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WELLS NEWS

Give Mrs. Homer Simpson the news items from the Wells Community.

Wells H. D. Club met Sunday Dec. 11 at the Wells lunch room. All members present enjoyed the Xmas party. All received nice gifts. We enjoyed the refreshments of hot chocolate and cake.

Our pie supper turned out to be quite a success. There was a fair crowd and plenty of pies. The highest bid was \$8.00. The total amount was \$109.00. We thank each and everyone for the interest shown our school. The money will be used in our school benefit.

S-Sgt. Andrew Jordan is home on 15 day furlough visiting his family and friends.

Mr and Mrs. Hobert Jordan visiting in the home of Mr and Mrs. W. J. Jordan Friday night.

Mr and Mrs. D. J. Bolch enjoyed visiting some of the family. Mr and Mrs. Dallas Vaughn in Saturday.

Ronnie White spent the week end with Grandparents, Mr and Mrs. J. White of O'Donnell.

Bob Mansker had business in Lamesa Monday.

CHURCH SOCIAL

Tea, herbs and sponsors of the Baptist Sunday school, Mr and Mrs. Harvey Linn, Con Burns, Bob Carroll, Ed Walls and Truett Hodnett entertained the intermediate class of the church and all their younger friends of all the various churches of the town at the Recreation room in the basement of the church Friday night December 1st at 8 o'clock.

Brother Hale gave the Devotional and prayer. Mrs. Truett Hodnett took over the job of entertaining and proved herself an expert at the job. At the conclusion of two hours of wholesome fun delicious nut pumpkin pie and hot coco was served to 48. Out of town guests were: Dan Blocker, Ira Boothe, Hal S. Snelton, Jr and Johnny Saleh, all of the TMI of San Antonio and Wayne Carroll of Allen Military Academy of Bryan.

Ernest Kolb of Mesquite reports that his fifty acre "patch" of wheat is getting off to a rather slow start. He is expecting some good grazing a little later.

Mrs. W. L. Tunnell, pioneer Lynn County lady remains in a Lamesa hospital but is reported as showing some improvement the past few days.

GIBSON'S GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr and Mrs. Russell Gibson celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary with a nice dinner at their residence, Sunday, December 10th.

Mr. Gibson and Miss Mildred Garner were married December 9, 1894 at Montague, Texas.

Of the nine living children, six were present including: Roy W. and family of O'Donnell; Mrs. Rudolph Middleton and family of O'Donnell; Mrs. Ruth Lawhorn of San Angelo; Mrs. Katherine McGill of Andrews; Randle and family of Tahoka and Lee.

Those unable to be present were Mrs. Lucretia Brewer of Ft. Worth; Mrs. Gladys Beach of California and Moody, who is in the European War Theatre.

Mr and Mrs. J. W. Gates and Mr and Mrs. T. M. Garner were dinner guests.

We join with the community in wishing this fine couple many more happy years.

Local News

Mrs. W. W. Cox visited in Tahoka Tuesday.

Mrs. Gene Gardenhire who has been visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs. Roy Miles, returned last Thursday to Richmond, California where she is employed in the ship yards.

Carey Shook has returned to O'Donnell for a few weeks. He is farming in the Estancia Valley but his cold snow was 14 inches deep when he left there.

Mr and Mrs. Hobert Jordan were transacting business in Lubbock Thursday.

S-Sgt. Howard Price and wife spent the week end with Miss Louisa Robinson. Sgt. Price has just returned from active service with the Marines in the South Pacific.

L. E. Robinson and sister, Mrs. Henry McClary were called to Denton Saturday where their mother had been injured in a car wreck.

Miss Berta Mae DeLash left Monday for Hayward Calif. where she is employed.

Andy Jordan who is stationed at Tampa, Fla. with the Coast Guard is spending a 10 day furlough with his parents, Mr and Mrs. W. J. Jordan and other relatives.

Mrs. Sam Singleton was a Lubbock visitor Thursday.

Little Billy Jordan of Lubbock is visiting his father, Andy Jordan, in the home of his grandparents, Mr and Mrs. W. J. Jordan.

Mr and Mrs. M. J. Whitsett of Lamesa were transacting business in O'Donnell last Friday.

Mr and Mrs. G. C. Aten were shopping in Lubbock Thursday.

Mrs. Arline Boydston and little daughter of Jayton are visiting in the homes of her brothers, G. C. and Woodrow Wilson.

The H. L. Woods' have purchased a residence in Dawson Heights and will occupy it within a few days.

Pvt. W. M. Brazier of the hospital corps stationed at Lubbock and his wife were visiting Sunday with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Crandall.

Pat McKibben of T-Bar says his crops are about three quarters gathered.

B. H. Clark of Tahoka was meeting old friends here early this week.

E. O. Kirby, Harmony Farmer was in town this week hoping for dry weather.

Mr and Mrs. Geo. Burdett were in from their Berry Fiat farm early this week.

F. G. Wheeler in talking over his farm problems incidentally mentioned having grown a few turkeys again this year which makes us who are less fortunate just a bit envious of F. G. He has some 30 acres of wheat for grazing.

The small daughter of Mr and Mrs Edrie Hill was removed to a Lubbock hospital Saturday. The little girl is suffering from pneumonia.

Walter Brunson, produce division head at the B. and O. Cash Store visited at Lubbock Sunday.

PILOT BURIED WITH FULL MILITARY HONORS.

Funeral services for Flight Officer Horace B. Stanfield, 26, who was killed early Friday morning of last week near Mercer, Calif. in the crash of a P-61 night fighter plane he was piloting were held at Hereford Tuesday afternoon of last week at the Baptist Church with full military honors. Rev. M. D. Rexrode, pastor of Summerfield Baptist Church officiated and military guard and escort were provided by the local American Legion Post and a company from the Hereford P.O.W. Camp.

