

## STERLING CITY ITS VERY BEGINNING

When Surveyor H. B. Tarver of San Angelo surveyed and mapped the streets, alleys and public square in Sterling City back in 1890, people from many parts of Texas came to build their homes and grow with the new town.

The reason they added "City" to Sterling, was because a postoffice called "Sterling" had been established at the Rice ranch on Sterling Creek, so they added "City" to Sterling and made it Sterling City.

As I have before stated, most of the pioneers of the new town were the best, industrious and God-fearing people.

The only entertainment they had was homemade. Few of us had ever seen an electric light, none of us had ever seen an automobile, a "safety" bicycle or airplane. We had heard of telephones, but there were none within 200 miles of us. Phonograph, radio and moving pictures were unknown to us then. Our chief entertainment consisted of dances, picnics, barbecues, horse races, and when the preacher came, he would build a big brush arbor near the school house where we had our revivals most all the time from frost to frost. Everybody came and brought their children and dogs and had a good time. Next to a "hoss-bell" the man who got so low down to pester the meeting, was the preacher of criminals. He rarely ever lied it but once.

While Dick Holloway and Mike Sullivan were helping to build the first brush arbor on the grounds where our present school building now stands, Mike said: "Dick, I'll bet you a cow that you will get religion and join the church before this meeting closes."

"You have made a bet," said Dick. "So when old Brother Deats opened the meeting the next Sunday, Mike and Dick were there with their families, along with everybody else within twenty miles of Sterling City. One night after the meeting had been going on for several days, the mourners bench" was crowded with penitents, Dick rose up and began giving testimony of his conversion and when they were through with receiving him into the church, Dick shouted: "Mike, come tomorrow and get your cow. You have won the bet. I have sure got religion and have done joined the church, and I don't care who knows it."

Until his dying day, Dick Holloway lived up to the vows he made that night.

Mike Sullivan was a big hearted old cowpuncher. He already had religion clear to the bottom of his pockets. While he was always doing a good turn for somebody, Mike was a wag. He was always having fun at somebody's expense.

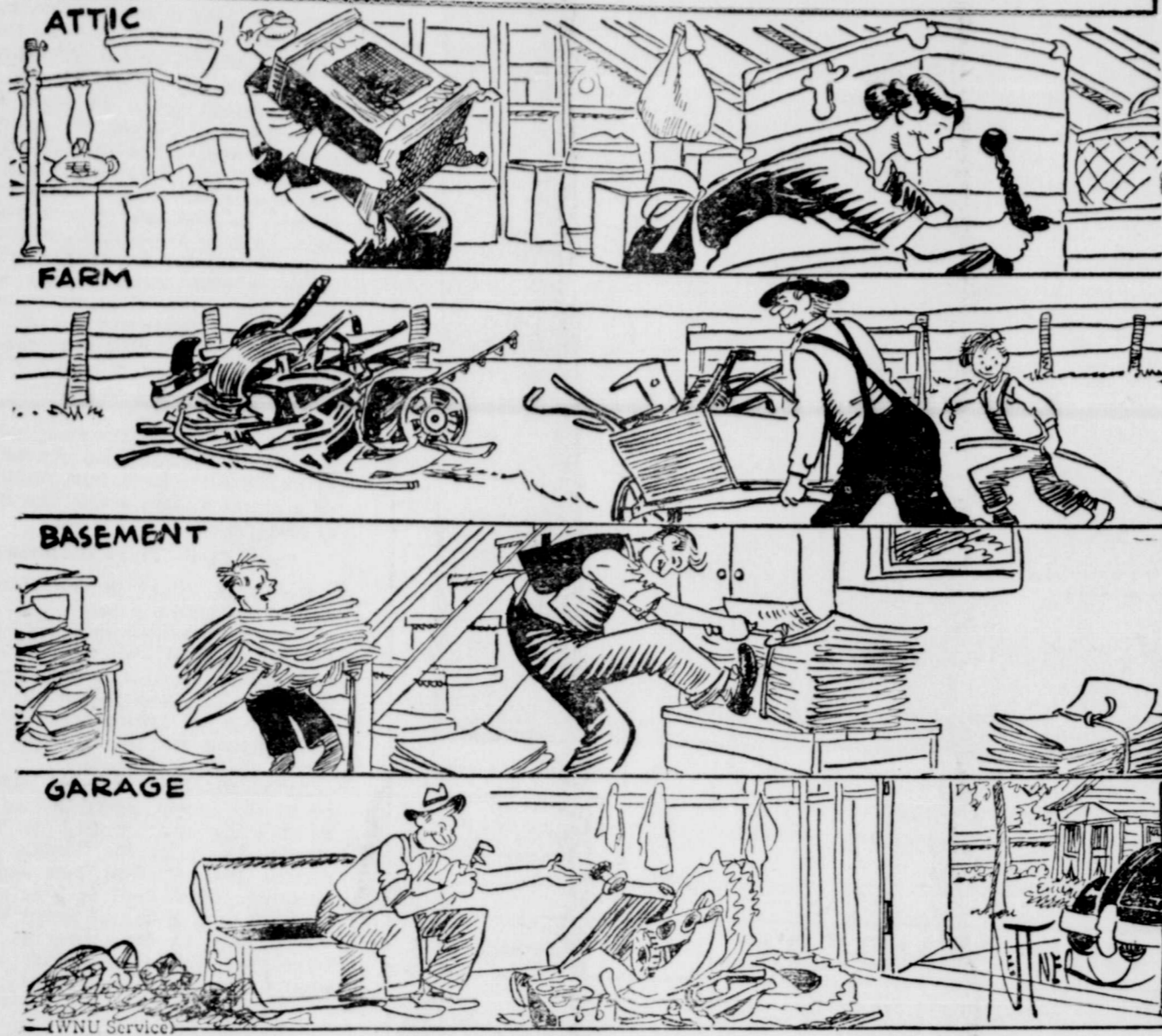
One day Mike came to town and met Constable Blair and wanted to see Constable Blair's pistol. The old man was a good natured, kind hearted individual, reached down in his pocket and drew out a little gun wrapped in a red flannel cloth. After the old man got the gun unwrapped he handed it to Mike. Mike asked: "Will it shoot?"

