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## HOME BUILDING OF THE PIONEER

The children of the early pioneers who now live in fine, modern homes with all the conveniences of a city modern home, can hardly realize how their fathers and mothers lived when they first came to this part of West Texas.

It has been often said that the people of the West are the most progressive, courageous and enterprising people on earth. While it is a boastful claim, yet the facts bear the truth of the claim.

In the first place it took a lot of nerve, courage and enterprise for a man and his wife to break up their comfortable home in the East and move to the trackless wilderness of the West and settle down where there were no roads, no stores, no churches, no schools nor other things of a social nature.

Far removed from their accustomed environments, these brave souls came with their flocks, ramudas and herds and settled on the place of their own choosing. With them, water and grass were among their greatest problems. Happily, water could be found most anywhere for the digging and drilling, and building material was where they found it.

There were no houses for them to live in so they stretched tents for shelter or lived in covered wagons until they could build dugouts.

The construction of a dugout consisted of digging a pit in the ground the size and depth you wanted your room. Across the end of the pit where the dirt stairway was dug, a heavy log was laid. Then lengthwise of the pit and across the first log, another heavy log was laid as a ridgepole. Poles laid thickly across the ridgepole served as rafters. Over the rafters was a thick layer of brush and thatched with bear grass, or shoestring grass on which was lain a covering of earth from six to ten inches thick. Sometimes these logs and poles had to be hauled as far as 50 miles to the location of the dugout.

When properly constructed, a dugout is a very comfortable place in which to live. It is very warm and nice in winter and remarkably cool in summer. It was regarded as very healthful. Some of the prominent families in this part of Texas lived in dugouts in those days.

Along the banks of the Conchos there are vast deposits of building stone to be had only for the quarrying. Some took advantage of this and built stone houses. For lime in the construction of these dwellings, they made lime of a fine quality on the ground by burning lime kilns.

To make a lime kiln, you dug a pit in the side of a bluff the size you wanted your kiln. Then you placed a layer of wood on the bottom, then a layer of hard, thin lime rocks on top of the wood. You kept this up until you had as many layers of rock and wood as you wanted. You then hauled several extra loads of wood to keep the fire going 48 hours. You set fire to the wood and kept it going for at least 48 hours and it would stay hot for several days. Then you stored the rocks in a dry place to keep it from slacking.

This is the way we made lime in those days and you may be assured it was of a better quality than the lime we get these days.

Some of the people made their houses of adobe brick in those days. The best adobe brick were made of

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## Change of Shifts



## Be Diligent in Care of Common Colds

With the advent of fall and the attendant seasonal changes of weather, common colds become much more prevalent and widespread in the state.

Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, has issued a warning against the careless treatment of any respiratory illness since they can and frequently do result in the dreaded complication, pneumonia. He emphasized the fact that pneumonia usually strikes with little or no warning, following a simple cold, an attack of influenza or some other respiratory infection.

"A cold or any other infection of the breathing passage, especially if accompanied by fever, demands the immediate attention of a doctor. To try to fight such a disease without bed rest and by means of self-medication may endanger life unnecessarily," the state health officer said.

According to Dr. Cox, prevention is better than cure and in order to avoid colds, influenza, and pneumonia he advised building up normal physical resistance by sufficient ventilation, adequate nourishing food, outdoor exercise and sufficient sleep and rest. "However," he added "if, in spite of such care, a respiratory illness develops, the family doctor should be called immediately."

The fact that pneumonia is definitely a communicable disease is often overlooked, Dr. Cox stated, but this should be borne in mind so that the danger of passing the disease from one person to another can be eliminated.

## Save The Fats!

With millions of pounds of waste kitchen fats still critically needed to meet war demands, H. M. Carter, salvage committee chairman for Sterling County, today urged housewives to remember that even if accumulated fats become rancid, they still retain a majority of the valuable glycerine that goes into products for war.

When the Government started the waste fats collection program, it was recommended that fats be stored in a cool place pending turning them in to the butcher, so that the fats would not become rancid. It was pointed out that rancid fats become smelly, and therefore a nuisance to handle, as well as slightly reducing their glycerine content.