Flight Officer Stanfield, son of Mr and Mrs. H. B. Stanfield, who live five miles southwest of Hereford, was born Sept. 2, 1924 at Macador and lived at O'Donnell prior to volunteering for service on Nov. 11, 1942. He received wings and appointment as flight officer at Luke Field, Arizona on March 12, 1944 and at the time of his death was completing his operational training at Hammer Field, Fresno, Calif. preparatory to going overseas. His approaching marriage (on Dec. 15) to Miss John Ellen Beach of O'Donnell had been announced. He was a member of the church at Mesquite having joined when he was 17 years old.

Survivors include his parents, one sister, Doris Nell Stanfield, 9; three brothers, Johnny Wayne 7, and Jerry 16, both of Hereford and P. Eugene Stanfield, 18 who is now stationed at Camp Fannin.

Those from here attending the funeral were: Mr and Mrs. Isaac Lou better, Miss John Ellen Beach, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Beardon and two sisters of Mr. Sterling, Mr and Mrs. Frank Lamb, Mr and Mrs. Edgar Teichik.

As the Armed Forces use only the finest steel and the best of materials, so only our finest men, physically and morally, are used. Such is the price of War. We of O'Donnell extend our sincere sympathy to the loved ones who lost this fine youth.

LONG WHISKERS

Owing to a break in a water main Sunday night due to cold weather, the male half of the town have been trying to devise means for the prevention of whisker growth. The local school was turned out Tuesday due to lack of water.

Mr. W. R. Gibson stated that he and Mr. G. C. Giffen would hold a Community Auction here on Dec. 20. Watch this paper for his ad.

GOAL IS NEAR IN BOND DRIVE

O'Donnell went over the top in purchase of E Bonds but still lacks a little of the total of our quota of \$88,000. The deadline is Saturday.

Here are the figures supplied by Mr. Shoemaker:

Series E, Bank	\$35,193.75
Series E Post Office	\$9,056.25
Treas. Notes	\$12,500.00
Series F	\$166.50
Series G	\$18,500.00
TOTAL	\$75,416.50

Mr. J. M. Christopher attended the Law Enforcement Meeting at Lubbock Monday.

Janis Hill, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Hill is in a Lubbock hospital for treatment of an ear ailment.

Charles Huff Cathey, baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cathey is improved after a siege of cold.

Ross Smith, Edward Tester and Billy Tune and one other youth left Monday for Dallas where they will undergo a physical exam. for service in the Merchant Marines.

O. K. BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 11 a.m. Preaching at 11:45 a. m.

Evening service at 7:30 p. m. Public invited.

Rev. E. P. Kilburn, pastor.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School: 10:30 to 11:30

Morning Worship: 11:30 to 12:30

Evening Worship: 7:30 P. M.

God said it; Jesus did it; We believe it; That settles it.

Church with a glad hand, a cordial welcome and a Bible message.

J. M. HALE, PASTOR

WANT ADS

FOR SALE: Farm 15 miles west of O'Donnell, 320 acres, improved, modern 5-room house, lots of water, with or without minerals. A bargain. See C. A. Preston on the place, 16-17

FOR SALE: 10 good milk cows; all fresh or heavy springers -- the kind you'll like. E. A. WRIGHT, 3 and 1-2 miles southwest of O'Donnell.

FOR SALE: Good bundles of mill, West 2 and south of Cyanide plant C. P. AMOS.

FOR SALE: 8 Ft. lengths of used sheetiron. See Ben Moore.

The Piano is here. See Mr. Saleh or Mr. Dumith.

J. N. LE MOND, PIONEER LYNN COUNTY CITIZEN DIES

Funeral services were conducted at 3:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon in the Methodist Church at Draw for John Neely LeMond, pioneer citizen of Lynn county and of that community who died at about 3:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in a Lubbock Hospital. Services were conducted by Dr. C. A. Bickley, pastor of Asbury Methodist Church in Lubbock, assisted by Rev. Hester of Brownfield, a former pastor at Draw and by Rev. Cleo Norcross, the recently appointed pastor. Burial was in the Draw cemetery under the direction of Harris Funeral Home.

Mr. LeMond, 84, had been taken to the hospital suffering from heart trouble and other ailments about two weeks ago and he was known to be in serious condition but death was not immediately expected and came when only one member of the family was present. Rev. Claude LeMond, a son pastor of the Methodist Church at Roby.

Mr. LeMond had been a resident of this county and of the Draw community since January, 1907. Until the infirmities of age slowed his pace, he took an active part in civic, educational, religious, and political affairs of the county and state. For a term or two just preceding or during the early years he served as county commissioner of Lynn County.

His wife died at Draw in 1933. He is survived by five sons and one daughter. The sons are: J. E. of Snyder; Grady of Draw; Tom of Lubbock; Claude of Roby; and Roy of Grassland; the daughter, Mrs. A. Z. Sewell of Draw. Thirteen grandchildren and four great grandchildren also survive.

LYNN CO. NEWS

H. L. Brewer really has some rich land if the size of raddishes is a just standard. He was recently showing around town a radish that measured 14 inches around and weighed 3 1-4 pounds. Add that to the turnips that John Earles grows and send back east to Yankees that think this is still "Wild West" country.

THE O'DONNELL BAPTIST CHURCH (B.M.A.)

Preaching -- 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Sunday school -- Every Sunday at 10:30 a. m.

The above church has begun regular services and you are invited to attend services at this old time Missionary Baptist church. J. M. Hopkins of Olton will preach the 4th Sunday.

--- The Pastor.

AUCTION SALE

Wed. Dec. 20th

H. R. Grayson's

3 miles east and 4 miles South of Tahoka

- 7 -- MILK COWS
- 11 -- HEIFERS
- 2 -- STEERS
- 2 -- MALES
- 1 -- COWS
- 1 -- REGISTERED HOGS
- 2 -- PIGS
- 1 -- FEED MILL; 1 -- NEW CREAM SEPARATOR;
- 1 -- SINGLE ROW BINDER
- 1 -- 2-ROW BINDER
- 1 -- 2 ROW STEEL SLEW
- 1 -- WIND CHARGER and 24 ft. Steel Tower
- 2 -- RADIOS
- 1 -- FENCE CHARGER
- BLACKSMITH OUTFIT including vice, drill, saw and blower
- 1 -- 12 by 14 ft. SHACK
- 1 -- 14 by 20 ft. CAR AND TRACTOR SHED
- ALL KINDS OF TEAM TOOLS
- 2 -- 2 SECTION HARROWS
- LOTS OF SCRAP IRON
- 4,000 BUNDLES of Kaffier and Kigear
- SOME HOUSE HOLD GOODS
- A 1 -- Model B JOHN DEER FARM TRACTOR (All Equipment in First Class Shape)
- 1 -- 1937 V-8 FORD -- NEW MOTOR
- 100 CHICKENS, SCRAP LUMBER, WIRE & other items
- ANY ONE ELSE CAN BRING THEIR ITEMS

G. C. Grider Auctioneer

Give 'em a break during the holidays!



