

O'Donnell Index-Press

O'Donnell Has the Cotton, Grain Poultry, Cream

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82 Per Year

Newsom Is Killed In Germany

First Lieutenant Sam H. Newsom, partner in the Ikard and Newsom Gas Co., has been killed in action in Germany, his wife, Jessie Newsom, was advised by the War De-



partment Sunday. His death occurred at Coblenz March 5, the message was received from the War Department.

Partnership in Old Firm to Die

Newsom is the second - and last - of the partnership in the original Southwestern Fueling Co. to die in the western front.

With her husband joining the arm services in August of 1942, Mrs. Newsom took over active management of the distribution company as Mrs. Newsom and has continued in capacity since. He was the only son of Sam H. Newsom, Sr., a resident of Baton.

Patton's Third Army

Mrs. Newsom was with the 19th aerodivision of Gen. Patton's Third Army - the fighting Third U. S. Army - on only Saturday captured before the Las Cruces offensive was killed earlier in the month. She had been overseas since September of last year.

Las Cruces, N. M. SUN Mrs. Newsom is the former Jessie Middleton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Middleton, Sr. Her parents died last week with her.

FOR SALE: Gas Cook Stove, gas refrigerator, studio couch, all pre-war. See Charles Cathey.

WE WANT HIM:

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12c a pound

WEIGHTS, lights & heavy -
en 24c lb

cream 49c lb

eggs 31c

B. & O.

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JUDGE TOM GARRARD NAMED TO APPEAL COURT POST

Appointment of Tom Garrard, Lynn County Judge, as associate justice of the Amarillo court of civil appeals was announced by the Associated Press from Austin Monday.

The appointment was made by Gov. Coke B. Stevenson following resignation of Associate Justice Clayton Heare, effective March 31.

Garrard, who practiced law in Lubbock before moving to Tahoka, has lived on the Plains 38 years. He is a former member of the State Board of Education, a former state's attorney in the court of criminal appeals at Austin, and former district attorney of the 76th judicial district when the district comprised 10 counties.

He became county judge to serve an unexpired term and was elected to the office last year.

The Index extends congratulations to Tom and wish him the best of success in his new post. The judge has a son, T. T. Garrard living at O'Donnell.

LEGAL NOTICES

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: D. B. Bigham, Greeting:
You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 14th day of May, A. D. 1945, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Lynn County, Texas. Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 26th day of March, 1945. The file number of said suit being no. 1622. The names of the parties in said suit are: Katie Mae King Bigham as plaintiff, and D. B. Bigham as defendant. The nature of said suit being substantially as follows: to wit: that plaintiff and defendant were married on the 1st day of February, 1936, and separated on or about the 15th day of February, 1943, that plaintiff has lived in Lynn County, Texas for more than one year, that defendant, within about one year of their said marriage commenced a course of cruel, harsh, and tyrannical conduct towards plaintiff, that he was guilty of excessive cruel treatment and outrageous towards plaintiff of such a nature as to render their living together insupportable, that there were no children born as issue of said marriage, that he cursed and abused her, Plaintiff prays for a divorce and for such other and further relief as the court shall deem proper to grant. If this Citation is not served within 90 days thereafter the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unexecuted. Issued this 27th day of March A. D. 1945. Given under my hand and seal of said court at O'Donnell in Tahoka, Texas, this 27th day of March A. D. 1945. W. S. Taylor, Clerk. District Court, Lynn County, Texas. 24 c

Mrs. R. T. Peek is in Mineral Wells this week visiting relatives.

FIELD SEED, good, bad, & worse SAUL'S FEED AND SEED STORE

A. T. Flowers, who recently had an operation is home and recovering rapidly.

An enjoyable family reunion was had in the P. P. Brewer home Sunday. Those present were: Mr and Mrs. Jac Kibrewer and family, Mr and Mrs. C. T. Newton, Mrs. Edna Beech, Mr and Mrs. Bert Brewer and baby, Mr Henry Zedlitz, Mrs. Annie Foster, Mrs. Stella Revis, Mr and Mrs. Marvin Simmons and his mother.