"I don't know. I have not shot it yet."

Then Mike began pulling the trigger until the last cartridge was expended. The bullets all lodged in the ground near Constable Blair's

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## National Treasure Hunt for Salvage



## Fire Destroys Grass and Livestock

A most destructive grass fire broke out in the Stanley Turner pasture shortly afternoon yesterday and rapidly spread to several adjoining pastures south and southwest of Water Valley, burning the grass off more than 20 sections of land before it was brought under control. Both our fire trucks joined the San Angelo trucks in fighting the flames. The Sunset Motor Lines brought a detachment of soldiers out from San Angelo to assist in whipping out the fire.

Aside from the loss of range forage, it is thought that the loss in livestock is heavy. One ranchman is said to have had 1,000 sheep in a pasture that was entirely burned over. It being about 11 o'clock last night when the fire was finally extinguished no check on the loss of livestock could be made.

The fire is said to have been started by a ranch hand while burning the carcass of a dead sheep.

Assistant fire chief Joe Emery is unstinted in his praise of the splendid work of the soldiers. He says the civilian fire fighters following his trucks would not stay on the job, and would let the fire re-kindle behind the trucks; but when the soldiers began mopping up no fire broke out behind the trucks.

## Hodges-Denton Wedding

Last Saturday morning, July 4, Miss Orella Hodges became the bride of John Wesley Denton of Comstock, at the ranch home of her mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. George Case. Rev. L. O. Ryan, local Methodist pastor officiating.

Soon after the ceremony, the couple left on a honeymoon trip to Dallas, Waco, and Corpus Christi. They will be at home in Comstock.

The bride is a graduate of the Sterling City High School and Texas Tech where she received the B. S. degree with a major in home economics. For the last year, she has been head of the home making department of the high school of Rock Springs.

## LIBERTY LIMERICKS



A go-getting salesman named Bill,  
Said—"We've got an order to fill—  
So sign up that pledge,  
Buy Bonds—and don't 'hedge.'  
We can—and we must—and we will!"

Help America smash the Axis. Put 10% of your income into War Bonds and Stamps every payday.

## Barbecue and Rodeo July 15

In honor of the boys who are to leave for the army soon, the citizens of Sterling County will give them a free barbecue at the City Park on Wednesday, July 15.

The day's program will be started at 10:00 o'clock with goat roping. A free barbecue dinner will be served at 12:00 o'clock noon at the park. The afternoon program begins at 2:00 o'clock with the following: Goat roping, ladies' barrel race, men's boot race, ladies and men's Nanny hair pulling, goat roping, ladies' flag race, men's cigar race, novelty race and matched roping. A jack pot will be given for the best three roping averages.

A dance will be held that night at the Sterling Wool and Mohair Warehouse.

Everybody is invited to come and wish our boys good luck and a safe return when the war is over.

It will be one of those good old time barbecues where most everything is free.

## We Get In on The Foraging

County Agent, H. P. Malloy, who looks after the health and well being of Sterling County's chickens, turkeys, pigs, sheep, horses and cows, as well as the crops, orchards and gardens. While out on his rounds, he sometime forages. The other day when out on the Divide, he stopped at the H. G. Garlingtons where they donated a generous lot of Irish potatoes which they had raised in their war garden. The News-Record family came in for a share of these fine potatoes, for which we are thankful. The Garlingtons are to be congratulated on raising such fine spuds. Malloy will tell you how to raise spuds.

