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**LOOKING AHEAD**  
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**SALES TAXES**

Casting about for ways to raise money with which to pay America's huge war bill, the United States Treasury has steadfastly held "thumbs down" on retail sales taxes. "They are irritating to all concerned," it is said; "constitute a nuisance to retail merchants and an added expense of doing business." Truly, experience with them in many states has proved that they give rise to endless complaint.

It is only natural for the administration to go slow in its consideration of a sales tax here, because this is still a government by popular consent. Office holders instinctively shrink from starting movements that are tagged "unpopular." But it is my belief that a sensible sales tax can be made popular; can be sold to the public. Except for the bother of it, nothing fits our immediate needs so well.

**Systematic Savings**

A big advance toward making a general sales tax acceptable to the public has been made already by Senator John A. Danaher of Connecticut. He is proposing one that is not strictly a tax; more an enforced loan to Uncle Sam, returnable in full after the war. You might think that such a plan would require a lot of costly machinery to operate, since payments would come in such small amounts, but not so. The senator has overcome that.

Here's how it would work: For purposes of this illustration, call the rate 8 per cent. Every time a customer bought \$100 worth of merchandise at a retail store, the clerk would have to demand also the purchase of an 8-cent savings stamp. Mr. Customer would paste these stamps in a book and when he got \$100 worth he could exchange them at the post office for a \$100 bond which would bring full value in cash after the war.

**Least Expensive**

Frankly I'm in favor of the Danaher plan or something very much like it, for several reasons. First, it is plain now that farmers and laborers and low-income salaried folks are going to be called on for more of the war cost. They are willing. They want to do their part and they are entitled to pay it the cheapest way (by sales tax) now that Sen. Danaher has learned how to make it practically painless.

Second, people of low income already are paying hidden taxes up to 20 per cent of their earnings, and I call it only fair that they be allowed to contribute in a way that will come back to them after the war. Sales taxes always hit the poor man hardest. The reason is obvious: he spends a larger share of his earnings just for necessities. Necessary food, shelter and apparel cost as much for a \$2,000-a-year man as for one who earns three times as much.

**Combats Inflation**

My third reason is the main one. The chief purpose of tax legislation this year is to combat inflation. Inflation means run-away prices. When there is not much to buy and everybody has more to spend, people naturally bid prices up, trying to get what they want. The less there is to spend the less temptation they have to bid prices sky-high.

Besides, there is an honest and patriotic way to escape any sales

SHORT SHORT STORY OF THE WEEK

**"Eavesdroppers"**

"I Understand," He Asserted and Returned Briskly to His Cam. "I'll Be Seeing You," He Waved as He Drove Away.

By M. JERALDINE LUBECK

A year and a half had elapsed since eighteen-year-old, blue-eyed Marion Ashby had taken up her abode on the farm with her brother, Farland. And if Floyd Hughes hadn't proposed marriage to her—had even gone to the extreme lengths of having a brand new house built, so sure was he of winning her for his bride, she might still have been contented and happy to remain indefinitely with her brother.

This morning Floyd, garbed in bright blue denim, had been to the north forty and drove by with a load of corn he had been husking. After tying his team to a post by the backyard gate he had bounced into the kitchen where she was making cherry pies for dinner.

"Marion!" he had burst out in an eager, excited voice, sweeping her into his arms with one swift, graceful movement. "I want you to marry me right away. It seems hopeless to keep on asking you so I've decided this will be the last time. The house is all ready and unless you consent to marry me, I'll sell it and join the Marines. I love you—and can do so much towards producing food that'll help win the war if you'll keep house for me—I've been counting on you."

"It's swell of you to tell me, to remind me of it so often dear," Marion's voice was scarcely above a whisper and tears glistened in her bright blue eyes. "If it wasn't for walking out on Farland," she choked, "I'd marry you this minute. But how can I leave him alone after he's done so much for me? I can't bear to hurt him. What'll I do? I love you so much—so much!"

Floyd sat down on a chair and gently pulled her down beside him, holding her trembling body close, his face pale and serious. "What if he did take you in," he stormed, pleading her case. "You've done enough to repay him. Live your life as you want to regardless of that bachelor brother of yours. He'll think a lot more of you in the long run. Take the initiative, Marion and marry me, won't you?"

"Marion," she went to the stove and took a couple of cherry pies out of the oven, placing them on the cabinet near a window to cool then faced him, desperation in her voice and in her manner. "I can't hurt him like I'd—I'd regret it as long as I live. And I'd be so embarrassed, I'd nearly die of shame. If I had the courage to tell him about us—but I can't—I can't! When I try to approach him, I get frightened and begin to tremble so."

"If it disturbs you like that, don't do it," Floyd advised as he rose to go. "I have to get my corn unloaded and get another load this afternoon," she hurried to wrap waxed paper around a pie. "For your dinner," she smiled.

"Thank you, Marion," he said politely, as he took the gift and brushed her lips with a kiss. "Decide what you're going to do, darling—I've got to know."

Marion's heart was touched by his deep sincerity and she answered warmly, "I'll think about it and let you know tomorrow night."

"Sweetheart," he murmured embracing her for one long moment. "I love you so much."

"I love you, too, Floyd," she answered. "It's just—that—"

tax. It is by saving money; the tax is on spending. The Danaher plan is a saving plan. It lets the working man help finance the war. It helps defeat inflation. It compels some saving for everybody and inspires more for others; savings made now while money is coming in, so as to have something later the war when it may come in very handy.

"I understand," he asserted and returned briskly to his team. "I'll be seeing you," he waved as he drove away.

Marion was keenly, amazingly lonely after his departure. So it was no wonder she was torn with grief on the one hand when she thought of leaving her brother and on the other thrilled with joy and happiness at the prospect of becoming the bride of the handsome good-looking Floyd Hughes. Her conscious said "No" stay with your brother but her heart said "Yes," your future happiness depends on it. These conflicting emotions kept her in the mood of a day in March. Cold and chilly one minute—warm and sunshiny the next.

In the first place she shouldn't have encouraged Floyd's attentions if she hadn't intended to marry him or else talked it over with Farland. If she'd resorted to either procedure it would have saved her all this grief.

Restlessly, she paced back and forth across the room. "I don't know what to do," she said right out loud as she paused a moment at the livingroom door which was slightly ajar. Just then she heard Farland cough. Of all the nerve! He had been in there all this time eavesdropping—had heard the conversation between Floyd and herself. She had never known him to be guilty of a like offense. Dashing in there, she found him sitting in a rocker half hidden behind a newspaper.

"I didn't know you were in here," she shrugged her shoulders. "I thought you went to husk corn."

"I finished it up this morning," he explained briefly and laughed dryly. "It's a good thing I did under the circumstances."

"Dinner's ready," she announced ignoring his remark.

But all through the noonday meal she could feel the piercing gaze of his grey-blue eyes upon her, and she winced and blushed with indignation. She felt like sending her words flowing over him in a lecture that would prove to be her masterpiece on how impolite it was to eavesdrop but she remained quiet—thinking perhaps that after all he hadn't meant to do it. Anyone in a like position would have listened. But what ruffled her feelings most was the fact that she hadn't heard him come in.

She breathed a breath of relief when Farland finished his meal and went on outside to his car and drove away.

She wanted to be alone—to think and think. She didn't know of a better place than in her own little blue room on the second floor. Her high heels tapped lightly on the varnished steps as she went upstairs. Then she stood by the window her face pressed against the cool pane, reviewing the events of the day. Floyd's sudden proposal that had sent her soaring above the clouds and her humiliation of knowing that Farland had been eavesdropping. Life would be dull and uninteresting without Floyd but she would have to give him up and stay with Farland who had befriended her and who would be placed at a disadvantage by her going.