Mr and Mrs. John Tidwell and girls and Mrs. Euzeyne Flowers visited in Lamesa Sunday.

With Our Churches on EASTER

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Easter Day Services will be the order at the First Methodist Church Sunday. This day commemorates the greatest event that ever occurred in the world; the Resurrection of our Lord. Without that, there would be no basis for hope beyond this life, but with that, the hope of Eternal Life is assured.

All classes in the Church School will study the great theme of the Resurrection of Christ. You are cordially invited to join one of these fine groups and hear an efficient teacher discuss this most vital and interesting theme.

At the morning hour - 11:30 - the pastor's subject will be "THE POWER OF HIS RESURRECTION." Mrs. W. W. Allison will sing "The Holy City," accompanied by Mrs. A. W. Gibbs on the piano and Miss Lily Frank Gibbs on the violin. Special Easter hymns will be sung by the choir and congregation. A large class will be received into membership of the Church.

Ladies night at the night service. The ladies are sponsoring this service. They will constitute the choir, be the ushers, and have charge of the preliminary services. The pastor will use for his sermon, subject "The Third Word From The Cross." Every one not obligated elsewhere are cordially invited to these services. You will enjoy them. Edward H. Crandall, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Our meeting is progressing in a very fine way. The crowds have been good from the beginning. Visitors have come from many places to encourage us in this effort. Up to this time (Tuesday morning) there have been thirteen responses. Ten have been baptized for the remission of their sins and three have been restored to duty as Christians. Bro. Tabor is one of the best loved evangelists in the Church in this part of the country. Next Lord's Day Bro. Paul Fouts of Lamesa will preach for the Church here. The local minister will be in a meeting with the Mesquite Church in Borden County. You are invited at all times to assemble with us and study the Bible. Garnie Atkinson.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

We will have a short Easter program at the close of the Sunday School presented by the subject of our Bible school. The pastor will bring the Easter message, subject, "The Golden Dawn." At two o'clock Sunday afternoon we will have an egg hunt for all the children who are at Sunday school, so children you plan to be there on time. At 7:45 the young people will present their program with Mrs. Crawford in charge. The evening subject will be "Are You Ready?"

CALVEY BAPTIST CHURCH

Regular services at the Calvey Missionary Baptist Church Easter Sunday.

Sunday school at 10:30. Preaching hour 11:15. If you are not attending services elsewhere, we extend you a cordial invitation to worship with us this Easter.

L. M. Hopkins, pastor

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Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Campbell left Lamesa for a few weeks stay at Rockport.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tidwell visited their daughter and family, Mr and Mrs. J. C. Tatum at Lamesa Sunday

BAPTIST CHURCH

The community as a whole and the Baptist church especially are to have a rare treat Easter Sunday, April 1st. We are to have with us to preach both hours, Rev. Jimmie Lunsford, of Brazil, former pastor here, a brother beloved. Our young people are to put on a playlet at the beginning of the evening worship. This will be followed by a message by Bro. Lunsford. Come then with us and we will do thee good, and thou mayest be to us instead of eyes.

We are to have a weeks revival beginning Sunday. We are fortunate to have Rev. Lunsford begin this revival for us. On account of his health he will not be able to continue but we are to have a good preacher with us.

SWINNEY - WOOD

J. C. Swinney, nephew of Mr and Mrs. John Ellis and Irene Wood, daughter of Mr and Mrs. H. L. Wood, were united in marriage Thursday morning, March 22 at 8:45 at the Church of Christ parsonage. Garnie Atkinson read the marriage vows. Those present besides the bride and groom were: Mrs. L. D. Bingham, Mrs. John Ellis and Miss Valene Buchanan. The bride and groom left for Del Rio and returned this week to make their home here. J. C. and Irene were former students of the O'Donnell High School. The Index extends heartiest congratulations and wish this fine young couple every happiness.

DEPOSITS ARE UP HERE

A comparison of the statement of Condition of the First National Bank with the statement for approximately the same period last year shows an increase of about 25per cent in deposits. Other gains may be seen by comparing these figures given below from last year's statement at this time.

