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Approaching Marriage Of Mary Alice Bell To James Mims Announced

Fair, fast and final" is the way 4,000 buildings will be sold to the general public at Camp Bowie on Nov. 18, 19 and 20. Inspection will continue until Nov. 17. Buildings offered in this sale include barracks, recreation, supply, administration, storehouse, officers quarters, mess halls, maintenance buildings, hutments and various other types. All structures are to be removed from the camp site by purchasers. This sale will be fair in that you have the same chance as your neighbor to buy one or as many buildings as you desire and all awards will be made to the highest bidder. The sale will be fast in that you can bid, pay and carry your purchases away in the same day or later as desired. The sale is final in that all sales are on an "as is, where is" basis, subject to War Assets Administration rules and regulations and terms and conditions of sale.

Quantities of recreational equipment, hardware, textiles and a limited amount of photographic items will be available to both priority and commercial channels at fixed prices until Nov. 26 through the Customer Service Center and Grand Prairie office of War Assets Administration. Inspection may be made at locations until the sale closes. Most of the items offered are at various locations in and around San Antonio, only a small portion being at Corpus Christi Naval Air Station. Included are mosquito nets, tent flies, tents of various kinds, axes, compasses, foot-meat chopping machines, photo lamps, floodlight filaments, lamp guards, flying winter jackets and junior drafting machines. The items are offered on an "all or none" or on minimum and maximum basis.

As wide open to the public as the plains of West Texas is the non-priority sale of 248 buildings at Dalhart Army Airfield and its Auxiliaries Nos. 1 and 2 to be held Nov. 25 and 26. Along with such buildings as dormitories, apartment, pump houses with motors (recreation, barracks, mess halls, warehouses and officers quarters will also be offered hog-roog fencing, barbed wire, picket fencing and lattice fencing. Buildings are to be sold with all the fixtures they now contain. Inspections may be made between Nov. 17 and 24 any time from 8:00 a. m. to 4:30 p. m., Saturday and Sunday excepted.

A part of the war surplus miscellany originally valued at \$186,000, and recently offered in a War Assets Administration sale, appeared headed for export to foreign markets. An exporting company purchased 12 of 455 lots offered at high bid on a non-priority basis. The materials comprised a wide variety of surplus ranging from lumber and auto supplies to wire cables and aluminum sheeting.

New Books at Upton County Public Library

The following books are recent arrivals on the shelves of the Upton County Public Library:

Non-Fiction
"Duck Guns, Shooting and De-coying"—Salisbury.
"Home Country"—Pyle.
"The American Past"—Butterfield.
"Enrico Caruso"—Caruso.
"The Fireside Book of Christmas Stories"—Wagenkecht.
"Prince of Foxes"—Shellabarger.
"House Divided"—Williams.
"The Web of Days"—Lee.
Fiction
"Queen's Folly"—Thane.
"When the Mountain Fell"—Samuz.
"Zolt"—Karig.
"The Great Tide"—Hall.
"Mystery Flowers"—Hill.
"Strawberry Girl"—Lanski.
"Tarzan and the Foreign Legion"—Burroughs.
"The Rooster Crows"—Peterham.
"Always Reddy"—Henry.
"You and the United Nations"—Fisher.

Mrs. McGill and Mrs. Midkiff are taking the fifth grade to Midland Wednesday morning to see cotton gin in operation, and to see the show, "Little Women."

51-Piece Sul Ross College Lobo Band

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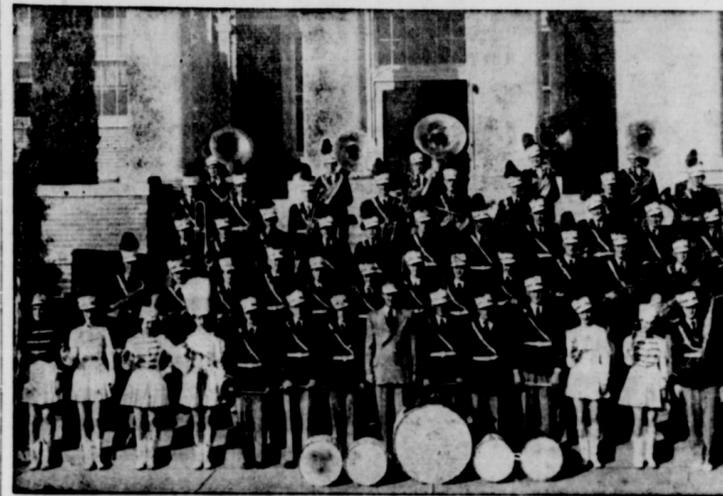
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Third Row: Jean Courtney, Iraan; Lynn Hise, Falfurrias; Kenneth Wurzbach, San Antonio; Joe Cuellar, Del Rio; C. Guardia, Del Rio; Dick O'Chaughnessy, Michigan; Jimmie Fierro, Alpine; Bill Carrio, Alpine; Ray Davidson, Artesia, New Mexico; John Williams, Kermit; Alvaro Ramos, Alpine.

