if the shadow of an untouchable has fallen upon it. These untouchables do not want Indian freedom under Hindu rule. In India there are 80,000,000 Moslems who do not believe in caste. There are over 5,000,000 Christians and Jews; nearly 5,000,000 Sikhs, important in influence because the fighters are drawn from this group, and some of the world's best fighters are found among them. There are 1,250,000 Jains and 110,000 Parsis. These Parsis, descended from Persian immigrants, are not important in numbers, but they are important in influence, because they are India's big industrialists, and India ranks eighth in the world's field of industrial production.

In India more than 90 percent of the people are illiterate, and only 1 percent of the women can read or write. There are 180 distinct languages and 550 dialects. How can unity of thought, purpose, or government be achieved here?

In 1930, 1931, and 1932 England called a Round Table Conference to try to compose the differences of these groups so that independence could be worked out. Each time Hindu and Moslem leaders failed to reach an agreement. The Moslems, under the leadership of Jinnah, demanded a separate Moslem state. In race, language, and religion, there is as wide a gulf between the Moslems and Hindus as between Americans and Japanese. Jinnah says that granting India independence under Hindu rule would mean that more than half of India's present army of 1,500,000 men, all volunteers, would immediately throw down their arms and desert. In addition to starting a civil war in India, putting India under Hindu rule would alienate the 226,000,000 Moslems in Turkey, Iraq, Iran, Arabia, and other parts of the world whose allegiance or at least neutrality the United Nations so greatly need today.

In 1932 Britain passed the India Rule Bill, giving India such a degree of independence as the Indians were able to handle. There is an All India Federation with the provinces practically autonomous. Congress handles legislative action with the veto in the hands of the English viceroy.

Is England growing rich through the exploitation of India? If India were independent or native money-lenders, her interest rate would be the highest in the world. Under British guaranteed loans, India has some of the cheapest money in the world. British capital has built 40,000 miles of railroads and 20,000 miles of canals, thus meeting India's two greatest needs to ward off famine. These two projects have absorbed most of the British capital invested in India. As for the British growing rich from Civil Service positions in India, there are fewer than 600 Englishmen so employed.

Another question frequently asked by Americans is this. Will a post-war bloc formed by Russia, India, and China endanger democracy? The answer to this question is that these nations have never thus far shown any tendency to unite. If they should unite, it is all the more imperative that America, Great Britain, and her dominions maintain the closest trust and confidence in one another. See Post War Planning—Page 6

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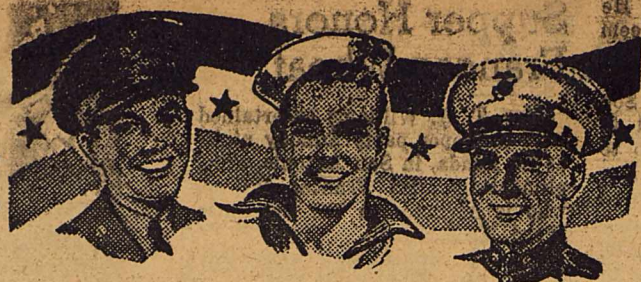
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When you know something of interest about a member of the armed force from the Sonora area, write or telephone us. We'll appreciate it and the men in uniform will be glad to hear about their friends and buddies in other parts of the world. This feature page will act as a clearing house for the activities of the service men, many of whom receive the News.

In The Service

SONORANS' NEPHEW HELD JAP PRISONER

First Sgt. Joe Stanley Smith of Carlsbad, New Mexico, whose exploits in the opening stages of the Philippine campaign won him mention in Time and Life magazines and in a dispatch of AP Correspondent Clark Lee, has been reported a prisoner of the Japanese in the islands he helped defend against overwhelming odds.

Word that he was held captive was received by his family from the War Department. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Smith of Carlsbad, and is the nephew of George (Bud) Smith, Mrs. Ralph Trainer, Mrs. H. L. Taylor, and Mrs. Jap Holman.

O. L. RICHARDSON, JR. RECEIVES ROTC CONTRACT

O. L. Richardson, Jr., was home for a short visit over the weekend before leaving for Camp Wolters, Mineral Wells, to be inducted in the Army Wednesday. He is one of 1,306 Texas A. & M. College Junior and Senior ROTC contract men who will be returned to A. & M. for the rest of this semester at least.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Richardson went to College Station Friday, and he returned with them Saturday.

