

District Court Over

Clemento Garcia was sentenced to 8 years in the penitentiary for burglary of the C. L. Dodson home by Judge Sutton here in district court Monday. Garcia pleaded guilty and his sentence will run concurrently with some seven year sentences he is now serving in the pen. Judge Sutton appointed Herschel Upton to represent Garcia.

The grand jury ordered the commissioners Court to have an audit of county finances, covering the last four years.

The grand jury was adjourned Monday noon after completing their investigations. The grand jury was composed of Charley Wilson, foreman, Tom Onstott, H. Fowler, Wm. McDonald, C. Ainsworth, Joe Emery, Jack Southit, Smoky Garms, Webb Dodson, H. L. Hildebrand, Aaron Ark and Martin Reed.

Roof Burned on Mills Residence

A fire, resulting from a faulty electric, caught the roof of the house occupied by Mrs. W. T. Mills and burned the roof last Friday morning. The fire department did not work before the blaze spread. Mrs. E. B. Butler owns the house, which was damaged approximately \$75.

-E Day Program Held

V-E Day was observed in Sterling City Tuesday with a brief program at the school auditorium. Present were students, parents and patrons.

The program was opened with the singing of the Star-Spangled Banner, led by Rev. Ed. Lovelace. Next Billy Joe Swann led the congregation in pledge to the flag, and prayer, followed by a prayer by Rev. Lovelace, came next in the program. Supt. O. T. Jones made a brief talk, echoing President Truman's plea to keep on till war with Japan is finished. Rev. M. Black gave the benediction.

Daughter to Kerseys

A daughter, Mandy Carleta, was born to Cpl. and Mrs. Buford Kersey at 2:55 p. m. on May 8. The baby weighed 6 pounds, 9 ounces. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Kersey. The Kerseys reside at 11th Street, Ballinger.

The Truck Stop will be closed the next 30 days as Mrs. Ruby Kersey will be in Ballinger with her daughter. She expressed her thanks for your business and wants to come back when the cafe opens.

Sgt. Otto Thiers was recently awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in Germany, according to word received here by his sister, Mrs. Roy Martin.

W. N. Reed Resigns As Commissioner

W. N. Reed, county commissioner of Precinct No. 4, resigned his office, effective immediately, Monday morning of this week. Reed had been commissioner longer than anyone on the court, having served since 1922.

The new commissioner, to replace Reed, will be named by County Judge G. C. Murrell. The judge had not settled on a man for the place as we go to press.

North Concho River Soil Conservation District News

Board of Supervisors:
Zach Jones, Chairman
L. R. Reed, Vice Chairman
Foster S. Price, Secretary
J. R. Mims, Supervisor
J. W. Cox, Supervisor

Spraying of bitterwood with arsenic of lead was found to be very effective in killing this plant by Claude Collins. A small area was sprayed on his Hackberry Ranch approximately two weeks ago. At the time of inspection of the area Monday, April 30, it was found that only a very few scattering plants were alive in the sprayed area. Collins stated that the cost of the arsenic acid was approximately \$2.00 per acre. The cost of the labor would of course depend on the size of the sprayer, the area to be sprayed, and the availability of labor.

Eradication of small mesquites with a heavy grubbing hoe was tried on an experimental plot on L. F. Hodges' ranch. 300 mesquites ranging from 18 inches to 4 feet in height were grubbed from 1/4 acre by 1 man in 1 hour. These small trees were cut below the enlarged crown underneath the ground.

Jeff Davis is leveling his garden for the purpose of working out an irrigation system. Soil Conservation Service technicians made a topography map of the garden and advised with Davis on the areas to be leveled.

Foster S. Price worked out a conservation plan on his ranch northwest of Robert Lee in Coke and Nolan Counties in July 1944. At the time of a recent visit to the ranch, Travis Hicks, Coke County Agent, made the following comment, "It sure looks good to see a good cover of vegetation on the ground and to see both ewes and lamb fat and healthy".

Fred Hodges marked up 284 lambs from 271 ewes in his Morgan pasture. These ewes were not given supplemental feed during the winter. A good reserve of range vegetation kept the ewes in good condition and made this large lamb crop possible.

One acre of grass seed for an adaptation trial was planted by George Demere last week.

A fireguard totaling one mile and rearrangement of ranch roads were completed by D. D. Garrett this week, The county equipment



Notes of a Newspaperman:

Letter to Woodrow Wilson from Franklin D. Roosevelt: "My dear Mr. President: I entirely forgot on Sunday evening to speak to you of a personal matter which might come up during my absence—the question of my nomination for the Governorship of New York. I have tried in every way to stop it, but some of your friends and mine have talked of the possibility of forcing this while I am away, and of asking you to encourage me to accept it.