Fourth Row: Steve Willard, Fort Stockton; Leland Schultz, San Antonio; Howard Stafford, Coleman; Steve Baird, Laredo; Les Ellsworth, San Antonio; Leonard Rose, Crane; Clayton Wagner, Kermit; Bobby Ervin, Alpine.

Fifth Row: Hugh Burdine, Ft. Stockton; Joe Earp, Monahans; T. J. Potter, Seminole; Joe Lee (assistant director), Colorado City; Eugene Walker, Wink.

Upton County H. D. Council Presents Mrs. Daugherty In Review of "Prince of Foxes"



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Garden Club Flower Show Successful Event

Despite drought, ill winds, sand storms, and northers, the McCamey Garden Club's Flower Show on Nov. 8, delighted around 200 registered guests.

Mrs. J. M. Poe, general chairman had for her staging committee, Mrs. Mrs. George Ramer, Mrs. Charles Rabe and Mrs. Sheffield; and assistants were Mrs. F. L. Austin, Mrs. W. E. Pulley, Mrs. Newton Key and Mrs. F. W. Culwell.

Mrs. F. E. Carter was chairman of judging, with Mrs. Ray Clark, and Mrs. Ralph Clark of Odessa and Mrs. E. M. Owens of Colorado City being chosen as judges by the committee. The Bluebonnet Inn served luncheon to this group.

Mrs. L. C. Partin and Mrs. Ray Johnson had charge of the entries.

A varied musical program was rendered at intervals during the afternoon by Misses Beatrice Wolf, Claudine Brown, Mary Alice Boyd, Ann Hawkins, Betty Sue Collum, Norma Jean Hudson, Ann Carter, Mary Nels and Aileen Raeburn.

Under Mr. Buchanan's direction Daniel Stacy, Roger Hostenback, Ray Kedozer and John Fuller gave several cornet numbers of old favorites.

The judges' report on show winners were as follows: Scores: Mrs. George Ramer, 42 points; Mrs. Don Smith, 29 points; Mrs. L. C. Partin, 17 points; Miss E. Egleton, 14 points. Space forbids the name of second, third and fourth winners, but these entries were all beautiful and well deserved the compliments and recognition acclaimed them by the judges and lay admirers. In fact every entry was a thing of beauty.

Those winning blue ribbons were: Mmes. George Ramer, Don Smith, L. C. Partin, T. A. Pauley, Charles Rabe, C. G. Forester, Travis Thomas and Miss Ethie Egleton. Mrs. W. S. Williams, winner of vegetable arrangement and both decoration; Pat Harris, Elaine Harrison, Willa Dean Bradshaw, Mrs. Jim Langdon and Mrs. George Yates. At the Thanksgiving table, Mrs. Charles Adkisson and Charles DeWisse. At the Christmas table, Mrs. O. O. Jacobsen, and Mrs. Burl Williams. At the Antique table, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Slagle, and Fred Pounds, park manager.

The success of the show is due to the personal interest and splendid cooperation displayed by each member of the club.

This annual show proves an inspiration to all home makers in showing that efforts put forth can improve and beautify our town.

BLUES HAVE NEW DAUGHTER
Mr. and Mrs. Haskell Blue of Rankin are the proud parents of a nine-pound daughter born Nov. 10, at 8:30 p. m. in the Texon hospital. The girl has been named Carolyn Ann.

RETURN FROM ROCHESTER
Mrs. Jack Smith and her granddaughter, Jackie, have returned home from Rochester, Minn., where the little girl has been in Mayo clinic for treatment.