Loans and discounts	\$44,890.62
Stocks, Bonds, & warrants	47,748.82
Exchange	5,114.44
Bills of Exchange	5,114.44
Government Cotton loans	719,937.54
Cash and due from banks	219,759.14
Surplus & undiv. profits	15,645.99
Deposits	\$1,086,254.57

T. E. L. CLASS SOCIAL

Mrs. J. A. Edwards was a very gracious hostess last Wednesday at 4 o'clock to the Baptist T. E. L. Sunday school Class. Mrs. Beach brought a very inspiring devotional followed by prayer by Mrs. John Anderson. A number of games and contests were enjoyed at the conclusion of the social hour delicious refreshments were served to Mesdames C. J. Beach, John Anderson, Earnest Cummins, E. A. Wright, John Spears, Erwin Street, Giles Reed, A. C. Lambert, Felix Jones, B. Bailew, R. C. Carroll, Matt Hale, Harvey Line, Levi Gray, W. Gooding, Edd Goddard, R. Ledbetter, and the hostess. - reporter

NICE EVENING ENJOYED AT O. K.

In spite of the little sandstorm blowing Friday and Friday night, an unusually large group gathered at the O. K. School to partake and enjoy the community social and pie supper. A total of \$271.55 was raised for the benefit of the Red Cross. Barbara Merrick won the pretty girl contest with a sum of \$75.61 donated by friends in her favor and Edward Browlow won the ugly man contest. Residents of O. K. wish to thank all who attended and those contributing to make the evening a success. Come to see us again.

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Stanley Cathey is expected home this week and from his camp in California.

Miss Florence Gary of Midland spent the week end with her parents, the R. W. Garys. The Garys recently returned from a visit at Henderson. Mrs. Gar ystated that portions of the country was under water due to recent unseasonal rains.

Mrs. Joe Brewer subscribed for the Index to be sent to her brother, S-Sgt. Joe Beckham, who is stationed at Monahans.

Sherman Inman and wife spent Sunday at Snyder and attended church there hearing Bro. James Lagsford.

The O'Donnell Imp. Co. has employed a book-keeper. She is Mrs. Barton, daughter in law of L. W. Barton of O'Donnell. Mrs. Barton's husband is serving overseas.

W. B. Phillips made a business trip to Lubbock last week.

Pfc. Lesale (Shorty) Higckmon was slightly wounded on Luzon recently. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. W. Riggs.

HUSBAND OF LOCAL LADY IS KILLED ON IWO JIMA

Word was received Sunday that Sgt. James W. Burgess was killed in action on Iwo Jima. He was a marine and his home is in San Antonio. His wife is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. T. M. Hopkins and live southeast of town. Bro. Hopkins is our loved and admired pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church. Our sincere sympathy.

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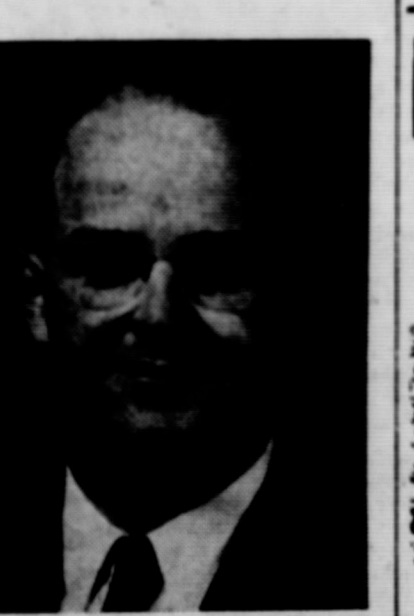
Sgt. Bobby Shoulders of Pama Air Base visited home folks here early in the week.

Miss Mary Frances Fowler of Dallas is visiting her parents, the John Spears this week.

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Church of Christ Mesquite, Borden Co.