Some housewives, particularly on farms and ranches, believing that rancid fats are valueless, have not been turning them in for salvage, H. M. Carter said. This has resulted in the loss to the war effort of thousands of pounds of glycerine that should have been processed from these fats.

The need for salvaging all waste kitchen fats is so important that housewives are urged to turn in all fats, rancid or not, and butchers are asked to accept all fats for immediate shipment to renderers. Every ounce of fat received by the renderers is being rushed into war production.

Born: On the 17th at Denver, Colorado, to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bob Clark a girl. They named the little Barbara Ann.

Born: On the 17th at San Angelo to Lt. and Mrs. Jimmy Hall, a boy. The boy has been named James Lawrence.

## Lt. Jack Mathis Awarded Highest Medal of Honor

Last Tuesday was Jack Mathis Day in Sterling City and San Angelo.

All the stores in Sterling City were closed last Tuesday in honor of Sterling City's National hero, the late Lt. Jack Mathis who was killed aboard the flying fortress, "The Dutchess" while on a mission over Vegesack, Germany, last March 18.

Those who went to San Angelo last Tuesday morning to witness the ceremony of the posthumous awards to Mrs. Avis Mathis, mother of our dead hero, found the stores of the city closed and the streets decorated with flags in honor of the occasion.

The presentation ceremony was held on the runway of Goodfellow Field in the presence of a large gathering of relatives, friends and spectators.

The ceremony was grand and impressive because of its simplicity. The recipient of the tokens of the highest honors in the gift of a grateful nation stood like a queen in review of a vast concourse of admiring and sympathizing people.

Beside her stood her tall 15 year old son, Harrell Mathis. As her guard, stood Col. Glenn L. Davasher. Her mother, Mrs. Emma Canon was in the group.

Lt. Raymond S. Barnes, Post Adjutant, read the citations. An error in the citations was instantly detected by the Sterling City people when it read, "Lt. Jack Mathis of San Angelo," when it should have read: "Lt. Jack Mathis of STERLING CITY. (This error is overlooked, because the honors are great enough to be shared by one hundred and thirty millions of proud American people.)"

As Gen. Barton K. Yount presented the medals to the dead hero's mother, Mrs. Avis Mathis, he made the only speech of the occasion when he said: "In years to come, I know it will afford you great consolation," as he presented the Congressional Medal of Honor, Oak Leaf Cluster and Air Medal. He further said that he had never before known of an instance wherein the three highest marks of distinction were

## To the People of this Community:

### PLAIN WARNING TO YOU!

Here is a plain warning for you . . .

"This war will last until 1949 or longer if the home front fails to back up our men in battle!"

Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy.

Buying War Bonds to the point of temporary personal sacrifice is the most direct way you can comply with Secretary Knox's appeal.

"Temporary sacrifice" is the correct phrase because you are only lending your money when you buy War Bonds. This government which never has defaulted on an obligation will pay you back \$4 for every \$3 invested if you hold the bonds for 10 years.

The least you can do is to back the attack with War Bonds today. Buy extra Bonds above your normal Bond buying.

THE EDITOR



THE LATE LT. MATHIS

presented to one man at the same time. In addition to these, Jack had already been awarded two service medals, including The Purple Heart.

Led by an army band, a parade of enlisted men passed in review. Then 106 airplanes in various formations past overhead, the last of which was a V for victory, formation which concluded the program.

Jack Mathis was the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Mathis, long time residents of Sterling City, but in late years of San Angelo.

Rev. L. O. Ryan, local Methodist pastor is at home from McCamey where he conducted a successful two-weeks revival in that city.

## Landowners to Meet Oct. 5

All Sterling County land owners within the North Concho River Soil Conservation District are urged to attend a meeting at the Court House on Tuesday, Oct. 5th, at 8:00 p. m. for the purpose of electing District Supervisors for Zone II and V of the District.

