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Travers Crumpton, Fort Stockton attorney, was notified the first of the week of his appointment by Governor Coke R. Stevenson to the office of District Attorney of the 33rd District, to fill the unexpired term of Alan Fraser, now serving in the armed forces.

Mr. Crumpton was the successful candidate for this office in the Democratic Primary July 22nd, over J. C. Epperson of Alpine, and Crumpton's appointment for the remainder of the year as District Attorney was made shortly after the results of the election were made known.

San Angelo Bottle Shortage Solved by McCamey Arrest

By JAMES CARLL

Joe Wright, 28, colored shine boy at a local barbershop, was arrested for the theft of 72 milk bottles from the Blue Bonnet Cafe.

The arresting officer, Deputy Sheriff Sam Haynes, stated that Wright removed the bottles from the rear of the cafe in the establishment's own container and took them next door to the Banner Creamery where he offered them for sale.

The manager of the creamery, recognizing the container, asked Wright, "Didn't you get those bottles from the Blue Bonnet Cafe?"

"No, suh," replied Wright indignantly, "I been savin' dem bottles." Then he added quickly to strengthen his story, "I brung 'em f'm San Angelo."

The creamery manager paid Wright \$3.60 for the bottles, then called the police. Wright was fined \$25.00 and costs.

Delegates of the Home Demonstration Clubs, Mrs. C. K. West of McCamey, and Mrs. W. C. McDonald of Rankin, left Monday for Austin where they are attending the Texas Home Demonstration Association Convention which convenes the 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

Mrs. Evelyn Steigler of Odessa and Mrs. Mary Joe Curry of McCamey spent the week-end here with Mrs. Elizabeth Rains.

Helen Calcote left Friday for a visit in California. Accompanying her was Doris Calcote of Eldorado. She will visit in Long Beach and Los Angeles and other points in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Faires, Mrs. Parker Wilber and Mr. and Mrs. John Tracy.

Miss Joan Swain, niece of Mrs. Gertrude Hall, left Thursday after a three weeks visit here with relatives and friends. Her parents and sister, Winona, were here for a short time when she first arrived and Mrs. Swain and Mrs. Hall spent a week in Christoval.

Political Announcements

The following announcements are made subject to the action of the Democratic Primary August 26, 1944.

For Sheriff, Tax Assessor and Collector:
J. E. SIMCO (Re-election)
H. M. (SAM) FOWLER

For Commissioner Precinct 2:
W. C. McDONALD
W. J. PRICE

For County Commissioner Pre. 3
J. O. CURRIE
LEE ROY GRIGSBY

McCamey Paratrooper Missing in Action Since Normandy D-Day

The War Department has notified Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Lambeth of McCamey that their paratrooper son, Pfc. Bobby J. Lambeth, has been missing in action in France since D-Day, June 7. No further details were given.

Lambeth, born in Bristow, Okla., on March 9, 1924, is a 1942 graduate of the Consolidated Grand Falls-Royalty High School. While in school, he was president of the Senior Class, captain of the football team, editor-in-chief of the Grand Falls Round-Up, and was listed in the "Who's Who" of Texas high schools.

Enlisting in October 1942, Lambeth received his training at Camp Blanding, Florida; Camp MacKall, North Carolina, and Ft. Benning, Georgia. He was sent overseas in January of this year.

A brother, Pvt. Billie Lambeth, 19, is in the Army Air Corps. When last heard from, Billie was at Ascension Island, a British possession in the mid-South Atlantic, approximately half way between Natal, Brazil, and Brazzaville, French Equatorial Africa, enroute to an undisclosed base.

Another brother, Staff Sergeant Hubert G. Lambeth, 23, is fighting in Italy with the 88th Infantry Division of the 5th Army.

Lightning Kills 2 Men, 2 Horses and 12 Cattle

By JAMES CARLL

Ed Schnaubert just returned from Lake Arthur, New Mexico, where he attended the funeral of his uncle, Jess Pool, struck down by lightning on July 14, has related a true story of the tragedy that is stranger than fiction.

Mr. Pool was also the uncle of Bill Moore of Rankin.

According to Schnaubert, Pool and a companion, both employees of the Flying H Ranch located 45 miles west of Lake Arthur, when killed were driving a dozen head of cattle to the home ranch to put them on feed.

When found, Pool, his companion and their horses lay dead, no more than three feet apart, indicating that they had been riding stirrup to stirrup, and explaining how a single bolt of lightning killed both. But the 12 head of cattle were strung out along the trail for at least the length of a city block, with a distance of several feet separating each steer, yet all were dead, struck down by the same bolt of lightning that had killed the two men and their horses.

