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The Story Of An Oldtimer

William Andrew Tate

"I came to Castro County in the spring of eighteen ninety-one. I had formerly lived near Whitboro, Texas in Grayson County. We shipped all of our household goods and other possessions by train to Amarillo. Amarillo was the largest town in this section of the country at that time. Then we loaded our possessions on wagons and brought them to the little town of Dimmitt. There were no houses in Dimmitt at that time, but there were several dug-outs, and several families lived in covered wagons, a piece of canvas was tacked to one side of the wagon to protect the children from the cold while at their play. All of the families' possessions were inside of the wagon. They would sleep in the wagon, but would cook out in the open. Most of these people were filling on homestead lands. They had to live on this land for a period of three years or they had to give up their claim.

I filed on State land on which I could live and pay for at the rate of \$1.00 an acre for forty years. I filed on more than a section because a section wasn't enough of land for me. The land was covered with grass which in some places was waist high. Some of the ranchers cut this grass and used it for hay in the winter time. There were great herds of wild horses and antelopes. These wild horses would come to the lake north of town at night for water and would then move on to the rich grass to the north. The wolves and coyotes were as thick as hops. I didn't see any buffalo however I heard that some rancher to the north of us had a herd of buffalo on his ranch. The Indians were all gone when I came out here. There was very little farming at first, most of the country was devoted to ranching.

I helped to vote in the organization of Castro County in November of eighteen ninety-one. Formerly Castro County had been a part of Hutchinson County. The following county officers were elected: Lucius Gaugh, Judge; W. B. Beech, clerk; Charles Bedford, sheriff; R. J. Davis, treasurer; Charlie Ivey, assessor. J. W. Carter, Bill Moore, S. I. Richardson, and Mac Flores were the Commissioners.

Bally and Lamb counties were attached to this county for judicial purposes. These counties remained part of Castro County until after the World War, or until they had enough residents to become fully organized counties.

There was a good school here which my children attended. We sent our daughters to Fort Worth for special training.

In 1893 nine other families besides mine were all ready to leave for our old homes, (my wagons and teams were better than theirs) when I decided that I would get on my horse and ride to the Spring lake headquarters of the XIT to see if I couldn't get a job. I was given the job of freighting, hauling goods between Springlake and Amarillo. I returned to Dimmitt and told these families to go on that I had gotten a job. I worked for the XIT for three years. I had two big wagons and eight mules. In good weather I was allowed eight days for the trip and in bad weather I was to come and go when I could. I would carry my bed roll and chuck box along with me, would stop for dinner, then would stop again just before night and make my team and myself ready for the night. Sometimes I would have to shovel out a foot of snow before I could make my bed. I didn't get cold because I had a twenty ounce tarp to cover me. On the last night of each trip I would stop at my home and spend the night with my family, then would go on to Springlake the next day.

After quitting work for the XIT I carried themail from Dimmitt

Dimmitt 4-H Club Meets

The Dimmitt 4-H club girls met Wednesday February 12. The meeting was called to order and a speaker Mr. May was introduced. His talk on chickens was very interesting.

We then took up our project which is knitting. Mrs. Eubanks showed us the first step. We decided to bring our needles and ball of string. We asked Mrs. Eubanks to join us again in our next meeting. We then adjourned.

Methodist Notes DIMMITT CIRCUIT

Last Friday evening we were privileged to be with the folks at Easter as we began the study of the Mission Study Book. Because of the bad duster that they had out there that day, the school building was very dusty so Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith was kind enough to allow us to meet in their home. We had a good number to start the study and hope to have more as we progress. We are to meet for the next two Friday evenings at 7:30 and bring sandwiches and something to drink and eat at the school, and then go on into the study of the book. Everyone is invited, so come along and enjoy the fellowship and learn something of Missions also.

We had a very good time at Bethel Sunday with a nice crowd and good attention. We were glad to note the presence of some of the youngsters from Canyon home for the week-end.

The Intermediates had charge of the program in the young people's service Sunday night and I am afraid that they put some of the rest of us to shame in the execution of the task in hand. The program was very informative and well presented. More power to our youngsters.

Our second quarterly conference meets at Jumbo on Sunday April 6th. Brother Will C. House, the district superintendent will preach at the morning service and we will have dinner on the ground, and the business session after dinner. Let us all plan to make it a high spiritual day together.

Also, we are planning a District Wide Program to have everything up to date by Easter Sunday. Let us all strive to have this upon our hearts and pray for a real day of spirit filled services on Easter Sunday. But most of all, let us be sure that our experiences are up to date. Let us daily walk with him in the Perfectness of Love.

Sunday March 2nd is Communion Sunday at that time, the church is asking that after much prayer and consideration that we make a Sacrificial offering to war relief. We are endeavoring to raise on that day, One Million Dollars for this purpose throughout Methodism. One half million dollars of this is to be used in the work of the church in the newly set up army camps centers, while a quarter million dollars will be given for the aid of British Methodism, and one quarter million dollars to British and Chinese Civilian war relief. This is a great and noble undertaking that our church has assumed. Let us arise to meet the challenge.