She was aroused out of her musings by the opening and closing of the doors downstairs. Then she heard voices—one she recognized as Farland's the other was unmistakably that of Albert Kelso, the Loan Company agent.

Removing her slippers, she stumbled down the steps in her stocking feet, sat on the lower step where she could hear them talking.

"You're a good farmer, Farland," Mr. Kelso commended. "The company would like to keep you another year."

"But I want to join the navy—Uncle Sam needs me," Farland coughed. "I don't want to farm another year—it all depends on Marion, my sister who has kept house for me the past year."

"She has had a proposal of marriage—I wasn't supposed to know about it, but accidentally overheard it this morning. She seems to be head over heels in love with him—but can't make up her mind what to do. Until she does decide—one way or the other, I can't promise you anything."

"Okay," the agent replied as he rose to go. "We'll just let the matter stand a few days. Let me know as soon as you find out." He left then, Farland walking out to the car with him.

Marion felt so happy, that she skidded back upstairs and began to put her slippers on. And then suddenly it seemed like a huge mirror had appeared before her and she saw herself as she really was—a sentimental little fool who hadn't enough courage to do her bidding. By such detention, she was not only bringing grief to herself and to the man she loved, she was upsetting her brother's plan as well.

As she heard her brother re-enter the livingroom, she started down the stairs, without taking time to put on the other slipper. She had to have a talk with Farland—there just had to be an understanding between them this very minute.

THE END.



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**Speaking of Health**  
By DR. VICTOR G. HEISER

MEDICAL CONSULTANT  
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS

**Controlling Scarlet Fever**

About this time of year there is often an increase in the number of cases of some of the childhood contagious diseases.

This year there is an increase in some parts of the country in the number of cases of scarlet fever. Children between the ages of five and twelve are more apt to get scarlet fever than adults, but both are susceptible.

Usually the onset of scarlet fever is marked by a sore throat, chills followed by fever, a rash which is sometimes hard to distinguish from a measles rash, aches and pains, and a peculiar scarlet tinge to the skin.

After a few days the rash gradually disappears, but the tongue's surface becomes roughened and reddened, looking for all the world like the surface of a strawberry. "Strawberry tongue" is typical of scarlet fever.

Not all symptoms occur in every case, so if in doubt let your physician decide. If his diagnosis is scarlet fever, there are several new drugs, serums, and anti-toxins that he can call upon to combat the infection, to lessen the severity of your case, and to help avoid after-complications.

One of the new sulfa drugs may be used to arrest the spread of the "scarlet" infection, which is a type of streptococcus. Then, too, he will probably give you an injection of an anti-streptococcal serum, taken under laboratory conditions either from the blood of a horse, or, better yet, from the blood of a person who has lately recovered from scarlet fever.

Three Weeks in Bed

One of the things to be watched in scarlet fever is the possibility of aftermaths, or complications. The toxin or poison from the germ sometimes does damage to the heart, ears, glands, or joints. Especially is this true if the disease is not promptly diagnosed and carefully treated.

The chances are that complications can be avoided if proper care is taken. But in order to minimize the possibility, the patient should stay in bed for at least three weeks.

Three or four weeks out of a whole lifetime is a small price to pay for a large degree of assurance that complications will not occur to leave permanent injuries to the body.

Value of Medical Care  
Too much stress cannot be laid upon the value of a continuous program of medical care for every man, woman, and child in order to maintain good health and avoid such diseases as scarlet fever.

Millions of soldiers and sailors will return after the war with first-hand information as to the real value of continuous medical care.

And millions of men and women who are working day and night in America's wartime factories to turn out arms are at the same time coming to realize the value of complete medical services through industry's program of medical care. Practically every large factory in the land today has a modern, up-to-date medical service for all its employees.

Up to the Individual  
Medical science, public health authorities, and industrial medicine operating on a wide scale can do a great deal to raise our standard of living by controlling the spread of diseases.

But only the people themselves, each by maintaining his own con-

tinuous program for medical care and by calling his own doctor at the first sign of infection, can really control such time and manpower wasters as scarlet fever.

Today it is the duty of each and every one of us to keep on our feet and in good health to do the big job of winning this war. We can't defeat Hitler sitting up in bed.

**Four Things Result From Conservation Farming Method**

Conservation farming is the wisest possible and the greatest possible use of our soil and water resources, so that each acre will produce the maximum amount of the crop it is best suited to produce. For example, it is wasteful and inefficient in wartime to plant wheat on land that is better adapted to soybeans; or to use for watermelons land that could grow long-staple cotton. The 1943 campaign is designed to further the practical application of this philosophy to the land.

Conservation farming is made up of a whole pattern of economic agronomic and engineering techniques, because there is no one person for all the problems of how to use the land.

Not all of these techniques are new. Some of them are practices that good farmers have been following for many years, such as crop rotations, liming and manuring. Others are measures that have been developed within the last decade or two. When fitted together, they comprise a system which enables the farmer to use his land as intensively as necessary and at the same time protect his soil damage or loss.

Conservation farming does at least four specific things: 1. It maintains or increases crop yields per acre; 2. It protects soil against erosion by wind or water; 3. It conserves soil moisture; 4. It makes greatest use of fertilizers for production. Fortunately, the relatively simple practices which are most effective in increasing crop yields per acre—a vital wartime consideration—will maintain

the soil so that it can keep on producing at top levels throughout the war period and as long afterward as may be necessary.

The purpose of the conservation farming campaign is to spread the adoption of certain simple but effective conservation practices to as much of the nation's farmland as possible. The objective is to increase production now, and to assure that the country's farm plant will not break down in the middle of the war or in the years following when all of our resources will be needed.

Production cannot be maintained—let alone increased—on eroded, wasted and depleted soils.

The conservation farming campaign will be pushed during the so-called "slack" season on the farm, the winter months and all months prior to planting.

Three agencies of the Department of Agriculture and the Extension Service—have been assigned the major responsibility for the drive. Departmental activities within the states will be channeled through State USDA War boards and County USDA War board. State Agricultural Extension Services will be responsible for the educational phase of the program. Other agencies, such as the Farm Security Administration and the Farm Credit Administration, will assist. Local, regional and national offices of these agencies are your sources of information.

The conservation farming campaign is an intensive wartime effort to spread to as many farms as possible certain tested conservation farming practices that have been used in hundreds of American communities for nearly a decade. In almost every case on record, these practices have increased production per acre.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Biggs are sending several days in Ropesville to be with their daughter, Mrs. Charlie McMahan, who is seriously ill.

**POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

For Mayor: GEO. L. LINK  
 For Water Commissioner: RO YSTOVALL  
 For Street Commissioner: J. H. SNIDER

**Cotton Farmers Of Texas Signing For Crop Insurance**

According to reports reaching the state AAA office, farmers already are signing insurance on this year's cotton which guarantees either 50 or 75 per cent of their average yield.

Offered for the second year, cotton crop insurance protects cotton against all unavoidable hazards such as drought, boll weevil and other insects, frost, flood, plant disease, storm, wind and hail.

More than 13,000 indemnities have been paid under last year's program, the first year cotton crop insurance was offered.

Based on the theory that each cotton farm should carry a part of its own risks, premium rates reflect the actual crop loss experience. Premiums covering farms with high loss experience, naturally, are higher than premiums covering low risk farms.