Friends here have heard from Ensign Jack Walcher, now stationed at Camp Peary, Va., and he says that he likes his work, mainly because it is so different from anything he has done before.

Henry Cravens of Mertzton was a business visitor here Wednesday.

Texas No. 1-A Hobbs To Finish

The Texas Co. No. 1-A Charles W. Hobbs estate, southeastern Crane County pool opener and Texas' first oil producer from the Devonian lime flowed 392 barrels of pipeline oil in 17 hours on an official Railroad Commission potential test and will now complete.

No. 1-A Hobbs is 660 feet out of the north corner of section 46-35-H&TC, almost on the Crane-Upton County line and 4 1-2 miles south west of shallow Permian lime production in the McCamey field.

Magnolia No. 1 State-O. Z. Flood, scheduled 6,500-foot test in southwestern Crane in section 29-3-H&TC, was attempting to take a drill stem test from 3,535 to 3,563. Two previous tests of the same zone failed because of a leak in the drill pipe.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Yates Occupy Their Time Re-upholstering Chairs

Feeling that an active mind is a cure to the ailments of life, Mrs. E. D. Yates, 72 year old Rankin woman, has completed the reupholstering of three chairs. She is a member of the Rankin Home Demonstration Club and the club recently studied slip covering.

Both Mrs. Yates and her husband have been in ill health during the spring months and yet with the assistance of Mr. Yates, Mrs. Yates put springs in two chairs that were made from car seat springs, repadded the chairs which had lost their form from the padding slipping and put cheerful covers on the chairs. A fourth chair also received their attention in the way of recovering, mending and adding support.

Mrs. Yates says the material for this improvement didn't cost over \$2.95. All that was purchased at this time was material to cover one chair and some tacks.

Mr. and Mrs. Yates have lived in Rankin for about eight years. Theirs is a cheerful home with flowers which Mrs. Yates tends with care to add to its charm. The keynote of comfort is paramount in its easy grace, however.

Miss Janet Holcomb left Wednesday for her home in Houston after a visit here with Mrs. C. J. Holcomb and Mr. and Mrs. Clint Shaw.

Joe Frank Morrison was here the first of the week visiting his father, George Morrison. He has just been released from a Marine hospital in San Francisco after being wounded while on duty in the Southwest Pacific.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton poage returned the first of the week from Cheyenne, Wyo., where they attended the rodeo. They were accompanied as far as Amarillo by Mrs. W. T. Elrod who visited her daughter in that city.

Upton County Gets Another Wildcat Test

Upton County gets another wildcat test in the Texas Pacific No. 1-A Isabelle Morrison located two miles north of Rankin in section 29 of the C&MR RR Co. survey.

The test is 467 feet from the north and east lines of the section and is scheduled for 4,000 feet, drilling to be done with cable tools.

The nearest production is 10 to 15 miles west in the Big Lake field in Reagan County.

Magnolia No. 1 American Republics Corp., slated 6,000-foot wildcat in north central Upton, C NW NW 8-40-35-T&P, had drilled to 1,615 feet in shale and shells.

Humble No. 1 J. M. Parrott, scheduled Ellenburger wildcat in eastern Upton County, C SE SE 3-EL&RR, set nine and five-eighths inch casing at 4,253.26 feet and is trying to get cement to hold. Total depth is 4,225 in hard brown lime.

Standard of Texas No. 1 McElroy Ranch Co., proposed 5,500-foot wildcat in west central Upton, had drilled to 1,510 feet in brown lime. It is in the C SE NE 135-ECSSD&RCNG, six miles east of the McElroy field and 11 miles northwest of Crane.

Atlantic No. 1-B Cordova Union in Upton, northeast offset to the Texas Co. No. 1-A Charles W. Hobbs estate of San Angelo was drilling at 4,030 feet in lime. Location is 660 feet out of the west corner of section 47-35-H&TC.

The Texas Co. No. 1-B Hobbs estate in Crane County, C E E 46-35-H&TC, northwest offset to No. 1-A Hobbs, Texas' first producer from the Devonian lime, treated with 2,000 gallons acid from 5,325 to 5,391 feet which is total depth in Devonian lime and chert. During the first 13 and three-quarters hours after the acid load was lifted, the well swabbed and flowed 201 barrels of fluid. Shakeout at beginning of test was 20 per cent basic sediment and acid residue and at end of time, shakeout was four-tenths of one per cent. Testing is still going on.

Birthday Party

Mrs. Tomie Stephenson entertained for her daughter, Patsy, on her fourth birthday anniversary at the home of Mrs. W. J. Price Tuesday afternoon. After games, the birthday cake was cut and served with punch to Prissy Walcher, Andrea June Mitchell, Sue Schlagal, Dorthetta and Margaret Pettit, Jan Daugherty, Nancy Helen Hemphill, Kaye McEwen, Debs Gambolen, Mary Aldine Turner, Roger Olen and Rovena Langford, Bill and Mary Marie Hines, and Patsy and Carlton Stephenson.