I can write, So I'll close this letter and say goodnight: I'll send you this letter to say that I'm well, Still grumbling and growling—and fighting like ----!"

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MARINES 9

Pvt. Edward Archer, now stationed at Fort Myers, Florida, writes, "I received my diploma from Sioux Falls for the radio course. I went through eight states coming down here. I am in Florida now. It is just as it has always been said too. It is really warm too. Boy its sure fine to come from 30 below zero to a good warm climate.

I am in aerial gunnery school now. I took up the 50 and 30 caliber machine guns and together they have about 173 parts to them. We studied it one week, and I took three tests. Made 90, 95, and on the final exam I made 97½. I made 100 on a test on sights yesterday. I don't know why, but I sure do like to do this work. I will be flying in two weeks. I didn't get paid this last month, but when I get paid in about 15 days I will get my last pay as a buck private. I will get two months pay plus flying time for one week. That sure will be money I'm telling you. When I graduate here I will graduate with pilots wings and get a Staff Sergeant's rating.

I expect to come home within the next two months. Sure hope so anyway, I can come home and be glad now. I never wanted to come home a buck private, but now I'll be way up the line when I come. Well had better quit for this time."

Pvt. Rex Merriman who is stationed at McDill Field, Florida, says, "How is everything today? I'm in the hospital now. When we were taking our physical the other day they found out my heart was bad. You know its just like it was when I was playing football, and when he checked it he told me it was bad. They told me to come back the next morning, and they would check it again. I got up the next morning, and they checked it. So far five different doctors have checked it, and they all say the same. I'm in the hospital now, and they are checking my blood. I've been here two days now, and tomorrow I'm supposed to find out what's what. I don't like the hospital, but I'm here, and I hope I don't stay long."

Pvt. Willie B. Ory, Blackland A. F. S., Waco, Texas, writes, "Yesterday and today have been two hot days. I guess I might as well get used to it, because the people here tell me it really does get hot in the summer.

Monday I started to a gas mask school. We go to school one hour each day. The course is 24 hours long, so that means 24 days of this stuff. This course teaches us to protect ourselves in a gas attack and to identify all types of poison gases. We went through one gas mask school once before, but

this is a different one. Our instructors tell us that our enemies are really going to use poison gas before the War is over. So you can imagine why they give us so much training for the gasses.

About two weeks ago I was in a bus wreck in route from Waco to the Field. Only three were hurt, but not bad. I didn't get a scratch.

Some Tuesday evening when you have time, turn the radio on and tune in on W-A-C-O at 7:30 o'clock and listen to Blackland's Orchestra. They are really good.

I don't have any more to say this time so I'll quit boring you."

Marine Pvt. James Trainer, who is now in boot camp at San Diego, writes, "We moved from the tents into the huts today. About twenty boys stay in each hut. There are sixty boys in each Platoon.

This is the prettiest place I have ever seen. It looks just as it did in "The Shores of Tripoli" if you remember the show. All the buildings are camouflaged in many different colors which blends in with the green lawns very well. The whole base is surrounded by hills except one side, and there by the bay. Barrage balloons are kept in the air day and night, and I have never seen so many airplanes in my life. You might be interested to know that the Consolidated Air Craft factory is located right here by the base. I stood at the separating fence yesterday and watched dozens of them land and take off. But with all this beauty some good old West Texas hills and rocks would look pretty good.

I had my first day of drill today. About six hours of it. Therefore I am plenty ready to hit the sack (Marine slang).

We got our heads shaved yesterday, and I do mean shaved not just clipped short. It took six barbers exactly ten minutes to cut sixty heads of hair, believe it or not. My longest lock is now less than a quarter of an inch long. We get three of these before finishing boot camp, but this eliminates combing the hair.

We are really trained fast here, already we have learned all of the marching orders, and how to execute them. Not to mention the manual of arms. We too have a Marine handbook which we have to study and memorize different things in it. Such as the general orders, positions of attention. With

all this fast stuff it will be six months or later before any of us are put in combat outfits. After boot camp we still have some more training which varies in length as to what branch one is in.