Thousands of men and women in service will take a furlough trip home for Christmas. For many of them it will be the last time they will be with their families for an indefinite period of time. Of course, we want to provide them with space on our trains for comfortable trips to and from their homes. To do this--with our limited passenger equipment and unprecedented volume of civilian travel--we must again ask your cooperation and friendly understanding. As you can adjust your going and coming with more latitude than men and women in service--please--postpone your train trip until after the holiday period to enable us to provide accommodations for our soldiers, sailors and marines on Christmas furloughs.

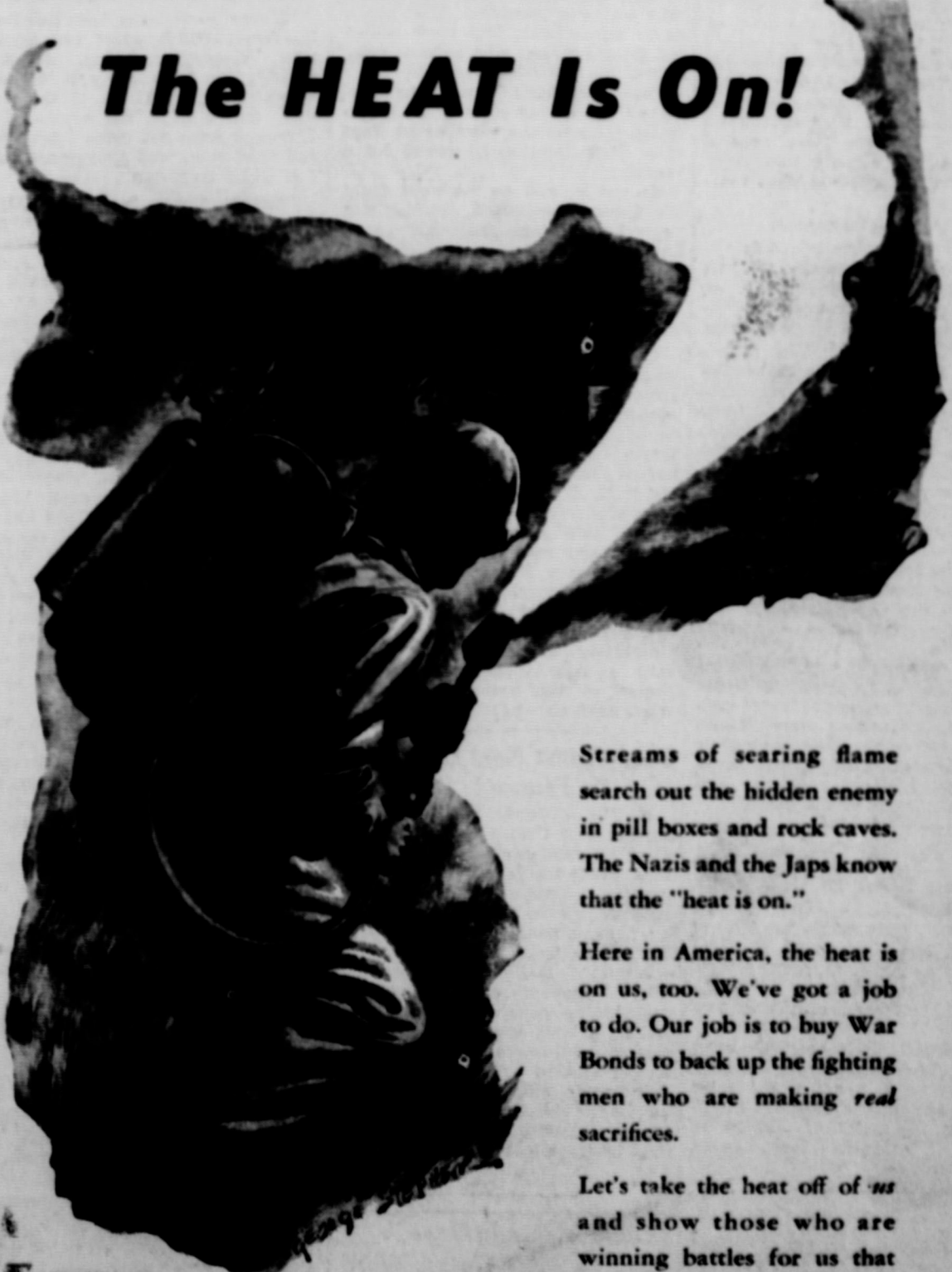
SANTA FE SYSTEM LINES



SALE

Mon. Dec. 18 HOMER DURHAM Sale Starts at 12:30

- 3 MILE SOUTH; 1 MILE WEST & 1 MILE SOUTH OF O'DONNELL
 - SALE TO SETTLE PARTNERSHIP
 - 20 HEAD OF HOGS
 - 17 HEAD CATTLE
 - 4 HEAD HORSES
 - 1 -- 41 MODEL PICKUP FORD
 - 1 -- M FARM-ALL TRACTOR AND 4-ROW EQUIPMENT
 - 1 CASE TRACTOR 2-ROW
 - 1 REGULAR FARM ALL Tractor
 - 1 A-C 2 ROW COMBINE
 - FURNITURE AND MANY OTHER ARTICLES
 - 1 36 MODEL CHEVROLET Coupe
- G. C. Grider, Auctioneer



The HEAT Is On!

Streams of searing flame search out the hidden enemy in pill boxes and rock caves. The Nazis and the Japs know that the "heat is on."