Mrs. Andy Mitchell was hostess to her Sunday School class Tuesday evening when they honored Mrs. Grady Keller. Those present were Mrs. Tom Mitchell, Mrs. Jack Walcher, Mrs. Nettie B. Messick, Mrs. W. A. Hudson, Mrs. Keller and the hostess.

Rites for John Lane, McCamey Accident Victim, Held in San Angelo

Funeral services for John Lane, II, 40, San Angelo, who died in the McCamey hospital at 1:45 o'clock Monday morning from injuries received Sunday when he was trampled by a race horse, were conducted at 5 o'clock Monday afternoon from the Church of Christ in San Angelo with J. P. Crenshaw, minister, officiating. Burial was in Fairmount Cemetery.

Lane, employed at Blakeney Downs, had been hired by John Christy, Rankin, to ride the Christy horses in several races at McCamey Sunday.

As the riders lined their mounts up for one race, Lane's horse bucked him off and trampled him into unconsciousness. He was rushed to the Cooper Hospital where he was placed in an oxygen tent. He never regained consciousness.

With Lane at his death were his wife from San Angelo and his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Lane, III, Iraan. Lane's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lane I, were en route to McCamey at the time their son died.

Among survivors are the widow, three sons, Johnny III, 17, Dorman and Donald, 13, twins; the parents, and a sister, Mrs. Jess Lemons, Brady.

Another son, Corp. Vernon E. Lane, died in a hospital in the Southwest Pacific last October from wounds received while in action.

Johnny III took his father's place after the horse had fatally trampled him and rode him to a victory over a horse owned by Bob Beasley, Fort Worth, by about 40 feet. He is employed by J. S. Wade, Iraan, as a horse trainer and at the age of 17 is considered among the top trainers in the Southwest.

John J. Lane, II, generally known as Johnny, has been working for Joe B. Blakeney since January, 1941. He came from Brady where he was raised up in the horse business, his father being an outstanding trainer and old-time jockey. Mr. Lane, Sr., is employed by G. R. White, Brady, as a trainer at White stables.

Arrangements in McCamey were by Spalding Funeral Home and Robert Massie Co. was in charge in San Angelo.

Former County Judge Promoted to Major

Promotion of Capt. Claude H. Latson, Camp Swift Judge Advocate, to the rank of Major has been announced by Col. O. P. Houston, Post Commander. Major Latson formerly lived at La Mesa and Rankin and before becoming a resident of Fort Worth, was County Judge in Upton County. Major Latson has advanced from the rank of 2nd Lieutenant to Majority since coming to duty on that post when Camp Swift was activated on May 4, 1942. Prior to entering active military service, he practiced law in Fort Worth and expects to return to his home and law practice there when he re-enters civilian life.

Fire Destroys Mexican Home Saturday A. M.

Rankin was the scene of two fires this week. The first last Saturday morning about three o'clock in Mexican town completely destroyed the house of Selco Abulos. He and his wife and 3 children were in Midland at the time of the fire working in the cotton fields. The fire department arrived soon after the fire started and because of no water supply were unable to save the building, but prevented those nearby from burning.

The other was a car fire which did little damage.

Mrs. John Christy returned the first of the week from a visit in Mexico City and other points in Mexico. With her on the trip was Mrs. Becton, her sister-in-law, of Big Lake.

Mrs. H. G. Yoham and daughter, Joveta, are visiting relatives in San Angelo this week.

Mrs. C. Snell and sons returned Tuesday from Lampasas where they have been spending the summer months.

August Will Be Waste Paper Collection Month in Upton County

S. D. Cavitt, area representative of Texas Salvage Co. and the WPB of Austin, was in the county Thursday making plans for the collection of waste paper, Texas' No. 1 salvage item at present.

Mr. Cavitt pointed out that the need for waste paper has grown acute in the Nation and that according to figures, Texas has fallen far short of her potential waste paper resources. Cardboard, which sells for considerably more than magazines and newspapers, is to be stressed in importance in the drive.

August has been named as Waste Paper collection month. At present, plans in the county for shipping the paper, according to Mr. Cavitt, are for McCamey and Rankin to pool their paper and ship in carload lots. However, he says if any difficulty arises in handling it in this way, Goodfellow Field may be called upon to assist in transportation.

The Home Demonstration Club in McCamey has been working for some time in the collection of waste paper and at the meeting of the club last Thursday plans were completed to ship a car of scrap paper on August 15th. On this date the final drive will be made.