Welling-Puckett Engagement Announced
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Welling of Rankin announce the engagement of their daughter, Viola to Melvin Puckett, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Puckett of Rankin. Viola is a junior in the Rankin High School, and a popular member of the younger set. The bride's father is local manager for the West Texas Utilities at Rankin. Eugene Welling of McCamey, is her brother. Melvin Puckett attended school in Rankin and is employed by an oil drilling crew. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mrs. Tyson Midkiff Entertains SS Classes
Mrs. Tyson Midkiff entertained the Fidelis Matrons Sunday School Class and the W. M. U. of the First Baptist church with a dinner, Tuesday at 8 p. m. in her home. Since it was near the hostess' birthday, she was surprised with a lovely gift. In serving the dinner Armistice plans were carried out. The cake served was white centered with a small flag. The guests enjoyed a number of "42" games. Those attending were: Mmes. Daugherty, Eads, Shelburne, Gentry Swafford, Workman, Edwards, Halcomb, Taylor, Copeland, Stephenson, Monroe, Johnson and the hostess.

Baptist Juniors Feted At Midkiff Home
Mrs. Tyson Midkiff and Miss Ruth Wilson were hostesses at a tacky party for the Junior Baptist Training Union Monday, Nov. 10, at Mrs. Midkiff's home. Entertainment included a tacky style show, winners of which were Ann Shaw and Gentry Holmes. Other games, directed by Miss Jo Ham, were enjoyed by the group. A sandwich plate was served to Charles Lee, Dan Blue, Mack and Loyd Yocham, Gentry Holmes, Beverly East, Carolyn Midkiff, Ann and Jean Shaw, Gail Horton, Billy and Kenneth Smith, Gaynelle Black, Nancy McGill, Mary Alice Bean, Nola Grace Boyd, Clifford Brown, Olivia Johnson, Mrs. Charles Johnson, Mrs. Frank Boyd, Mrs. Hershel Shaw, Mrs. Midkiff and Misses Ham and Wilson.

Gov. Jester to be Luncheon Guest of Crane Lions, Tuesday, Nov. 18
Governor Beaufort H. Jester who will be Crane Lions Club luncheon guest here Nov. 18 at the Community Hall, will fly from Austin in a C-47. It was assigned to the governor by the Texas National Guard. Lt. Col. N. A. Anderson will pilot the ship, and Major Dallas W. Webb, and an engineer will complete the crew. After landing the governor's party here, the plane flies on to the Fort Davis Mountains to await the group who will comprise a two-day hunting party on the Eppenauer ranch. Lodging will be at the hand-hewn and built Indian Lodge in the government park. Railroad Commissioner L. M. Pittman, of Crane, is one of the personal friends who will accompany Jester.

A nationally known magazine is endeavoring to make arrangements to cover the special day in Crane, following on through the hunting trip. Itinerary takes the party from Crane to Balmorhea to view the government experimental station before proceeding to Indian Lodge. West Texas radio stations are taking considerable interest in broadcasting the Crane program. Odessa's KECK, and KUSA, Monahans, Pecos and Alpine stations are to broadcast.

Bobby Bell Received Coveted Award
In recognition of outstanding work in the Boy Scouts and the First Baptist church, Bobby Bell, 18, of Rankin has received the coveted God and Country award, the new scout and church recognition emblem adopted by the national federation of protestant churches and the national committee on scouting. Bell is a student of San Angelo college and holds many honors in scouting. He is an Eagle scout, with bronze, gold and silver palms, is a member of the Order of the Arrow and winner of the Organizer Award for establishing Cub Pack No. 56 in Rankin. He attended the Philmont Scout Ranch Expedition as an honor Carr-Starr camper. The award was presented to Bell by Rev. R. L. Herring of the First Baptist church of Rankin at a recent evening service.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hodges have gone to Indian Hot Springs, Texas, for baths. Their daughter, Mrs. Loyd Yocham and children accompanied them Friday.

Miss Alice Midkiff is now in Midland. She is employed by the Vosatka Jewelry.

Reverend and Mrs. R. L. Herring have gone to Amarillo to attend the Southern Baptist Convention.

