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THE MESQUITE

We read in the books that the mesquite is of the acacia family which is the source of Gum Arabic sold at the drug stores.

It is said mesquite gum has all the properties of Gum Acacia, and old timers used to use it for mucilage instead of Gum Arabic.

This tree will endure more punishment than any other shrub or tree I know of. It will thrive in some places on the hot, sandy desert as well as the rich loam of West Texas with this difference:

On the sandy desert, these trees grow horizontally in the sand and throw upward a short growth of bushes from the bole, or trunk buried in the sand. I once saw a log in the sand in New Mexico in the desert part of the Mimbero river valley that measured 30 feet long and about eight inches in diameter, yet, the tallest sprout from the log wasn't over five feet high.

If you were to dig up one of these trees by the roots, you would find many times more wood beneath the surface than on top.

The mesquites in this part of West Texas have more roots than top. That is the reason it can stand more hot, dry weather than any known tree, yet I have seen them die from want of moisture.

The bean of the mesquite is a very nourishing food for man and beast. In times past the Indians put great store in the mesquite bean as a food. The Mexicans not only ate the beans but roasted them and used them as a good coffee substitute.

Every rancher knows the value of mesquite beans as a fattening food for cows, sheep, horses and hogs.

The beans of a mesquite are hard and almost impervious to moisture. Planted when dry, they are slow to germinate. The stomach of a cow, horse or sheep is nature's laboratory for preparing these beans for germination. The seed of these beans when passed through the stomachs of these animals and dropped on the range will germinate in 48 hours after a rain.

That is the reason why mesquites come up so thick around a watering place or corral. The animals prepare the seeds for germination.

Fifty years ago, the plains lying south and west of Garden City had only a few straggling mesquites. The ground was so bare of brush, that you could see an antelope for more than a mile or as far as the eye could see, but today, in some places, an antelope or cow would be entirely hidden at a hundred yards. In some places a substantial mesquite forest has sprung up over that country, furnishing fuel and fence posts for the ranchers and beans for their stock.

There is a reason for this wonderful change in that country. At one time that country had a large growth of big mesquites. The surveyor's records show the truth of this assertions. When the early surveyors run their lines and marked their corners a long time ago, in their field notes, they called for 8 and 10 inch mesquites as bearings for their stone mound corners.

I have surveyed hundreds of square miles of that terrain and only one marked tree and two marked stumps are left. Stumps of the bearing trees show that the trees were destroyed by fire.

At the time trees grew on these plains, the buffalo and Indians lived there. The buffalo and antelope kept the grass grazed short, so that

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A Guilty Conscience



J. E. Wyckoff Is Fatally Wounded By Accidental Discharge of Gun

J. E. Wyckoff died in a hospital at San Angelo, Thursday, October 14, at about 7 A.M. He will be buried in Fairmount Cemetery at San Angelo at 4 o'clock this afternoon. His death was the result of a gun shot wound sustained last Tuesday when his gun was accidentally discharged while hunting.

Active pallbearers will be W. F. Cushing, Jr., Foster Cooger, Lester Foster, E. F. McEntire, Lee Augustine and C. C. Ainsworth of Sterling City, and Claude Gibbs, Jr., of San Angelo. Rev. C. B. Stovall, pastor of the Baptist church here, will conduct the funeral services at Johnson Chapel in San Angelo.

While hunting squirrels in company with C. C. Ainsworth on the river east of here last Tuesday, J. E. Wyckoff suffered a serious wound in the face and head when the 22 rifle he was carrying was accidentally discharged.

The bullet struck him under the chin, passing through his tongue and came out at the top of his head.

Mr. Ainsworth was some distance from the accident victim and for a short while did not know that he was injured. As soon as he discovered that his companion had been injured, he hurried to town and Dr. Swann accompanied him to the scene and administered first aid treatment. Then the Doctor and Roland Lowe accompanied the injured man in the Lowe ambulance to a hospital in San Angelo where he was admitted for treatment.

Deceased was 45 years old at his death. He came to Sterling in 1938 where he established a wool and mohair commission house which he operated to the day of his untimely death.

He was a World War I veteran, serving as a machine gunner in the Marines.

Besides his widow he is survived by a daughter, Miss Paula Sue Wyckoff; his mother, Mrs. R. A. Wyckoff of San Angelo; two brothers, I. A. of Albuquerque, N. M., and J. O. Wyckoff of Fort Worth; and two sisters,

TWENTY YEARS AGO



Tokio, Yokohama and other Japanese cities nearly were destroyed by earthquake and fire; dead placed at 300,000; United States rushes relief, shipments of foods, clothing and medical supplies.