A successful collection of waste paper was made in McCamey on July 1 when the Latin-American boys willingly volunteered their services in the work. Several of these boys assisted when two county trucks were furnished to gather the paper.

In Rankin the Boy Scouts and the Girl Scouts are working in the collection of paper. Several hard days work has been put in sorting and bundling the paper. Regular collection days have been named.

Winston Holcomb in Automotive Mechanics Graduating Class

Upon completion of an intensive 12 weeks course in the maintenance and repair of the peeps and jeeps, scout cars and trucks that give the hard-hitting armored divisions their speed of movement, a class of qualified automotive mechanics had been graduated recently from the Armored School at Fort Knox, Ky.

Among the graduates was Corp. Winston V. Holcomb, son of Mrs. C. J. Holcomb of Rankin. The soldier students received thorough instruction in the theory of automotive mechanics and fundamental shop practice in the school's Wheeled Vehicle Department. They studied actual engines, skeleton vehicles and visual aids of many types.

Practical repair and maintenance work was performed on vehicles in the field, working in wind, rain and other difficulties to give the students practice under battle conditions. Expert army and civilian instructors supervised work in shop and field.

The Wheeled Vehicle Department is one of eight in the huge Armored School, headed by Brig. Gen. P. M. Robinett, commandant.

Winston has been visiting his mother for the past two weeks. He will leave Friday, August 4th, for Fort Chaffie, Ark.

New Local Manager for West Texas Utilities Co.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Whitaker of Trusoot arrived in Rankin Thursday evening and will make their home here. Mr. Whitaker will take over the local management of the West Texas Utilities Company, succeeding John Hyde who is now in the Army at Camp Crowder, Mo. in the signal corps.

G. H. Warfield has been acting as local manager for the past few weeks. He is from McCamey and will return to his work in that city since the arrival of Mr. Whitaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitaker have three sons all in the armed forces.

Miss Virginia Ann Burleson and her mother, Mrs. John Parish, of Texon were in Rankin Wednesday.

The Rev. O. O. Moore has been conducting a revival meeting in Thorton and is expected home Saturday to be here for services Sunday.

The Marathon Service Station has been approved as an official Tire-Inspection Station as of August 1st This is under the new ruling.

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Kidneys Must Work Well—
For You To Feel Well
24 hours every day, 7 days every week, never stopping, the kidneys filter waste matter from the blood. If more people were aware of how the kidneys must constantly remove surplus fluid, excess acids and other waste matter that cannot stay in the blood without injury to health, there would be better understanding of why the whole system is upset when kidneys fail to function properly.

DOANS PILLS
AMERICAN DREYFUSS: Oberlin M. Carter, former U. S. army engineer who has been called the "American Dreyfuss" because of his long fight to clear himself of a court martial conviction, died in Chicago at 88. He was charged and convicted of defrauding the government of two million dollars in connection with a project in Savannah, Ga.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS
Reports of Revolt in Germany Follow Bomb Attack on Hitler; Yank Forces Push Guam Drive

Released by Western Newspaper Union. EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.

DEMOCRATS: 1944 Platform

Declaring that their platform really was Franklin D. Roosevelt himself, the Democrats meeting in Chicago for their national convention renominated the President for a fourth term, and called for the continuance of New Deal domestic policies and the creation of a world organization to preserve peace through use of force if necessary.

For agriculture, the Democrats pledged price guarantees and crop insurance, and declared their objective to be to keep it on a parity with industry and labor; extend rural electrification and develop broader domestic and foreign markets for farm products.

For the postwar period, the Democratic platform asked it on compensation for workers during demobilization, reduction or repeal of wartime taxes and simplification of the tax structure, and encouragement of risk capital and new enterprise.

Besides U. S. participation in an organization to keep world peace, the party's foreign relations platform called for extension of the administration's trade policies, and reaffirmation in the principles of the Atlantic Charter.

PACIFIC: Jap Shakeup

With the invasion of Guam, U. S. forces took one step closer to the Japanese and Asiatic mainland, even as the enemy reorganized his government at home with the fall of Premier Hedeki Tojo and his cabinet.

In reorganizing the government under leadership of two confirmed militarists and advocates of Japanese expansion southward, official Tokyo declared that the objective was to give the civilian element



British forces clear out Nazi snipers on outskirts of Cean.

EUROPE: Stubborn Foe

Allied forces continued to slug forward in Normandy, gaining ground by the yard in the face of stubborn German do-or-die resistance all along the curving front.

Fighting was intense both on the western end of the front where U. S. forces pressed forward against the enemy holding out behind the cover of the tall, thick hedgerows checking the countryside, and on the eastern end where British armored columns broke through the foe's formations in the open plains. With about 75,000 men facing the British in this sector, Nazi Marshall Rommel attempted to curtail the Allied drive by sharp counterattacks.