Zone II is that portion of Sterling and Howard Counties lying north and draining into the North Concho River, and Zone V is that portion of Sterling County lying south of and draining into the North Concho River. Land owners with property in both zones will be eligible to vote in that zone in which their headquarters are located. Both man and wife may vote. The Supervisor for Zone II will serve for a period of two years and the Supervisor for Zone V will serve for a period of five years.

Land owners from both zones will meet in the District Court room where details of the procedure for conducting the elections will be explained by L. R. Reed, Vice-Chairman of the District Board of Supervisors.

Nominations for both supervisors will be made from the floor and voted on by those present from their respective zones.

## Lions Club Hostesses

Mesdames D.P. Glass, J.L. Sneed, S. M. Bailey, and Daisy Smith were hostesses to the Lion's Club at its weekly luncheon served in the basement dining hall of the Methodist Church last Thursday.

The main feature of the occasion was the official visit of District Lion Governor, H. B. Hackleman of Corpus Christi. Lion Hackleman made a splendid talk to the club. He showed that the club was doing a wonderful public service to the country in these war days. He complimented our local club for its splendid work. He left the impression that the Lions were specially of great service to the small town.

Postmaster Lion Anna Lee Johnson and Lion J. T. Davis made encouraging reports on their progress in selling War Bonds and stamps.



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Boys of seventeen, sound in mind and body are wanted in the Navy. They must have the consent of their parents and coming under a good name. No criminals will be taken. Boys taken will be treated right, well paid, well fed, well clothed and well cared for when sick. They will be put in good schools and trained in some useful calling before going into combat duty.

The government must have money to carry on the war. They will get it whether you loan it by buying bonds or not. One method would be by taxes placed on property. In the long run a bond would look a lot better than a tax receipt. Another method would be to issue greenbacks enough to pay the expenses of the war. This would make your good dollar look like 30 cents

If men like Eisenhower, Patton, Montgomery, MacArthur, Nimitz, King and others who are on the ground, can't run the war, I am sure I can't. Not being on the ground and being remote from the consequences of failure, I am content to let them do the fighting and strategy work. All I can do is stay at home and boast the home front and encourage the purchases of bonds and stamps.—Uncle Bill

When you buy a stamp or a bond you are not giving anything to the government, but you are merely lending to the government with interest to help save your freedom, your property and your very life. After the war is won these bonds and stamps will prove a big stake for you and your family. And remember, history does not record, nor any man alive ever heard of a U.S. Bond that was not good for its face value in gold.—Uncle Bill

Sterling County has never yet failed Uncle Sam in digging up her assigned war quota, and God forbid that she ever will. Our failure to do this would be a yellow disgrace. Sure, we are in the midst of a drouth so we were in 1916-17 and 18, but our boy helped to beat the tads out of Germans and bring them to their knees and we are going to do it again. Wake up, boys, remember those boys who are wading through blazes of hell that we may be made safe and that we will not be forced to speak German.—Uncle Bill

What would your ranch, farm or business be worth to you if we were to lose this war? I know what the loss of a war means to the people of a country. When the Civil War closed in 1865, Daddy had \$20,000 of Confederate money laid away in his trunk. Mother had \$48 in silver hoarded away in her sugar dish. Daddy's money wouldn't buy a paper of pins and Mother's money wouldn't buy anything because there was little or nothing to buy. At each county seat was stationed a company of federal soldiers who showed us where to head in. Often



our daily menu was cornbread and rainwater. We had better not take chances on losing this war.—Uncle Bill

JUDGE WRIGHT

Judge W. A. Wright of San Angelo, dean of Texas lawyers, will be 85 years old next Sunday, September 26.

He was born at Mayfield, Kentucky, September 26, 1858

He experienced a lot of the privations and hardships of the Civil War. He remembers hearing the guns at Chicamanga. I don't think he has entirely forgotten the Reconstruction Days.

He is a typical product of the Old South. If you want to meet a true old time Southern gentleman, meet Judge Wright. This class of men are the cream of civilization.

When a young man, Judge Wright settled in San Angelo and began the practice of law and is still in the harness to this good day.

His two grandsons, C. H. and W. W. Tupper, are his partners in the law practice.