The Church of Christ that meets for worship in the Mesquite school house is happy to announce that evangelist Garnie Atkinson, minister of the O'Donnell Church of Christ has been secured to hold their spring meeting. The meeting will begin next Lord's day morning, April 1st at 10:30. Services will be each evening thru the week, and perhaps longer, at 8:30. All people living in the Mesquite community are invited to attend these services. Bro. Atkinson is one of the young evangelists of the Church and has been very successful in the evangelist work. His lessons will be plain and simple taken from the gospel of Christ, without anything taken therefrom or added there to. Make your plans now to attend every service of this meeting and we feel sure that you will be able to leave saying, "It was good to have been there" 1tp



Vernon Harris Is Killed In Acton

Word was received of the death in action of Pfc. Vernon Harris, age 21 who was killed by enemy action at Manila on March 5th according to a message received from the War Department. Vernon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Harris of O'Donnell.

Vernon entered the army in 1943 and served in a M. P. school at Ft. Custer, Mich., Camp Shanks, N. Y., Camp Plache, La. and others. He is one and only fourth home was in August of 1944. Shortly after that he went overseas and was stationed to New Guinea for about three months.

Vernon graduated from the high school here in 1942 and was a star basketball player. He is survived by his parents, a brother, William Lee, who is stationed at Lubbock, J. C., who is with the Air Corps stationed in Europe, and two younger brothers at home, Joe and Zane.

When the Index heard this sad news we almost immediately began hearing friends comment on the admirable character of this youth. He was tops in being cheerful and friendly with his associates, an honest and honorable man, who enjoyed living but at the same time helped others. He loved his family deeply and his last letter home was March 3rd before he lost his life on the 5th. Losing Vernon is a loss shared by all of O'Donnell. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family.

C. O. Brook is transacting business at Sundown this week.

Miss Margaret Garner visited Floye Massey at Lubbock over the week end.

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Mrs. Burt Richardson and little daughter of Gatesville visited her sister, Mrs. Holcomb over the week end.

Eva Dell Harris, formerly of O'Donnell was married to J. W. Simmons at Long Beach California on the 15th. The couple will make their home at Long Beach.

Mrs. Jessie Anderson of Lamesa is visiting her daughter, Mr and Mrs. M. B. Allen

Cpl. Bobby Carroll is home from overseas service for 45 days through

Office of Price Administration Tahoka, Texas
RATIONING CALENDAR
April 1st to May 1st

SUGAR: Stamp no. 35 is good for five lbs and it will be valid until June 2nd.

MEATS and FATS: Book 4, red stamps T5 thru Z5 and A2 thru J2 are good for 10 points each. K2 thru P2 become valid on April 1st. T5, U5, V5, W5 and X5 expire Apr. 25th.

FAT SALVAGE: Every pound of waste kitchen fat is worth two red points and four cents.

PROCESSED FOODS: Book 4, blue stamps C2 thru S2 are good for 10 point each. T2 thru X2 become valid Apr. 1st. C2, D2, E2, F2 and G2 expire Apr. 25th.

SHOES: Book 3, stamps one, two & three with airplane pictures each good for one pair indefinitely.

GASOLINE: (Coupons must be endorsed on front) A coupons 4 gal. each with no. 15 expiring June 31. B-4, B-7, C-4 and C-7 rations have a value of 5 gal. each. B-2, and R2 for 5 gal. (valid for bulk delivery only); T coupons designated "Second quarter" good for 5 gal. thru June 31; D, one and one half gal. and E-2 and E-3 one gal. each.

TIRE INSPECTION: T-book holders every six months or every 5,000 miles whichever comes first. New Mileage Rationing Record required to obtain gasoline rations. Application for passenger car tire replacement must show condition of all tires in use.

RENT CONTROL AREA: All rent accommodations must be registered. Landlords who have not registered rented living quarters with the Area Rent Office should do so at once.

Mrs. W. B. Hays of Ard, Calif. arrived Thursday of last week to visit her mother and father, Mr and Mrs. Roy D. Smith.

S-Sgt. and Mrs. Joe B. Beckham visited his sister, Mrs. Joe Brewer and family, Mr and Mrs. Paul McDonald and Mr and Mrs. Lonnie Williams.

A Mr. Frost is home this week from South America visiting his parents. We regret we missed getting Mr. Frost's initials. He said that living prices were many times higher in the oil camp where he was than here in the states.