Perry Dawson, Drivers License Examiner will not be here on the last Tuesday of July or the first Tuesday of August. Holders whose license expires during these two weeks may get their extension during the next two Tuesdays of July.

## "THE SPIRIT OF LIDICE"

As in many other counties in Texas, McLennan County plans to buy two bombers.

One of these bombers is to be christened, "Spirit of Lidice" in memory of the little town of Lidice in Czechoslovakia which two weeks ago was wiped out by the German Gestapo in revenge for the shooting of Reinhardt Heyrich, Hitler's favorite butcher and hangman, near that place.

Heyrich had spilled enough innocent blood to float a battleship before some avenger's bullet found its mark. Then the Gestapo began to murder anyone whom they disliked or thought had anything to do with the killing.

After shooting men and women by the hundreds these bloody devils wiped out the small town by murdering every male person over 17 years of age, deported all the women to prison camps and all the children to prison schools. Then they leveled all the buildings of the village, drove all the pigs and cows away and left nothing but scorched earth and the Spirit of Lidice to tell the tale of Hitler's "New Order."

Here in this peaceful village where farmer, miner and craftsman lived, worshiped at the same church and traded at the same store, loved, married, laughed, danced and sang in peaceful contentment, nothing is left except blackened ruins and innocent blood upon the ground calling for vengeance.

"Vengeance is mine saith the Lord, and I will repay."

There are thousands of Czechs in the north part of McLennan county whose ancestors came from Bohemia and Moravia and settled there in the 70's and 80's. They were an honest, industrious, patriotic and God fearing people.

Many of them have kin who are being oppressed and murdered by Hitler's bloody monsters. Is it any wonder that the Bohemians and Moravians in McLennan County are giving their golden wedding gifts and their hords of cash to buy a bomber bearing the name, "Spirit of Lidice". They have heard the blood of Lidice crying from the ground.

May the "Spirit of Lidice" wing its way across the ocean and pester Hitler's dream of conquest. May it rain fire and brimstone upon Hitler's wicked cities as was done to Sodom and Gomorrah of old.—Uncle Bill

## Still Plenty of Scrap Iron

Henry Malloy, County Agricultural Agent of the Texas A & M, College Extension Service, states that in his travels among the farms and ranches that scrap metal is still seen. Old windmill castings, discarded gasoline engines, and odds and ends, such as worn out and discarded farm machinery that is taking up space and is of no use or value in its present state, when the government is asking that this scrap be brought in and put in the trade channel. This scrap is necessary in the manufacture of implements of war. Bring it in or notify the County Agent and we will try and get it hauled. "Mitch" has been buying all that has been brought in.

Jim Bob Clark is at home on a furlough visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Clark.



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**SOUTH IN DEFENSE OF THE GERMANS**

Congressman Charles L. South, in a speech made on August 30, 1939, assailed the Versailles Treaty that followed the World War as a cause for turning of Germany into an 'outlaw nation,' and South branded that treaty—from Germany's standpoint—as "unjust, unreasonable, and without the spirit of conscience." District Attorney O. C. Fisher, candidate for Congress, revealed in Independence Day speeches made at Brady, Sabinal, and Cherokee last week.

"The victorious nations," South was quoted as having said, "were drunk with victory and thus put the yoke of defeat too heavily on the German State. 'So, secretly,' South continued, "Germany rearmend and has grown to be an outlaw, seeking to regain her lost station."

Fisher produced and read from a photostatic copy of a letter, written and signed by South, addressed to J. J. Goodfellow of San Angelo, dated September 11, 1939, in which South set out the quotations from his speech, given above, and South said, they were "substantially" correct.

"I do not share that line of thought," Fisher said. "Hitler's ability in the short space of six years to build a rauderous war machine of unparalleled proportions is proof sufficient that the Versailles Treaty did not deprive him of access to a good share of the natural resources of the world."

"Yet," he went on, "some few people, including Congressman South, have taken the position that Germany was forced to rearm in order to regain that which, they claim, she was unjustly deprived of at the end of the last war."

Senator Lee O'Daniel is telling the people that he is not worrying about the war. It will soon be over, he says. All he is worrying about is his election to the senate. Jimmy Allred, Dan Moody and most all Texas people are worrying about their sons who are scattered all over the face of the globe fighting for the existence of their homeland. But Lee O' is not worrying. More music Mike. Give 'em "Fido's Retreat to the-Rye Patch," "Jack and Jinny Blowing up Coals" and "Hickory Suck and a Poplar Pole" while Pappy pours the bull into the ears of those who don't givadam.—Uncle Bill

Don't kick if your boy is called to fight for his country. Your boy may be a good boy, but he is no better than any other boy. You may need him at home to help you run your business, but this is your war, my war and everybody's war. If we lose the war, what do you think you and your business would be worth if you had a Jap to run it for you? This is the day for our sacrifice. We must lay everything we have on the altar of our country, even tho it hurts. Don't be a slacker and let the world point the finger of scorn at your boy because you made a slacker of him.