Its not long until lights out, but maybe I can get a few more lines in. The commanding officer gave us an address today, and then we have other lecture work. I have really benefited by the out-of-door life I have lived. Ninety percent of the fellows are blistered to the bleeding point nearly, and I just get blacker. Then, too, I can take the hard work better. Naturally, I get tired but not near as much as some of them."

Cpl. Andrew Randolph, writes from Fort Lewis Washinton, "I am trying to get in OCS as a Chemical Warfare instructor. Maybe next time I see you I'll be a Lieutenant.

Went to a U. S. O. show the other night put on by an all-girl orchestra. I enjoyed it a lot."

Cpl. Herbert Speece, who is stationed at Randolph Field, says, "I am still here, and from all appearances I will be for some time unless I get a bug and sign up for meteorology cadet. This past week about one-half of the Link Trainer Instructors here were labeled for shipping some time in the near future, and a half of the remainder were returned to the squadrons for other duty. At present I am retained in the capacity of an instructor, but one never knows how long it will last.

I made some discreet inquiries

about the cadets in case the situation doesn't develop as would seem to be most desirable.

We have a new officer in charge of the Link Trainer Dept., Captain Lewellyn, who comes from Kelly Field. Some of the men from over there are coming over also, and we are wondering if the Randolph-Kelly feud is going to cease or blossom into something new."

Sgt. Reggie Trainer writes from Jacksonville, Florida, "Have been outdoors more than usual lately. We have been down to Camp Blanding firing all the Infantry weapons that we were studying last month and the one before.

These are the weapons we fired. The carbine, the 1903 Springfield 30 cal. rifle, the Garand 30 cal. (We call it the M-1), the Thompson Sub-Machine gun, the 45 pistol, the 30 cal. machine gun, the hand grenade, the 60 millimeter mortar, the 81 millimeter mortar, the 37 millimeter anti-tank gun.

I really did enjoy the day we spent on the various ranges at Blanding with these weapons.

I don't live in a tent anymore. We now have nice little wooden houses we call hutments to live in. They are really nice.

Some of the fellows have already gone on maneuvers as an advance detachment. I don't think the whole Hq. will make the maneuvers and I am finding myself insisting that I be allowed to go. For some reason a lot of fellows are wanting to go on this one. I hope I get to go for I would be disappointed if I were left out and missed the

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by Joe Marsh



Sam Abernethy always said: "Curiosity may kill a cat - but I'm no cat." Which is Sam's way of saying that when he's curious about something he goes out and gets the facts.

Seems our government feels the same way. After hearing rumors about our soldiers drinking too much - government people went after the facts. They got the evidence on what our boys drink . . . and don't drink.

The government found out our Army's the best behaved in

history. More'n half of 'em drink beer—nothing stronger. And the government found that selling 3.2 beer in Army camps is one reason why our Army is so temperate.

From where I sit, there isn't much cause to worry about our men in the Army. Looks like they can take care o' themselves—and take care o' the Nazis and the Japs, too.

Joe Marsh

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A LOOK AT THE BOOK

By DR. BOB JONES, JR.

PRESIDENT OF ROB JONES COLLEGE, Cleveland, Tennessee

It was Robert E. Lee who said, "Duty is the sublimest word in the English language." But though the name may be sublime, Duty's demands may be harsh and burdensome. "Must" is an unpleasant word. It sometimes speaks of harsh necessity. Jesus Christ said, "The Son of man must be lifted up" (John 12:34). God's Son must be nailed to a cross. Yet there was no drawing back from the obligation, no shrinking the necessity. He must be lifted up because He loved and love eager to save poor sinners made His death necessary. He

must die because He loved. His submission to the will of God and His love for men were tangent at the cross. Not only in obedience to God's will, but also impelled by his love for sinners, He must die. Christ's death fulfilled the prophecies of the Old Testament, but Jesus did not have to die because prophets had foreseen His death. The prophets foretold His death upon the cross because He must die upon the cross. Jesus Christ was as a "Lamb slain from the foundation of the world" (Revelation 13:8). In obedience to the

will of the Father because He loved men and would to redeem them He must die. He had to die. It was necessary that the Son of Man be lifted up because the Son of Man came into the world to save sinners, and He must go to the cross to do the work of salvation. Because He was God, and God is love, He had to suffer.

He went to the cross willingly. He was bound to the tree not by the nails which impaled Him upon the beam. The God who hid in the earth the iron from which the nails were forged and made the tree of the cross grow from its seed, could not have been held by the nails upon the wood against His will. He was bound there by the ropes of His own divine love. He gave His life. To man took it from Him (John 10:18).