I join all Texas in wishing this good old scout many happy returns of his natal day.—Uncle Bill

HOME BUILDING

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mud with grass mixed in it. Adobes were sundried and mortar made of mud was used as a cement.

These houses were almost fireproof and were very comfortable in both winter and summer. But if their foundations were not protected from water, they would melt down.

The remains of an adobe building about three-quarters of a mile southeast of the courthouse square and on the south of the river was melted down when a flood came in the river and the water got up around the building.

Mr. and Mrs. Smissen were living in it at the time, but were absent from home when the house was destroyed.

When we needed paint we went to the paint mine near the mouth of Willow Creek, dug it up, processed it, and mixed it with linseed oil. We found it was the equal of any paint we could buy at the stores.

Some of that paint is still visible though it was put there 55 years ago.—Uncle Bill

Owing to war prices on popcorn, it will be sold at the Palace Theater at 8 cents per package, or two for 15 cents.

Co-operation Means Better Service

When all users of rural-line telephone service try to hold conversations as short as possible—when they allow reasonable intervals between calls so that the others may have a chance at the line—when they ask the children not to make needless calls—then they all work together to give each other better

Millions of Volunteers Settle Down to Hard Grind for 3rd War Loan

Washington, D. C., Sept. 15—With the first burst of enthusiasm spent, the "third" army of more than 4,500,000 volunteers settled down today for a steady siege and a day-by-day advance to reach its quota of fifteen billion dollars in the Third War Loan Drive.

Reports from all sections of the nation in the first week of the drive indicated that the battle to "Back the Attack with War Bonds" is progressing "according to plan," but that every possible effort must be exhausted if the goal of at least an extra \$100 War Bond for every income earner is to be reached.

First meager reports indicate that in some cities and in some sectors on this important battle front the immediate objective has been obtained and the quota met. In other sections a long hard pull will be necessary in the house-to-house and bench-to-bench canvass which has been undertaken in order to reach every man, woman and child in the United States.

This Third War Loan Drive is a challenge to the American people without parallel in history, for they are being asked to "lend" the largest sum of money ever raised in the life of any nation. It is a challenge to their will to sacrifice to "back the attack" of their husbands, sons, brothers and fathers who are sacrificing everything, even life, so that the people back home may continue to enjoy the freedom and liberty of the American way of life.

Reports from many of the urban sections of the nation indicate that workers are answering the challenge to send their dollars to war to "back the attack." "Fur coat" money, "automobile money," "new appliance money," "new home money" is going into War Bonds for the duration, into the assembly lines for tanks and planes, to settle today's job and guarantee a victorious America of tomorrow when

every War Bond dollar will pay \$4 for \$3.

"Labor-management committees are working hand in hand; returned war heroes, film stars, bankers, housewives, professional men, workers, clerks and salesmen—men and women in every walk of life are demonstrating that War Bonds bring unity to American life and that the nation is bonded in a common purpose in this great financing task." Ted R. Gamble, national director of the War Finance Division of the Treasury, said here today.

"The people of the nation are demonstrating that Americans on the home front can and will match the performance of the invading armies in 'backing the attack' when they are called upon to do a job," Mr. Gamble said.

"Never before in history have a people in civilian life been asked to do a job comparable to the task which must be done in this Third War Loan," Mr. Gamble observed, "but we have a sustaining faith in the ability of the American people to make every sacrifice, to meet every test with which they are faced, in the voluntary, democratic way so that our boys in the trenches and on the battle lines may have the tools with which to fight our common enemies."

service.—The San Angelo Telephone Company

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» » It's those invisible little particles called "Vitamins" which have to be in that lunch box if I'm to have the "Fighting Food" that's necessary these days.

» » Those precious food elements grow in fresh fruits and vegetables; they put the goodness into meats; but they have to be protected.

» » The food in my lunch box is cooked on an electric range and stored with electric refrigeration before be-

ing combined tastefully and correctly into well-planned lunches.

» » The electric industry, under business management, anticipated the needs of defense workers years ago—in advance of the present emergency. They went to work to build—in order to supply the power for appliances which make possible the preparation and preservation of food—so necessary on both the fighting and home fronts.