Italian government informs the League of Nations it will refuse to recognize League decisions in the present Italian-Greek controversy; Islands of Cephadonia and Samos seized by Italians.

General Billy Mitchell demonstrates new war weapon. In a spectacular display of airpower, planes of his command sank two giant battleships, the Virginia and New Jersey, in maneuvers off Cape Hatteras.

The giant dirigible ZR-1, the first American-built rigid airship, took to the air at Lakehurst, N. J., on its first flight.

Liquor law violations since the Prohibition statute went into effect January 16, 1920, have resulted in 72,489 convictions and fines totaling \$12,367,660, it was reported to President Coolidge by Attorney General Harry S. Daugherty; Prohibition cases have been brought to the Federal courts at the rate of 74 a day.

Jack Dempsey knocked out Luis Firpo, Argentine challenger, in the second round of a wild and sensational bout featured by knock-downs by both men, and in the course of which Firpo once knocked Dempsey clear out of the ring.

Mrs. Elmer Woody, of San Antonio, and Mrs. Dan Edwards, of San Angelo.

J. E. Wyckoff's death was a sad shock to this community where he proved to be a good and useful citizen.

Garth Cole A Captain

Garth Cole, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cole of Stamford, has recently been promoted to captain. Capt. Cole was born in Sterling City where old timers remember him when he was a small boy. He is among the noted athletes, having played with the New York Giants for three years at the time they were national champions. Garth stands over six feet flat footed and weighs over 200 pounds.

Boy Scouts Begin Campaign to Clean Up Town

The Boy Scouts of Troop 51 have started a city wide Clean Up Campaign to improve the appearance and protect the health of Sterling City, and to earn money for equipping the Scout Troop.

The Scouts offer pick-up services between the hours of 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. on Wednesdays and from 2:30 to 5:30 on Saturdays. It will be appreciated if those having trash to be hauled will get in touch with Scoutmaster H. M. Kautz or any one of the Boy Scouts.

Clean Up Campaign will be expedited if all merchants and home owners will have their trash gathered together, although it will not be necessary to have it sacked or in barrels if it is accessible to a truck. Charges will be made for hauling in accordance with the amount and availability of the trash. However, to those who may desire to give more than the charged amount in order to help equip the local Boy Scouts the extra donation will be appreciated.

Special appreciation is extended to Jake Randolph, owner of the Randolph Grocery and Market, who has granted the Boy Scouts the use of his pick-up throughout this Clean Up Campaign.

Red Cross Workers

Red Cross Workers Monday night were: Mesdames W. B. Allen, Roy Foster, Lester Foster, H. L. Pearce, Frank Cole, Joe Emery, Henry Malloy, A. F. Clark, Edwin Aiken, Sterling Foster, Lee Hunt, Harold Gober, Tommie Johnson, W. Y. Bengel, Sr., Misses Flo Allen, Jamie Sue McEntire and Sue Nelson.

Red Cross workers Tuesday afternoon were: Mesdames Lester Foster, G. H. Cannon, E. B. Butler, Sterling Foster, S. M. Bailey, D. Hall, Henry Malloy, Rufus Foster, Martin Brown, W. B. Allen, Bill Reed, Robert Foster, Joe Emery, Lura McClellan, H. W. Hart, M. E. Churchill, W. H. McDonald, Joel R. Barton, and H. L. Pearce.

Order Your Chicks Ahead of Time

Rush business that hatcheries had last season will probably be repeated this coming season, reported H. M. Carter, Agriculture teacher. To avoid difficulty in securing the number and quality of chicks desired the poultryman should make his orders as far ahead of delivery date as possible.

Before making an order a few precautions that may largely determine the success of a proposed poultry enterprise should be observed very carefully, said Mr. Carter.

First, buy chicks as close to home as possible. If the kind or breed of chicks wanted cannot be secured in this locality, try not to go outside of the state to make the purchase. The kind of poultry that will do best on the farms in this area can be found in Texas.

Some causes for baby chick losses can be completely eliminated by proper buying. For example, no chick should be lost from pullorum disease. Chicks should be bought from flocks that have been properly tested for this disease under an effective private testing program or under the National Poultry Improvement Plan.