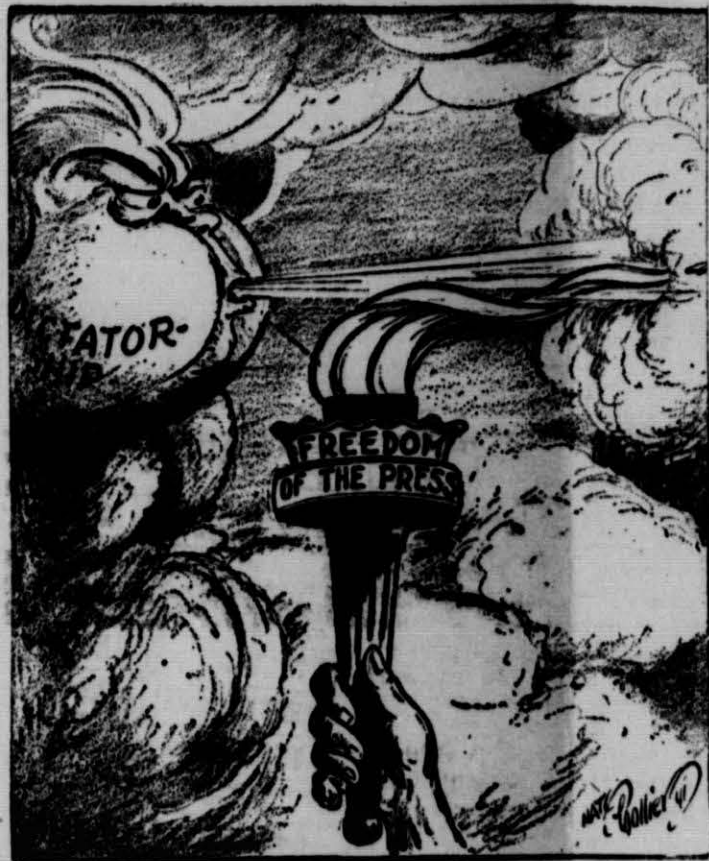
Bible Question of the Week: What is the Golden Text of the Bible?—Answer next week.

Last weeks answer—"Seth" Genesis 4:25.

By the way, are you Saved?
C. W. Williams, Pastor.

to Canyon City. After a time a fellow by the name of Redfern would carry the mail half way from Canyon City and I would carry it the other half from Dimmitt. We would meet in a place called the Word Pasture. The entire trip would take about an entire day. Then for seventeen years I owned a wagon yard and hotel, furnishing meals and lodging for freighters and new settlers. I also served as county commissioner for 14 years.

THE LIGHT THAT MUST NOT FAIL!



METHODISTS OF AMERICA TO RAISE ONE MILLION DOLLARS FOR RELIEF

The Methodist Church in the United States, with its eight million members, has set aside Sunday March 2, which has been designated as "Compassion Day," to raise one million dollars. Five hundred thousand dollars of this will be used for overseas relief in Europe and China, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars for British Methodism and the British people, and two hundred and fifty thousand dollars for Christian service among the youth in the army training camps of America. Bishop Ivan Lee Holt, presiding bishop over the Dallas Area of The Methodist Church, consisting of the North Texas, Central Texas, Northwest Texas and New Mexico Conference, is expecting his conference to raise more than the forty thousand dollar quota which has been assigned to them.

Dr. Harry S. DeVore, District Superintendent of the Dallas District and Director for the Campaign in the Dallas Area, has arranged for a series of broadcasts over the Dallas Times Herald station KRLD, 1040 K. C. 's.

Dr. W. Angie Smith, pastor of First Methodist Church, Dallas, broadcast a "Compassion Day" message over KRLD at 9:30 p. m. Friday, February 14; Bishop H. A. Boaz, of Dallas, Friday February 21 at 9:30 p. m. and Dr. Harry S. DeVore Friday, February 28, at 9:30 p. m. will speak over the same station.

"The Methodist Church," said Dr. DeVore, "will carry on overseas relief in both Europe and China. The Methodist Committee on Overseas Relief was instituted by the General Conference, which met in Atlantic City in May, 1940, to support the work carried on by interdenominational agencies. Much of the overseas relief will be in cooperation with the Church Committee for China Relief, International Missionary Council, the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., American Committee for Christian Refugees, Central Bureau for the Evangelical Churches of Europe, the American Friends Service Committee, and through the missionary channels of The Methodist Church.

"None of the funds raised by Methodists is to give aid and comfort to aggressor nations. Methodism of England is confronted with tremendous damage by destruction to their church property. British Methodists have appealed to American Methodists for assistance, and American Methodist leaders have felt that we must respond. These funds will not rebuild the ruined churches of Great Britain. They are to assist British Methodists to maintain their church life.

ISSUES STATEMENT

Following a conference with Commander C. E. Reynolds of the local American Legion post, Mayor Ward Golden issued the following statement:

"Our Nation, State and Community always have looked upon The American Legion as their first line of defense. For more than 20 years The American Legion has been almost singlehanded the foremost champion of all patriotic endeavors, and has been rendering a high type of community service. "It is inspiring to find The American Legion in this hour of national emergency, mobilizing all its assets for the good of the country. The American Legion constitutes a huge backlog of manpower, experience, training and devotion in our national defense.

"To catalog these qualities so that they may be readily available to our government authorities in preparing our nation for total defense, is not only a wise and practical measure, but it is also another great demonstration of The American Legion's devotion to God and Country. "It is my hope that all World War veterans in our community will register."