Mrs. Joyce Gregory received a box of Jap relics sent by her husband from the Pacific. She gave the Index ed. some Jap paper money and to our surprise J. L. would not take it when we offered to pay off our note.

Mr. Holcomb stated this week that his firm of Classon and Holcomb were moving a gin here in the near future and will place this gin on the west portion of their lots at their present site. The gin is being moved from Flat, Texas and will be used as an auxiliary gin to take care of the pea skinning season or in case of breakdown to their no. 1 gin. This will give O'Donnell seven gins.

The Red Cross total to date is \$3,016.74 and the Rex Theatre has collected \$146.74 in addition making a grand total of \$3,163.48. As you know our quota was \$1,800 and was more than raised the first day. This speaks well of O'Donnell in that we recognize the great work which this organization does.

L. B. Russell of the State of Washington, is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Matthews here this week.

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For a NEW Radio, Refrigerator, Electrical Appliances, Windmills and tanks, etc.

GET YOUR NAME ON OUR EARLY BIRD LIST

When radios, refrigerators, windmill and tanks, etc. are available, and it may be sooner than you think, we expect to have a limited supply. Of course there will be a terrific buying rush, so we have worked out a simple plan to help our customers avoid it.

All you need do is to drop in at our store and sign our "early bird" list to signify your desire to purchase a specified item when we get it. Then, when these things come in, we make them available to customers in the order their names appear on the list. Get this "priority" today. Drop in and sign up. That is all there is to it. NO MONEY DOWN. NO OBLIGATION TO BUY - JUST THE CHANCE TO BUY FIRST!

We Have Pipes and all Plumbing Needs

Auto Accesories and Parts

Singleton Appliance

Most Complete Stock in West Texas

Manila Heroes In 1898 Good, Too

Are Proud of MacArthur's
March, but Take Pride in
Own Achievements.

WASHINGTON. — Americans who took Manila from the Spaniards in 1898 are proud of MacArthur's march, but they recall with pride some of their own achievements in taking the Philippines.

First-hand accounts are heavy with heroics, says the Associated Press.

Marine Sgt. William Vogt, who pried Spanish shrapnel out of the rigging inches from where Comdr. George Dewey stood and made himself some cuff buttons, recalls:

"We arrived off Luzon on April 30 sighted the Spaniard and right away went in, ignoring rumors of torpedoes. We stood down in column at 400-yard intervals and opened fire at 5,000 yards, closing in to 2,000.

Dewey's old tubs consisted of four "protected" cruisers, including the flagship Olympia; one unprotected cruiser, one gunboat and one armed revenue cutter.

Spanish Admiral Montojo had a museum piece battleship, one old wooden steamer which had to be towed, two protected cruisers and three gunboats.

Montojo lost 165 killed and 214 wounded out of 1,875 men. One of Dewey's deck hands dropped dead from excitement, and 7 of his 1,748 men were slightly wounded.

Dewey, however, was leery of Spain's one modern battleship, said to be sailing down through the Suez canal. He messaged Washington on May 7: "Control bay completely and can take (Manila) city any time, but I have not sufficient men to hold."

Rig-Gun Monitor Arrives.

They sent him, from San Francisco, the Monterey... an antique monitor. It was about as seaworthy as a berry crate, but it did have two revolving turrets of twelve-inch guns—a great improvement over Dewey's heirloom five-inch and eight-inch stuff.

Dewey knew the Spanish Fort Malata was armed with new 10-inch Krupp guns.

The Monterey swung her guns into position, and Dewey darted back for the kill. Meantime, Maj. Gen. Wesley Merritt had slipped maybe 11,000 men on transports past Spain's Corregidor guns at night.

On August 7 Dewey and Merritt sent word to Captain General Jaudenes that they would shell Spanish positions within 24 hours if he didn't give up. His position was hopeless. He struck his colors at 11 a. m. on August 13 after a few hours of fighting.

Gen. Peyton C. March, army chief of staff in World War I, who then was a first lieutenant hand-picked for Millionaire John Jacob Astor's personally financed field artillery tells us his outfit won the whole war with four 3.3-inch field pieces.