Here in America, the heat is on us, too. We've got a job to do. Our job is to buy War Bonds to back up the fighting men who are making real sacrifices.

Let's take the heat off of us and show those who are winning battles for us that we can do our part at home.

So let's buy that extra \$100 bond right now to help shorten the war!



This advertisement is published in the interest of the Sixth War Loan Drive by TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVICE COMPANY

U-Boat Mates Serve 4 Roles

Pharmacist Rating Found to Act as Doctor, Dentist, Nurse, Chaplain.

NEW YORK. — Tales of pharmacist's mates on submarines who save lives, heal wounds, mend broken hearts and serve as "the doctor, dentist, nurse and even the chaplain all rolled into one," were related at the annual meeting of the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States. The narrator was Capt. Charles W. Shilling of the navy medical corps, in charge of the medical research laboratory at the New London, Conn., submarine base.

A submarine, Captain Shilling pointed out, does not carry a medical officer nor a dentist, nurse or chaplain. The pharmacist's mate is therefore trained "so that he can handle the various emergencies that arise."

The instruction consists of eight weeks of concentrated specialty training and six weeks of basic submarine training. The course includes lectures and demonstrations of routine first-aid measures—bandages, compresses, sutures, anesthesia, nursing care, administration of fluids and plasma, use of the sulfa drugs, treatment of fractures—splints, plaster casts and their dangers; laboratory procedures and compounding prescriptions, and two weeks of actual work in the operating room, sick call and wards. In addition, dental first-aid procedures are taught.

Treat Many Cases.

Among some of the conditions "successfully treated by what many consider relatively untrained medical assistants," Captain Shilling listed "well-handled amputations of fingers and toes," sutures of cuts and care of fractures and gunshot wounds. On one patrol, he reported, a case of mental derangement occurred, with repeated attempts at suicide.

"The pharmacist's mate," the officer said, "handled the case with skill, restraining the patient with sheets, giving sedatives and bringing him to port without mishap, in spite of the patient's acute depressed state."

"Another pharmacist's mate had an entire surgical clinic on his hands at one time with three women and three civilian men seriously wounded out of a group of 14 individuals rescued at sea. There were shrapnel wounds in all parts of their bodies, requiring surgical removal."

Captain Shilling quoted the mate's description of how he handled one of these cases:

"This was a woman who had a piece of shrapnel cut the bottom of her breast; there was a wound of about three inches long and about two inches deep. First I stopped the bleeding. Then I cleaned it thoroughly with alcohol and put sulfanilamide powder in the wound. Then I put in 14 stitches. Then applied sterile dressings. She also had minor wounds which I cleaned with mercuric iodine."

Good as a Surgeon.

Captain Shilling commented: "When this boat finally put its passengers ashore 15 days later, not a single case had developed any infection. What trained surgeon could have done any better?"

Almost the entire gamut of diseases and medical emergencies have arisen on patrols and have been "well handled" by the mate, the officer declared. Referring to a well-known case in which a pharmacist's mate performed a "successful appendectomy" in a submarine, Captain Shilling added that "abdominal surgery by pharmacist's mates is definitely frowned upon, and those who go through our school are carefully taught the conservative treatment of acute appendicitis."

"I am happy to say," he continued, "that many cases of acute appendicitis have been treated conservatively and either have cleared up or (in two known cases) have gone on to rupture and formation of an abscess which was easily handled at the completion of the patrol."

Budget Bureau Orders

Big Slash in U. S. Jobs

WASHINGTON. — The budget bureau, the White House announced recently, has instructed Federal executive agencies to reduce their personnel requirements by 46,855 during the last three months of this year.

The reduction is to be made from the total of 1,643,210 jobs covered by the Overtime Pay act which were listed by the various agencies as essential during the first quarter of the current fiscal year—July, August and September.

Chinese Graduated From American Bomb School

PUEBLO, COLO. — The first all-Chinese aerial bombardment crews to be graduated in this country are now ready to fly American bombers in action against the Japanese.

Ten of these crews, trained at the Pueblo army air base, received their diplomas in ceremonies recently. This is the only base in the United States where the Chinese are trained as heavy bombardment teams.

Bumper Corn Crops Now an Old Story

Production Boosted Greatly
By Hybrid Variety.

CHICAGO.—Those bumper corn crops grandfather used to boast about were just drops in the bucket compared to what his grandsons are growing in this second World War, according to a statement made public here by the Middle West Soil Improvement committee.

"In granddad's day," says the statement "40 acres of corn producing 40 bushels per acre—or a total of 1,600 bushels—was a prime year's work for a farmer. Today, with hybrid corn, there are plenty of farms where one man alone can produce between 5,000 and 6,000 bushels per season."

"For the third year in a row now, corn production for the United States has passed the 3,000,000,000 bushel mark. Latest estimates place the 1944 yield at 3,101,319,000 bushels, compared with 3,078,159,000 the year before and 3,175,154,000 bushels in 1942."

"The switch from open-pollinated varieties to hybrid corn has made this mammoth production possible and opened up a new era in agriculture where more bushels can be produced on fewer acres."

"Another factor has, of course, been responsible for the record-breaking yields. That is the increasing knowledge by farmers of how to fertilize hybrid corn. As hybrid has grown in popularity, farmers have learned more and more that in yielding from 20 to 25 per cent more corn per acre than the old-fashioned types, this new variety takes more nourishment out of the soil than did its lower-yielding predecessors. As a result, farmers have had to use more mixed fertilizer on hybrid corn and likewise have had to learn new and better methods of applying the plant food."

"It is estimated that more corn was fertilized throughout the corn belt states in 1944 than ever before in history. Because of tests and research by agronomists at state agricultural experiment stations, farmers have had the benefit of an increasing fund of knowledge concerning the best methods of fertilizing hybrid corn and the quantity of mixed fertilizer containing nitrogen, phosphorus and potash which should be applied in order to assure the best possible crop."

Flier Who Twice 'Missed Boat,' Has No Regrets Now

CLEVELAND, OHIO. — Veteran of 31 missions over Germany, Sgt. Ronald Tevault doesn't regret the two times he "missed the boat."