BACK THE ATTACK! BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS!

West Texas Utilities Company



Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lane of near Stiles were here today visiting and attending to business.

Judge G. C. Murrell attended the County Judges and Commissioners Convention at Midland this week.

Mrs. Marvin Key of Rocksprings, is visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. David Glass and other relatives here.

J. S. Cole, Jr., who is in a hospital at San Angelo undergoing treatment for a broken leg is reported to be convalescing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Henton Emery visited friends and relatives here this week. They left Friday for Washington, D. C., where Mr. Emery will be stationed.

Mrs. Walker Archie and two children of Graham, Texas, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Juergensen at their farm home five miles up the river last week end.

The property taxpayer of Sterling County this year will have to pay \$1.30 per hundred instead of \$1.56 per hundred as we paid last year. This includes both State and county taxes.

Sgt. D. L. Hunt, on a furlough from Camp Robinson, Ark., spent the week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hunt. He was accompanied by his buddy, Sergeant Ruprecht.

Pvt. Allen L. Funderburg, brother of Mrs. John B. Garner, who was reported missing in action, in last week's issue, has later been reported as a prisoner of war in the hands of the Germans.

Miss Arlene Abernathy, after visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Abernathy, and Miss Sue Everitt, has returned to Odessa where she is employed with the Western Union Office there.

R. T. Lee, who farms on the Divide reports that his ninety acres of cotton will make an estimate yield of 40 bales provided he can get it picked. His feed crop is good. He has sold \$7,500 worth of feed during the season.

LOST: On the highway between Sterling City and Big Springs out about 12 miles from Sterling City, one pair of black patent leather Roman Sandals. Finder please leave same at Langford's filling station and receive \$1.00 reward.—Mrs. Dick Davee, Junction, Texas. 1tp

Random Harvest will come to the Palace Theater on Sun., Mon. and Tuesday nights, Sept. 26, 27 and 28.

Random Harvest is one of the most thrilling pictures of the season. Ronald Coleman and Greer Garson are among the great stars of the screen. They played brilliant parts in "Goodby, Mr. Chips" and "Mrs. Miniver." They are at their best in Random Harvest.

If you want to see one of the best pictures of the season, be at the Palace on Sun., Mon. or Tuesday of next week.

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From where I sit...

by Joe Marsh

"Jeep Nerves"—that's what Dan O'Neill calls the jumpy way some folks react to the strain of wartime living.

Not that Dan blames 'em. When you work 12 hours a day and travel in crowded busses—live in trailers and put up with inconveniences—it's only natural to get tense and irritable.

"Folks must learn to relax," says Dan, "and take it easy."

And Dan thinks he has the formula. Soon as he's through at the shop he comes straight

home, picks out the comfortablest chair and pours himself a tall, cool glass of beer.

Then he sips it—slowly and appreciatively—like good beer should be enjoyed.

And by the time that glass of beer is gone, Dan says his disposition is as good as new... and the day's work seems well worth tackling again tomorrow.

It's a real effective formula. I know; I've tried it!

Joe Marsh

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Sunday, Monday and Tuesday  
September 26-27-28

Ronald Coleman  
Greer Garson

In

"Random Harvest"

News of the Day and  
selected short subjects

Wednesday and Thursday  
September 29-30

Henry Aldrich

In

"Aldrich Gets  
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Also News of the Day  
Selected Short Subjects

Friday and Saturday  
October 1-2

"Dark Command"

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News of the Day  
Short Subjects

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Sunday

A. m.

10:00 Sunday School lesson

11:00 Worship Service

P. m.

7:45 Training union

8:30 Evening worship

Wednesday

P. m.

4:00 Missionary Society

8:00 Weekly Teachers meeting

8:30 Mid-week Devotional

We welcome you,

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Next winter, when the demand for coal and oil will be heavier and transportation will be overcrowded, a wood pile like this will come in mighty handy. Wood-burning stoves and fireplaces are fuel savers. Now is a good time to stock up for winter.