Most hatcheries have strict minimum qualifications that they meet before chicks are sold. Nevertheless, a buyer should check his source of chicks closely in order to insure the delivery of quality birds. If a buyer has no way to make this check on the sources that provide the particular kind of fowl he wants, he might want to order from hatcheries that are in the Poultry Improvement Plan program since these businesses are regularly checked by a State Inspector.

The items for which a hatchery or breeder should be checked, states Mr. Carter, include the freedom from pullorum disease, the production of the flock, the weight of the eggs, size of the hen, breeding characteristics of the hens, and if possible, the performance of some birds previously bought from that source.

Waste Paper Pile Is Exhausted--More Is Needed

The enormous surpluses of waste paper that were built up in the salvage drive of last year has been exhausted and there is an urgent need now for waste paper salvage, according to Lewis C. Huff of the Texas Salvage Committee.

In line with this request the Boy Scouts of Sterling City are again accepting the opportunity of helping in the Nation's War effort, and plans are being made to sponsor this new waste paper salvage drive. The date on which the drive will start and subsequent pick-up days will be announced later through this newspaper.

In the meantime it is suggested that everyone start saving newspapers and magazines to donate to the effort when the drive begins. No other types of paper is desired at this time.

A contract for the sale of waste paper has been entered into between the American Paper Stock Company of Dallas and the local Scout Troop. Proceeds from the sales will be used for the advancement of Boy Scouting in Sterling County.

Help the Scouts and the war effort at the same time.

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Editor and Owner

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Gather up your junk and put it in sacks or boxes and have the Boy Scouts to haul it away for you.

Last year, the first frost of the season was on September 26. Today, 19 days later, no frost has come yet.

The showers which fell in places over the county this week did a lot of good to the range and grain that was planted this fall.

A. R. Nisbit of Plainview has invented a new bug catcher. The machine is operated by a tractor which straddles two cotton rows. A blower is attached to the catcher and blows every insect on the cotton stalks into a bag, and the bugs are destroyed. Six of these machines are said to be in operation in the vicinity of Plainview. It is said they are completely cleaning up the bugs and boll weevils. If this machine proves successful, the boll weevil is doomed.

Germany must be very lonesome. Through the outrageous treatment of the people of the countries which Hitler has conquered and the treatment of her former ally, Italy, all have quit and turned against Germany and are doing all they can to bring those people to their knees. The Germans are following Hitler to certain ruin, but Italy threw out Mussolini before it was too late to salvage a part of that country.

Texas never elected but one Republican governor. That was E. J. Davis, 1870 to 1874. Davis did so well that Texas people thought all Republicans were crooked, and they acted accordingly. Davis had but few friends in Texas. During his administration, there were ten negroes in the legislature. That didn't set well with Texas people and they never trusted another Republican for governor. But today, most Republicans are honest and mean well. No one would dare to think of shooting one now.—Uncle Bill

THE MESQUITE

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when fire got into the grass, it did not spread over the country and destroy the mesquites.

The time came when the white man killed the buffalo and drove the Indian out. There was an interval of several decades when there were no buffaloes or cattle on the vast ranges to scatter the bean seeds. It rained and the grass grew thick and high. Then fire got into the grass and destroyed it and most of the mesquites.

When the white man came with his flocks, herds and ramudas, he found it a paradise for his stock, but no mesquites for posts and fuel. He had to haul these things from the North Concho and Lacy Valleys.

As time went on, the ranchers were very careful not to let fires burn the range. In season the stock

"Back The Attack"



AMERICAN HEROES

BY LEFF



Scouting on foot in Tunisia, Pfc. Charles H. Evans was captured by 30 Italian infantrymen and marched to the rear. A bayonet at his back, Evans whirled, disarmed his guard, and escaped. Although wounded by rifle fire, he hid in a cactus patch till nightfall, slipped back to our forces with valuable information picked up as a prisoner. For this he wears the Purple Heart and the Silver Star. Celebrate Evans' escape with another War Bond.

Last Friday the Sterling football team defeated the Garden City team by a 14 to 6 score. The Garden City team is a fine group of youngsters and they played well, but having been licked twice this season, the Sterling City boys out played them. Getting licked a few times is good for a team. It makes them work harder.

ate the mesquite beans that grew on the east fringes of the plains and dropped the seed on the ranges and they came up and grew.

You can't talk mesquite eradication to these wise old ranchers. They know what it means to have mesquites growing in their pastures.—Uncle Bill

MY BONNIE LIES

My Bonnie lies over the ocean,
My Bonnie lies over the sea,
My Bonnie lies when in the notion,
She lies wherever she may be.