H. W. Golden, Mayor.

Scout News

Now that one of the most successful Scout Weeks in the history of local scouting has been completed, the boys of the troop are eagerly looking forward to the next big event of the year, the Northern District First Aid Meet at Plainview, March 8.

For several weeks the troop has been studying Second and First Class First Aid, working on practice problems, etc. Local competition to determine Troop 67's representatives, if any, to the district.

"Methodism must not fail to minister to the young men who go into training in army camps of America. Sinister influences are not slow to take advantage of the tens of thousands of young men who are in these camps. We must make it possible for churches near our training camps to minister to young men in the service.

"The work of the Methodist Church at army camps will not be confined to Methodists, but will be sufficient to care for any who need moral and spiritual leadership."

Pay Tax Of Over Ten Cents A Barrel

Dallas, Texas, February 18—More than half of all the oil produced in Texas already pays a tax of over 10 cents a barrel, a survey just completed by Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association statisticians shows. Twenty-two separate taxes are now levied against Texas oil producers.

The survey, based on tabulation of tax records of all 254 counties and of independent taxing subdivisions, shows that more than half of the State's oil bears taxes of 10.26 cents a barrel. All of the oil produced in Texas pays an average tax of 9.23 cents a barrel, while in some counties the taxes amount to 15 and 20 cents per barrel.

"Texas oil producers now pay 22 separate taxes, or 21 in addition to the State gross production tax," a statement today from the association points out. "In fact, analysis of the various tax levies borne by oil produced in 33 leading Texas oil counties (which produce over half of the State's total crude output) shows that the State gross production tax of 2.3-4 per cent makes up less than 29 cents of each dollar collected in State and local taxes on oil production and producing properties. The fact that so much of this oil already pays over 10 cents a barrel is noteworthy in view of statements sometimes heard that Texas oil should pay 10 cents a barrel tax."

These 22 taxes do NOT include any paid on refining, pipe lines or any branch of the industry except production. Nor do they include the gasoline taxes paid by the individual motorist.

"The oil tax situation is different from that of any other State," the association statement explains. "There are more than 9,000 separate local taxing subdivisions in our State, each of which is empowered under the Texas constitution to levy and collect taxes. Many of these are independent taxing agencies such as cities, independent school districts, water districts, road districts, etc. Every oil field within the jurisdiction of any of these taxing agencies is subject to property assessments and tax levies deemed necessary by the respective taxing officials. And all of these taxes must be paid by the Texas oil producer from the money he receives from his petroleum, his sole source of income."

METHODIST JUNIORS MEET

The Methodist Juniors met Sunday evening at seven o'clock with four girls and five boys present. Each one was asked to bring a name and the one selected was "Royal Crusaders." Our lesson was "working in the home" led by Mrs. Ranigin. Most of the group remained for church and sang in the choir.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Winders and daughter were Amarillo visitors Friday.

Triet will be held next Monday night between the two patrols headed by J. R. McDermitt and Willie John Word. Each patrol must make an average grade of at least 80 on four problems in order to qualify for the district.

Each patrol must have one boy as patient and not more than four other workers, including the problem leader.

Last year at the district one local patrol made an "A" rating. Both patrols hope to qualify and uphold this fine standard.

After the First Aid Meet, the next big event on the calendar is the Northern District Camporee to be held here on April 17-18. Troops from Plainview, Tulla, Petersburg, and Silverton will be here for a week-end of camping and scouting contests and adventures, etc.

February 22 Registration Day

National Commander Milo J. Warner has fixed Saturday, February 22, the 209th anniversary of the birth of George Washington, Father of our Country, as national defense registration day for all members of The American Legion and such unaffiliated World War veterans as may desire to participate. There is nothing compulsory about the registration. Filling out of The American Legion national defense questionnaire and rendering any service that may be called for later, both will be entirely voluntary on the part of the individual. Registration does not involve any military liability.

The nationwide registration of Legionnaires and unaffiliated World War veterans was authorized by the 22nd national convention of The American Legion in Boston, Mass., last September, and by the National Executive Committee at its meeting in Indianapolis, Ind., November 21 and 22, 1940. It is merely for the purpose of cataloging the qualifications and special talents of all Legionnaires and World War veterans for national defense. From the questionnaires to be filled out by all members and veterans, local posts, department and national headquarters will prepare indexes which will list the experience, education, training, and other qualifications of the registrants. The information contained in these indexes will be made available to the Federal, State and Local authorities whenever the need arises.

Appointment of a special committee to handle the voluntary registration of all local Legionnaires and World War veterans generally for possible future national defense service as part of the nationwide American Legion preparedness for any emergency, was announced here today by Commander C. E. Reynolds of the Castro Post No. 446.

The present survey of civilian defense functions in modern warfare being made in England by an American Legion mission is directly connected with the voluntary national defense registration of the nation's 1,078,119 Legionnaires, and thousands of unaffiliated World War veterans, scheduled for Saturday, February 22.

Can you speak any foreign languages? Have you had any police, fire department, or intelligence service experience?

These are samples of questions while all local members of the American Legion and unaffiliated World War veterans will be asked in filling out their questionnaires in the Legion's nationwide voluntary national defense registration, Saturday, February 22. It contains also a list of 67 specific occupations, professions and trades, which are to be checked by each registrant. A space is provided for writing in vocations not listed. It was not possible to list all possible occupations.