Tevault, 32, home on furlough after two years overseas, showed up one day for a flight with a bad cold and was grounded. That plane never came back. The crew bailed out over Germany and became prisoners.

Later, Sergeant Tevault was assigned to fill out a crew of green fliers. He said the pilot never kept close formation, so he asked for a transfer.

He got it, and on the next flight the plane disappeared. Nothing has been heard since from the crew, he said.

Radium Used to Treat Childhood Birthmarks

CHICAGO. — Treatment of skin blotches and birthmarks (hemangiomas) with radium is "indicated especially" for children, since it can be applied painlessly without anesthesia and can be retained by adhesive plaster without immobilizing the child, G. E. Pfahler of Philadelphia said recently.

In a talk prepared for delivery at the joint meeting of the American Roentgen Ray society and the Radiological society of North America at the Palmer house, Dr. Pfahler, professor of radiology at the University of Pennsylvania, said such radium treatment possesses "most of the same advantages" when used on adults.

\$60,000,000 Nazi Loot

In France Is Recovered

PARIS.—A fabulous \$60,000,000 assortment of French goods, ranging from kitchen crockery to old masters, which the Germans seized during their occupation, has been recovered, mostly through clever work by French resistance forces as the Nazis were being driven out.

Although the Germans tried to prevent recovery of their loot, even distributing some of it to the French public, a large amount of valuables was saved through the sabotaging of enemy trucks.

Suburban quarries, which served as dumps for thousands of seized tires, and numerous warehouses also have yielded a great hoard of loot.

Older Men and Boys

In Reich Guard, Word

MOSCOW, USSR. — The bulk of Himmler's home guard is in the age group from 55 to 60, with boys of 16 comprising only about 120,000 of the force, Red Star said recently. Konstantin Hoffman, the writer, apparently got his information from the testimony of home guard troops captured by the Russians.

Kathleen Norris Says:

When Sweethearts Are Wives

Bill Syndicate.—WNU Features.



Harwood, who is in the merchant marine, went away; presently he was back, and Betsy stopped crying and was suddenly all for dances, movies, parties, the old girlhood and engagement days routine.

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

"MY DAUGHTER—eight months married—isn't a wife at all!" writes Mary Purvis from New York City. "She's a sweetheart, expecting flowers, entertainment, night-clubs, fun when he gets leave, and moping about idly when he is away. She gravitates from feverish excitement and gaiety to deep depression, driving her father and me almost out of our senses."

"Harwood, the young husband, is 22; Betsy is 19. Of course they were too young to marry, but they were very much in love, and my husband and I, after only a two-months courtship, which to them seemed a long time, gave our consent."

"Two weeks after their pretty country wedding, Harwood, who is in the Merchant Marine, went away; presently he was back, and Betsy stopped crying and was suddenly all for dances, movies, parties, the old girlhood and engagement days routine. No talk naturally of home or cooking or hospitality or the hope of children. They knew they couldn't have those things yet."

"Every leave since then has been the same. Wild laughter, new frocks, new friends, drinking, dancing, wasting money, coming in late and breakfasting at 11 or 12 the next day, and always the excuse that Harwood may not come back from the next trip, and they must have fun while they can."

"Lately, during the last month or two, there have been quarrels, and Betsy is moody and unreasonable when Harwood is here, and heartbroken with self-reproach when he goes. The whole thing is as unnatural and unsatisfying as it can be. My husband and I worry ourselves sick about it. Betsy is our only child, she has never had any home duties, being busy with school and social engagements, and while she sometimes works fitfully with the Red Cross, it is not with any interest or enthusiasm. Week after week goes by; her young life is wasting away, and yet she has no home or husband, none of the normal activities that knit young mates together and build for them a real future as man and wife. I don't think that cur pushing her out to establish a little place of her own would help; do you think that it would?"

...

The answer is, no, I don't. Your trouble, Mary, is one that touches us all. You are trying to rationalize and make reasonable conditions that are basically abnormal. War is unfair to everyone, but it is especially unfair to young women.

If girls stay home in inland towns and all the men go away to war, that's hard on the girls.

If girls fall in love and wisely refrain from consenting even to an engagement until the war is over, that's equally hard.

If a girl announces her engagement and the man goes away that means that both man and girl have to be faithful to a memory that fades faster and faster until they almost feel themselves strangers.

If there is a war wedding, and then separation, the conditions described by Mary Purvis' letter prevail.



Learning to know each other. . .

STRESS OF WAR

There is no use pretending that life can be lived in the usual pattern during a great war. The stresses and dislocations are especially hard for young women to endure, whether they marry or stay single for the duration.

Betsy is only 19. She has always had things pretty much her own way, both at school and at home. She had no particular responsibilities. Social activities and a little Red Cross work filled her days.

After a courtship of only two months, she and Harwood were married. He is only 22, but because they were so obviously and intensely in love, Betsy's parents consented. Soon after the wedding, Harwood was called to duty. He comes in on brief leaves every few weeks.

The short meetings are emotional storms for the young couple. Betsy wants to rush about to dances and parties. She expects the exciting whirlwind of gay experiences she enjoyed as an engaged girl. Lately Betsy and Harwood have quarreled on inconsequential matters. When he goes away again, she is moody and self-reproachful.

And if there is a wedding and prospects presently of a baby, then an almost sadder situation arises, for through all the wonderful first months and perhaps years of that baby's life, he doesn't get what every baby should have, his father's as well as his mother's love and care—and the young mother carries her responsibility alone.

So it's a bad arrangement all 'round, for young women, girls, and everyone. But we can draw good out of this bad by holding before these bewildered war brides an example of faithful belief in our own part, of sturdy belief in the brighter future, by setting up a high ideal of service and goodness in home life. Paint for Betsy's consideration a picture of the little home she will have, of the peace and quiet of her duties and responsibilities, joys and privileges there. Remind her continually that when Harwood comes home he and she must start almost as if they were strangers, learning to know each other, building their early passionate young love into true married trust and devotion, setting their whole young crowd an example.