Operating under the same general plan as during 1942, insurance applications are written by county AAA committeemen or their representatives in cotton counties.

Major change in this year's program, is the premium rate reduction plan which provides the Corporation may reduce the applicant's annual premium in any year, not to exceed 50 per cent, if it determines, from a comparison of the insured production with the accumulated balance of premiums paid over indemnities received on consecutively insured crops.

**CARD OF THANKS**

As it is impossible to see every one personally, we wish to take this means of thanking every one who was so kind to us in our bereavement. We were again reminded that we live among the best people on earth. We thank you deeply for the flowers, for the food and for every comforting word or deed.

The Family of Mrs. Emma Shields

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank our many friends for the kind deeds and comforting words during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father. May God's richest blessing be upon each and every one of you.

Mrs. J. M. Calvert, W. M. Calvert and family, Mrs. Carlos Kissinger, Mrs. Freddie Morris.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank our many friends for the kind words of sympathy in the loss of our little daughter. May God bless each of you for your kindness and understanding during this, our darkest hour.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. King, Mrs. P. Z. Harris and family.

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But the Fountain of Youth—Health—is INSIDE. All the self-renewing power in the world is the power INSIDE. It is as much in YOU as it is in ME. This power, when it functions, naturally functions as health.

The chiropractor's relation to this life inside, this innate intelligence, is like that of the trouble man of the telephone company. The impulses of life, the orders of innate intelligence, are transmitted over nerve lines.

The spinal column, or backbone, is so constructed that it transmits down a central canal the brain impulses. These impulses reach the organs of the bodies through the spinal nerve openings between the joints.

The twenty-four movable joints of the spine can and do become out of alignment, and when a spinal bone, or joint, is out of alignment with its neighbor, it causes a narrowing of the nerve opening, and pressure of bone against soft nerve tissue. This pressure upon spinal nerves, it has been found, is the cause of disease.

The chiropractor by his chiropractic spinal adjustments removes this pressure of bone upon soft tissue and the transmission of life impulses becomes normal. With normal transmission of impulses health follows as matter of course.

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**DR. O. R. CLOUDE, Chiropractor**  
SPUR, TEXAS

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### House Passes Regulatory Bill For Chiropractors

AUSTIN, March 10.—The House of Representatives last week passed a bill licensing and regulating Chiropractors in Texas, thus sending it to the Senate.

Efforts to recommit the bill to committee for further study failed, although it has been a highly controversial bill.

This bill sets up educational standards for chiropractors and requires that those now practicing be examined by a state board of examiners.

This bill, if now passed by the Senate, will be a great help to the public as well as the chiropractors as it will insure every chiropractor, practicing in the state, having had the proper education, duly examined and qualified to practice.

#### ONE CENT CHECK

William Poleckman is very proud of the check he got from a Manitowoc (Wisc.) shipbuilding company. Because of illness he only worked one day, earning \$6.32. Six cents was deducted for social security, \$6.25 for a war bond. His check was for "exactly No Dollars and One Cent."

#### NEEDS BADGES

St. Louis (Mo.) policemen are searching everywhere for brass buttons from discarded uniforms. There's a class of 35 new officers to be graduated March 1—and the department can't buy the necessary 1,330 buttons for their uniforms. Officers have salvaged 1,000 old ones, so far.

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2. Keener recently left his job for active duty in the Army, where he planned to have at least 10 percent of his pay deducted for War Bonds.

So while Keener is fighting abroad his money will be fighting at home. This is the scrappy American spirit that will lick the Axis!

Perhaps you, too, are fighting on the Bond front. But make it a good fight—make it the best fight you can. Boost your Bond buying through the Pay-Roll Savings Plan, right now . . . today!

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

### Lesson for March 14

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#### IN THE UPPER ROOM

LESSON TEXT—John 13:12-20; 14:1-6. GOLDEN TEXT—Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life: no one cometh unto the Father, but by me.—John 14:6.

Calvary and crucifixion were just ahead. Jesus gathered His disciples for a time of communion and instruction as they spent their last evening together. On the morrow would come betrayal, but now they and their Lord were together in the upper room.

But even here strife and dissension had apparently come in. There was probably some difference of opinion as to who should have the place of honor. To teach them the virtue of humility Jesus gave them an example, after which He continued with the precious counsel and prayer which are found in John 14 to 17.

Our lesson presents three things which our Lord gave to His disciples and to us (see John 17:20).

#### I. His Example—"Do as I Have Done" (13:12-20).

The act of Jesus in washing the disciples' feet placed Him, their Lord and Teacher, on the level of the most menial servant. It was an astonishing thing that He did, lowering Himself below their level to serve them.

His application of the object lesson was equally startling. "Ye call me Teacher and Lord, and ye say well," said He. Then as learners and servants He required of them the humility which would make them eager to do lowly service in His name.

There are more than enough folk who are willing to do the nice, pleasant things in the church, where they will be given recognition and praise. All too scarce are those Christlike folk who will serve in the hidden places where darkness, suffering, disease and sin make the natural man recoil in distress or fear.

#### II. His Assurance—"If I Go I Will Come Again" (14:1-3).

Following His resurrection Jesus was to go to the Father. He wanted them to be prepared for that time by making known to them the fact of His coming again. In that day His own shall be received unto Himself to abide with Him forever.

The second coming of Christ is not a strange doctrine held by little groups of people who are riding a theological hobby. It is one of the most blessed truths of Scripture. The hope of the Christian—yes, the only real hope of this disordered world—is the coming of Christ to reign. The New Testament is full of plain and helpful teaching on this subject.

While we await His coming, then, is there any encouragement for us as the burdens bear down and the way seems long? Yes, He says: "Let not your heart be troubled" (v. 1). There is little question that this passage has comforted more people than any other word in Scripture.

Countless bewildered and broken souls in all lands and times have here found the steady assurance of the one who has the power to give them rest and comfort.

There is good foundation for their composure of heart in a troubled world. They believe in God, and in Christ, who is one with the Father. Here is real security—infinite superior to aught the world can give.

Then at the end of the road are the eternal dwelling places. What they are like is sufficiently revealed in the fact that they are in the Father's house. How shall we reach them? That is our last point. We have

#### III. His Guidance—"I Am the Way" (vv. 4-6).

To Christ's declaration that they knew the way, Thomas responded with a request for a definite statement. He wanted to be sure, and Christ responded by reminding him that He, their Lord, is the "way, the truth, and the life." Surely there could be no more complete provision for the guidance of the heavenly pilgrim.

Christ is "the way." If one takes the right road he will reach the right destination though he "cannot at first see it clearly. Perhaps this is the commonest mistake of the Christian. He frets too much about what lies ahead . . . and not enough about taking the right road" (Lesson Commentary).

He is "the truth." He is the final and complete revelation of God, and is therefore the One who will lead all those who walk the way by faith into the fullness of the truth. To know Christ is to know God.

He is "the life." He is life, and He alone can give eternal life to man. There is none other to whom man may turn for life, but in Christ it is found, and from Him it may be received by faith.

We have only touched the briefest beginning of what took place on that remarkable evening in the upper room. It was a time of richest spiritual significance, of dark betrayal, but also of closest communion. We continue next Sunday.



# THE AXIS WANTS YOUR COMMUNITY!

This is more than a war of mechanical monsters clashing in the sky . . . more than a War of production.

The Axis wants your community—wants every community in the United States—wants to destroy them once and for all!