**New Cartoon Sells War Bonds**



The above cartoon poster, especially drawn to promote the sale of War Bonds and Stamps, will soon be seen throughout the United States. It is one of four new posters stressing new themes in the War Bond campaign. U. S. Treasury Dept.

**OUR DEMOCRACY** — by Mat



**STERLING CITY**

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feet, but the old man did not bat an eye. He was not afraid of Mike or any other man as for that matter. As Mike handed the gun back, the old man said:

"Mike, you are going to pay me for those cartridges you wasted."

Mike bought a new box of cartridges for the old man.

Today, most of the people would think that was an awful breach of decorum, but at that time it was looked upon as a joke—and it was.

One day a drunk was out in the public square telling the world that he was a wolf and it was his day to howl.

Sheriff Bill Hiler went out and informed the drunk that he was a wolf catcher and that he was out gathering wolves. Bill was on horseback and the drunk was afoot. The drunk informed Bill that he

was a very bad man, and that no sheriff could arrest him. Bill pitched his rope around the drunk's waist and trotted him off to the court house where he tied him, there was no jail. Next morning Bill gave him a breakfast and told him to make tracks for home. He did. It was a primitive method of abating a nuisance, but it worked.—Uncle Bill

Just twenty-five days before Pearl Harbor, Free Postage Charley South stood upon his hind legs on the floor of the House and spake thusly unto the people:

"It will take from four to six million men to stop Hitler. I am not willing to pay the price. It is not worth it."

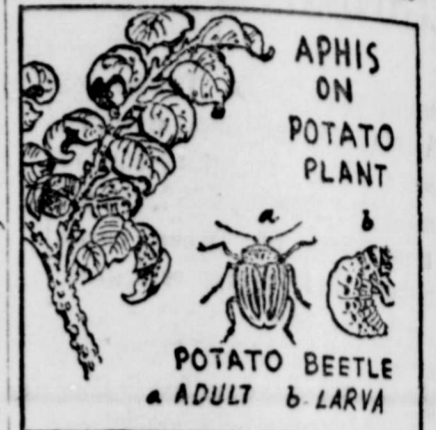
When Hitler's Fridays heard it they shouted: "heil for Herr South!" At the same time certain West Texans shook their fists and hollered: "South, you done tore your britches with us."

**WAR GARDEN INSECT SERIES—No. 6**

**In the Last War It Was the "Kaiser Bug" on Potatoes**

During World War I, a scare of considerable proportions developed, when potato aphid appeared "from nowhere." Many people had not seen the aphid on potatoes before, and they thought that this new (to them) pest must be in some way connected with the war—so they called it the "Kaiser bug." However, it was only the old-time, well-known potato aphid. In years favorable to aphid, it can be very destructive and will practically wipe out a potato field unless protective action is taken quickly. Therefore, it will be well to inspect your growing crop from time to time, watching for small, glistening green or pink insects. They are about one-eighth of an inch long. They are not active and are seldom seen to move, and usually crowd as thick as they can stick once an infestation really gets started.

potato beetles are also present, use a solution several times stronger and you will kill their young, which are found as small reddish worms on the leaves. If the beetles have a good start, then paris green or lead arsenate spraying will be needed to kill the adults. If spraying for blight is being done with Bordeaux mixture, the Black Leaf 40 may be added, thus eliminating the labor of double spraying. In addition to the potato beetle



Tomatoes are close relatives of the potato plant and the same aphid attacks those plants also. As many as 24,688 aphids have been counted on a single tomato plant. The loss of plant juices is enormous.

**Aphid Carry Plant Diseases**

Severe injury is sometimes caused by certain diseases, such as mosaics and leaf roll, to which both the potato and the tomato are susceptible. Aphids carry these diseases. The destruction of the early crop of aphids when they first appear will hold down the spread of these diseases.

As in the case of most insect pests, the proper procedure is to move early and quickly to the attack. Don't let the insects get started badly before you begin spraying. Black Leaf 40 (one teaspoonful to a gallon of soapy water) applied to the plants at intervals of two or three days will control the severest outbreak. If

(or Colorado potato bug, as it is sometimes known), damage may be expected from the potato leafhopper. This insect appears on potatoes and spreads to eggplant, rhubarb, dahlia and horse bean, and causes its main damage through hopperburn or tip burn, which appears first as a triangular spot of brown at the tip of the leaf and spreads till the whole leaf except a part along the middle looks as if it had been shriveled by fire or drought. If tiny insects are found on the under-side of the leaf, they will very likely prove to be leafhoppers, the cause of the trouble. Bordeaux mixture will control the leafhopper, as will also the Black Leaf 40 spray, but both must be applied early while the leafhoppers are in the nymph stage. The adult hoppers fly all over the place and are hard to control once they reach the adult stage.