A strange truth that it is hard for these young persons to accept is that any two really fine persons, equipped with a sense of humor as well as personal courage, can work out a successful marriage. That all husbands have faults, and one man is as hard to live with as another. That all wives have failings too, and can at moments seem difficult and unreasonable. That time and love solve these problems and turn even the most unpromising beginnings into true marriages.

Nothing Wasted Here
Research work on plastics from farm wastes has developed new value in byproducts of the byproducts of farm crops, according to department of agriculture researchers. These "three-times removed" materials in many cases have been found of further use after study in government laboratories.

Typical of such crops having a wide variety of uses is corn. Penicillin uses "steep liquor" from this grain for its manufacture. But the cob was a byproduct. So the cob was ground and the harder parts sifted out to be used as an air blast ingredient for cleaning machined metal parts. The corncob grits take off grease and loose bits of metal, but are not hard enough to scratch or grind down the machined metal.

The cob "flour" left after the sifting process closely resembles wood flour, or finely ground wood, a raw material used in plastic manufacture. Experiments with the cob flour finally produced an excellent plastic, superior in some respects to wood flour plastics. That was the end of the line, since no waste remained with which to work.

PAN-FRYING SMALL FISH

A favorite way to cook steaks or fillets and small fish that have been split down the back is pan-frying. Dip them in cold water, then roll in a mixture prepared by combining one-half cup each of flour and corn meal and 1 tablespoon of salt. Heat 3 or 4 tablespoons of fat in a heavy skillet until it just begins to smoke. Place the fish in the pan and brown on both sides. Cover the pan and cook slowly. Ten minutes should be sufficient for fillets cut about one-half inch thick.



More Milk and Cream By Rapid Milking

Method Saves Labor,
Improves Herds' Health

Fast milking has become the order of the day. It is not a war necessity measure, although it does aid during time of labor scarcity. Fast milking not only results in a larger volume of milk but the butterfat content is often materially increased. The last milk is rich in fat as it represents the milk coming from the ruptured cells, which is less diluted.

The faster the milking, whether by hand or machine, the less chance there will be that any milk will be held up. At the Geneva, N. Y., station it was found that rapid milking decreased the amount of mastitis and udder troubles.

For fast milking, the stimuli must be right. With some cows this means feed, with others it might mean the noise of the milking machine or the milk pails, or it might be the washing and drying of the udder.

Whatever the stimuli, different cows respond to different stimuli, and the farmer must understand the individual reactions of his cows. At Massachusetts State college it was found possible to secure an additional quart of milk by the application of hot water to the teats and floor of the udder.

As a stimulus will last only six to seven minutes, it is essential that



milking be started immediately. With machines it should not take more than four minutes to the cow. If the milking is not done immediately the hormone will be dissipated by the time the milking is started and incomplete milking will result.

Cows should be gradually broken into the rapid method of milking, as they should to any other change in their management. As this method does away with stripping, it is a radical change for most cows, but one to which they will soon respond.

Agriculture In the News

By W. J. DRYDEN

Nothing Wasted Here
Research work on plastics from farm wastes has developed new value in byproducts of the byproducts of farm crops, according to department of agriculture researchers. These "three-times removed" materials in many cases have been found of further use after study in government laboratories.

Typical of such crops having a wide variety of uses is corn. Penicillin uses "steep liquor" from this grain for its manufacture. But the cob was a byproduct. So the cob was ground and the harder parts sifted out to be used as an air blast ingredient for cleaning machined metal parts. The corncob grits take off grease and loose bits of metal, but are not hard enough to scratch or grind down the machined metal.

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Crossbreed Cattle

Crossbreeding has long been recognized in the plant world as a definite aid to vigor. Poultrymen have proven the benefits of crossbreeding for vigor. The crossbreeding of cattle may offer cattlemen a definite means of increasing beef production by the breeding of more vigor into beef cattle. Heavier weight, fewer digestive disorders, faster finishing of steers, more rapid growth of calves are some of the benefits to be secured by crossbreeding.

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A General Quiz

The Questions

1. What surnames are most common in our army?
2. What two structures determine the height and width of our warships?
3. Corse is the poetic form of what word?
4. What great midwestern city is named after Sikak, the skunk?
5. What name is given the inherent right of a state as a sovereignty to take private property for public use?

The Answers

1. Smith, Johnson, Brown, Miller and Jones, in that order.
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3. Corpse.
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I have a little brother and I want you to remember him, too. I think he would like to have a little wagon. You may bring him anything else you have to spare. You know all of the boys and what most of them like.

When you come on Christmas Eve we will be asleep but don't forget to look in the toy box for something to eat. I think I know what you will like to eat while out these cold nights. I hope all the other little boys and girls get a lot of nice toys, too.
Love, your little friend, Letha Faye Swain.

NOTICE LYNN CO. FARMERS:

Friday, December 15th is election day in Lynn County! Election day for Triple A Community Committees. Farmers will select their representatives in the farm program for 1945 at this annual meeting - Friday, December 15, 1944.

Mrs. W. M. McCarty visited at Roswell and Artesa last week.

Joe McLaurin, popular gin manager at Wells was in town this week and reported that the Co-Op gin at that place has in the past two months ginned some 4200 bales. He said that lots of farmers to the north and northwest of Wells are making more than a bale per acre. One customer has a patch of 600 acres and it is running into big money. This is a real cotton country.

Perry O. Cabiness was in town from the farm northwest of town and was all smiles over his crop production. Each of his farms are in the neighborhood of bale to acre.

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Danger of Overwork

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 established, the disease still remains
 the chief cause of deaths among
 persons aged 15 to 35 years. Dr. George
 W. Cox, State Health Officer, stated
 that their age period corresponds to
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 The resulting chronic fatigue may be
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4-H Club News

The O'Donnell Senior 4-H Club
 girls met in the auditorium of the
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 27. Miss Caroline Dixon brought a
 canned fruit cake and a little doil
 bed which the girls plan to use for
 Christmas gifts. She also showed the
 club members how to make foot-
 stools.

The girls learned how to seal and
 steam canned goods to send to our
 service men overseas.