When Bonnie and I got married,
She told me she never chewed
tobacco,

Nor long at the wine she tarried
Nor brainstorms ever attack her

My Bonnie swore by the point of a
knife,
That she never drank whiskey or
beer,

That she had never cussed in her life
Loud enough for one to hear.

My Bonnie was sweet and beautiful,
Altho she chewed the weed,
She was always good and dutiful,
And served my every need.

My Bonnie drinks beer and whiskey
And lies and cusses too,
But she never gets drunk and frisky,
My Bonnie's faults are few.

My Bonnie's love and devotion,
My Bonnie's love so true,
Altho she lies over the ocean,
Don't forget I am a liar, too.

My Bonnie is my woman,
My Bonnie has faults I know,
But Bonnie is my woman,
She is with me where I go.

My Bonnie is just a human,
Full of faults as I,
But I would not be a tru man,
If I passed not imperfection by.

My Bonnie may be full of sin,
But who is there without it,
What man, or woman who does not
sin,

If there was ever one, I doubt it
—Uncle Bill with apologies to those
who fool away their time looking
for perfection in men and women.

According to R. P. Brown, local Texas Company agent, the Texas Company will give a \$50 war bond as a Christmas gift to each of its former employees who are in the Armed Service. These employees get from the company the difference between their former pay and the pay they are getting now. For example, if a man was drawing \$100 per month, but is now drawing \$50 per month, the Company pays him \$50 per month to make up the difference. That is why we are winning the war.



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Local Items

J. L. Glass is ill in a hospital in San Angelo.

FOR SALE: Our business, see Mrs. Revell or Trinton Revell. 3tp

Rev. B. B. Hestir will preach at the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning and evening.

The Carnival's Coming To Town
October 29 7:00 o'clock
School House

Mrs. W. A. Jones of Carlsbad, New Mexico, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Lena Findt and other relatives here.

Mrs. Harvey L. Hennigan, formerly Miss Frances Aiken, has accepted service as teacher in our public schools.

After a sojourn in a San Angelo hospital for several weeks, Mrs. W. L. Foster is at home convalescing nicely.

T-Sgt. Carl Abernathy, stationed at Cross Field, Fla., made a brief visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Abernathy, last week.

COME, help make Red Cross Surgical Dressings on Monday night from 7 to 10 o'clock, and on Tuesday afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Canon Lyles and children of near McCamey spent last week end here visiting Mr. Lyles' mother, Mrs. Helen Lyles.

D. L. Slaton accompanied by his sisters, Mrs. J. P. Burrows and Miss Eula Slaton, all of San Angelo, visited friends and relatives here last Sunday.

Roland Edwards with the Seabees somewhere on the West Coast came in Friday of last week to visit his family, relatives and friends here. He left for his command last Tuesday.

Mayor G. C. Dunhan and city manager B. McDaniell of Big Spring, Marvio Nichols, engineer of Fort Worth, and W. O. George, U. S. Army geologist of Austin, were the luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. George McEntire at their ranch home last Thursday.

Ens. F. C. Burnett U. S. N. R., at Little Creek, Va. writes that his work as engineer of a flotilla is very interesting. He is in good health and on active duty. He craves the news from Sterling. It will be remembered that Ensign Burnett was a member of the faculty of our public schools before he enlisted in the Armed Service.

Come One! Come All to the Hallowe'en Carnival at the school.
October 29 7:00 p. m.

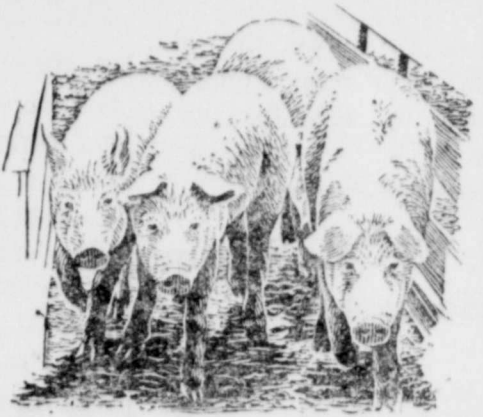
On his arrival home not long ago, Kenneth Garms heard a noise in a pecan tree in the back yard of the Malcom Black home where the Garmses reside. Kenneth suspected that some kids were swiping pecans. On investigation, Kenneth found a couple of kids up in the tree picking nuts. One of the kids was Brother Black, age 88, and Robert Garms, age 5. These two boys were beating the town kids to the pecans.