"I sincerely hope the matter will not come up. I have made my position entirely clear that my duty lies in my present work—not only my duty to you and the country, but to myself. If I were at any time to leave the Assistant Secretaryship it could only be for active service.

"Furthermore, may I say that I am very certain that it would be a grave mistake for either you or any member of the Administration to ask that I give up war work for what is frankly very much of a political job in these times. I cannot accept such a nomination at this time with honesty or honor to myself. I think I have put off all danger of it, but in case you are appealed to, I want you to know what I feel—and I know too that you will understand and that you will not listen to the appeal."

Regardless of what you have heard and read, FDR never wanted 3rd Term. . . . A few months before his 2nd Term was about to end, Mrs. Roosevelt invited kin of Ed Flynn to spend a night in the White House. She especially wanted their two tots to sleep there "so that they never will forget the thrill of it." . . . "Considering the people (we do not really know) who have been here," she said in effect, "I want the children to be with us for a night—and this positively is their very, very last chance!"

After a press conference in his White House office a reporter told the President of a story that had come in the mail. Did he mind its publication? . . . "It was at the Gridiron Dinner," said FDR. "You'd better clear it with some of the boys who were there." . . . A famed Republican Senator, it appears, was teasing FDR about his "lucky Inaugural suit." . . . "If you run for a third term," heckled the Senator.

Sterling War Loan Quota \$175,000

The Sterling County quota for the Seventh War Loan Drive is \$175,000, announced chairman J. S. Cole this week. Of this amount \$50,000 is the "E" bond quota.

The drive runs from May 14 to July 7, said Mr. Cole. Sterling County has always met the quota in the war loan drives, and must not fail this one, said Cole.

The war is only half over. The Japs must be beaten decisively—now that the Germans are "kaput". The yellow bucktooths must be brought to their knees and war bonds help do it.

Lt. and Mrs. A. K. (Pug) Garrett of Midland, spent last weekend here visiting Pug's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Garrett and other relatives.

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did the construction and Soil Conservation Service technicians staked out the necessary blocks to prevent erosion.

Final School Programs

Lions Club

The Lions Club met in the State Hotel dining room Wednesday for their regular luncheon. President Clyde Davis divided presiding honors with Dr. Swann.

Lion Webb Hudson was presented with a special gift of vitamin pills and a 1945 overage "wolf certificate".

The committee to inquire into REA reported that they had a conference scheduled for Thursday in Angelo with REA officials.

Barbecue for Sgt. Latham

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen were hosts to about 50 guests when they honored S-Sgt. Henry P. Latham with a barbecue at a the ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McDonald, last Saturday night. The guests assembled in the back yard for the barbecue supper, and afterwards engaged in dancing in the McDonald home.

"Let me borrow that suit, and I'll run against you and win!" . . . FDR told him he couldn't let him borrow his "lucky" suit . . . "Because I may need it myself!" "You mean," was the retort, "that you ARE going to run again?" "I mean," said Mr. Roosevelt wearily, "that I may need it myself. I do not consider it my Inaugural suit. It is my—funeral suit."

Another of the favorite FDR stories deals with the White House visitor who remarked: "Mr. President, how in the world did you acquire such patience—with all the bores you meet in a day?" FDR grimly replied: "You acquire patience after you've spent two years learning how to wiggle your big toe again."

Men who were trusted by President Roosevelt were never frisked when they were admitted to FDR's office. The Secret Servicemen knew his friends, of course. . . . One newly appointed agent, however, took no chances. . . . A newspaper man he had never seen before (and who hadn't held his White House pass high enough for the agent to see) was suddenly jerked out of the crowd swiftly marching in for the press confab. The newspaper man (when he got his bearings again) was irked no end. . . . Later, alone with the President, he kidded about it. "I thought everybody down here," he said, "knew who was on your team!" . . . "Well," replied the President, "it is comforting to know that the boys are careful." "Not so careful," said the visitor, displaying a loaded pistol.

Among one reporter's thrills was hearing him guffaw. When the gag was funny he would howl. The vaudeville comics would call it "a belly laugh." . . . The reporter thinks, too, he is one of the few who ever saw him weep. . . . It happened when ex-Cong. Lambertson and others were criticizing the war records of his sons. . . . Mr. Roosevelt was miserable about a letter that came (that morning) from one of them. It concluded: "Pop, sometimes I really hope one of us gets killed so that maybe they'll stop picking on the rest of the family!" . . . When he read it, FDR's lower lip started to quiver, and the tears came.