Members present were: Rose Nell
 Lane, Reba Bates, Jane Thompson,
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By CLARK M'VEEKIN

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THE STORY THUS FAR: Lark Shan- is heartbroken when she learns that beloved sorrel horse, Madoc, is to be sold, but can do nothing about it. Her father, Rector Shannon, known as the "Big Parson," had come jogging in the pony cart, dead, his body mangled against the dashboard, the lines trailing on the road. Bethel North, neighbor to the Shannons, held a grudge against Rector Shannon, and the sale of the horse, she said, would clear that grudge. Lark now began to realize that she had been deceived. She is now eighteen years of age and she tells Bethel she is planning to leave England for America, to marry David North, Bethel's son. Bethel much surprised at this announcement.

CHAPTER II

You know I wouldn't be afraid, not that, Jagers. No, No, Lark, I been thinking," spoke slowly, with great effort of thoughtfulness. "I've always to you like you be my own little fighter. . . . Bethel sets store you, too. Don't think she don't. Bethel is a real understanding wife to a man, a good, just woman. Like says, where'd I be without her? Bethel don't mean the way she is a thing. I wouldn't want you to think—"

Lark said, "It's all right, Jagers. I feel so bad." "What I want to know," Jagers said in eagerly, "is just only this, David, or did he not, ever ask plain out to come to him? Just me that, Lark?"

He did not. You and Bethel both that. It was—just a thing I stating into saying, a stupid, fooling thing."

What I want to say—" Jagers said, thinking how beautiful and Lark was, how golden her skin, shined and uncareful-for, but clearing against the red-gold mass her hair, how dark-lashed and by her eyes were. Her back was light, and she was tall and finely built, but with a young awkwardness, a coltish defiance, which, un- Bethel's steady iron curb was being gradually to sullen, brood- liness.

What I thought to say," he said out, "was if I could get the money, now—"

Jagers said, now, with gentle urgency, "If I was to get the money, other, somehow, would you take me to America, Lark? Would you? If I could find cash for your passage, real nice?"

Lark shook her head. She said, "You know I wouldn't, Jagers." "But if David was to take a no- he wanted you, why—"

David doesn't want me! I just—I lied. Bethel's right."

cial unexpected company today, say a bit of company from 'cross the salty, driving up bright and early, on the Liverpool stage, say, you'd want to look nice."

"David is here! You met him on the Liverpool stage! Why didn't you tell me he was coming? Jagers, what did you tell him?"

"He came as a clean-out surprise," Jagers said twice over. "I told him about your father, Lark, but as to you I said but little, but very little. . . . He's waiting over to the house. I told him plain not to come here till I fetched you there, Lark."

"He's with Bethel. There's no telling what she's said to him. Oh, Jagers, I'll die! I want to die! Jagers, I can't go there and face David North, not now."

"Loose your hair," Jagers said timidly, "like you used to, and comb it shining. It has a look like flames that way. . . . And don't seek to choke yourself with that hankcher, tie it pretty."

Lark laughed. She couldn't help it. To have Jagers the silent, the mild mouse, telling her with judicious insistence how to pretty up for his son, David! She snatched a mane-comb from a nail and ran it again and again through her wild locks. She cupped water from the rain barrel and dashed it on her face and smoothed her brown homespun over her slim hips and long supple waist. She was cold and shaking and weak. . . . David!

"I call to memory," Jagers said wisely, "that David kissed you farewell when he took leave of us all five years back."

Lark and Jagers were walking up the path, up the step and in through the door, into the big dim room, the front room of the North house that was suddenly strange and far-off. The room was made small and stuffy by the tall man standing there, the strange big man in a seaman's reefer, smoking a pipe, laying it aside carefully on the special Spode saucer Bethel kept there for nice. The man had a thick black club of hair, big hands and feet, a great strong nose and a wide laughing mouth. Lark looked at him, tried to make a little curtsy, tried to speak his name.

"Well!" Bethel gave her a push. "Haven't you the manners to greet David?"

The big man took a step toward her, lifted Lark in his arms, and kissed her. "My pretty dear," he said. "Lark, it's good to see you, it is that."

prisms on Bethel's good candle- sticks vibrate in the stiff chilly room. "Twenty minutes," Bethel said. "Tie up your hair, Lark, and get into decent clothes. Since you wouldn't wear mourning for Rector, you might as well put on your good blue bombazine with the lace collar and cut a great figure."

"I'm not going to service," Lark said. "I'll stay here."

"Very well," Bethel swept from the room. "Shame can work havoc on a deceitful spirit. . . . Service in twenty minutes, Son."

"Not for me," David spat into the fire again, accurately, with a certain assured neatness. "I'm clean as a new-farrowed pig and have no need to ready or have my sins washed at service. I'll stay here and talk to Lark."

Bethel came down, bonneted, shawled. She passed through the door, and then turned and said, "Lark, ask David to tell you about Mara Hastings, why don't you? You'll want to hear about her, I make sure."

She was walking down the path then, to the gate, waiting impatiently for Jagers, who followed, damp, hair slicked down, looking excited and sprightly, closing the door behind him.

"Is Mara Hastings a lady in America?" Lark asked David, quickly. "Because if she is—some one you are fond of, David, I am happy to hear of it. I wouldn't want you to think—she paused miserably, and then rushed on—"I wouldn't want you to misunderstand about the silly thing I told Bethel."

"Mistress Mara is a fine lady," David said slowly. "A smart lady. I am friendly to her, and she is to me. It is not a promise. I am not what you'd say a promised man, Lark."

"Oh, no, David. I didn't mean— what I want to say is—I lost my temper at Bethel last night. I told her a wicked lie. I said I was—was thinking—well—of going to you in America. I wish I had bitten off my tongue before I said it!"

"I was afraid," he said simply, "that you—well—had thought too much about me, Lark, while I was gone. From what the Old Lady said, it seemed like maybe you had."



PLENTY OF FRONTIERS FOR US TO CONQUER
OUR THEORETICAL economists, who strive to plan America's future, tell us we have reached the zenith of accomplishment; no further progress can be expected; there are no more frontiers for us to conquer. They tell us we can only stand still or go backward.