FDR says:

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From where I sit...

by Joe Marsh

Every time Lem Martin hears about another Jap battleship being sunk—or another Nazi city being blasted—Lem grits his teeth, and digs into his pocket for more War Bond money.

"With our soldiers over there doin' better 'n' better at their scorin'," Lem says grimly, "we can do the same at home."

It's easy to think that if the war is going well, we can afford to let down just a little instead o' realizing that the bigger our offensive gets the more our boys are going to need equipment and munitions.

From where I sit, here's the way it is... It's up to everyone of us to put not only our spare money into War Bonds, but to figure out new ways of saving so that we'll have still more money to invest in Victory.

As Lem says: "We asked for plenty of action—and we're sure getting it. All over the world our men have got them Axis fellas on the run. Let's Back the Attack with War Bonds."

Joe Marsh

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--and--

"Valley of Hunted Men"

News of the Day
Short Subjects

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday
October 17-18-19

George Raft
Sidney Greenstreet
In

"Background to Danger"

News of the Day and selected short subjects

Wednesday and Thursday
October 20-21

Mary Martin
Dick Powell
Rudy Vallee
In

"Happy Go Lucky" IN TECHNICOLOR

Also News of the Day Selected Short Subjects

Friday and Saturday
October 22-23

Mary Lee
John Archer
In

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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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Evening worship, 7:30 o'clock

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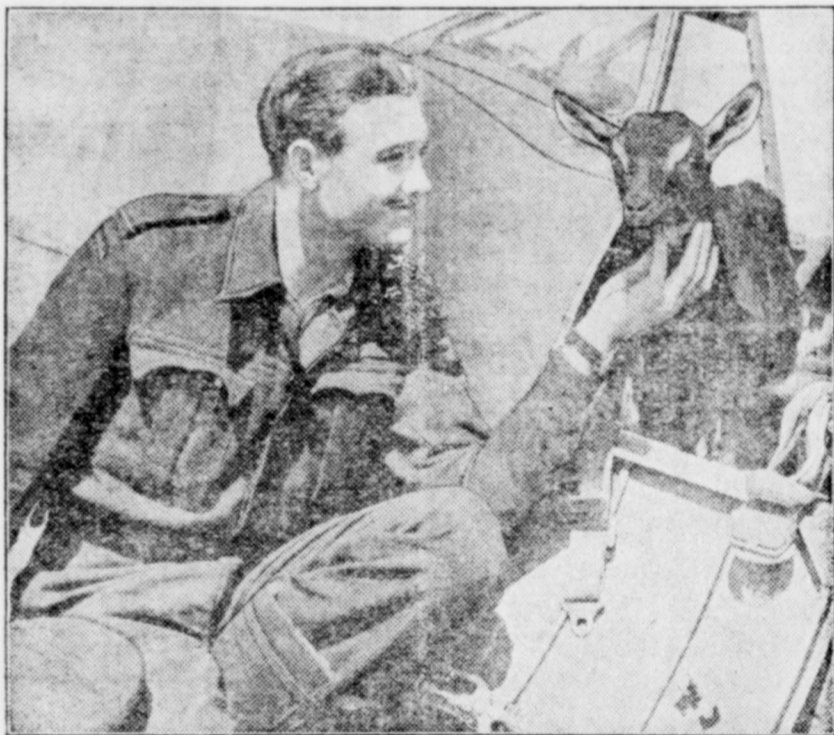
The Men's Store

Production Corps Volunteers Make Millions Of Red Cross Garments



Women volunteers in the Volunteer Special Services of the American Red Cross of which there are more than 3,000,000 are making one of the greatest contributions to the war effort. Since Pearl Harbor they have turned out 517,000,000 surgical dressings for the Army and Navy and other armed forces of the United Nations; 3,982,362 knitted and other garments for able-bodied members of the armed forces; 1,595,875 hospital garments for hospitalized members of the armed forces and hundreds of thousands of layettes and millions of garments distributed in foreign relief work. These women volunteers worked nearly a billion hours during the past fiscal year. (American Red Cross for the Office of War Information)

B-a-a-h to Adolf!



HENNICKER, a small but lively goat, is the mascot of a Royal Canadian Air Force fighter squadron overseas. Here Flying Officer E. W. "Tex" Sanders of Houston, Texas, is trying to lure him out of the cockpit of a Spitfire. Hennicker has the run of the field and is perfect at home in a plane as on the ground.