British forces exerted the heaviest pressure in recent fighting because the open country allowed use of their armored equipment behind terrific artillery barrages. Bad weather continued to hamper full scale operations of the Allied air force, both in support tactics and bombardment of enemy communications behind the lines.

Internal Revolt

With the Allies pressing in on all sides, Hitler is faced with internal revolt within Germany, with the Nazis reporting that a clique of army officers sought to establish a new government and prepare the groundwork for surrender.

Climax of the sensational plot was the attempted assassination of Hitler with a bomb, which exploded within 6 feet of him, causing him slight injury and more seriously hurting 13 of his aides.

Moving swiftly to quell the revolt, which reportedly had the support of high ranking army officers, the Nazis executed several of the ring-leaders and designated Gestapo Chief Heinrich Himmler as commander within Germany to suppress the uprising. Rebels' plans reportedly called for seizure of control of the country through military units.

Addressing the German people over the radio after the attempt on his life, Hitler roared: "... I am convinced that by stamping out this very small clique of traitors... we will now at last create that atmosphere in the rear at home which the fighting front needs..."

Russ Advance

Russian armies continued to exert the strongest pressure on the east front, continuing their drive on East Prussia in the north and rolling deeper into Poland farther to the south.

As the Russians pressed the Germans on the east, Allied troops moved against the Nazis' vaunted "Gothic line" in northern Italy, with an easing of their problems of supply promised with the capture and hasty repair of the western seaport of Livorno, through which 17,500 tons of shipping can be cleared daily.

With German resistance stiffening around East Prussia, the Russians swung the brunt of their attack further southward in Poland, outflanking the big industrial city of Lwow and fanning out on the open plains below Warsaw. The Russian breakthroughs continued to force the Germans to pull back to prevent encirclement from the rear.

HIGHLIGHTS... in the week's news

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NO MORE POLYGAMY: The Navajo tribal council, elders of the Indian tribe of 50,000 living in New Mexico, Arizona and Utah, has formally banned plural marriages. CHOLERA: An outbreak of cholera in India has resulted in 34,850 deaths in three months. Fatalities are largest in the districts of Muzaffarpur and Champaran, in north Bihar, official sources say.

WORLD BANK: Stability Sought

Seeking to stabilize the internal conditions of countries and minimize possibilities for unrest in the post-war world, 44 allied nations came to agreement on raising an \$8,800,000,000 fund, which would be used to make currencies available to individual states for settling trade balances.

At the same time, the nations moved to agreement on a \$10,000,000,000 world bank, which would extend \$2,000,000,000 in long-term loans to different countries for reconstruction and development, use the other \$8,000,000,000 to guarantee similar loans made by private investors.

With U. S. participation in the two projects dependent upon congressional approval, the U. S. share in the \$8,800,000,000 fund would be \$2,750,000,000, and its contribution to the \$10,000,000,000 world bank would be about \$3,000,000,000.

BEEF: July High

Because of smaller shipments and stiffening market competition, prime long-fed steers came into increasing demand, with buyers at the Chicago yards paying \$17.65 per hundred-weight for choice cattle, the highest price for July since 1919, and peak for any month since April, 1943.

This year's July top compared with \$17.10 paid in 1943; \$15.85 in 1942, and \$13 in 1941. Highest July sale on record was the \$18.75 in 1918.

The majority of steers and yearlings also shared in the price advance, with top heifers rising to \$17.35 to equal the highest July sale on record, and the best return since August, 1920.

GI READING: Politics Permitted

Even as the army expanded the list of magazines permitted to circulate among GIs to 189, Sen. Robert Taft (Ohio) pressed for a relaxation of regulations designed to curb the distribution of political literature in the services.

Declaring that an amendment to the Hatch act only forbid the circulation of government printed material to soldiers, Taft said it did not prevent the transmission of any political literature to troops if sent by individuals, corporations or political parties at their own expense.

In expanding the list of magazines which might circulate among GIs regardless of the political material they may possess, the army said it based its action on studies of soldiers' reading habits abroad and purchases at posts at home.

Home Front

Tobacco Because cigarette manufacturers have only about one year's stocks of tobacco on hand, and a recent War Food administration order restricted their purchase of 1944 flue-cured tobacco for aging to 70 per cent of the amount they processed last year, smokers may continue to feel the pinch of short supplies.

Iron Ore

During the first six months of 1944, lower Great Lakes blast furnaces consumed 44,290,320 tons of iron ore, approximately 198,000 tons more than the previous record set last year. As of July 1, stock piles on U. S. and Canadian docks totaled 26,655,414 tons, about 550,000 more than at the same date in 1943.