British Settle Issue.

Gen. Frank T. Hines, chief of the veterans administration, who was a sergeant with a Utah field battery, says "Neither the Astor battery nor any other outfit even as good as mine could have shelled in that score without the commodore's big guns."

Kirke Simpson, dean of the Washington Associated Press staff, was bugler boy for the California First Volunteer Infantry and among the first of Merritt's men into Manila. He says Dewey's direct foe was German, not Spanish.

The Germans had two modern battle cruisers with big guns horsing around Manila bay—there by secret agreement to take the Spanish governor general away to safety.

They fired a salute—right across decks of the United States transport. Dewey notified them his own next shot would be right amidships if the German didn't sail out and come back and salute properly. The Germans did it, but kept steam up and moving around.

Then the British squadron ran up the Stars and Stripes alongside the Union Jack. Its bands played "The Star Spangled Banner." Its guns were trained on the German, and the German hooked his anchor in the mud.

Crippled Planes Given

Prompt Repair Service

LONDON.—American planes crippled on missions to Germany can land anywhere in France now with the assurance that they will be promptly repaired by "workshops on wheels." Brig. Gen. Joseph Morris, maintenance chief of the army service command, said. He credited the mobile repair and reclamation units with saving hundreds of American lives.

Great Britain Prepared

For Nazi U-Boat Drive

LONDON.—First Lord of the Admiralty A. V. Alexander, asked in commons if the Allies have sufficient surface vessels and aircraft to deal with the increased submarine menace in the Atlantic, said, "I am not prepared to comment beyond saying that any additional strain which the enemy can place on our resources will be encountered and overcome just as it has been in the past."

Jap's Prison Toll 15,000 in 2 Years

British, Dutch Targets of
Enemy's Brutality.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, LUZON. — More than 15,000 British, Australian and Dutch prisoners of the Japanese died in the two years ended in June, 1944, after being subjected to every kind of degradation and abuse while building a rail line from Bangkok to Moulmein under Japanese supervision, it was revealed here.

Survivors rescued by American Rangers from the prison camp at Cabanatuan said the death toll represented more than half of 30,000 prisoners working on the line.

After the surrender of Singapore, prisoners were kept there gathering corpses and clearing the city of debris left by Japanese bombings.

In June, 1942, 20,000 British prisoners, 5,000 Australians and 5,000 Dutch were taken to Siam and placed on a rail construction job where inhuman treatment and rotting food was their common lot.

The prisoners worked only in brief shorts and usually without shoes. Brutal guards, at the slightest excuse, would punch their captives and prod them with bayonets and rifle butts. British officers, in particular, were singled out for humiliation by the Japanese, who said "that will teach the white bastards."

George E. Barber, Nottingham, England, said many died from malnutrition, dysentery, malaria and cholera and that the Japanese buried scores in common graves. He said medical supplies were virtually nonexistent.

"It was horrible to see men literally dying on their feet," he said.

Rubber Research Work

Wins Thomas High Honor

NEW YORK.—One of the chemical world's highest honors, the gold medal of the American Institute of Chemists, has been awarded to John W. Thomas of Akron, Ohio. The medal was given in recognition of the leadership of Mr. Thomas in rubber research for four decades, and for achievements under his direction in the development and production of synthetic rubber.

Former recipients of the medal include Dr. Willard H. Dow, president of the Dow Chemical company; Andrew W. Mellon, the late secretary of the treasury, and his brother, the late Richard B. Mellon of Pittsburgh; James Bryan; Constant, president of Harvard university; and the late George Eastman, founder of Eastman Kodak company.

Mr. Thomas, the son of a Welsh coal miner, worked his way through college and majored in chemistry. In 1898 he installed the first chemical laboratories at Firestone Tire and Rubber company, which first developed tires made from synthetic rubber more than a dozen years ago.

The American Institute of Chemists is composed of professional men whose achievements in chemistry have been judged outstanding, and embraces all phases of industry.