Deaths From Child Bearing Decreases

"Despite the development of scientific procedures that definitely reduce the hazards of child bearing maternal deaths in this country continue to remain too high," Dr. Cox said today in a statement on maternal and child health in Texas. "For example during 1942 there were 494 deaths from this cause reported to the State Department of Health as having occurred in Texas alone. Review of these deaths show that many of them were preventable. This is a tragedy which must be corrected." It is an encouraging fact, however, Dr. Cox said, that during the last 10 years the ratio of maternal deaths to the number of live births in Texas has dropped from 7.6 to 3.8. This shows a marked progress in the prevention of maternal deaths consistently maintained in recent years. In actual figures, during 1942 there were 132,175 live births in the State with 493 maternal deaths, while in 1933 a total of 103,806 live births resulted in 835 maternal deaths. "A factor in keeping our maternal death rate at its present level is the failure of prospective mothers to realize their greater safety in placing

themselves under continuous supervision of a good physician throughout pregnancy," Dr. Cox said. "The value of this type of care cannot be over estimated. Until this attitude on the part of expectant mothers is changed, maternal deaths will not reach the minimum which today is possible. In short, the individual has a definite responsibility to secure for herself that high professional care which is today available."

Lions Club Hostesses

A fine lunch was served the members of the Lion's Club at its weekly luncheon served in the basement dining hall of the Methodist Church last Wednesday. The hostesses were Mesdames C. C. Ainsworth, C. L. Coulson, Lura McClellan and Daisy Smith. Lion President Dr. W. J. Swann highly commended the Boy Scouts on their fine work of cleaning up the town. Postmaster Anna Lee Johnson gave a very helpful talk on mailing Christmas packages to our boys in the armed forces. Mrs. G. C. Murrell read a fine poem which received interested attention from the club.

Among other features, the club engaged in singing several numbers accompanied by Mrs. Johnson on the piano.

Mrs. F. W. Cole Sesame Club Hostess

Mrs. F. W. Cole was hostess to the Sesame Club Tuesday evening. The program was on "The Home." A piano solo, "Tell Mother I'll Be There" was rendered by Mrs. Tommie Johnson. Mrs. Chappel Murrell gave a pianologue poem "Things That Make a Soldier" by Edgar A. Guest. The Reverend Hestir gave an inspiring talk on "The Influence of a Real Home in a Life and Nation." He stressed four important things as a basis for a real home, first of all, God, then love, peace and understanding. By the combination of these four standards happiness revolves around the fireside in the home. He gave excerpts from Burns' "The Cotter's Saturday Night" which pictured in verse the ideal home of a New England farmer.

THE BOYS NEXT DOOR

We blamed the little boys next door For every mischief long ago. We feared that they were headed for A life of banditry and woe! "They're only boys!" Ma would defend Them in their wildest escapade. "They're sure to come to a bad end" Was the remark that Grandpa made. They climbed the fence until it sagged And every rose dropped tumbled heads. They drove their spirited black nag Into our choicest flowerbeds They teased the dog and plagued the cat. They broke the asters from their stalks. They left their racket and their bat Where Grandpa took his daily walks. Those boys next door took years, it seemed, To grow to manhood's cares and joys, And now we think we only dreamed They were such mischievous small boys! For when on furlough and on leave

They both appear, we set such store Upon them, proudly we believe The finest boys are those next door. (Released by Bell Syndicate, Inc)

The home is the place to teach good morals to boys and girls. As no one has the right to enter the home and try to correct the misconduct of children, it is clear that the parents are the ones to do it. If a boy or girl goes to the bad the world holds the parents responsible for it.

Son, pay your debts promptly. No matter if the sum is small, pay it right now, because the one you owe, expects it. Your credit is your most valuable asset.



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DAY OR NIGHT
Lowe Hardware Co.**

**FIRE, FIDELITY,
AUTOMOBILE
INSURANCE
FHA LOANS
Let Us Protect Your Property
D. C. Durham
Insurance Agency**

SPECIALS

Vegetables We will have a shipment of fresh vegetables every Wednesday. Also a good selection of fruit when available.

Barbecue Tuesday and Friday sizzling hot Bar-3-Q will ready at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Macaroni Luxury Macaroni Dinner with 1 oz. of cheese for only 15c

Facial Tissue Astree facial tissue box of 200 for 10c

Corn Prosperity, cream style, No. 2 can for 15c

Randolph Grocery & Market

RANCH WANTED
2 or 3 Sections
Have Cash Customer
FRED CLIETT, Licensed Ft. Stockton, Texas