With so much at stake, there's no doubt you'll want to do everything you can to meet this Axis threat. Three ways are open: Speed production of arms and food, buy War Bonds and Stamps, and TRADE AT HOME . . .

Did you ever stop to think that there are thousands of communities in the United States, each a

home front in itself? Each home front, to survive and play its part in the war effort needs plenty of backing and the support of every citizen.

So, check yourself and make sure that you are doing everything possible to aid the work at the home front. Find out where you can be most useful. REMEMBER, YOU STRENGTHEN THE HOME FRONT WHEN YOU PATRONIZE HOME INSTITUTIONS and BUY the THINGS YOU NEED RIGHT HERE.

Buying War Bonds and Stamps, and TRADING AT HOME, will build added morale that will see us through these trying times to certain Victory!

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### King To Administer Qualifying Tests For V-12 Program

Robert R. King, principal of Spur high school, has been authorized to administer the qualifying test for the Navy College Training program as the V-12 program. Tests for this territory will be given between the hours of 9:00 and 11:00 a. m., on Friday, April 2, at the high school building. Any eligible person wishing to take the test should see Mr. King before March 15 in order that a test may be ordered for him. Several high school graduates are expected to take the tests in addition to the 21 senior boys for whom tests have been ordered.

Purpose of the V-12 program is to produce Naval officers. High school seniors, high school graduates, and college students who appear to have potentialities for ultimate selection as officers will be chosen for college training. The plan contemplates that this college training will be carried on while the men are on active duty, in uniform, receiving pay, and under general military discipline. The test is used for the preliminary selection of the men who are to be given this college training. Any eligible person not taking the test at this time will not have another opportunity to qualify for this training program within the next six months.

Only the following groups are eligible:

- (a) High school and preparatory school graduates who will have attained their 17th but not their 20th birthdays by July 1, 1943, regardless of whether they are attending college.
- (b) High school and preparatory school seniors who will be graduated by July 1, 1943, provided they will have attained their 17th but not their 20th birthdays by that date.
- (c) College students who meet the above age requirements but did not graduate from a secondary school.
- Furthermore, to be eligible for selection each applicant must:
  - (a) Be a male citizen of the United States.
  - (b) Be morally and physically qualified for this program, including a minimum uncorrected visual acuity of 18/20 for each eye.
  - (c) Be unmarried, and agree to remain unmarried until commissioned, unless sooner released by the Navy department.
  - (d) Evidence potential officer qualifications, including appearance and scholarship records.

### Junior Play Cast Chosen; Rehearsals Already Underway

The tryouts for the Junior play have been completed, and the cast was chosen by different high school teachers. The play is a three-act comedy bearing the name, "Don't Keep Him Waiting," by Anne Coulter Martens. The cast is as follows: Jeff—Pike Dobbins. Chester—Henry Gruben. Toodles—Maxine Adams. Jiny—Lou Emma Shugart. Aunt Selina—Betty Weaver. Sally Lou—Shirley Powell. Owen—Pete Dobbins. Dave—Jimmy Vernon. Minerva—Cecilia Fox. O'Toole—Warren Coener. Stage Manager—Jimmy Draper. Assistants—Sammy Graves and David Hull. Promoters—Eunice Denson and Mildred Burger. Property Manager—Wilma Dee Nix. Wardrobe—Dorothy Reynolds. Publicity—Dolly Hagins and Odell Swanner. Curtain Man—Glenn McDaniel. Electrician—Lane Ericson. Miss Long, sponsor of the play, stated that rehearsals have already begun. The date set for the production of the play is March 26.

A scared but determined young man pursued a cute lady who ran when she stopped, "out of breath." He was frightened to death—She now has a less dangerous plan.

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### R-A-D-I-O

Baseball scores, time to smile, Smoke Camels, cool and mild. Jazz music, sweet swing, Make O'Daniel your next king. Evening evrybody, Coming Mother,

Next week tune in for another. News and views, rhythm and romance,

Send in a dime, take a chance. Lone Ranger, latest flashes, Green Hornet, spy ring crashes. Jack Armstrong, All American boy, Club matinee, fun and joy. Buy bonds and stamps, win the war,

Give that lady a candy bar. Daddy, "What is it Snooks?" Buy today, it isn't in books. One man's Family, Backstage Wife,

Mr. District Attorney, who got the knife? Dance Diary, swing and sway, War news, tune of the day, People Are Funny, The Guiding Light,

Stella Dallas, The Woman in White. Top of the Morning, Singing Sam, Duffy's Tavern, plenty of ham. Whatcha know Joe, nickel, nickel, nickel,

Don't know nothin'—trickle, trickle, trickle. Did you get your kiss this morning? Oh, wouldn't you like to know,

That ain't the way I heard it, it's the world's greatest show. Your Hit Parade, patterns in blue, Kay Kyser, thinking of you. Jergens Journal, Believe it or Not,

Breakfast Club, breakfast red hot. Treasure Chest, Let's Pretend, Bob Hope, Teeth worries end. Happy in love, We the People, Jingle, Jangle, shout the stepple,

Amos and Andy, Vox Pop, Texas Rangers, if you know this stop. Cheers from camp, Grand Central Station, Early birds, station identification. Listen for the bells, Horace Hyatt

Thus it is day and night, All of this—why you say? Because it's just the American way.

### JOKES

Two frogs were sitting on a bank: First frog (coughing): Pardon me, I have a man in my throat.

Melba: Are you going to let that red-head get your boy friend? Evelyn: No, I'll dye first.

I sit alone in the moonlight, Forsaken by women and men, And murmur over and over, "I'll never eat onions again!"

Was there ever a soldier with soul so dead, Who never turned his head and said, "Wow!"

Betty W.: Doctor, what can I do to reduce? Dr.: Take the proper exercise. Betty: What kind would you suggest? Dr.: Push yourself away from the table three times a day.

Miss Keller: George, this composition on the dog is the same as your brother, Alfred's, word for word. George Walker: Yes, it was the same dog. Judge: I'll let you off with a fine this time, but next time I'll send you to jail.

Weatherman: That is what I predicted, your honor. Judge: What do you mean? Weatherman: Fine today, cool tomorrow.

Mrs. Brannen: What is the formula for water? Royal Russell: H-I-J-K-L-M-N-O.

Mrs. Brannen: What do you mean? Royal: Why, you said it was H to O.

"Boys, I'm happy," remarked Mr. Newlywed. "I have a wonderful home, a good job, and the finest wife in the country."

"Who wouldn't be happy with his wife in the country?" grunted a henpecked individual who overheard the remark.

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# The ROWEL

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### Red Cross Offering Home Nurses Course Homemaking Girls

The Red Cross is offering a course in Home Nursing to the Homemaking girls and to any student in school that wants to take it on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. These classes are offered the first and second or third and fourth periods on these three days. Mrs. Martin Pope, who is a registered Red Cross nurse, is the instructor.

The information gained in these classes is of much value to those interested in any phase of nursing as a profession. It is valuable, not only to these, but to every one because at some time it will be needed. At the end of six weeks Mrs. Pope will give an examination and to all those who pass it, will be given a certificate from the National Red Cross.

The course is pretty stiff and the girls are working hard for that certificate.

### Advice To the Lovelorn

Dear Abigail and Phoebe: I suppose you could class me as a "lonely heart," but there is nothing I can do about it. My boy friend and I have broken up and the boy I would like to go with is going steady with a Junior girl. I'm left completely out of both pictures. What am I to do? A Lonely Heart.

Dear Lonely Heart: Our best advise is to frame yourself an entirely new picture! The Sisters.