Oil

U. S. oil production soared to 4,692,350 barrels a day during the week ended July 15, increasing about 500,000 over the same period last year. As of the same date, gas stocks stood at 82,252,000 barrels compared with 75,391,000 in 1943.

RAIL FINANCE: Big Deal

In one of the railroad's biggest financing deals in years, the Great Northern considered plans for calling in \$119,887,700 of bonds and notes, to further cut fixed interest charges to about \$10,000,000 yearly, compared with \$12,506,172 in 1943 and an average of \$18,194,079 for the 1921-'31 period.

Under the Great Northern's tentative proposal, it would cover the redemption with the issuance of \$100,000,000 of new general mortgage bonds, and the remainder from funds from its treasury. About \$4,000,000 would be paid in premiums for calling in the old bonds and notes before maturity.

With the completion of the new financing, the Great Northern would then have an outstanding bonded debt of approximately \$249,000,000, besides an additional amount of equipment trust certificates and conditional sales obligations.

MARSH HARES

Gov. James H. Davis of Louisiana has signed house bill 675, thereby officially changing the name of muskrats to "marsh hares." The intention of the framers of the bill was to increase the sale of muskrat meat. The new name, it is hoped, will be attractive or at least neutral, in contrast to the somewhat repellent impressions conveyed by "musk" and "rat." The flesh of the aquatic rodent is esteemed as a delicacy in Louisiana and where muskrats are common

Lending Daytime Dignity to Your Couch or Cot in the Living Room



ARE you using one room for living and bedroom these days? Or perhaps you have had to put an extra cot in some corner of your house or apartment. In either case it is worth while to give a little extra care to the daytime appearance of the bed. A flat box on casters holds all the bedding for the simple cot shown here and slides underneath out of sight.

This arrangement makes it possible to cover the cot and pad with neatly fitted slip covers which give it all the dignity of a real sofa. The contrasting side section of plain material around the pad with end and center back cushions to match it is a nice touch. The improvised table from odds and ends also helps to make the couch do duty as well as night duty.

NOTE—This illustration is from BOOK 6 of the series of homemaking booklets offered with these articles. Every page of this 32-page book gives clear step-by-step

ASK ME ANOTHER? A General Quiz

- The Questions
1. What metal has the highest melting point?
 2. What is an ampersand?
 3. What do the English mean when they say: "Ike's Snowballs"?
 4. Is an armadillo classified as a marsupial or a mammal?
 5. On the battlefield, what is meant by a "dragon wagon"?
 6. What name is given to the small flag flying from the mast-head of a ship?
 7. What is an iguana?
 8. The emperor of what country regained his lost throne after five years in 1941?

- The Answers
1. Tungsten.
 2. The short "and" sign (&).
 3. The provost marshal's white-helmeted, white-gaitered MPs who roam London looking for AWOLs.
 4. A mammal.
 5. A tank transport used to haul disabled tanks to a repair depot.
 6. Banderole.
 7. A large American lizard.
 8. Haile Selassie of Abyssinia.

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ATHLETE'S FOOT NEWS
"80.6% of sufferers showed CLINICAL IMPROVEMENT after only 10-day treatment with SORETONE"
Four D. Snell, Inc., well-known consulting chemists, have just completed a test with a group of men and women suffering from Athlete's Foot. These people were told to use Soretone. At the end of only a ten-day test period, their feet were examined in two ways: 1. Scrapings were taken from the feet and examined by the bacteriologist. 2. Each subject was examined by a physician. We quote from the report: "After the use of Soretone according to the directions on the label for a period of only ten days, 80.6% of the cases showed clinical improvement of an infection which is most stubborn to control." Improvements were shown in the symptoms of Athlete's Foot—the itching, burning, redness, etc. The report says: "In our opinion Soretone is of very definite benefit in the treatment of this disease, which is commonly known as 'Athlete's Foot'." So if Athlete's Foot troubles you, don't despair with this nasty, devilish, stubborn infection. Get SORETONE! McKesson & Robbins, Inc., Bridgeport, Connecticut.

<p>AT THE</p>  <p>DAILY FROM 4:45 to 9:30 P. M. SATURDAY'S and SUNDAY'S 1:45 p.m. Continuous 'til 10 p.m.</p> <p>Buy a Bond-See a Show</p>	<p>FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AUGUST 4-5</p> <p>"NABONGA" — With — Buster Crabbe & Fifi Dorsey</p> <p>CHARLES STARRETT in "SUNDOWN VALLEY"</p>	<p>SUNDAY and MONDAY AUGUST 6-7</p> <p>"The Adventures of Mark Twain" STARRING Frederick March and Alexis Smith</p>	<p>TUESDAY, AUGUST 8</p> <p>ALBERT DECKER AND CLAIRE TREVOR — In — "Woman of the Town" WAHOO!</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AUGUST 9-10</p> <p>The authentic film of the Battle of New Britain "Attack-Battle of New Britain" — PLUS — "Tarzan's Desert Mystery" Johnny Weissmuller & Nancy Kelly</p>
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Greef Murray of Iran was a business visitor here Wednesday. Mrs. Marie Harding was a week-end visitor in San Angelo.