Miss Freda Walker, teacher in the local schools, is attending Homecoming festivities at A. C. C., Abilene, this week-end.

Mrs. Homer Power Honored On 85th Birthday Anniversary

Mrs. Fred Gibson entertained at her home, in McCamey, Thursday, Nov. 13, in honor of her mother, Mrs. Homer Power, of San Angelo, who is 85 years young.

Mrs. Power is a pioneer of this section of the country and needs no introduction. She and her husband, the late Dr. Power, reared their family at Rankin, where Dr. Power practiced for many years in and around Upton and adjoining counties, sometimes going for miles in all kinds of weather to administer to the sick, never thinking of whether one could pay him, but feeling it his call of duty bound. Most of his calls were then made by horse and buggy over rough roads in rain or snow, and sometimes he went on horseback. Dr. Power was loved like a father by all who knew him.

Mrs. Powers did her part by rearing a fine family of six girls, and in taking care, of home church and civic affairs.

On this special memorable occasion Mrs. Gibson is greatly honored with her mother's presence and also in having her sisters and their families present.

A delicious turkey dinner was served at noon, with the table enhanced by beautifully white lined cloth and vases of lovely flowers with lighted candles in tall holders at either end. The central attraction being the large birthday cake, bearing the words "Happy Birthday, Mother" across the top with lighted candles in memory of past happy birthdays enjoyed on such occasions.

Mrs. Power was recipient of many beautiful gifts from friends and relatives.

The rooms were attractive in seasonal flowers arranged in attractive setting with some of the flowers being wired from a distance by friends and relatives for the birthday celebration.

The guests who were here to enjoy this delightful occasion are Mrs. Power's children and grands, Mrs. R. Groenbacher and family of San Angelo; Mrs. R. N. Peel and her husband and their son, Andy Peel, and wife of Hope, New Mexico; Mrs. J. W. Hopple and her daughter, Mrs. Webb Townsend, from their ranch near Sanderson; and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gibson and all their family and grandchildren with the exception of one daughter, Maxine, of Corpus Christi, who was unable to be present.

The THDA Reading Program issued sixteen certificates to the following: Mmes. O. K. Furr, T. L. Fuller, Burly McCollum, Leonard Shafer, Denver Burch, J. R. O'Callaghan, H. W. Adams, N. C. House, J. L. West, C. O. Holt, Dee Locklin, Ler Marquis, G. W. Huffman, H. E. Cox, H. F. Copeland, and Fred Gibson.

After the review the guests were received in the reception hall where the table was laid with an attractive cloth of linen cut work with filet lace and at either end silver candelabra holding three lighted candles. The punch bowl was set in a most unusual attractive setting which was a 300 pound block of ice set on a pedestal, with a gorgeous spray of red roses embedded in the frozen block. Mrs. T. L. Fuller, president of the Garden Club presided at the punch bowl, which with delicious sand tarts was served to over one hundred guests.

The council wishes to express their pleasure of having the honor of the presence of each past council chairman since its organization, and to Mrs. Eudaly of Grandfalls, a district officer, for coming the distance through the West Texas sand storm which was raging that evening.

The council also wishes to express their appreciation and thanks to the State Highway Department of Fort Stockton for the beautiful roses sent for the decorating, and to Mr. Lloyd at the ice house for making and donating the ice; the News office, Chrystal's Flower Shop, to Mr. Heinze, especially to those rendering the program and to every club member who assisted in any way.

SANTA FE SYSTEM CARLOADINGS SHOW GAIN
Santa Fe System carloadings for the week ending Nov. 8, 1947, were 30,326 compared with 24,825 for the same week in 1946. Cars received from connections totaled 12,636 compared with 13,175 for same week in 1946. Total cars moved were 42,962 compared with 38,000 for the same week in 1946. Santa Fe handled a total of 44,630 cars in the preceding week of this year.

Miss June Barbee visited in the home of her parents in Texon last week-end.

Weather Report
(Courtesy West Texas Utilities)

	Max.	Min.
November 6	82	65
November 7	64	26
November 8	68	25
November 9	74	49
November 10	77	41
November 11	69	35
November 12	70	41

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The following editorial is reprinted from the Wichita Beacon:

"Lack of understanding on the part of men who are running our government appears to be as much to blame for the chaotic condition of prices and supply as any other one factor.