Dear Abigail and Phoebe: I am a Senior boy, and I carry on a happy and contented romance with a Senior girl. I don't even flirt with any other girl, but there are about ten Freshmen girls who flirt with me all the time. They are about to worry me to death, and I am sick and tired of it. What can I do? A Worried Senior.

Dear Worried Senior: Start jerking those Fish up and spanking them right hard every time they pester you. They'll soon start leaving you alone! The Sisters.

Dear Abigail and Phoebe: I am a freshman girl with a senior boy friend. I have blond hair and blue eyes. But getting back to the senior boy. I like him very much, but I'm not sure about him. What should I do to w: him cp? Undecided.

Dear Undecided: Inasmuch as you didn't even spell our names right, we refuse to answer your pitiful plea. We have just returned from Washington and saw the way they do things and decided that all our business must be done systematically. If you wish an answer, please send 18 copies of your letter for filing along with 3 boxtops from Umpsy-Daisy Ready-o-Eat cereal. A. & P.

Dear Abigail and Phoebe: I am a senior and I like a freshman girl very much. I have black hair, and brown eyes. I am 5' 9" tall. I am 18 years old. I also played right end on the football team.

I have been with this girl once but am afraid to ask her again because of her Daddy. If you can please tell me what to do. Coward.

Dear Coward: We would like to thank you for the complete information on yourself. It enables us to get a complete case history on you; also we have just a teeny-weensy idea who you are. Our advice is to get a 22 and larn to shoot. Then go get her and carry her off by the hair of the head. Abigail and Phoebe.

### Song Hit Of The Week

BRAZIL  
Where hearts were entertaining June  
We stood beneath an ample moon  
And softly murmured "someday soon."  
We kissed and clung together,  
Then tomorrow was another day.  
The morning found me miles away  
With still a million things to say.  
Then twilight dimmed the sky above  
Recalling the thrill of our love  
There's one thing I'm certain of—  
Return I will,  
To old Brazil.  
"When I am gone you'll find it hard," said he, "to find another man like me."  
"What makes you think—and I suppose you do—  
I'd want another man like you?"

### Gym Converted Into "Pirate Ship" For Sophomore Party

The high school gym was converted into a Pirate Ship Friday evening, March 5, when the Sophomores gathered there in typical pirate costumes. As they entered each was given the name of a character from the book "Treasure Island" and was required to "walk the plank." Only one pirate, Kenneth Carlisle, failed to clear the water in one jump.

A game of Keeno, using the names of the characters in "Treasure Island" instead of numbers, served to identify each person by his pirate name. When a pirate's name, such as "John Silver," was called out, the person who had been given that name would stand. Sticks of gum were the prizes in this game and as a reward for winners of the Treasure Hunt.

Lou Nell Wright and J. D. Elkins were each awarded a 50-cent defense stamp by Mr. Allen for being the most typical pirates. Treasure Ship Turnover furnished a lot of excitement. Refreshments of hamburgers, pop, and pie were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Starcher, the Soph. Class Parents, sponsors, Mr. Allen and Mrs. Brannen, and 29 sophomores attended the party.

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### An Editorial

HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN— THAT THE SPUR HIGH GRADUATES, who are now in the armed forces, just love to hear from the old school? WRITE AT LEAST ONE OF THEM EVERY WEEK.

WHEN we are going to have SENIOR WEEK in the near future? BE THINKING ABOUT WHAT YOU WANT TO DO THAT WEEK.

WHEN the tennis courts were in good condition?? I HAVE IT!

THE OLD JUNIOR HIGH BUILDING? Well don't forget it because the thought of that old wreck will help you to appreciate our new one more.

THAT Miss Lawlis is gone?? WHO COULD FORGET!!

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### Scandal Section

Hold your hats and boy friends, girls. The new girl Charmain Coe looks like any boy's dream girl.

Robert Ward has just made an astonishing discovery. He found that he can play his horn with 3/4 of it gone when he is thinking about Elease Petty in band.

"Puny" Addy isn't so puny in his love making. He swiped Elyse Cleo F. right from under Virgil Roger's nose.

Melba will have to be content with a correspondence romance between Ross Culbert and Bob Weaver. She has lost Troy B. to "Red" Thurston.

The old story about "Fish" girls going for Senior boys is definitely true. Jane Brannen has had an eye on Pat C. for an awful long time.

Rose Petty's heart can take a rest now since James Victor has left town. It has been beating double time over the week end.

Leon Hale has to get all his assignments from Zona in 2nd period S. H. Just what kind of assignments are you getting, Leon?

Much to my surprise, all the boys in school were upset last Thursday. Could a visitor from Dickens have anything to do with it?

From what I hear, Kenneth Carlisle had better watch his step. He has got quite a number of "Fish" girls after him now.

Johnny Rucker is surrounded by females in B. A. class. Poor boy! What is he going to get into next?

Could anyone tell me what little Mecom girl Wendell George has been so interested in lately? You had better watch out! I hear she is dynamite.

Autry Nell is on the loose again. It looks like she's after Zona this time. Zane can't even watch the volley ball games after looking at her.

High school boys don't seem to interest that gad-about Patsy Arrington anymore. Hayden Moore is the lucky one now.

Zane Freeman you had better slow down and we mean that literally. Several are about to get your scalp.

Does anyone know what two high school girls Minnie Olla Ward has been especially nice to? Well my fine feathered friends

### Teachers' Team Win First Honors In Basketball Tourney

The second basketball tournament played by the more experienced boys was finished Tuesday, March 2. The teachers' team carried away first place by winning all five of their games. The teachers' team is composed of King, Williams, Followill, Allen, Thomas, Owens, Morris and Thurston.

McDaniel's team took second place by winning five games and losing only one. The players of the team were: Glenn McDaniel, Ryo Reel Ball, Wilburn Brashner, J. D. Elkins, A. B. Carlisle and Alfred Walker.

George Walker's team came in for a close third by winning three games and losing two. His players were: George Walker, Calvin Simmons, Melvin Rape, Jimmie Vernon, Henry Gruben, Alex Fry, Donald Delisle.

Fourth place went to Draper's team. The team was composed of Jimmie Draper, Lane Ericson, Elmer Gannon, O. E. Byrd, Pete Dobbins, Pike Dobbins. Won two games, lost three.

Granthum and Burger tied for last place by each winning four and tying one. The members of Burger's team were: Tommy Burger, Jack Rankin, Leonard Wilson, Keith Garner, William Randall and Robert Hahn. Granthum's team was made up of Carl Granthum, Wilburn Ball, Raleigh Adcock, Troy Boothe, Calvin Holloway, Billy D. Starcher.

This tournament was a very interesting one and every team made a good showing. A new tournament started March 4. This tournament was composed of younger and less experienced boys. The schedule is as follows:

Thursday—Watson vs. Thornton. Friday—Smith vs. Draper. Monday—Watson vs. Smith. Tuesday—Thornton vs. Draper. Wednesday—Watson vs. Draper. Thursday—Thornton vs. Smith.

Not snow or sleet or cold or heat Can ever quite prevail To stop small bits of paradise From coming through the mall!

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# Social Happenings

## MARRIAGE VOWS UNITE ORANIE CRABTREE AND STAFF SGT. EARL B. MURRI

Mrs. Oranie Crabtree, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Gladish of Dickens, and Staff Sgt. Earl B. Murri, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Patterson of Chenooke, Mont., were united in marriage at 9 o'clock Wednesday, March 3, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Tratt of Wichita Falls.