**RE-ELECT**  
**BASCOM GILES**  
Commissioner  
of the  
**General Land Office**

HEAR HIM  
**Friday 8:30 P. M.**  
Texas Quality Network  
WFAA—WBAP—WOAI—KPRC  
(Political advertisement)

Just four months before Pearl Harbor, Senator O'Daniel voted with the Isolationists to disband the U.S. army. Don't you know that Hitler and Hirohito 'heiled' for Lee O', Wheeler, Fish, and Mercantonio when they voted that way? Lord, what a mess we would have been in if Lee O' could have had his way! Four months after Lee O' voted to disband the army, then Pearl Harbor! It was bad enough as it was, but suppose the sailors and soldiers had all been sent home when the Japs rapped Pearl Harbor, what do you think would have happened to us? Yet, they tell me that Lee O' is a man of wisdom and foresight. But he can fiddle and sing. Any man can do that while the world is on fire is going to get some votes, but not mine.—Uncle Bill

In order to keep eggs fresher, get rid of the roosters and store eggs in cool places. An infertile egg remains fresh much longer than a fertile one.

**Charter No. 9813**  
Reserve District No. 11  
**REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF**  
**The First National Bank**

OF STERLING CITY, IN THE STATE OF TEXAS.

At the close of business on June 30, 1942.

Published in response to call made by Comptroller of Currency under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes

**ASSETS**

|   |                       |
|---|-----------------------|
| Loans and discounts, (including \$459.70 overdrafts),   | \$286,341.19          |
| United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed,  | 116,000.00            |
| Corporate stocks, including stock of Federal Reserve bank   | 4,800.00              |
| Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection | 612,780.55            |
| Bank premises owned \$5,000.00, furniture and fixtures \$1000.00                                    | 6,000.00              |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>   | <b>\$1,025,921.74</b> |

**LIABILITIES**

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Demand deposits, of individuals, partnerships and corporations  | \$783,146.74        |
| Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings) | 1,561.24            |
| Deposits of States and political subdivisions                   | 22,317.84           |
| Other deposits (certified and cashiers' checks, etc.)           | 32.00               |
| <b>Total deposits</b>   | <b>\$807,028.54</b> |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>  | <b>\$807,028.54</b> |

**CAPITAL ACCOUNT**

|  |                       |
|--|-----------------------|
| Common stock, total par \$60,000.00          | \$60,000.00           |
| Surplus                                      | 100,000.00            |
| Undivided profits                            | 58,893.11             |
| <b>Total Capital Account</b>                 | <b>\$218,893.11</b>   |
| <b>Total Liabilities and Capital Account</b> | <b>\$1,025,921.74</b> |

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Sterling, ss:  
I, J. S. Cole, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
J. S. Cole, Cashier  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of July, 1942.  
[Seal] W. W. Durham  
Notary Public

**CORRECT—Attest:**  
J. T. Davis  
J. L. Glass  
Rufus W. Foster } Directors



Local Items

Apartment for rent to couple  
Aldaire. Phone 4013 2t pd

My home in Sterling City for sale.  
Mrs. Lena Fandt tf

Good Saddle for sale. See Harry  
Bernathbey. 4t. pd.

Born: On the 6th. to Mr. and  
I. T. Caps, a girl.

Dr. Roy E. Glass of San Angelo,  
visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs.  
L. Glass last Sunday.

Mrs. Glasscock of Big Lake has  
taken over the job of carrying the  
mail between Big Lake and Sterling  
City.

Mrs. James R. M. Neill and Floyd  
Bernathbey of Odessa, are visiting  
their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry  
Bernathbey.

Mr. and Mrs. Dorbant Barton and  
Dorbant J., of Fort Stockton,  
visited Mrs. C. N. Crawford the first  
of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thad Ayers of Colo-  
rado City were last week end  
visiting Mrs. Ayers' parents, Mr.  
and Mrs. A. W. Dearen.

Mrs. Lay Powell and daughter,  
Mrs. Smith of Colorado City, visited  
their friends here today. The  
Powells are among the pioneers of  
Sterling.

Mrs. George Denton and son, Geo.  
Denton, Jr., of Waco, were callers  
at this office last Saturday. She  
attended the Denton-Hodges wed-  
ding at the Case ranch home. Mrs.  
Denton was formerly Miss Lula  
Johnson and was a pupil of this  
school when he taught school at  
Sterling in 1880.

John W. Canon of Sheffield was  
visiting his sister, Mrs. Helen Lyles  
yesterday. Mr. Canon was one of  
the early pioneers of Sterling County  
while this was a part of Tom Green  
County. Some of the old timers  
here can recall when John Canon  
was a substantial rancher in the  
east part of this county. Claude  
Phillips now owns the land which  
was used by Mr. Canon as a pasture.

Boyce House, author of "I Give  
You Texas", and candidate for  
Lieutenant Governor paid this town  
call last Wednesday.