"Remember the days of the depression when the government was recommending plowing under crops because they were in too abundant supply? Those same experts today are trying to 'plow under' markets because the demand is too great.

"It doesn't take a student of economics to tell our government that prices are governed almost entirely by supply and demand—regardless of the controls placed on either as an artificial stimulus for increased or decreased prices.

"The plain truth is that our supply is high, but our demand is greater because of the export policies which this country has followed and is following. Suddenly there has been a drastic cut in export allocations of grain and flour in an effort to retard the upward trend of prices.

"Looking back over the years, it isn't difficult to see that history repeats itself. Wheat after the Civil war sold for \$2.85; after the Russo-Turkish war it soared to \$2.45; it went to \$1.85 after the Spanish-American war, and to \$3.50 after the First World War.

"Regardless of who is running America, the first truth which must be realized is the old fundamental economic law of supply and demand. It has never failed. It never will, regardless of subsidies, grants, doles, price-pegging or other artificial stimuli. When the supply is good, prices tend to be lower. When supply is short, prices are high (provided there is no price control, in which case the short supply usually finds better customers in the black market—at higher prices).

"We are experiencing high wheat prices because 40 per cent of the crop is going out of the country. We are experiencing high meat prices for the same reason. However, we are witnessing high corn prices because the crop this year was 800,000,000 bushels short because of weather factors. In any instance, the available home supply is not sufficient to meet the demand."

A WORTH-WHILE EXAMPLE

The New Jersey Power & Light Company announced a cut in bills to its customers. The company stated that this was the result of a continued increase in the sale of power, and that it is now possible to give the average residential user two-thirds more electricity for the same cost as in 1937.

Commenting on this, the Democrat, of Flemington, New Jersey, said: "There is a lesson in this announcement that too large an element among our people has failed to learn. Prevalent in recent years has become the notion that the way to get the profit is to produce less and less and charge more and more."

"The fact that the power company can make more money for itself by giving more electricity for less money is in line with the best practices of enlightened capitalism. If the idea could be generally subscribed to by all producers, whether they be employes or employers, and by all who are classed as middlemen, the current price spiral could be checked perceptibly and no business depression would threaten.

The general principle described by the Democrat is completely sound, and represents a goal that all should seek. The principle of less work and less service for more money will, if it becomes entrenched, lead us to depression and economic chaos. The action of the New Jersey company is in line with the general practice of the electric industry for many years past. This industry has been a leader in the philosophy of "more and more service for less and less money," as a business builder. However, it cannot buck the rising cost trend indefinitely—it will ultimately be reflected in its rates.



From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

Prissy's Got a Man! (Maybe)

Yesterday Sis Martin, our librarian, found an article cut from their file copy of the Clarion. When she compared it with another copy that I gave her she found it was my column on "How to Keep a Husband Happy."

Nothing unusual about that. Except the last person seen reading the paper was Prissy Hoskins (our town's proverbial Old Maid)!

Well, if Prissy has finally got a man, more power to her. And more tolerance to both of them ... because that's what my column was

about: Tolerance of a husband's taste for old hats, old pipes, old friends, and mellow beer. And tolerance on the husband's part of a wife's tastes and habits.

From where I sit, nobody begrudges Prissy taking that clipping from the Clarion. But I'd like to hint that if she'd just subscribe, she'd get my thoughts on tolerance firsthand. And in return I'll treat her to a glass of beer.

Joe Marsh

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Young Women H. D. Club Organized Nov. 6

The newly organized Home Demonstration Club for young matrons met at the home of Mrs. Frances Foltz and elected officers on November 6.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. Frances Foltz, president; Mrs. Lois Brown, vice president; Mrs. Mary Williams, secretary treasurer; Mrs. Monette Maxcey, reporter; Mrs. Winnie Cowles and Mrs. Shirley Ewell, council delegates.

An invitation to be a member is extended to all young matrons, and all who join the club before Jan. 1, will be a charter member.

The next meeting will be held on Nov. 20, at the home of Mrs. Shirley Ewell, the first house west of the Church of Christ. Everyone is asked to bring any linens they wish to have stenciled. Miss Myrna Holman, county home demonstration agent, will supervise the work.