The marriage service was read by Dr. Fred E. Eastham of the First Baptist church.

The home was beautifully decorated with greenery and gladioli.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother-in-law, Mr. Tapp, and matron of honor was her sister, Mrs. Tapp. Staff Sgt. Richard F. Burns was the groom's best man.

Out-of-town relatives attending were the bride's mother and Mrs. Cecil Stanford of Lubbock, sister of the bride, and Miss Nora Dean Rye, niece of the bride, of Wichita Falls.

Following the ceremony an informal dinner was served and the bride and groom cut the wedding cake.

The bride was attired in navy and white with navy accessories, and her corsage was white orchids. The matron of honor wore navy with black accessories.

Mrs. Murri is employed in the cosmetic department of Renfro's Drug. Sgt. Murri is an instructor stationed at Sheppard Field.

After a short wedding trip the couple will be at home at 1507 Austin, Wichita Falls.

## FAMILY REUNION IN MR. AND MRS. W. C. BOWMAN HOME FEBRUARY 25th

A family reunion was held in the W. C. Bowman home in Spur on Thursday, Feb. 25, on Mr. Bowman's birthday. He is 81 years young.

As the daughters arrived each brought something to add to the birthday dinner, and with all the good things Mrs. Bowman had prepared, it was a bountiful feast.

Those present for this occasion were Mrs. Ray Sanders of Albany, Mrs. S. H. Twaddell of Amarillo, and Mrs. G. B. Whittle of Madill, Okla.

Mrs. Twaddell and Mrs. Whittle remained for a week's visit before returning to their homes.

When a friend wished Mr. Bowman "many happy returns of the day," he expressed the wish to be here to see Japs and Germans whipped and peace come again.

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## MISS ROSEMARY REHDETS AND SGT. ALLAN DEATON JR. MARRY IN GRAHAM SUNDAY

Miss Rosemary Rehde, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin G. Rehders of Graham, and Staff Sgt. Allan Deaton Jr., of Fort Sill, Okla., son of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Deaton Sr., of the Pitchfork ranch, were married in the First Christian church of Graham, Sunday, March 7, at 12 o'clock noon.

The impressive single-ring ceremony was read before the altar which was decorated with a basket of white and pink snapdragons and vases of pastel shaded flowers. A United States flag was furled in the background. The Rev. Clarence Warris, of the church, officiated.

Pre-nuptial music was offered by Miss Patsy Woods who sang "O Promise Me." Miss Woods was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Joe Shelby Clay. During the ceremony Mrs. Clay played softly "The Rosary." She also played the traditional wedding march and recessional.

The bride's only attendant was her sister, Mrs. J. Paul Brothers of Dallas. Mrs. Brothers wore a navy crepe dress and black fail hat with pink accessories and a corsage of pink carnations.

Sgt. Frank G. Taylor of Fort Sill attended Sgt. Deaton as best man.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a powder blue crepe dress, edged with white lace, and a veiled, off-the-face hat of navy blue. She carried a white Bible tied with white satin ribbon and topped with a bouquet of white carnations, ivy and forget-me-nots.

After the ceremony a reception dinner was held at the home of the bride's parents after which the bride's cake and coffee was served to members of the wedding party and relatives of the bride and groom.

The elace covered table was decorated with a fan-shaped bouquet of white and pink snapdragons and sweet peas. After the bride and groom had cut the first piece of cake, Mrs. Walter E. Gruben sliced and Mrs. J. Paul Brothers poured coffee.

For travel the bride wore a red wool suit with white blouse and black accessories and a corsage of white carnations.

Out-of-town relatives attending were Mr. and Mrs. George Valentine, Olney; Mrs. C. C. Corley, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Allan Deaton Sr., Mrs. J. C. Reynolds, Mrs. Fred J. Gordon and son Jimmie, Mrs. Wendell Deaton and daughter Patricia, all of Dickens; Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Gruben, Spur; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Deaton and Mrs. Frank A. Love and twins, Erwin and Derwin, South Bend.

After a brief wedding trip Sgt. and Mrs. Deaton will be at home in Lawton, Okla.

## MRS. ALMA HALE AND JACK LEWIS UNITE IN MARRIAGE

Mrs. Alma Hale and Mr. Jack Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Minnie Lewis of Spur, were united in marriage, Saturday night, Feb. 27, at 8:30 o'clock at the home of the bride. Rev. V. Silberry read the marriage service.

Only a few close friends and relatives were present.

The bride wore a dark blue suit with white blouse. Her corsage was of pink roses with pink streamers. She carried a white Bible.

For something old she wore a locket one hundred years old, borrowed from Mrs. Minnie Lewis, mother of the groom, that she had worn at her wedding, also worn by her mother at her wedding. For something borrowed she wore a blue ribbon in the locket.

Amidst the good wishes of friends, the wedding cake was cut and served with hot coffee to the following: Mrs. Minnie Lewis, Leon Hale, nephew of the bride, Mrs. L. Allen and daughter, and Kermit Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis will make their home in Spur.

## JUNIOR STUDY CLUB MEETS AT SPUR THEATRE

The Junior Study club assembled at the Spur theatre Friday afternoon for another of a series of programs. A short business session was held after which the following program was rendered:

The story of "The Star Spangled Banner" by Vennie Marie Lewis. The story of "Tis of Thee," by Annette Lee; a piano solo, "Soldiers On Parade," by Carolyn Kelley, a piano duet, "The Star Spangled Banner," Charles Lewis and John E. Berry.

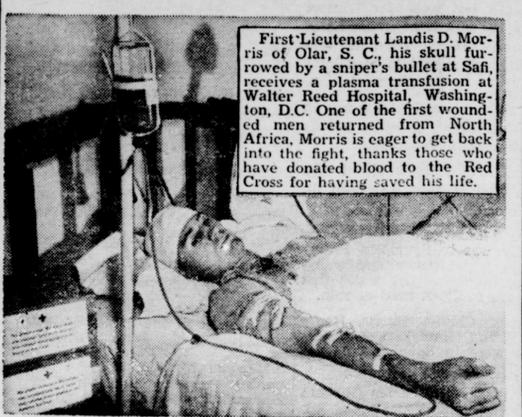
Richard Lunsford, formerly of Spur, now living at Olney, favored the club with two accordion numbers. They were: "The Young Accordionist" and "The Accordionette Waltz."

## YOU'LL LIKE OUR COOKING

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## RED CROSS BLOOD PLASMA RATES TOP PRIORITY WITH ARMED FORCES



First Lieutenant Landis D. Morris of Olar, S. C., his skull furrowed by a sniper's bullet at Safi, receives a plasma transfusion at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D.C. One of the first wounded men returned from North Africa, Morris is eager to get back into the fight, thanks those who have donated blood to the Red Cross for having saved his life.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A landing at Safi, white robed Arabs ignoring rifle fire to burn cigarettes, a bullet's sting and a docemom pumping life-saving plasma into his veins—these are vivid recollections of Lieutenant Landis D. Morris of Olar, S. C.

One of the first wounded men returned from North Africa to Walter Reed hospital here, Morris can joke now as he waits for an ugly gutter wound in his skull to heal.

"I made the mistake of sticking my head up twice in the same place," he says with a grimace. "That's how the sniper got me." Then, more seriously:

"That doctor was a whiz. Kept humming all the time he was taking the bones out. If it hadn't been for blood plasma, I guess I wouldn't be here today."

Morris isn't the first soldier whose life has been saved by plasma from blood donated through the Red Cross. The miracles began at Pearl Harbor and have been happening ever since.