House has a fine personality and  
you don't intend to support him,  
you had better not meet him, be-  
cause if you do, he has got you and  
gone with you.

If he is elected, we shall have a  
Lieutenant Governor.

Mrs. Pat Kellis and son, Jim Tom  
Kellis, returned last Monday from  
Coleman where they had been visit-  
ing Mrs. Kellis' mother, Mrs. Sam  
Kellis and other relatives in Cole-  
man. Billy Sam Kellis who joined  
his mother and brother in the visit,  
remained and will spend a week or  
more hunting bumble bees which he  
thinks are domiciled on "Uncle T's"  
premises.

Mrs. H. G. Garlington, who lives  
on the Divide, gave the County  
Agent a nice sack of home grown  
Irish potatoes, which is evidence  
that good potatoes can be grown in  
heavy soil. They were planted by  
putting them in a straw lined furrow  
and covering with dirt. Some of  
these potatoes were larger than your  
Uncle and Uncle Bill can testify as to  
their flavor as they had a "mess"  
of these fresh spuds.



In the  
Public Interest  
ELECT  
E. F. SMITH  
Chief Justice

AUSTIN COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS  
(A political ad paid for by friends of E. F. Smith)

James W. McClendon  
CANDIDATE

for Democratic Re-nomination for  
CHIEF JUSTICE  
Court of Civil Appeals  
Third Supreme Judicial District

Judge McClendon has satisfactorily served  
18 years as Chief Justice of our Court of  
Civil Appeals

(Political ad by H. E. Jackson and R. T. Neill)

But It's True

1200 DIFFERENT LANGUAGES  
ARE SPOKEN IN  
AFRICA!



EDGAR KASSITSCH OF PARIS, FRANCE,  
HAS ONE DIAMOND INLID IN EACH  
OF HIS 26 TEETH... IN ALL THE  
CONTENT OF HIS MOUTH IS WORTH  
\$12,500!

WHEN  
GERMANY  
DEVALUED ITS  
MARK SHORTLY  
AFTER THE WAR  
IT MADE EACH NEW  
ONE WORTH ABOUT  
THREE TRILION  
OLD ONES.

FOR SALE: Used, M W 4 1/2 ft. elec  
ice box. \$45 00 cash. See Mr. Hauk  
at Allen's Garage Apt.

Mrs. Henry Trotter of San Saba  
is visiting her mother, Mrs. M. C.  
Mitchell and other relatives here.  
Mrs. Trotter, before her marriage,  
was Miss Reva Mitchell.



Are you entitled to wear a target  
lapel button?

You can ONLY if you are investing  
at least ten percent of your income  
in War Bonds to do your part on the  
home front toward winning the War.

The target lapel button is a badge  
of patriotism, a badge of honor. You  
should feel proud to display it. The  
buttons are obtainable at your plant  
management, at the office of your  
local War Bond chairman, or at your  
Payroll Savings Window where you  
authorize your ten percent payroll  
deductions.

Enlist in the ten percent War Bond  
army and do your part to win the  
War.  
U. S. Treasury Department

Undertaker's Supplies  
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DAY OR NIGHT  
Lowe Hardware Co.



YOUR  
SCRAP IRON  
WILL HELP WIN  
THE WAR

M. C. Mitchell pays the  
highest price for all kinds  
of scrap iron. See him.  
Sterling Feed & Fuel Co.

Your laundry will be appreciated  
Will call for and deliver all laundry  
Mrs. John Purves—tf

White Pigs for Sale.—W. Y. Bengé

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Low Interest Rates  
Quick Appraisals  
H. W. Westbrook  
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Physician and Surgeon  
OFFICE AT BUTLER DRUG COMPANY  
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Cheap Interest  
Prompt Appraisals  
ROY F. OAKLEY  
Box 1331 Phone 7747  
San Angelo, Texas

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Worth B. Durham  
LAWYERS  
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San Angelo, Texas

DEAD ANIMALS

The Government needs the  
glycerine and other products  
obtained from carcasses of  
sheep, goats, cattle and horses.  
We will pick up these carcasses  
free within 30 miles of Ster-  
ling City. Phone  
W. Y. BENGÉ & SON

Protect

That Horse  
Vaccinate NOW  
for Sleeping  
Sickness  
Lederle's Vaccines  
All Kinds  
Butler Drug Co.

SHEARING TIME  
IS HERE

WE HAVE--

Wool Bags  
Fleece Twine  
Branding Fluids  
Plenty of Smear 62

MARTIN C. REED WAREHOUSE

WELDING---CUTTING

Electric and Acetylene welding,  
brazing and cutting. Broken parts  
of Iron or steel made as good as  
new. All work fully guaranteed.