The name of the club will be selected at a future date.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mrs. Sam Homes, her son and daughter, Mariene and Gentry, and Mrs. Dave Gentry, made a trip with Sam Alvin Holmes to Sherwood and San Angelo the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Fred Pipkin and daughter, Frances spent the week-end in Midland with Mrs. Pipkin's parents.

Children's Book Week —The Story of a Great Crusade

BOOKS FOR THE WORLD OF TOMORROW



November 16-22 will mark the 28th annual observance of Children's Book Week in the United States. Launched by the Boy Scouts of America in 1919 as a crusade to put good reading into the hands of America's children, the campaign is now sponsored by twenty-nine leading national groups in the educational and civic welfare field.

The influence of the Book Week campaign as a cultural crusade has been tremendous. It has spread across the nation, fostering the growth of special libraries for children and of a publishing industry which is unparalleled in any other country in the world. American children's books have already proved themselves as influential ambassadors of good-will abroad.

In the United States each community observes Book Week in its own way. The cooperative spirit shown in preparing such community programs is unequalled by any other similar national "Week" during the calendar year. Book Week was the first of all such "weeks". Its National Headquarters today is the Children's Book Council at 62 West 45th Street, New York City. This office now serves as a year-round public information center for and about books for children.

The Council reports that eleven million American boys and girls still lack facilities to read and know any books other than text books. The crusade still goes on. This year's Book Week theme, "Books for the World of Tomorrow" will be widely activated by participants in the national campaign which is sending Treasure Chests of children's books overseas and this year for the first time, to some of our own eleven million book-hungry children, in the United States.

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Del Rio	60	\$15.00	\$11.00	\$30.00	\$18.75	\$13.75
Lubbock	75	\$17.00	\$12.49	\$34.00	\$21.25	\$15.64
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By MYRNA HOLMAN

The first regular demonstration meeting of the newly organized home demonstration club for young matrons will be held at the home of Mrs. R. C. Ewell at 8:30 p. m. on Thursday, Nov. 13. Each woman will bring some material and do stenciling during the meeting. All young women are invited to attend. There is no charge to get your name on the charter member roll. The hours for the meeting are 2:00 to 4:00 p. m.

You Missed a Lot

That is you missed a lot if you did not attend the book review on Thursday night, Nov. 6, and the achievement exhibit on Nov. 7. Both demonstrated by the home demonstration clubs. It's true that the weather wasn't very cooperative and no doubt some interesting skirts collected a bit of dust, but after hearing such an excellent book review, and such lovely music, no one could be gathered with a little thing like a cold storm. We took time off from the exhibits Saturday to attend the Flower Show put on by the Garden Club. We are sorry you missed either.

Issues of Things to Come

We don't vouch for the accuracy of these figures. We are simply reporting findings of the twenty-fifth annual Outlook Conference of the Department of Agriculture. It doesn't listen too well! For example they tell us that clothing prices are 30 per cent higher than two years ago. Seems more than that but the fact is that they expect still higher prices on retail clothing during the coming winter and spring months. A few shortages remain as a whole more is being produced than people can buy at present price levels. Recently it was made illegal to label hose No. 551 unless it is a gauge hose since people interpreted it to mean 51 gauge. An association of hose manufacturers are working on construction standards. It

will be nice to know just what we are getting each time we buy. The trend is more and more toward informative labeling and special standards. The American Standards Association is making a study of women's dresses with the aim of preparing a set of proposed standard dimensions for each size. That will mean that if you wear size 34 in one make dress, a size 34 in another make will fit equally well. That will help.

Along the building front the Outlook Conference tells us that that while lumber and a few other materials are more plentiful, many will still be tight during 1948 and it is highly improbable that there will be any general decline in prices of building materials.

Are you one of those wanting a new car. The conference tells us that prices are expected to go still higher, no new models are expected in the big three in the lower price range until well into 1948, and that plans for the light model car costing less than \$1,000 has been shelved indefinitely. Hum m—here's hoping that "Myrtle" holds together for a while longer. . . that's our green two seater in case you don't know. They do tell us that we can get plenty of tires at lower prices and that the quality is about equal to pre-war years.

That's about enough for once. We'll talk about food another time.