"The American Legion mission overseas is headed by National Commander Milo J. Warner. He is accompanied by Past National Commander Franklin D'Olier and Major General Frank Parker, P. S. A., retired, a member of the Legion's national executive committee.

"The findings of this mission will frame the pattern of future American Legion home defense activities. What this mission will learn overseas will serve to supplement The American Legion's present efforts with additional plans for civilian defense activities."

"Activities in the field of aircraft warning will be carried on by The American Legion in close cooperation and coordination with the officials of the national defense establishments. An air raid precautionary service, however, will be primarily an American Legion activity but worked out with the cooperation of all citizens within the community who are not eligible for military service.

To Receive Checks As Long As They Live

Since the beginning of monthly payments under the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance System of January 1, 1940, several hundred adults in Texas are receiving monthly checks which will continue as long as they live, according to a statement by Dewey Reed, manager of the Amarillo Social Security Board field office. In addition, he pointed out that a large number of children of deceased wage earners under the age of 18 are receiving monthly checks.

Retirement payments are provided for the qualified worker himself after he reaches age 65 and stops regular work; his wife, if or when she is 65; his children until they are 16, or 18 if still in school; his widow while she has such children in her care; his widow, if or when she is 65; his dependent parents at age 65, if he left no widow or children.

Reed pointed out that when the worker leaves no survivors entitled to monthly payments at the time of his death, lump-sum death payments are made to the widow, widower, child, grandchild, or parent in the order named. If the worker is not survived by any such relative, the lump-sum payment may be made to other relatives or friends who paid for the funeral expense.

To qualify for insurance payments a worker must have earned at least \$50 in covered employment per quarter year, in at least half the quarter years between January 3, 1937, when the system went into effect and the quarter year in which he became 65 or died. Covered employment includes work in factories, shops, mines, mills, stores, offices, banks, building and loan associations, American ships, or other kinds of business or industry.

ANNUAL GEORGE WASHINGTON PARTY

The Annual Masonic George Washington party will be held at the hall Monday evening February 24th. All Masons and Eastern Stars are invited.

BIG TMIES AT LEGION HUT SATURDAY NIGHT

Don't forget a big time is being planned at the Legion Hut Saturday night. Each one is supposed to bring what they happen to have in the house for a "potluck" supper. Afterwards Mrs. Clem Gilliam and Earl Lust will have charge of the entertainment. If you've ever attended one of the Legions get-together meetings you'll not want to miss this one. Better not eat your supper before you come.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamblin of Pampa visited her mother, Mrs. W. L. Longan.

"This is a summons for a very important service to God and Country whom we served as young men in 1917-18," Commander Reynolds of the local post said. "I feel certain that every Legionnaire and World War veteran generally will welcome this opportunity of perhaps doing another bit for their country. We do not expect to be called for active military service. Most of us are beyond that age. But there are many home defense duties to be performed.

"I urge every Legionnaire and other interested World War veterans in this community to register on February 22. If you are going to be out of town on that date, fill out your questionnaire before you leave. It is a patriotic duty, and we of The American Legion have never shirked our duty, or lagged in our patriotism. The time has come again when we may be called upon once more to stand up for America, and I am sure every Legionnaire in this community is ready."

The Castro County News "Your Home Paper" RAYMOND DONNELL, Editor Published Each Thursday at Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas

Rio Theatre

WED.-SAT. February 21-22 Bill Elliott-Evelyn Young In PRAIRIE SCHOONERS Deadwood Dick No. 11. Comed. SAT. MIDNITE. SUN.-MON. FEBRUARY 22-23-24 George Brent-Brenda Marshall In SOUTH OF SUEZ Lonesome Stranger

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NOTICE OF COUNTY'S INTENTION TO RECEIVE BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN ROAD MACHINERY AND TO ISSUE TIME WARRANTS THEREFOR

SEALED PROPOSALS, addressed to Posey Cunningham, County Judge of Castro County, at Dimmitt, Texas, will be received at the office of the County Judge until ten o'clock A. M. on the 21st day of March, 1941, for the purchase of the following road machinery, to-wit:

2 Tandem Drive Motor Graders, powered with Diesel Engines, with mechanical power control, two-foot mold-board, two two-foot mold-board extensions, with blades right and left hand, leaning front wheels, deluxe enclosed cab. One of the above motor graders to be equipped with scarifier.

1 Motor Grader, powered with Diesel Engine, with hydraulic lower control, including hydraulic steering; twelve foot mold board, with two-foot mold board extensions, with blades right and left hand; puncture proof tubes in rear tires; plain tubes in front tires; leaning front wheels; starter; generator; battery; and deluxe enclosed cab.

Allowances for two number 60 caterpillar tractors; two Adams graders and one Allis-Chalmers Model L Tractor should be considered as trade-in.

SUCH PROPOSALS will be at said time be publicly opened and read before the Commissioners' Court of said County.

IT IS THE INTENTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT to pay for such road machinery by the issuance and delivery to the proper contractor of the best-issued time warrants of said County, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding 4 1/2% per annum, payable semi-annually, which said warrants shall not exceed the principal sum of \$17,500.00, and the principal of said warrants shall be payable serially, the maximum maturity date being not later than April 10, 1952.

THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Posey Cunningham County Judge, Castro County, Texas.

FIFTH GRADERS USE RADIO Since October 7 the members of the fifth grade social science class have been listening to radio programs of the Texas School of the Air.

On Mondays the class listens to "Stories Plus," which is a social relation program based upon selected good citizenship.

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BETHEL NEWS (Left out Last Week) Mr. and Mrs. John Smith were in Hereford on business last Thursday. While in town they visited Mrs. Ollie Smith, Mrs. M. J. Bowser and Mrs. Clemmie Bacheiler.

The Rev. C. W. Williams and family visited in the E. R. Rothwell and Vern Lust homes Tuesday. The Women's Society of Christian Science met with Mrs. John Smith Wednesday. There were ten members present. Mrs. Earl Last gave the last chapter of the book on China. We will meet in the home of Mrs. E. R. Rothwell Wednesday, February 20th.

Guests in the Jim Bagwell home for Sunday dinner were, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Clubb and two children and Mr. Clubb's sister, Leola Clubb, from Petersburg; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Allman, Jack and Wanda Marie, of Westway community, Mr. and Mrs. Ray McInnis and Mrs. Ray McInnis, Mrs. Ronlea Hackleman. Afternoon guests were Mrs. J. H. McLean, Mrs. J. C. Williams, Mrs. E. R. Rothwell and Mrs. Vern Lust.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Sinclair and four Earl, visited the P. D. McBride family in Amarillo Sunday. They also attended church at the Glenwood Baptist church and the singing in the afternoon.

Mrs. Dunn from Hereford spent Saturday night in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Leland Smith.

Visitors in the Glen Smith home

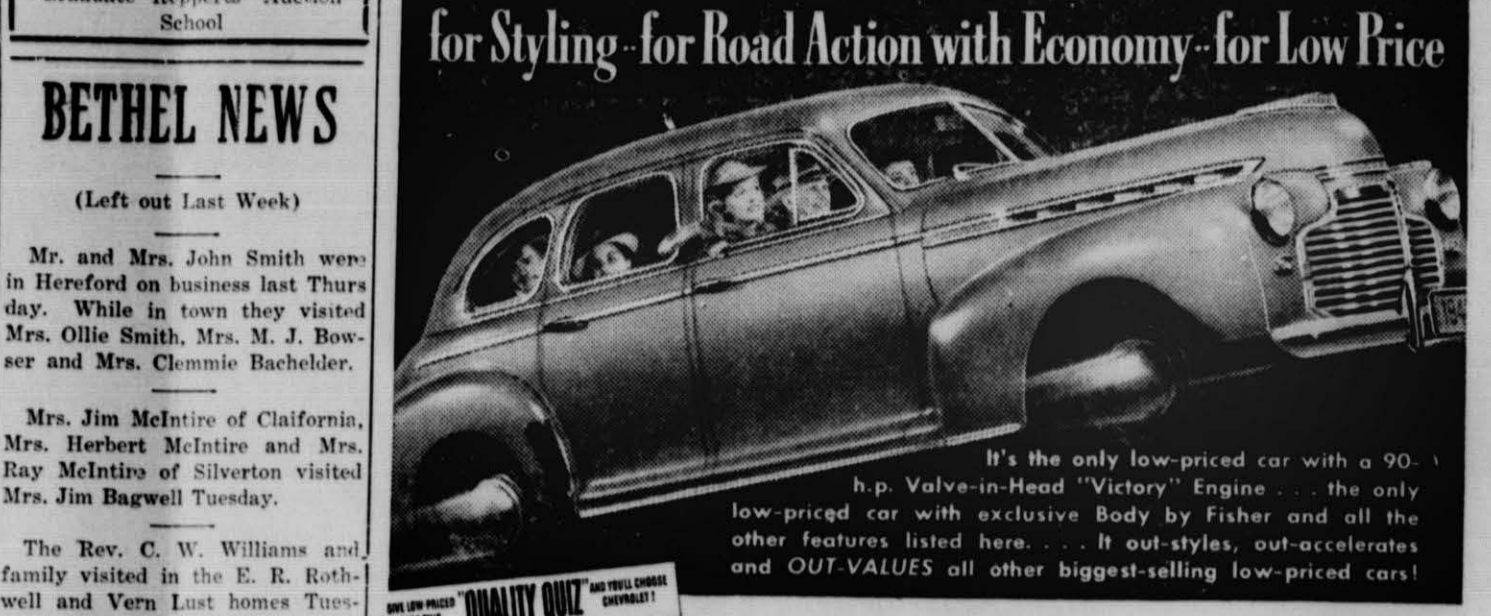
On Tuesdays the class listens to "Open Your Eyes," a natural science program based upon selected subjects from the elementary science curriculum. The class is taught by C. A. Farley. The objective of the program is "to increase knowledge, to cultivate appreciation and taste, to enrich character by inspiring social ideals that may result in constructive citizenship."

The programs are on the air from KGNC at 1:15 p. m.