GENERAL BLACKSMITH  
Windmill Work a Specialty

SAM SIMMONS At W. H. Sparkman Shop

Announcements

We are authorized to announce  
the following candidates for offices  
in Sterling County subject to the  
action of the Democratic party in  
its primary elections in July 1942  
Chief Justice Court of Civil Appeals  
E. F. Smith

For Congressman 21st District  
O. C. Fisher  
Harry Knox

For State Senator  
Penrose B. Metcalfe

For Representative 91st District  
Dorsey B. Hardeman

For District Attorney  
W. C. (Bill) McDonald  
Ralph Logan

For Sheriff, Tax Assessor-Collector  
V. E. Davis  
Jerry F. Brown

For County Judge:  
G. C. Murrell

For County and District Clerk:  
Prebble, Durham

For County/Treasurer:  
Sallie Wallace  
Thad Green

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 1:  
R. T. Foster

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 2:  
Herbert Cope

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3:  
L. R. Knight

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 4:  
W. N. Reed

Baptist Church

Sunday

A.m.  
10:00 Sunday School lesson  
11:00 Worship Service

P.m.  
6:00 Training union  
7:00 Evening worship

Wednesday

P.m.  
2:30 Missionary Society  
7:00 Weekly Teachers meeting  
7:30 Mid-week Devotional

We welcome you,  
Claude Stovall, pastor

Sterling Floral  
Shop

Beth Lee, Owner

Cut Flowers, Plants,  
Bulbs, Shrubs

Buy From Your  
Home Folks

Phone 172 Bengé Residence



## Sterling Furnishes A Lion's Share of Army Officers

Around 60 men of Sterling county are in the army service. Of these, there are eleven commissioned officers, or one to every five and a fraction men.

This does include the non-coms and those in line for promotion who are due for a commission in the near future.

Of the Sterling boys who are commissioned officers are: J. C. Little field, 2nd Lt.; Jack W. Mathis, 2nd Lt.; Roy T. Foster, 1st Lt.; Reggie Pearce, 1st Lt.; Homer Pearce Jr., 1st Lt.; Roger Williams, 1st Lt.; Jas. Knight, 1st Lt.; Raymond Welch-Ensign; Edwin Aiken, Ensign; Buford Presler, 2nd Lt.; Raymond Collier, captain; Walter Rubmann, 2nd Lt. and Herbert Mills, 1st Lt. In addition to these there are cadets—Joe Mims and W. C. Currie, who are due to receive their wings in the near future. Cadet Dale Hall is awaiting orders to report for training as an aviation officer.

We may not be exactly accurate as to rank, but all these boys have won a commission. In a short time we shall be able to report a commissioned officer for every fourth man from Sterling County, not including the non-coms.

Don't you think that is a remarkable record for a county away out here in the sticks?

Interviewing a member of the county Draft Board, he said, "While our task has been rather strenuous, yet, the people have co-operated with us in such fine spirit that our duties are a real pleasure. Most all the boys have volunteered and there has been no appeals from our decisions." Almost to a man, the boys came in and said: "We are ready to go when you say."

"The very few kickers who have complained, has made us feel that we are doing what Uncle Sam expects us to do."

The fine spirit of co-operation of parents of boys shown us, makes us feel that with slight exception, the people of Sterling County are a community of true patriots.

## Conservation and The War Effort

A blow at conservation this year is a blow struck for Hitler, Lee R. Reed, chairman, Sterling county AAA committee, announced this week.

One of the war's big battles is agricultural production and the success with which this task is accomplished depends entirely on the soil, he said.