Legion Auxiliary In Regular Session

With a membership on the percentage basis challenge coming District 7 of the Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. Charles Hendricks is intensely interested in all members, eligibles, and prospects attending meetings and getting dues in. Otherwise, the lady might be purchasing a new hat for Mrs. President of 17. That was the promise of the loser in the contest.

Mrs. Hendricks' quota is 44, an increase of four over last year. At the recent annual convention, 33 per cent of the quota was in attendance.

Conflicting programs forced the change to Wednesday when the unit will pack their Christmas box for the Kerville Veterans' hospital.

IRAAN NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wynn and son, Gerald, of Bloomington, Tex., are new Iraan residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Breach and daughter, Diane, have returned from McKinney where they visited Mrs. Breach's mother, Mrs. Lola Garrah and Mr. and Mrs. H. Hawkins.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ballard, Mrs. Johnny Collins and Sherry and C. T. Porter and daughters, Pat spent the last week-end in Sweetwater visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Beard and son, Charles of Bloomington are guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Calk.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Schweikhardt attended the funeral services of Mrs. Carrie Chaney, cousin of Mr. Schweikhardt, who was buried in Big Spring last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McFadin and family have recently moved from Crockett county to Ohio Camp No. 2, where Mr. McFadin has accepted a position with the Ohio Oil Company.

Marion Fife has been ill of a throat infection, but is up and about again.

J. R. Minnick was a business visitor in Fort Stockton Monday.

Mr. and W. B. Dukes were San Angelo visitors last week.

Rev. Overton, former minister of the First Christian church of Iraan visited in Iraan in the early part of the week.

Mrs. L. N. Jones, who has been confined to her bed for some weeks is able to be up part of the time at the present writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Watson, and son Billy, are driving a new, black Chevrolet sedan.

Seen at the ball games and very busy about the campus were Misses Martha Jean Smith and Everal Whitley, taking those candid shots for the school annual.

Mrs. Omo Dossett received a telephone message Sunday morning informing her that her son, Charles, was hospitalized at an Austin hospital with an infection. Mr. and Mrs. Dossett recently moved to the eastern part of the state.

The senior mother's football clubmet Monday evening to perfect plans for the annual football banquet which will be held on Nov. 20, at the Ohio Hall. With the football season ended the boys will turn to basketball this week.

A program on "The Sound Effects of the Air" was presented to a large audience at the High School Auditorium Monday evening. This was part of the series of programs sponsored by the Southern Assembly of Schools of Dallas will be presented throughout the school year.

Mrs. George Cooley's brother and family of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Lowrance and children, Corrine, Leeroy and Alvin Lloyd, have taken over the Gulf Station in Sheffield.

Mrs. Milt Zoda of Wortham, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zoda of Falfurrias were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Schweikhardt.

Preston Heath left for San Antonio Sunday night where he will undergo further treatment at the Brooks Hospital for veterans in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Schweikhardt had as their guests over the week-end, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Breedlove of Warren, Ind., Mrs. T. J. James of Kermit, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Breedlove of Marion, Ind.

Spending the remainder of their summer vacation in November are, R. N. Clinton, E. W. Fittz, Mack Taylor and Jack Cox. The quartet are enjoying a fishing holiday on the Rio Grande. A favorite fishing spot is west of Langtry, where the river can be reached by long sandy beaches. Having caught a number of big ones on this particular part of the river, the fishermen will probably bring home some nice ones.

Mrs. Charles Watson is convalescing at home from minor surgery. Recent visitors in the Watson home were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cook of McCamey and Mr. and Mrs. B. D. McClellan and son of Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Allen and daughter, Beverly, will leave this week for a two-week's vacation to be spent in Stephens, Ark. and Monroe, La.

Rev. and Mrs. O. O. Holliday and daughter, Cecilia, will attend the Baptist State Convention which convenes in Amarillo this year. They will also be away on a brief vacation following the convention.

C. S. Wood left the early part of the week for Kerrville, San Antonio and San Marcos. He spent Armistice Day with his son, Royce, who is a senior cadet at San Marcos Military Academy.

Mrs. A. Danills of Mason, former Iraan resident, has been a recent visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Minnick.

Mrs. O. W. Parker has returned home after a month's visit with relatives in California and Arizona.

Mrs. W. L. Dukes has returned to her home in Luling after visiting her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dukes.