If this were the summer of 1893 I might believe such statements, but not in 1944. During the summer of 1893 I spent a number of days at the World's Columbian exposition, at Chicago. I saw exhibited there the marvels man had accomplished, the wonders his ingenuity had perfected. It then did not seem possible there was anything left to be done by future generations.

One exhibit that caused much mirthful comment as a crazy man's toy, was a "horseless carriage." At times, and with the exercise of much patience, it would actually move over short distances at a speed not to exceed five miles per hour.

Old Dobbin, or the prancing bays, will continue to pull the carriages of John Smith, the groceryman, or Phil Armour, Marshall Field or George M. Pullman, the plutocrats of their day," was the verdict of those who viewed that plaything.

But that mirth-provoking toy was the first of the automobiles of today. The internal combustion engine that propelled it, crude as it was at that time, has revolutionized our transportation of both business and pleasure. Today 30 million or more of them are operating in this country, an average of one for each family. Their production and maintenance gives jobs to more than six million of our workers.

That development has all come since 1893, and it is but one of thousands of new frontiers we have conquered. At that exposition there were no radios on display, no electric or gas refrigerators, no airplanes, no air conditioning, to mention but a half dozen of the thousands of things the ingenuity of man has given us during the last half century.

These things have made our continued progress possible. They have provided jobs for an ever increasing number of workers, with double or triple the money in the weekly pay envelope, with more time to play and more with which to play.

Certainly the end has not only not arrived, it is not even in sight, nor will it be within any time we can visualize. We do not need plans merely to keep what we have, we need plans for utilizing all the future has in store for us.

No, I cannot be pessimistic about the future after seeing what has been done in a world that seemed complete in 1893.

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2 tablespoons shortening	2 1/2 cups sifted flour

Scald milk, add sugar, salt and shortening. Cool to lukewarm. Dissolve yeast in lukewarm water and add to lukewarm milk. Add eggs and flour to make a moderately stiff batter. Beat until smooth, cover and let rise in warm place, free from draft, until light, about 1 hour. Fill well-greased muffin pans half full. Cover and let rise again, about 1/2 hour. Bake in moderate oven at 375°-7, about 20 minutes. Makes 16.

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Mr and Mrs. Ray Williams of Lamesa; Mrs. George Holmes (nee Virginia Shaw) of Dawson, Mrs. Norman Shaw and sons; Leonard Mires and sons; Mrs. Glyn Mires and Mrs. Ray Ritchie visited Mrs. Hatlie Hagey and Mr and Mrs. John Earles last Sunday.

William Lee Harris, who has recently flown over 50 missions overseas, is now stationed at Lubbock. Mrs. Lum Gibleath of O'Donnell is sending her son, Cpl. Clarence D. Gibleath the Index Press for his birthday gift. He has been fighting for the cause of freedom in England for over two and half years. Happy Birthday, Clarence.



LOOKING AHEAD

BY GEORGE S. BENSON
President, Harding College
Searg, Arkansas

Power Resource

Personal confidence is one of the world's really great power resources. When two individuals become acquainted, after they have more or less dealing with each other, confidence (or a noticeable lack of confidence) always results. This is no part of high-brow psychology. It is a practical experience that comes to every human before he knows enough words to tell about it.

The power contained in this commonplace, human relationship is too big to calculate. How many times have you known insolvent business firms to rise above ruin and fight their way to prosperity because a banker believed *personally* in somebody? More than once I have seen "defeated" ball teams build victory from nothing anybody could see but the hopeful grin of a respected coach.

Of Practical Use

Nowhere in mortal experience is the power of personal trust so obvious as in a hospital. Patients get better when the doctor comes. Pain seems to lose its edge, fever actually subsides, confusion gives place to calm when the physician enters. It is a positive curative, a definite part of physical treatment. It is a thing too useful and effective to be lightly discarded.

There is a concerted movement on foot in political circles to break up this relationship between doctor and patient. It is spoken of as "instituting socialized medicine." By no means have all the details of the plan been worked out, but the early steps have been charted. It adds up to putting all doctors on the government's payroll and assigning them their patients.

It Is Regimentation

To Mr. Average Citizen it means that he can't choose his physician. If he gets sick or a member of his family encounters accident or ill health, he must complain to a bureau and accept the doctor picked by the bureaucrat in charge. He probably will be obliged to go somewhere and fill out a blank first. If the case calls for hospital service he will be so informed and a hospital selected for him.

Boosters for socialized medicine claim it will improve the entire nation's well-being. They say it will make doctors anxious to keep their communities well, make them zealous of disease prevention. I doubt it. Making doctors salaried government men can't help but make a lot of them lazy and indifferent. It might reasonably cost many lives and it would certainly pile administrative expenses to the sky.

Rev. J. A. Branaman of Lubbock and a Baptist Missionary, called on friends in town Friday.

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Bob Mansker

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This achievement climaxes a quarter of a century of research, planning, and development by the Humble organization, which in those 25 years has made uniform progress in every phase of its operations.

The War production record of the Humble Companies in the three years since Pearl Harbor is an amazing one, and the December 14 celebration serves to spotlight the Company's leadership in all of its war operations and to pay tribute to its 11,000 employees.

Fred G. Corley, President of the Santa Fe, announces that his company has placed orders for 500 auto box cars of the new all steel victory design and has also placed an order for ten additional fifty four hundred horsepower Diesel freight locomotives. When this and other Diesel freight locomotives now on order are received the Santa Fe will have a fleet of seventy eight of these huge locomotives, by far the largest fleet in use on any railroad.

(Too Late for last week)

In a series of three basketball games at Tahoka the O'Donnell engineers chalked up two victories to Tahoka's one. The first game, between the two B squads was won by O'Donnell by a 13 to 17 margin. Clark of O'Donnell was high point man with 18 while Hanes of Tahoka scored 7. The Tahoka girls turned in the single victory by romping over the O'Donnell team 30 to 10.

In the feature game of the night, the O'Donnell A squad outscored the Tahoka quintet 41 to 31. Frowlow of O'Donnell was high man, having tallied 24 points. High Tahoka player was Nolan Jones with 12.

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