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Mr. and Mrs. Kay Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. George Bagwell and children were guests in the Leland Smith home Sunday. Mrs. J. G. Davis received a message Saturday that her brother, D. H. Meador of Carrollton was very ill, she left at once to be with him, another message Sunday stated he had died. The funeral will be at Carrollton. Mr. Davis and Mrs. Cleo Richardson will attend the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rothwell and Marlene at dinner Sunday in the Will Copeland home at Flax. Other guests in the Copeland home were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burnam Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. James Burnam. Georgia Shwen visited Dorothy Sinclair Sunday. Albert Sinclair spent Sunday and Sunday night with Charles Henry Howell.

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The Bobcat Tales Follow The Bobcats to Canyon

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Noise Interferes With Concentration

It is very important for every high school student to learn to concentrate. The student who has achieved this ability, little appreciates the difficulty experienced by the teacher and the pupil in training the young mind to confine its activity to a single subject. Noise or confusion of any kind makes it doubly difficult. Many pupils never acquire the ability to concentrate as they should.

The halls of D. H. S. have much unnecessary noise, especially in the gymnasium. Periodically throughout the school day all pupils of Dimmitt High must pass through the halls. Many educators have resorted to all manner of policing systems in an effort to control the resulting confusion. Their knowledge of psychology tells them that noisy places inevitably suggest lawless and boisterous conduct to the pupil. Similarly a quiet place prompts orderliness.

Students of D. H. S. should realize this and make their hall one that is quiet and prompts orderliness.

Facts About Student Council

Only a short time ago, that is, at the close of the second semester, there was quiet a lot of talk among both the students and faculty about there being established in Dimmitt High a student council of some type of student government. But to the great disappointment of some of the staff, apparently, has been done toward even having a constitutional convention.

In civics and American History classes students study the organization and work of our American type of Government. In schools where these different types of student government have been tried, students have had an actual opportunity to take part in one of the purest forms of democracy. We, in America, think that we have the best form of democracy in the world. That is true, but it is not the purest form of democracy. In a student government where every student has a vote toward electing the various members of such an organization is the purest form of democracy known.

To have such a student body might help each student realize that it is his or her duty to cast their vote in every election in order to maintain our American form of government. To maintain this American form of government, we, of this young generation, must defeat all forms of "isms."

If the students of D. H. S. could, or should I say, would, establish some type of student council, that would exercise the theory and principle of a democracy. Too, if the students of D. H. S. should see their way clear to exercise the right of self-government this truly would be the side-roads of a democracy.

Mrs. C. C. Reynolds who has Winston and Garland of Canyon and her daughter, Mrs. C. Sidney, teacher in Phillips high school spent Sunday with Mrs. Burgess' mother, Mrs. S. P. Crawford and sister, Mrs. Carlos Reynolds. Mrs. John Burgess and daughters, Ann and Estelle, and sons, holds.

O'Rear Presents Photography talk

Kamera Klub of D. H. S. is inviting the public to attend a simple discussion of the general principles of color photography to be presented by J. M. O'Rear. This date for this colorful event is February 24, 1941 at 7:30 p. m. in the high school auditorium.

The major color processes will be briefly described and illustrated with nineteen lantern slides which will be both in black and white and color. Also to be used is a one hundred foot reel of 16 mm. Kodachrome motion picture film and Eastman wash-off relief print. It will take approximately fifty minutes to present the entire discussion.

Remember, all you photography fans, come and bring a friend. No admission will be charged.

Seniors Present Negro Minstrel

It seems the students of dear old Dimmitt High have some fine things to show. I'll try my best to let you in on some of it.

What's this I hear about the Bernice and Richardson affair? Yes, they were really seen in Hereford together Friday night. While I'm on the subject of Bernice she was also with Bob Hockaday Saturday night at Hereford.

I wonder why Cricket was mad at Kent Saturday? Could it have been because he went with Delores after he took her home Friday night.

The proofs for the senior pictures came in Monday. I suppose that explains all the excitement going on in the halls, also the long faces with remarks such as "My pictures aren't any good." If the remark was finished it would say "they look too much like me."

Nothing is ever said about the Boothe-Bradley affair, although they are seen together quite a lot. Has Ray Jr. found himself a girl or did he and Helen Calton just happen to be sitting by each other in the show Sunday Here?

It seems that Patsy Lou Houck is getting along fairly well with all the boys now. Every time you see Patsy, you see a different boy with her.

Janette has finally decided to leave Julius out in the cold. She is always with Buster lately so I suppose she has made up her mind about the whole affair.

Since "Red" Matthews has come back to school, he has certainly been nice to the girls, especially the ones in the Senior Class. Maybe there is some reason for all this. Red have you decided that girls are pretty nice to have around?

Glen Exter sure is bashful when it comes to getting a girl. He's always been a little bit of a bashful fellow. This work is very beneficial to the students and helps them to gain a better knowledge of the living world.

Buy it in Dimmitt After a study was made of the various organs, the body of the cat was cleaned and the flesh removed from the skeleton. This skeleton is now being assembled by part of the class as a trem project.

Soon afterwards another cat was caught and put in formaldehyde to be preserved for further study of the muscles and other organs.

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Seniors Present Negro Minstrel

It seems the students of dear old Dimmitt High have some fine things to show. I'll try my best to let you in on some of it.

What's this I hear about the Bernice and Richardson affair? Yes, they were really seen in Hereford together Friday night. While I'm on the subject of Bernice she was also with Bob Hockaday Saturday night at Hereford.