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Mrs. T. A. Williams entertained with a supper party Sunday night at La Fonda, in San Antonio, complimenting Miss Frances Wheat, who is a senior in the Incarnate Word High School.

Mexican decorations were featured. Mrs. J. L. Nisbet was one of the eight guests attending.

Post War-

to preserve democracy against any opposition.

Is Germany right in her claim that this is a war between the Have and Have-not Nations? Only tariff barriers prevent Germany from having access to raw materials. Finland, Sweden, Denmark, Norway, and Switzerland are Have-Nots, but their economic position was as good as that of any Have Nation at the beginning of this war.

Russia is spoken of as the enigmatic nation; yet Stalin's state papers since Russia entered the war make Russia's post-war plans very clear. We find that they are: (1) Racial and national equality; (2) restoration of Czarist territory, (including Esthonia, Latvia, Bessarabia, and parts of Finland and Poland, wrested from Russia after World War I. (3) destruction of the Nazi regime but maintenance of the German people with some sort of organized military force; (4) territorial integrity and political sovereignty for occupied countries; (5) reconstruction of devastated countries, and (6) continuation of the Soviet system, the Communist Party organs, and collectivized farms.

Whether we like Communism or not is beside the point. For ourselves most Americans do not like it, but as long as Russia does not try to force her form of government on other nations, she has a right to whatever form of government on other nations, she and Trotsky fought out the issue of a world revolution to establish world communism, and Trotsky lost.

If we can fight with Russia and England to win this war, we should be able to work with them in a post-war alliance to guarantee peace. Idealism is fine, nobody would dispute that, but we have no right to force our ideals on other nations in their internal governments. We do have a right to demand that our boys who die in this war shall not have died in vain. To do this, we must guarantee peace. Perhaps it will not be an ideal peace—few things in this realistic world are ideal, but it can be a just and workable peace if every American citizen is determined to make it such. A commitment by Congress now to some sort of national organization that can and will see justice done to weaker nations will be much easier to secure while the danger still exists than after peace comes, and again the cry arises from war-weary Americans to return to normalcy. Whether we achieve a permanent peace depends on the American citizens. Will American citizens allow Congress to scuttle the peace again? As soon as this war ends, isolationists, already cautiously venturing out of cover will again demand: "Do you want another war?" Our answer is an emphatic: "No, we want adequate defense against war."

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ON THE HOME FRONT

The importance of food as a weapon of war gained still greater emphasis during the last week as things to eat—especially meats—continued to hold first attention of city and rural folks alike.

While consumers learned about details of meat rationing which begins March 29, livestock slaughterers prepared to begin operations under the permit system to be handled in each community by the local USDA war board, beginning April 1.

For consumers who have become acquainted with the point rationing under the processed foods program, the meat rationing procedure will be fairly simple. There are two major differences: the red stamps to be used in meat purchases become valid weekly, instead of monthly, and the one-point red stamps will be used by the retailer in making "change."

The red stamps will be used for any of the rationed items, including meat, cheese, butter, margarine shortening, and other fats and oils. Point values will be on the pound basis. These will be shown on charts to be displayed in all retail stores.

Tied in directly with the overall plan to distribute civilian meat supplies evenly and to combat black markets is the forthcoming USDA allocation program. All farmers and slaughterers who buy or sell meat will be required to get a permit from their local war board.

This will not apply to farmers who slaughter livestock only for their own use, and neither will dairymen and livestock raisers need a permit to buy cattle. But the permit is necessary for the sale of meat in any quantity. All wholesale cuts will be marked with the slaughter's permit number. Farmers selling directly to the consumer will tag each cut with their permit number, and in addition, must collect ration stamps from the purchaser. He also will have to meet sanitary regulations and comply with OPA price ceiling and grading regulations.

Pending the start of meat rationing, regional OPA officials in Dallas have been working day and night during the last week to alleviate meat shortages in localities where military establishments have brought increased populations. Emergency allotments were granted for scores of cities and towns of this region.

Also important on the regional

food front, the Dallas OPA office issued a temporary price ceiling order setting specific ceilings which shippers may charge for cabbage, spinach, carrots and snap beans, and establishing uniform mark-ups for other handlers of fresh vegetables at all trade levels.