Have you checked your fire insurance this year? Have you made sure that your insurance covers the cost of replacing what might burn up tonight at today's prices? Replacement costs have risen 15 to 30 percent since the war began and we take this method of calling this to our clients' attention that you may not have to pay for any part of a loss out of your own pocket. We shall be glad to have you consult us regarding your insurance problems without any obligation whatever.

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WAC Officers Begged to Be "Busted" for Chance For Overseas Service

WITH THE ALLIED ARMIES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN (Spl.). — "Service Overseas" with its connotation of expanded and "on the spot" help in the waging of the war and speeding victory meant so much to sixty-five percent of the first WAC company to be sent to the Middle East that they petitioned for "busting" and ripped off their own stripes in order to get in on the shipment.

The weeks and months of effort which had gone into the hard-won promotions were weighed in the balance against the opportunity to serve shoulder to shoulder—immediately behind—the boys "over there" and the decision was instantaneous and emphatic.

As a result the first company of Wacs in the Middle East Theatre boasts some of the highest class privates in the United States Army. One of them was a former Lieutenant in the WAC. Three were master sergeants; four were first sergeants; seventeen were T-4s; seventeen were T-5s and thirty-seven were Pfs.

More than forty different professions were represented in the new group and all but eight of the forty-eight states are listed as home addresses of the girls. The largest representation is New York City. In second place is Chicago. Others came from big towns and little towns from both coasts from all walks of life. But to them—and to the Army to which they are assigned for duty—the important thing is that they came.

The requisition for the Wacs for this important base and supply theatre was put in almost a year ago. Consequently their arrival was hailed as long overdue and was celebrated with unusual pomp and ceremony. Reginald Mitchell, American Consul, was the first to review and congratulate them. The following day Major General B. F. Giles, commanding the U. S. Army forces in the Middle East, welcomed them warmly at a snappy parade and review ceremonial that brought every ranking officer in the theatre out to applaud and admire "our Wacs."

Miss Georgia Belle Smith and her brother, Dalon, of Dallas were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Copeland recently. They are niece and nephew of the Copelands.

Mrs. Jack Walcher and daughter, Prissy, are visiting her sister, Mrs. Kenneth Starnes, in Odessa.

Mrs. H. Wheeler and Mrs. B. P. Miller returned this week from San Antonio where they had been visiting relatives.

Mrs. Clint Shaw, Miss Janet Holcomb, Mrs. C. J. Holcomb and Mrs. C. C. Clark were Midland visitors Tuesday.

Budget Hearing

There will be a Budget hearing for Upton County, Texas, August 14, 1944 at 10:00 A. M. at the Court House in Rankin, Texas. The meeting will be open to the public and all persons interested in same are invited to attend.

Ralph H. Daugherty, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners' Court of Upton County, Texas.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE—An 8x10 new tent. See J. E. Simco.

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CERTIFIED COPY OF MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING

RECONVENED SESSION OF THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF UPTON COUNTY, TEXAS
July 27, 1944.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this the 27th day of July A. D. 1944, the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Upton County, Texas, Reconvened in Regular Session at the Court House in Rankin, Texas, with the following members present and presiding:

Honorable Wm. R. Edwards, County Judge
H. G. Yocham, Commissioner Pre. 1
W. E. Yates, Commissioner Pre. 2
J. O. Currie, Commissioner Pre. 3
Burley McCollum, Commissioner Pre. 4
Ralph H. Daugherty, County Clerk.

WHEREUPON the following proceedings were had to-wit:

MOTION by Commissioner Yates duly seconded by Commissioner McCollum, that the Commissioners' Court sign Agreement with Predatory Animal Control for a Trapper, not to exceed salary of \$100.00 per month; Contract to expire August 31, 1945.

All Commissioners voting Aye.

MOTION by Commissioner Currie, duly seconded by Commissioner Yates, that the Commissioners' Court loan the Sheriff's Office \$1000.00.