I wonder why Cricket was mad at Kent Saturday? Could it have been because he went with Delores after he took her home Friday night.

The proofs for the senior pictures came in Monday. I suppose that explains all the excitement going on in the halls, also the long faces with remarks such as "My pictures aren't any good." If the remark was finished it would say "they look too much like me."

Nothing is ever said about the Boothe-Bradley affair, although they are seen together quite a lot. Has Ray Jr. found himself a girl or did he and Helen Calton just happen to be sitting by each other in the show Sunday Here?

It seems that Patsy Lou Houck is getting along fairly well with all the boys now. Every time you see Patsy, you see a different boy with her.

Janette has finally decided to leave Julius out in the cold. She is always with Buster lately so I suppose she has made up her mind about the whole affair.

Since "Red" Matthews has come back to school, he has certainly been nice to the girls, especially the ones in the Senior Class. Maybe there is some reason for all this. Red have you decided that girls are pretty nice to have around?

Glen Exter sure is bashful when it comes to getting a girl. He's always been a little bit of a bashful fellow. This work is very beneficial to the students and helps them to gain a better knowledge of the living world.

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English III classes have begun the study of literature for this semester. They have just recently finished a unit on the history and development of the American novel which included the study of five different books by outstanding American authors. These novels represented a cross-section of American writings and were studied for the purpose of arousing within the student an interest in this type of reading.

There was given a condensed edition of Hawthorne's romantic novel, The House of Seven Gables. There was another view of Ne-England life presented in Edith Wharton's Ethan Frome. From Sinclair Lewis' "Babbalanza" a picture of life in any small town was clearly drawn. There were long passages studied from the character novel, "The Perennial Bachelor" by Anne Parrick.

This study was concluded with the crucial chapter from a modern mystery yarn, S. S. Van Dine's "The Bishop Murder Case." These were all presented with the thoroughness of the Thoroughbred.

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HONORED WITH BIRTHDAY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Booher were hosts Sunday to a group of young people honoring their son, Jim's, birthday.

Those enjoying the dinner were: Dorothy Simmons, Delores Gibson, Ella Jo Winders, Madge Winders, LaVerne Duke, Edna Earl Henderson, Francis, Ellen and Elaine Ivey, Esther Trainer, Avis Jean Pennington, Vernell Teague, Bettye Newton, Bob Sheffy, Alvin Frazier, C. J. Johnson, Cotton Williams, Newt Dunne and Ray Aldridge.

New Books Received

Approximately 175 new books have been received at the high school this week. These are books of very recent publication some being published in 1941. Some give information concerning the present war crisis.

The books will be used in connection with reading, history, geography, public speaking, civics, and English.

"In a Democracy," "You and Your Community," "Democracy in America," "Stand Fast for Freedom," "The Way of Democracy," and "Literature for Interpretation" are among the new books received.

FUTURE FARMERS TO OBSERVE NATIONAL BANQUET

The Dimmitt Chapter of Future Farmers will join the nation of Future Farmer chapters Friday night in celebrating Washington's birthday with a national program. The program starts promptly at 8 o'clock.

The chapter will gather in banquet style with turkey and all the dressing and go thru their part of the program, then at 9 o'clock the main program will come over the NBC from Washington. Senator McNutt is to be the principal speaker, with Mr. Lemke and Mr. Ross each making short talks.

The local chapter will have their program in the study hall of the High school building and all fathers of F. F. A. boys are urged to attend.

No word has yet been received as to the results of the Tech judging contest. It is hoped that the boys did not take last place. They did not get within the high three as they were announced at the meeting Saturday.

James Bradford of W. T. S. C.,

ion are among the new books received.

These books are state owned and may be issued to the students.

HART NEWS

Mrs. Perry Van Vallet and daughter, Ione, have joined Mr. Van Vallet in Mineral Wells where he is employed.

Rev. and Mrs. Lloyd Mayhew visited in Lubbock this week.

Mrs. J. L. Oler and Mrs. Frank Brown honored Mrs. E. A. Oberst, Jr., of Canyon with a bridal shower in the home of Mrs. W. W. Johe. About twenty guests attended and others sent gifts. Mrs. Oberst is the former Velma Shives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Thornton and family of Lockney and Mr. and Mrs. Perry Smith and Billy Ellis of Silverton visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Smith Sunday.

Mrs. J. C. Hacker and her new daughter are doing nicely. The baby has been named Jerriann.

The Methodist League entertained with a lovely banquet at the Church Saturday night. Table appointments carried out the Valentine motif. Out-of-town guests were Rev. Sam A. Thomas, Mr. D. A. Nicholas and his son, Dean, of Canyon. Rev. Thomas brought an inspirational address to the young people.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Martin and family are visiting relatives in Oklahoma this week.

The Baptist Missionary Society met with Mrs. J. J. Newsom on Tuesday for an all-day meeting. Mrs. E. H. Perry, Mrs. Lowell Ponder and Mrs. Malone were special guests from Plainview. Mrs. Ponder taught the book "Things We Should Know." Mrs. Earrest Cade and Mrs. L. A. Ferguson from Sunnyside were guests.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Jackson and daughter and Nova Lea Ray went to Amarillo Saturday where Mr. Jackson attended the District Superintendents meeting.