With the advent of food rationing and current shortages, added impetus has been given to Victory Gardening. Additional thousands of farmers and city dwellers are being enlisted in home food supply program and urged to raise all food possible for their own consumption.

To help gear the great majority of the country's farms to war food production, extended efforts are being made to relieve the farm labor shortage situation. In line with these efforts is the U. S. Crop Corps which is in process of organization and training. By the great efforts there will be enough labor for handling and processing this year's primary crops, but there'll be none to spare for less essential farm operations.

During the planting and harvesting season, farmers who hire temporary labor for periods of less than 30 days may obtain rationed foods needed to feed them by applying to their local rationing boards. The same rule applies to other seasonal workers.

With a big food-shipping year in prospect, growers of perishable products may experience a shortage of refrigerator cars at the height of the season. This is threatened because of the general shift from canned goods to fresh products and the resulting demand for more refrigerator space.

The situation may become tight in late May and during June grow more serious after that month until the bulk of perishable foods has reached markets.

Gasoline for spring planting and cultivating and harvesting crops will be readily available to farmers this summer through rationing procedures streamlined for their convenience. Farmers may get ration coupons for a 6-month supply of gasoline. This eliminates the necessity of applying for renewal of rations every three months as was required until recently. However, any farmer whose needs may increase at any time during the six-month's period may apply to his rationing board for additional rations to meet the emergency.

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RATION HEADQUARTERS

Do not allow rationing to disturb your buying habits. If there is anything you do not understand, come in and we will be glad to assist you. We have plenty of merchandise; some rationed, other that you can buy freely, so that your family can always enjoy complete meals.

Fri. Mar. 26 & Sat. Mar. 27

FLOUR, Light Crust 48 lb. 2.39 24 lbs. 1.23

CALUMET Baking Powder, 1 Lb. Can	18c	CLABBER GIRL Baking Powder, 25 Oz. Can	23c
Raisin Bran, 2 Boxes	25c	CORN FLAKES Post Toastie, 2 Boxes	19c
MORTONS SALT, 2 Boxes	15c	C. H. B. Cocktail Sauce, Bot.	23c
ROSEDALE, SOUR PICKLES, Qt.	23c	ROSEDALE, DILL Pickles, Qt.	23c
EXCELL, GRAHAM CRACKERS, 1 Lb. Box	12c	EXCELL Crackers, 1 Lb. Box	11c

COFFEE, FOLGER'S DRIP OR REG. 1 Lb. Jar 38c M H 1 Lb. 32c

FINE FOR FINE THINGS VEL, Modern Suds, Bx.	27c	OXYDOL, Large Box	26c
OXYDOL, Giant Size	72c	BIG FOUR Soap Flakes,	50c
HIMPSONS, NO. 1 CAN PEAS, 10 Pts.	11c	FAULTLESS, NO. 2 CAN SPINACH, 11 Pts.	14c
SMALL CAN Tomato Juice, 4 Pts.	5c	CAMPBELL'S VEGETABLE SOUP, 6 Pts.	15c
TIDBITS, 9 OZ. CAN Pineapple, 7 Pts.	12c	Butter Flakes, Lge. Bx.	21c

RICE, Fancy, 2 Lb. 19c PEAS, 4 Pts. lb. 11c

JIM JONES, PURE CANE SYRUP, 1/2 Gal 45c KARO, BLUE LABEL SYRUP, 1/2 Gal 45c

FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

PINK Grape Fruit, 2 For	9c
TEXAS ORANGES, Doz.	27c
CALIFORNIA Oranges, 392 Size, Doz.	24c
CARROTS, 2 Bunches	9c
GREEN Onion, Beets, 2 For	17c
CABBAGE, 2 Lb.	17c
SPINACH, 2 Lbs.	25c
COLORADO SPUDS, No. 1's, 10 Lbs.	45c

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ARMOUR'S STAR Frankfurters, Lb.	30c
MEXICAN STYLE SAUSAGE, Lb.	24c
BRICK CHILI, Lb.	35c
HOME MADE SAUSAGE, Lb.	32c
COLD LUNCH MEATS, Lb.	28c
PORK ROAST, Lb.	28c
BEEF ROAST, Lb.	28c
ARMOUR'S STAR PATTIES,	42c

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