### Mr. and Mrs. Tom McChesney Entertain With Barbecue

Last Monday evening the drillers of the 9,000 foot oil test in the J. L. Glass pasture, with Superintendent and Mrs. Tom McChesney as hosts, entertained their friends with another one of their fine barbecues.

A. L. Fitzgerald of Bartlesville, Okla., a high official of the Phillips Petroleum Co. was one of the guests of honor. Also Miss Pat Caple of Odessa, an employe of many years standing for the company was among the prominent guests.

Everything was free and open in true, West Texas style. Those boys certainly know how to make a fellow feel at home. If you ask me, Tom McChesney knows how to barbecue meat that would make tears stand in each corner of a king's mouth.

The test had passed the 6,000-foot level in lime last Monday.

### Porter Bennett Killed In Plane Crash

Word has been received by relatives that Porter Bennett, son of Frank and Ethel Smith Bennett, was killed when the plane in which he was training crashed at Corpus Christi recently. Young Bennett

was about 23 years of age, was a Pearl Harbor hero and was awarded a medal for heroism. He was with in three days of receiving his wings.

His father, Frank Bennet, once superintendent of Sterling schools married Miss Ethel Smith, niece of the late Sidney Smith.

### Entertained at Bridge

A bridge party was given last Thursday evening by Mrs. Homer Hagerty in her home honoring Mrs. Worth Durham. The honoree was presented with a gift.

Miss Flo Allen won high score award and Mrs. Fred Allen binged. The home was decorated with queen's wreath and fall flowers.

A salad course was served to Mrs. Trenon Revell, Tommy Johnson, Chappel Murrell, Fred Allen, Hubert Williams, Martin Reed, R. P. Davis Jr., Harold Gober, Joe Emery, Edwin Aiken, Reynolds Foster, and John Wade, and Misses Prebble Durham, Sue Nelson, Mickey McGuire, Mildred Atkinson, and Flo Allen, and Miss Leola Jones, a tea guest.



### Presbytery Held Here

The Presbyterian pastors of the various churches of the district which includes Sterling City, held their Presbytery here this week.

The meeting was well attended and they transacted the business of their churches in the two days session.

On Tuesday evening the local church entertained their visiting preachers and other guests with a fine barbecue at the City Park.

### TO MRS. CONGER

She has slipped away to follow the Star

In a land beyond our sight, And we know that she journeys there as here

In the beautiful Eastern Light. No matter how winding the labyrinth,

She knows each step of the way,

With her face toward the East she is glorified.

In the Land of Eternal Day.

—Worthy Matron, O. E. S.

### Resolutions of Respect

In memory of Sister Erie Conger who died Sept. 11, 1943

Once again death hath summoned a member of our Chapter, and the golden gateway to the Eternal City has opened with a welcome to home. The work of ministering to the wants of the afflicted, in shedding light into darkened souls and in bringing joy into the places of misery is completed, and as a reward has received the plaudit "well done" from the Supreme Master.

And whereas, having been a true and faithful member of our Chapter therefore be it,

Resolved, That Sterling Chapter No. 29, Order of the Eastern Star in beloved memory and in testimony

of its loss, do tender to the family of our deceased member our sincere condolence in their deep affliction and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family.

Joe Emery  
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| Worm Killers and Livestock Medicines |                                 |
| COAL                                 | Grain, Hay, Salt, Feed Minerals |
| COAL                                 |                                 |

## Women at Work for a Railroad at War

America needs millions of women to take over war jobs... to help speed the day when our fighting men will return victorious!

Santa Fe women are answering this call all along the line.

Right now thousands of Santa Fe women are doing war-vital work to "keep 'em rolling." Many are pitching into "unglamorous" jobs... greasing engines, operating turntables, welding shovels, working in blacksmith shops,

and cleaning roller bearings. They take pride in their work, too!

Many of these women have husbands, sweethearts, brothers or sons in the armed forces. Many came to work to replace a Santa Fe relative who had been called into service. Others took jobs because they knew womanpower must step in when manpower goes to war.

☆ We of the Santa Fe salute these women who know that what they are doing is vital to Victory!



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