This Republic is governed by the will of the people. That expressed will has been interrupted by the will of God, in the passing of President Roosevelt. Now, President Truman, the due constitutional choice of the American people, is entitled to the fullest loyalty and cooperation as Commander in Chief. This is not a time for slackening of effort. On the contrary, this new, unexpected and grievous challenge to the American people is a challenge to Democracy itself.

Baccalaureate Next Sunday

Graduation exercises will be held here May 16 and 17, Superintendent O. T. Jones announced.

Seniors will have commencement May 17 with Rev. W. J. McCawley, pastor of the Baptist Church, speaker. Rev. E.H. Lovelace, pastor of the Methodist Church, will deliver the commencement address for eighth grade graduates May 16.

Joint baccalaureate exercises will be held at 11 o'clock May 13 with Rev. B. B. Hestir, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, speaker.

Candidates for graduation from high school include Ancel Reed, Jackie Durham, Bobby Edwards, Jesse Vern Martin, Paula Sue Wyckoff, Venera Mitchell and Margaret Skeete.

Valedictory honors have not been announced, but they will be between Venera Mitchell and Margaret Skeete.

Miss Rena Ball, elementary school principal, said candidates for graduation from the eighth grade include Richard S. Bailey, Lloyd Cole, Edward Dees, J. D. Fowler, H. W. Gregston, Don House, Blaine Mitchel, Nelson McGee, Wanda Cook, Billie Sue Hallmark, Trinabeth Reed, Margaret Ritter, and Elizabeth Ann Williamson.

The baccalaureate services have been planned as follows:

Processional, Mrs. Tommie Johnson; Invocation, Rev. Malcolm Black; Special Song, Trio; Baccalaureate Sermon, Rev. B. B. Hestir; Benediction, Rev. Ed. H. Lovelace; Recessional, Mrs. Tommie Johnson.

The high school commencement program includes the following:

Piano Solo, Joe David Crosso; Salutatory, (not announced); Chorus, high school girls; Valedictory, (not announced); Address, Rev. W. J. McCawley; Recommendation of Graduates, A. L. Davis; Presentation of Diplomas, O. T. Jones; Certificates of Merit, A. L. Davis; Presentation of Rings to Class of '46, Jackie Durham; Dismissal of Congregation, O. T. Jones.

The eighth grade commencement program, as announced by Miss Ball, is as follows:

Processional, Mrs. A. L. Davis; Invocation, Rev. W. J. McCawley; Salutatory, Margaret Ritter; Class Song; Valedictory, Dick Bailey; Piano Solo, Margaret Ritter; Address, Rev. Ed. H. Lovelace; Presentation of Diplomas, Rena Ball; Farewell Song, Class; Benediction, Rev. Malcolm Black.

There will be no special meeting called for P-TA as planned for the purpose of hearing Mrs. D. R. Carter, District P-TA President, as she has to attend to business in Odessa. Mrs. Carter plans to come to Sterling City next September to hold a school of instruction for the P-TA.

Sgt. Jean Durham, now stationed at Camp Shelby, Miss., has been promoted to staff sergeant. He is the son of the W. W. Durhams and is a veteran of the Aleutians campaign.

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University of Life 7:45 at this church.

METHODIST CHURCH

Ed. H. Lovelace, Pastor

STERLING CITY

Church School 10:00 A.M.

No morning service due to Baccalaureate Service.

Evening Services 8:30, at the Presbyterian Church, the above pastor preaching.

University of Life Study 7:45

Recreation and Fellowship following the evening service.

During the month of May the evening program of the U of L will be held at the Presbyterian Church.

MOON CHAPEL

Church School 3:00 P. M.

Preaching Service 3:45

BAPTIST CHURCH

W. J. McCawley, Pastor

Morning Services

Sunday School 10:00

No morning preaching due to Baccalaureate service.

Evening Service 8:30

Prayer and Bible study Wednesday 8:30 P. M.

Business and Social meeting on 1st Tuesday of month 8:30 P. M.

**University of
Life**

Mrs. Earl Bailey and Mrs. Hal Knight were hostesses last Sunday night for the recreation hour.

Rev. B. B. Hestir brought the message for the chapel service and Mrs. Tommie Johnson led the study during the discussion period.

Next Sunday the entire program for the University of Life will be held at the Presbyterian Church. Rev. E. H. Lovelace has a special program planned.