Returning recently from North Africa, Major General James C. Magee, surgeon general of the Army, told of case after case in which plasma has meant the difference between life and death.

"In one instance," he says, "four hundred men were badly burned aboard ship. Treatment was given promptly and all ex-

cept six recovered. Blood plasma gets the credit to a very large degree."

In Alaska, a rescue party headed by Major Milo Fritz hiked on snowshoes to reach a pilot crashed on an isolated mountain range. They got there just in time for plasma transfusions to pull him out of shock caused by a broken leg and ten days' exposure.

Out of the jungles of New Guinea comes a direct plea to America for more plasma. According to Major Simon Warman, formerly of St. Mary's hospital in Grand Rapids, plasma gets A-1 priority right up to the battle lines.

"We need it, all we can get, right now," he says. "I don't know who donated the blood that saved my life," says Morris. "But if the people in the United States only knew what it means to us out there on the battlefield—well, I think we could count on them to give the four million pints the Army and Navy have asked the Red Cross to collect this year."

Unfortunately, not everyone can give blood to the Red Cross, but they can contribute to the 1943 War Fund for \$125,000,000, part of which will be used to support this phase of the Red Cross program which often means the difference between life and death to American fighting men.

## "Minute Sermon"

By Rev. Karl O. Bayer

### IN QUIETNESS

"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10.

It is undoubtedly a trite thing to say that is not a quiet day in which we live. It is anything but quiet. Noises bombard us from every direction. Large cities are forced to invent machines to measure the amount of noise rumbling through their canyon like streets. Then they must pass laws designed to cut down the noise. But large cities are not alone in their noisiness. Even your smallest town is a victim. It seems as if we had arrived at such a distracted state of mind that we must surround ourselves with a wide assortment of clashing and banging and blaring. The more, the better we like it.

Then we wonder why calmness and serenity have gone out of our lives. We wonder where it was that we lost our way and our grand purpose. We are troubled about the loss of inner resources of strength and joy.

The time is surely ripe for a new declaration of independence. Nothing could help more these days than for every one of us to declare that henceforth and forevermore we were going to reserve a portion of each day for meditation and prayer, for communion with our souls. This would not (we are emphatically insistent just here) be idle day dreaming or mental meandering down some rose strewn path. It would not be a retreat from reality. Rather, it would be a facing up with the final meaning, a rediscovery of ourselves and our souls, and gradually so, it would lead to a rediscovery of God.

You see, it works this way. The noises and strivings of the world drive out every impulse toward God you may have had. While you are listening to some unconscious voice over a blaring radio proclaiming the virtues of the newest cure—all just discovered in the highlands of Tibet you will

not be able to hear the still, small voice within. And during the hours that the latest popular band is riving the air with discordant sound waves you will be in no mood to hear heavenly music.

Perhaps you are satisfied with frayed out nerves and ragged dispositions, the natural product of noise. More probably you are not satisfied and are secretly yearning for release from the crush of this noisy age. Then, if you are genuinely concerned, you must heed Christ's word. His wisdom is still the final wisdom. You remember His word to His stired disciples? "Come ye apart into a quiet place and rest awhile."

In quietness is one's strength renewed. If that is true of our physical bodies how much more

is it true of our spiritual selves. "Be still and know that I am God." Those moments that you will spend in quietness will bring peace to your life, strength to your purpose, and the benediction of God within.

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Herman Coe, Pastor  
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.  
Morning worship 11 a. m.  
Special subject: "The Church."  
Special music by Bonnie Beth Henry and Virginia Ruth Shugart.  
Training union 7:30 p. m.  
Evening worship 8:30 p. m.

S. I. Powell made a business trip to Abilene Saturday.

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday school at 10 a. m.  
Church services at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. Morning sermon: "Will a Man Rob God?" by the pastor, Rev. John C. Ramsay, Th. M.  
Kingdom Highway League at 7:30 p. m., Mrs. Pete Robinson, adult advisor.

Following the morning service a congregational meeting has been authorized by the Session for the Adoption of the church budget for the year beginning April 1, and for the election of additional deacons.

Every member of the church is especially requested to be present. The public is invited.

**FOODS CLOVER FARM STORES MEATS**

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	NOT RATIONED—8 Oz. Pkg.	
<b>CORN SUGAR</b>	NO STAMPS NECESSARY	
CLOVER FARM		
<b>OATS</b>	No Stamps Necessary	<b>21c</b>
	3 Lb. Pkg.	
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	18 Oz. Box	
WEEK END SPECIAL		
<b>LAYER CAKE</b>		<b>39c</b>
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	Pound	
	<b>PORK SHOULDER ROAST</b>	<b>32c</b>
	Pound	
	<b>ASSORTED LUNCH MEATS</b>	<b>29c</b>
	Pound	
	<b>CRISPY COLD VEGETABLES</b>	
	<b>BULK CARROTS</b>	<b>4c</b>
	Pound	
	<b>FRESH SPINACH</b>	<b>12c</b>
	Pound	
	<b>AVACADOS</b>	<b>25c</b>
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## Board of Directors, Chamber of Commerce

## WCSA MEETS MARCH 8

The WCSA met in regular meeting March 8, with Mrs. J. C. Payne presiding. After a short business session, Mrs. Dea Hairgrove gave a very interesting discussion on "Will a Man Rob God?" by Ralph S. Cushman, the new study in stewardship.

Those present were Meses. J. C. Payne, Lester Ericson, J. J. Ensey, L. R. Barrett, Ray Penn, Mack Woodrum, Jack McCulley, Dee Hairgrove.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Miss Etta Fite.

## EAST WARD PTA HOLDS REGULAR MEETING MARCH 9

East Ward PTA met in their regular meeting, Tuesday, March 9, with Mrs. O. L. Kelley presiding. After a short business session, Mrs. A. M. Walker led a round table discussion on "War Time Planning for Children," which was very helpful and interesting.

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### Formby and Moffett Urge Research For New Cotton Uses

Continued research for new cotton and cottonseed is being strongly urged by Senators Geo. Moffett of Chillicothe, and Marshall Formby of McAadoo and Plainview, both of whom successfully sponsored similar legislation two years ago.

Moffett is chairman of the Agricultural committee in the State Senate, and Formby is a member of the committee.

Considerable research has been done in the laboratories of Texas A. & M. college, Texas Technological college, Lubbock, and the University of Texas, during the past year, and considerable headway has been made in finding new uses for cotton and cottonseed.

As a result of this research, it may soon be possible to feed hogs and poultry unlimited amounts of cottonseed meal, something which has not been thought safe in the past.

At Texas Tech encouraging progress has been made in the direction of discovering uses for the cotton fiber in connection with the manufacture of synthetic leather, insulating materials, wall-paper, etc. Also experiments are being made in making plastic building materials out of cotton burs.

At the University of Texas a process of chemically treating the cotton fiber has been developed whereby the strength of the cotton yarn is increased by approximately 40 per cent, thereby making West Texas short staple cotton equivalent in spinning strength to Mississippi Delta cotton.

Moffett and Formby are requesting the present Legislature to continue appropriation for this deserving research work. Both pointed out that if these experiments had been in progress for the past twenty years, there would be no surplus of cotton lint on the market today.

#### R. AND MRS. AFTON RICHARDS VISITORS AT SPUR OFFICE MONDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Afton Richards and children of Aspermont were visitors Monday at the Texas Spur office with Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hull.