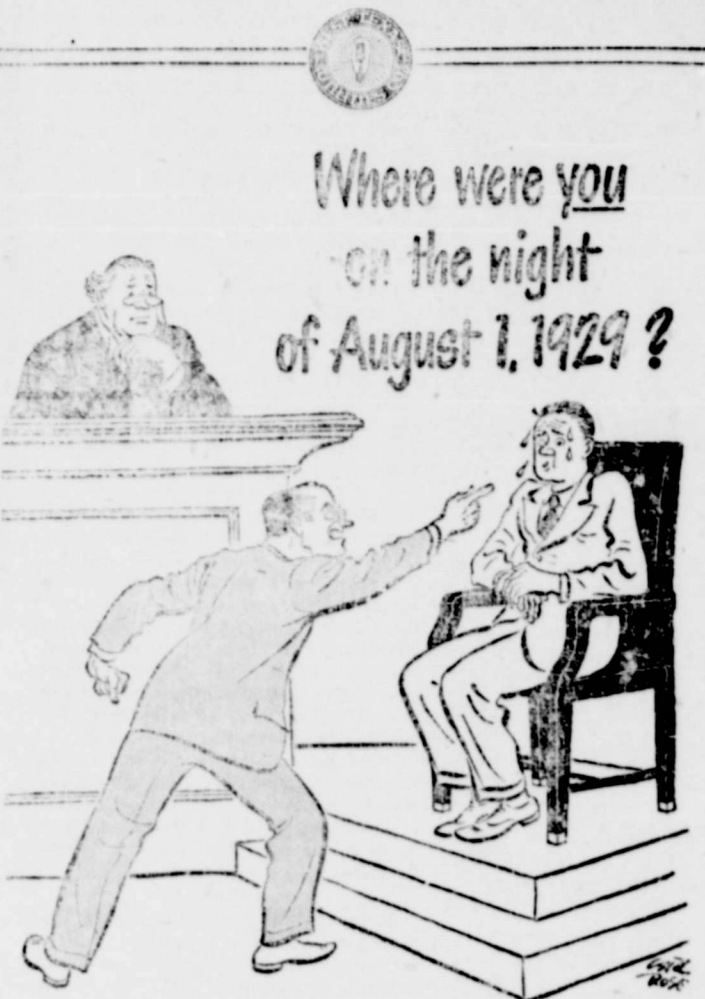
All Commissioners voting Aye.

MOTION by Commissioner Yates duly seconded by Commissioner McCollum that this Commissioners' Court Adjourn.

All Commissioners voting Aye.
Wm. R. Edwards, County Judge.
ATTEST:
Ralph H. Daugherty, County Clerk.
THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF UPTON

I, Ralph H. Daugherty, Clerk of the County Court of Upton County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF Upton County, Texas, July 27, 1944, as the same appears of Record in Book No. 3, at page 122, of the Minutes of Commissioners' Court Record of Upton County, Texas.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS the 29th day of July A. D. 1944.
Ralph H. Daugherty, Clerk of the County Court Upton County, Texas.



Could you remember, if you were squirming on the witness stand? Probably not. Fifteen years is a long time.

Maybe, being August first, you were writing checks to pay the monthly bills. Do you remember how much you paid for electricity?

That's a tough one, too, isn't it? Actually, if yours is an average household, your electric bill may have been a little less than that it is now.

But today you're getting twice as much electricity for your money!

How come? Well, while the price of electricity was coming down, your use of electricity was going up. You have a lot more electric appliances in 1944 than you had in 1929. But you enjoy all these added comforts at little, if any, added cost!

Even if you're hazy about everything else that's happened in the last 15 years, remember this wartime bargain. It's due to hard work by all our people — and sound business management.

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- THANKS -

for the support I received in the primary election which places me in the run-off.

- NOW -

I am asking for your vote and influence in the election to be held August 26th.

H. M. "Sam" Fowler

-- Candidate for --

**SHERIFF,
ASSESSOR & COLLECTOR**

To The Voters of Upton County

I am deeply grateful to the voters of Upton County for the splendid vote they gave me in the recent democratic primary for State Representative. I shall always try to endeavor to merit the confidence they have shown in me and I will be vigorous, fair and impartial at all times. I want all of the citizens of Upton County to feel free to call upon me at any time.

O. E. GERRON
State Representative,
Democratic Nominee

Mr. & Mrs. Voter of Upton County, Texas

Did you know that \$192,785.80 was collected out of a total of \$198,408.18 from the tax roll for the period ending June 30, 1944?

Did you know that an amount of \$8,674.91 was collected on delinquent taxes for previous years?

Taking the first item, this means that better than 97% of last years taxes were collected, this being the best year this County has ever enjoyed.

On the record of the way my office is run, both economically and efficiently, I ask that you let me have your support in the election of August 26th.

J. E. SIMCO

SHERIFF, ASSESSOR & COLLECTOR

OF UPTON COUNTY, TEXAS