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Seniors Have Hay Ride

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mitchel and their daughter, Venera, entertained the Senior Class with a barbecue and hay ride last Friday night on the river 7 miles east of Sterling City. The seniors and their guests drove out to the Mitchel's home, then rode on the hay wagon down to the river for the barbecue and picnic supper.

Seniors present were Venera Mitchel, Margaret Skeete, Paula Sue Wyckoff, Jessie Vern Martin, Ancel Reed, Jackie Durham and Bobbie Edwards. Guests included Mmes. W. M. Edwards, John Skeete, Tommie Johnson, John Wade, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Durham, Miss Mildred Atkinson, Lora Mae Humble, Carolyn Foster, Beth Abernathy, Eula Mae Mitchell, Joe Snead, Harold Emery, and Blaine Mitchel.

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District Scouters Meet

The Boy Scout District executives met here at the the courthouse Tuesday night and discussed the local building program and plans for Camp Louis Farr.

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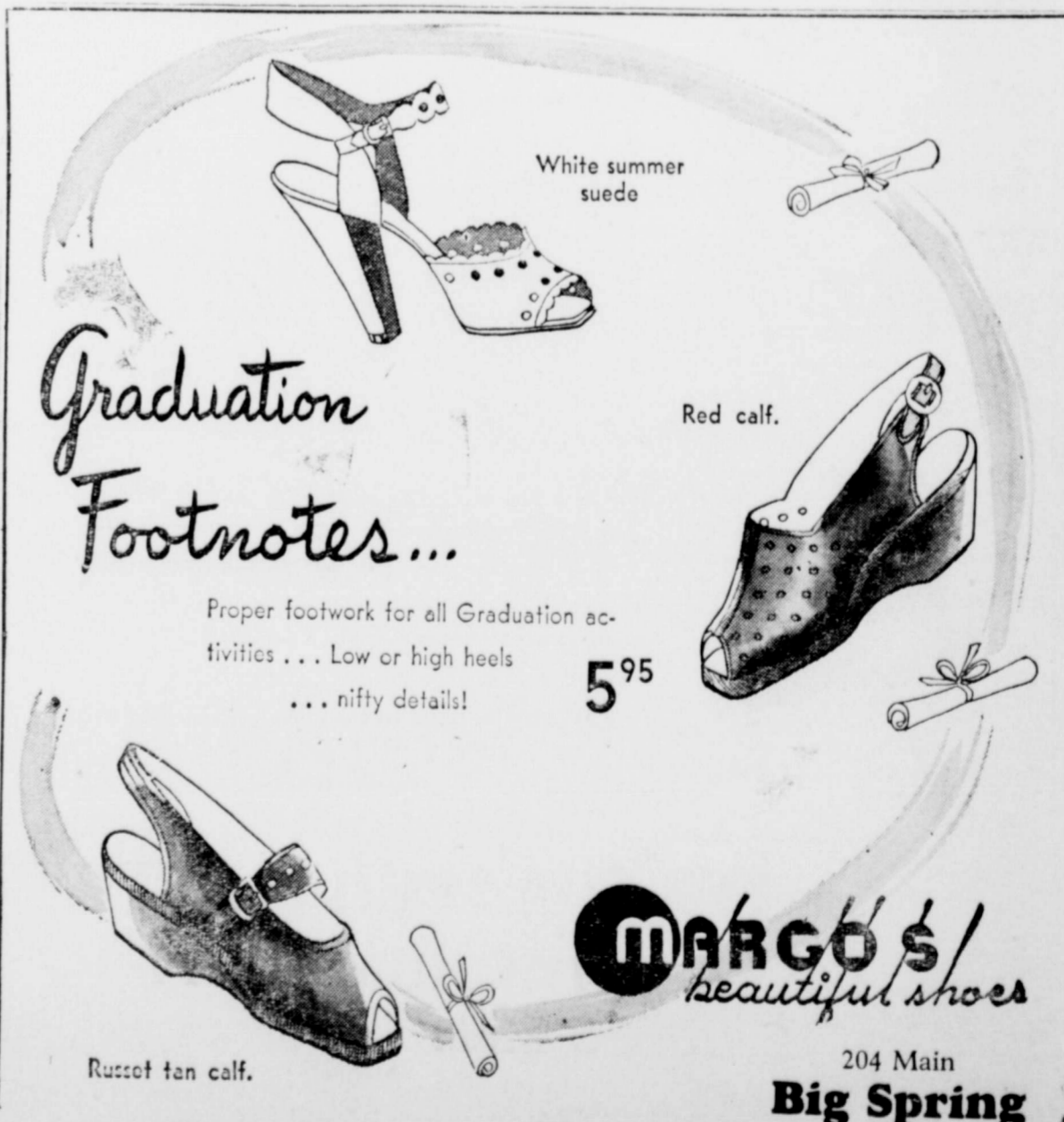
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Family in Happy Campaign Mood



Twenty-year-old blonde Mary Margaret Truman, daughter of the new President, aspires to a musical career. She is a popular member of George Washington university crowds and a member of Pi Beta Phi, and is shown with the new first lady of the land and her father, after he won the vice presidential nomination at Chicago.