Mr. Richards is editor and publisher of the Aspermont Star. They were returning home from Anton where they attended a family reunion last week end in the home of Mrs. Richards parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Bass. Others present at the reunion were Pvt. Arthur Bass of Camp Claiborn, La., Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Bass, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Watson of Muleshoe, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Govens and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Bass and family, all of Crosbyton, and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hopper of Floydada, and Mrs. G. H. Richards of Anton.

### Cooperation Does It



Two Yanks and an Australian Digger, members of the combined force under Generals MacArthur and Blamey who drove the Japanese out of Papua, move signal gear up to the front. Fine cooperation on the part of the Americans and Australians achieved this notable victory over the enemy.

#### Did You Know

Approximately 77,000 acres of rubber are under cultivation in Liberia.

Japanese residents of Brazil total about 180,000.

Alaska has a coastline of 26,000 miles.

New York City receives 4,000 carloads of food and fuel every 24 hours.

Boric acid, the common eye lotion, is prepared from borax mined in Dath Valley.

In 1922 American farmers raised 5 million bushels of soybeans. The 1942 crop was 200 million bushels.

The federal government has granted 230,286,000 acres of public lands to the individual states.

Mrs. Dwayne Mateer of Oklahoma City, accompanied by Judge Alton Chapman of Floydada, attended the funeral services for Judge Chapman of Abilene who died suddenly at his home there Sunday. Judge Chapman is a brother of Mrs. Ollie Albin of Spur.

Clyde Walthall, who has been employed in the Safeway store here, left last week for Winters where he will manage the Safeway store. Mrs. Walthall and children will join him at a later date.

G. F. Harris of McAadoo was in Spur last Friday greeting friends and transacting business.

Mrs. Arthur Swanner, of five miles west of town, has been ill, but is somewhat improved.

Lee Mimms of Wichita community was in Spur last Friday talking with friends and transacting business. Lee states that they are badly in need of rain.

Mmes. Charlie Harris, Henry Harris and Giles Turner of McAadoo were in Spur on business last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Gabbert, son-in-law and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Keen, are moving this week from Post to six miles east of Lubbock, to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Howe of Lubbock arrived in Spur Saturday to visit with friends for two or three days. Mr. Howe is with the U. S. Service, training to be a radio technician. He is being transferred to Oklahoma City, where he will take further training. Mrs. Howe will accompany him.

Mrs. Gilcrease and children visited here parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Glass and family last week.

Mrs. B. F. Haney of Afton was in Spur on business Friday.

Mrs. Floyd Wolfe left Sunday for Fort Worth to visit with her daughter, Elizabeth, who is in defense work there.

Mrs. Earl Butler of Croton was in Spur Saturday greeting friends and shopping.

Mrs. C. B. Chandler, who returned last Friday from a visit in Corpus Christi, is slightly ill this week.

James Victor Allen of Texas Tech, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Allen of Spur.

Miss Margaret Weaver, Texas Tech student, was home for a week end visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Weaver.

Mrs. C. H. Elliott made a trip to Paducah on business Monday. Cecil Fox and family spent the day Sunday in Girard, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Blackwell.

Mrs. J. B. Martin and baby, who have been visiting her mother and sister, Mrs. J. B. Whitwell and Mrs. O. R. Cloude, has gone to San Diego, Calif., to spend some time with her husband, Pfc. Johnnie Martin, who is stationed there.

Mrs. E. C. McGee spent last week in Pampa visiting her daughter, Mrs. Willie Dee Bell. She was accompanied by Mrs. Walter Jimison who will visit her husband, Pvt. Jimison who is stationed there.

Mrs. Woodrow Simmons, daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Simmons of Spur, writes that her baby who recently suffered severe burns, was recovering.

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LOST: Female Cocker Spaniel 7 months old, white with brown spots; was wearing collar when last seen. Reward for her return. Gene Roberts at the Ford Tractor Agency. 1tc

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#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF T. W. COLLIER, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the Estate of T. W. Collier, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 1st day of February, 1943, by the County Court of Dickens County, Texas. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address are Spur, County of Dickens, State of Texas. RUBY WALSWORTH.

Arthur Sharp of Espuela was on the streets Saturday visiting with friends and trading.

Judge W. D. Wilson of Lubbock was in Spur Saturday looking after business and greeting friends.

Dick Sampson, rancher of Kent county, was in Spur Saturday transacting business.

Mrs. W. C. Webb of Gilpin was shopping in Spur Saturday.

Iverson Yeates was in Spur from Afton Saturday trading with the Spur merchants.

Dr. and Mrs. O. R. Cloude made a business trip to Lubbock last Wednesday. They were accompanied by Mrs. J. B. Whitwell, who visited in the homes of her sons, Homer and Felix Whitwell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Keen are visiting their son and family in Midland this week. They go to make the acquaintance of a new grandson, John Clay Keen, born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Keen Feb. 5.

Dennis Harkey, the abstract and real estate man, was over from Dickens Saturday greeting friends and transacting business.

Mrs. Kenneth Ziegler and baby, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Hogan of Spur, left Feb. 11, to join her husband who is a W. O. officer in McClellan Field, Calif.

Mrs. W. F. Shuagrt, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hines, made a week end trip to Childress where they visited relatives and friends.

Mrs. J. A. Hood of Lubbock visited in Spur last week the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Keen.

Mrs. J. D. Guyer of Croton was in Spur Saturday greeting friends and trading with Spur merchants.

Bud Morrison was in from the Morrison ranch Saturday transacting business.

L. J. Hurst was over from Lubbock Saturday and spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hurst. L. J. is attending a defense school and states he likes his work very much.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Legg, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Legg, were in from the Croton community Saturday transacting business.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gabriel and family made a trip recently to Wayne, Okla. to be with Mrs. Gabriel's brother, Kamel Cohlma, who has been inducted into the army. He reported to Ft. Sill, Okla. for training. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cohlma, parents of Mrs. Gabriel.

### SOME SENSE SOME NONSENSE

Pop: "And that, my son, is how the First World war was won." Junior: "Pop, why did they need all those other soldiers?"

A doctor and a lawyer were arguing over their respective professions. "I don't say that all lawyers are crooks," said the doctor, "but you'll have to admit that the legal profession doesn't make angels of men."

"You're right," answered the lawyer, "you doctors certainly have the better of us there."

Shopper: "But this talking doll won't talk." Bright Clerk: "No, I'm sorry. You see, it's supposed to belong to the diplomatic service."

"Where did you get that blonde you were with last night?" "I don't know. I just opened my billfold and there she was."

"There are two things bridge has taught women—concentration and self-control," says the writer. Not to mention the art of opening cans and how to buy a meal at the delicatessen counter.

#### LOST LUNCH AND TEETH

George C. Skelton, terminal railway worker at Kansas City, Mo., left in a street car shelter one of his two lunch boxes—the one that contained all \$65 worth of his teeth.

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Notice is hereby given of an election to be held at the first building north of the City Hall of the City of Spur, Texas, on the first Tuesday in April, 1943, same being the 6th day of April, 1943, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and two Commissioners for the City of Spur, Texas. M. H. BRANNEN, Mayor, City of Spur.

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During the 1943 registration year, a small license tab, size 1" x 4" will be used to validate the 1942 plates. The 1942 license plates must remain on the vehicle. The tab contains only one bolt hole. Registrants please be advised that the 1943 tab must be securely fastened to the 1942 plates now on the vehicle but no specific place for attachment is required.

I solicit your cooperation in complying with the above requirements.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS **MARCH 31st**

## D. F. Christopher

Sheriff, Tax Collector-Assessor