Dudley Sue Didwiddie attended the High School Press Conference in Canyon Saturday. She was accompanied by Miss Margaret Nicholas who visited relatives.

The freshman class of Hart high school is presenting a three-act comedy, "A Pair of Country Kids" Thursday night, February 27th, at 7:30. Everyone is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Dinwiddie and family attended church in Plainview Sunday night.

BIG SQUARE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Haberer were shopping and visiting their daughter, Elsie Dale, in Lubbock Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Haberer made business trips to Plainview and Lubbock Saturday.

Viola Youts spent the week-end with Christene Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Van Dorne and family were in Dimmitt Saturday.

Those visiting in the John Davis home Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Ott and Irvillea, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Carpenter and family and Mrs. Cecil Sigman and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Scott accompanied Willis Branscum to Friona to the singing convention.

The Y. L. sing class visited our class singing class and the singing was enjoyed by all.

JUMBO NEWS

John Hardy Wood, Bob Pinckert and Miss Pauline Matthews College students at Canyon were home for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hunter were in Amarillo Friday.

Charlton Nealey of Amarillo visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Neel Sunday.

Troy Frazier and Mrs. Ullman Hunter won the grand prize at the forty-two tournament which closed Friday evening at the community room.

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NORTH EDGE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. George spent Friday in the Raymond Hance home.

Mrs. H. Sparkman of Dimmitt, spent Tuesday with Mrs. Raymond Hance. Other visitors in the afternoon were Mrs. John Crum and Raymond Gene, and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Neely of Jumbo.

Mrs. Dave Shepard and Virgie motored to Hereford Friday.

Messdames Will Howell, Percy Shepard, Dave Shepard and Virgie called in the home of Mrs. Raymond Hance Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shepard, Mrs. George Shepard and Jerry Don, motored to Hereford Friday.

Visitors in the George E. Shepard home of Hereford Sunday were: Messrs and Meses. Frank

Admiral Nimitz Commissions Navy Service School Built by Henry Ford



Auto Manufacturer Makes One of His Rare Appearances Before Microphone

DEARBORN, MICH.—When its huge building program got under way, the Navy faced another huge problem, the training of men in the highly technical duties which crews are called upon to perform. The existing naval training stations were already full. Turning to industry, Navy officials found that the Henry Ford Trade School, situated in the heart of the Rouge plant, was perfectly suited to such training.

Henry Ford not only offered the facilities of both school and plant to the Navy for this purpose, but also said he would build barracks for 1200 students, mess hall for 2000, administration building, provision storage, recreation room, athletic field, a steam generating plant.

The offer was accepted, and on December 6, 1940, the first shovel of earth was turned on the bank of the Rouge River. Forty days later the first contingent took up quarters in the newly erected buildings. The inauguration ceremonies were described by Commander C. P. Cecil as "unique in the history of the United States Navy—for we are dedicating the first Navy Service School ever to be operated in connection with civilian industry."

With naval officers on the outdoor platform beside him, and 200 enlisted men drawn up in front of the school's administration building, Henry Ford said that: "During the present crisis our organization wants to do everything possible to help America and the President. The Navy being our first line of defense, I feel that the training of these young men will vitally benefit our nation. And, when this

crisis is over, we can then reclaim these mechanically trained young men in our industries."

In turning the facilities of school and plant over to the Navy for training personnel, Edsel Ford explained that his father had established the Henry Ford Trade School 24 years ago "because he believed in using the facilities of the Ford Motor Company for something more than the building of motor vehicles. He believed that these facilities could also be used for the building of youth."

Rear Admiral C. W. Nimitz, who came from Washington to represent Secretary Knox, accepted the facilities of school and plant. "I can think of no better place for this extension of the Navy training program," he declared. "I wish, Mr. Ford, to express to you the appreciation of the Navy Department for this fine demonstration of patriotism on your part."

The new Navy Service School will be under the administration of Rear Admiral John Downes, Commandant of the Ninth Naval District, which includes 13 states and has headquarters at Great Lakes, Illinois.

After explaining that the men to be trained here come from both the Pacific and the Atlantic, as well as the Great Lakes, he added: "We know that Mr. Ford has here established the finest school in the world for training men in the mechanical trades. This will be the most important training center that the Navy has for schooling its newly enlisted men in the mechanical duties which they will be called upon to perform immediately upon joining the fleet."

NAZARETH NEWS

Shepard, Percy Shepard and girls, George Shepard and family and Harry Brown and Mrs. Clyde Shepard and children of Walcott.

Messdames Will and Paul Howell visited Mrs. Frank Shepard Tuesday.

Mrs. C. W. George spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. Raymond Hance. Other visitors in the afternoon were, Mrs. C. A. Hance, and children, Mr. and Mrs. John Stork and family, Webster Boone and Bettie, Mrs. E. Harman of Dimmitt, Messdames Paul and Henry Howell, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Carthel.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Backus are the proud parents of a baby boy, naming him Edmund Joseph. He was born at the Canyon hospital February 8.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Heiman and Frank Ball and Mrs. Josephine Ball made a trip to Atchison, Kansas last week to attend the wedding of a niece of theirs.

Miss Clara Acker is at home for a short vacation, after working in Amarillo the last few weeks.

Miss Wilda Dobmeier has been working in Amarillo the last few days.

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