Studied Law While in Office

While in office Truman realized that a knowledge of law was essential to any further advancement. Consequently he entered the Kansas City School of Law at the age of 39, and studied nights for three years. He was admitted to the bar soon after graduation.

From 1922 to 1934, with the exception of one term, 1924-26, he held county offices. In the 1926 elections he became presiding judge, a step higher. He was rapidly growing in political stature.

In 1934 he was jumped over numerous other aspirants, and entered as regular party candidate for the United States senate, somewhat to his surprise. He had been intending to run for county collector. Although comparatively unknown, the party label carried him to success.

Wisely recognizing the limitations that inexperience placed upon him, Senator Truman remained rather inconspicuous and silent until he could learn his duties and study the issues that came up for consideration.

It was not until his second term that he began to take a vigorous part in law-making and other business of the senate. He leaped into public notice in February, 1941, when he was appointed chairman of the special committee to investigate the war program. This group of senators became known in headline language as the "Truman committee."

During the next few months Truman and his colleagues toured the country, investigating war contracts. Through the committee's recommendations a saving of \$200,000,000 was effected.

President Was Watching Senator

President Roosevelt, who had been watching the Missouri senator, began to consider whether Harry Truman's abilities might not better serve the country in some executive capacity. No opening developed of sufficient importance, however, and Truman continued with his legislative duties and his committee work. He had been slowly forging acquaintances throughout the senate. Though not spectacular, his personality, integrity and energy won him respect and admiration. He also had many friends in the house of representatives.

When Roosevelt decided on the momentous step last year of running for a fourth term, he also had to make a choice for a running mate. After hesitating a long time he let it be known, just before the national convention met in Chicago, that he believed Harry Truman would be the most satisfactory choice. Truman won the nomination. He was elected with Roosevelt in November.

As vice president, Truman has stuck close to his duties as president of the senate. He has kept in close touch with the world-embracing activities of war-time Washington, and so was ready to assume the duties of chief executive when the call came so unexpectedly.

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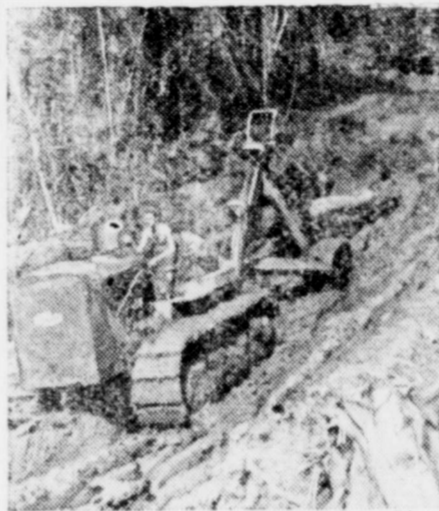
LOCALS

Capt. Roy T. Foster, Jr. with the U. S. Army in Germany, recently was hospitalized in Belgium with the yellow jaundice.

Jeff Davis shipped 8 double deck cars of lambs from Crit Clark's Tuesday to Kansas City. He also shipped one double car of his own lambs. He said the Clark lambs averaged 112 pounds and were the best lambs off grass that he had ever seen.

Ralph P. Robles, who is employed by John Cole of McCamey, came after his mother this week. She has been visiting here a month with a niece.

M. C. Mitchell and Ted Brown have bought 250 yearling steers and have them pastured on Lee Augustine's and W. M. Key's ranches.



Signal Corps Photo
Pvt. Ralph A. Herr, Colbert, Wash., removing felled timber from the jungles of a South Pacific island. War Bonds pay for caterpillar tractor equipment to make roads and clear airstrips on invaded territory. Buy more War Bonds.
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But It's True



It has even been said by some students of bees that they show reasoning power comparable to that of human beings. Mr. Bunting plays a few sets at least twice a week. All the Brazilian claimants base their right on succession to the emperor. The nation is a republic today. People interested in the matter have established that the story of Sir Walter Raleigh throwing down his cloak for the queen to walk on could not have been true. His refusal to wear one at the time caused people to regard him as an eccentric.

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