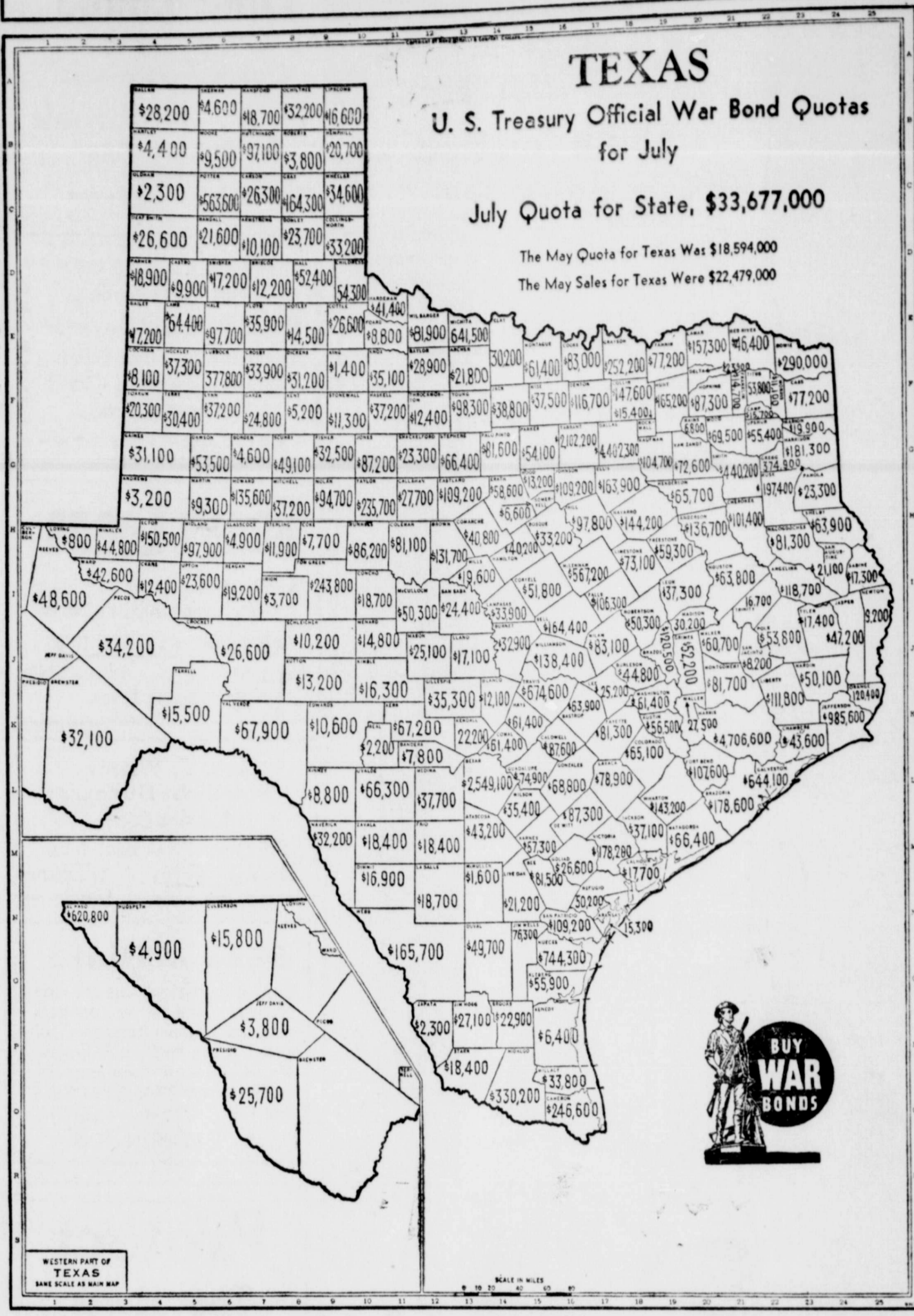
Faced with shortages of labor farmers are not only being called upon to produce the greatest amount of food and feed the world has ever known but to keep soils in condition for record output.

Comparing industrial and agricultural production, Mr. Reed said that industry was expanding and building new plants to provide for increased production of tanks, guns, planes and ships but that agriculture would be working with the same equipment for record output of milk, eggs, meat and other nourishing foods.

Under the 1941 AAA program, Sterling county farmers were allowed \$881.00 to invest in their soils but the amount has been increased to \$3,900 under the 1942 program. From two to three times more soil building work must be carried out if all funds are to be utilized.

Practices which can be carried out between now and the close of the program year include terracing, contouring, listing and chiseling non-cropland pasture, building earthen dams

## OFFICIAL U. S. TREASURY WAR BOND QUOTAS FOR JULY



The above map of Texas shows the War Bond quotas, by counties, for the month of July, 1942. Total War Bond quota for the state is \$33,677,000. With the National quota total placed at a billion dollars, the nation goes into high gear in its support of the War financing and to give our fighting forces adequate implements of war which will bring ultimate Victory.

American Soldiers, Sailors, Marines and Airmen are on every front. They are giving 100 percent for their country. What are we doing here on the home front? Are we lending at least ten percent of income to help them? It's very little. But to fight this war successfully our country needs a billion dollars in War Bonds every month from us—the People. Let's Go, America.

U. S. Treasury Department



and reservoirs eliminating destructive plants, and planting non leguminous cover or green manure crops.

Don't let any of your victory garden waste; can all the surplus food that you can for home use. Tomatoes are plentiful this year and the report is that the commercial canned crop is going to the Army and fighting forces, therefore it will not be available for civilian use. Check your canning equipment to

see that everything is in working condition to prevent spoilage and delay.

If San Angelo and Tom Green are true to their own, they will support O. C. Fisher for congressman almost to a man. San Angelo never produced a better and more able man than O. C. Fisher—and San Angelo has produced some great men. It would be almost a tragedy if San Angelo were to fail to take care of her own.

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## Church of Christ

R. D. Smith, minister

You are invited to attend the services at the Church of Christ. You will always be welcome and your presence will be appreciated. Bible class at 10:00 a. m., Preaching at 11:00 a. m., Communion Services at 11:45, Preaching at 8:15. p. m., Prayer meeting at 7:15 Wednesday evening. A very cordial welcome.

## Methodist Church

Lowell O. Ryan Pastor  
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