Mrs. O. E. Foster attended the funeral of Dr. J. R. Middlebrook which was held in Del Rio, on Nov. 4.

O. E. Sears of Midland was in Iraan on business last week.

O. B. Petty attended the Ozona-Sonora football game in Ozona Saturday.

Mrs. J. S. Wade, Mrs. R. J. Turner, and Jeannie were San Angelo visitors last week.

Mrs. W. T. Hearne of Austin has returned home after a two-weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Minnick.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bivins were San Angelo visitors last week.

Mrs. W. R. Lanehart spent two days the latter part of the week in Midland with her sister who underwent a major operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Wood left Sunday for California where they plan to spend a short vacation.

Mrs. W. E. Estes, who has been quite ill following dental surgery, is much improved at this writing.

Mrs. Will Campbell, former Iraan resident, is convalescing from an infection of the blood stream in the Shannon Hospital, San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Eaves and

baby of Corpus Christi are guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Eaves.

Armistice Day was observed in Iraan by the school and business houses declaring a holiday.

Mrs. Marvin Cade, Marshall Clay, Jimmie and Linda, of Alpine, spent the week-end in Iraan visiting friends and relatives.

Levon Eaves, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Eaves, who is a senior student at Texas Tech, spent the week-end in Iraan.

Mrs. Elza Watson and Mrs. Agnes Tinnent spent the week-end in Chihuahua, Mexico, on a sight-seeing tour.

Mrs. Glen King of Jal, New Mexico, has been a guest of Mrs. Cecil Harless the past fortnight.

Sgt. Ramon Hollingsworth of Lackland Air Base, San Antonio, returned to camp Sunday evening after a ten-day leave of absence spent in Iraan.

J. R. Minnick has returned to Iraan from Gordan, Texas, where he has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Minnick, of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace McCarter and Mildred were San Angelo visitors over the week-end.

W. H. BLANKS FAMILY PURCHASE RANCH

The W. H. Blanks family have purchased ranching interests near Granbury and Fort Worth. Mr. Blanks and Billy left the latter part of last week to take over the new property and Mrs. Blanks and Wilma plan to join them around the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Blanks will be sorely missed as leader and organizer of the Junior All-Girl Chorus. This worthy organization has grown to more than triple its original membership under her capable direction. Miss Wilma is one of the charter members.

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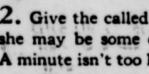
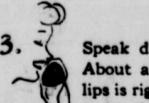
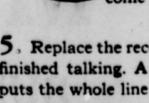
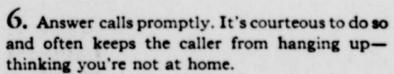
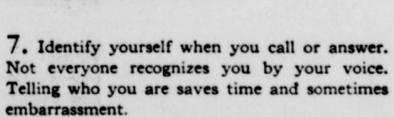
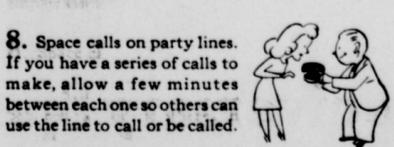
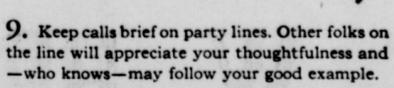
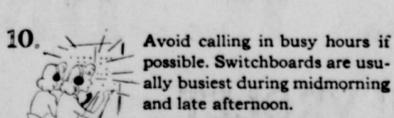
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-  Give the called party time to answer. He or she may be some distance from the telephone. A minute isn't too long.
-  Speak directly into the mouthpiece. About an inch between it and your lips is right for best results.
-  Move the switch hook slowly up and down to recall or signal the operator. "Jiggling" the hook rapidly often won't cause a signal to come in and is useless.
-  Replace the receiver carefully when you have finished talking. A receiver partly off the hook puts the whole line out of order.
-  Answer calls promptly. It's courteous to do so and often keeps the caller from hanging up—thinking you're not at home.
-  Identify yourself when you call or answer. Not everyone recognizes you by your voice. Telling who you are saves time and sometimes embarrassment.
-  Space calls on party lines. If you have a series of calls to make, allow a few minutes between each one so others can use the line to call or be called.
-  Keep calls brief on party lines. Other folks on the line will appreciate your thoughtfulness and—who knows—may follow your good example.
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