Japs Lack Manners at

Marines' Picture Show

IN THE EAST. — The marines landed, drove the Japs back, and then hastily erected a movie screen, a crude affair that jutted up in a little clearing surrounded by jungle.

At night the show went on, and the fighting men sat around in the sand to look and listen. In the midst of the show shots suddenly rang out in the undergrowth as marine sentries battled Japs. Bullets whined overhead as the audience hit the deck, says Leatherneck.

After a brief flurry of shouting the Japs withdrew, and the marines sat up cautiously to watch the rest of the picture. As things returned to normal, an irritated voice growled, "Damn those Japs. If they don't like the show, why can't they leave quietly?"

Old Roman Pottery Is

Discovered in Britain

LONDON.—A two-acre kiln yielding the largest collection of Roman pottery found in Britain in recent generations was discovered recently through a chance remark of a home guard, an archeologist disclosed.

From the kiln, in forest land of northeast Hampshire, were taken many truckloads of fragments of extraordinarily fine pottery used nearly 2,000 years ago in the third century of Roman occupation.

The archeologist, Maj. A. G. Wade of Bletley, Hampshire, said a home guardman of his company told him that his grandfather had spoken of old pottery in the forest.

'People Can't Sleep

On a Boogie Diet'

BILLINGS, MONT. — For the four sleepy-eyed complainants who said they hadn't slept a wink in four nights because of the noisy juke box in Tony Amaro's cafe, Police Judge Hutton intoned: "Mr. Amaro, keep that juke box quiet."
"These people can't sleep on a boogie diet."

Kathleen Norris Says: Wives Who Are Saboteurs



"When I got my captaincy and sailing orders, she came a thousand miles, with my little girls, to wish me Godspeed."

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

WHAT has happened to the honor and fidelity of American women in this war? What has become of the old-time fineness and faithfulness that made it second-nature for our war wives to cherish the memory of the men who were away on battlefronts, to preserve the sacredness of home and home ties in their absence?

Gone with the wind, evidently. Recently an eminent military authority was responsible for the statement that among married men in the fighting forces today, one out of every three receives news from home that his wife is no longer faithful.

That he is no longer loved. That the home of which he dreams, in the smoke and blood and horror of the firing line, is no longer ready to welcome him back. That the children for whom his arms and his heart hunger are no longer to be his, to live under their father's roof—if indeed he ever has a home again.

The cruelty and selfishness of the women who write such letters to lonely, homesick men is sufficiently dreadful. But even worse is the implication that our girls are being brought up without any respect for marriage, motherhood or themselves.

When a woman goes through years of weakness and illness, as many women do, there is no comfort in the world to her like the deep happiness of knowing that her husband is faithful, is concerned, is eager with tender help and care.

Soldiers Give Up Much.

And when men leave their homes, leave safety and friends, beloved small children and wives, behind them; when they are regimented out of all individuality; when they may no longer have a will of their own or be free for a single hour without some other man's permission—then what sort of a wife is it who begins at once to entertain herself with friendships of other men, who presently writes her homesick soldier that she has met another love, that she wants to be free, that he must make some other living arrangements when he gets home?

The army official above quoted says one soldier out of every three gets this sort of letter. Our enemies could hardly devise anything more destructive to the morale of our troops. To wait for mail from home and to eagerly receive it, only to be stunned by fresh misery and loneliness, a sense of inferiority and failure, is an experience that may well weaken the courage and determination of any man.

"We have one baby girl, Mary," writes Corporal W. J. J. from northern France. "I think the world of her, and God knows I dearly love my wife, too. But now Ethel writes that she wants a divorce, she is going to marry a fellow I know, and take Mary with her. I wish I knew what to do, ought I try to hold her, feeling like she does? I get almost sick, being so far away, and not able to get home and see her. In my mind I think I'll go cocoon imagining myself talking with her and say—"



"He is quite wealthy and prominent..."

Plant Windbreaks Now.

removed, productivity of the affected land is immediately lowered, and will continue to decrease from year to year unless some means of stopping the depletion is employed.

Wind strip-cropping is the use of alternate strips placed at right angles to prevailing winds, or in a continuous "S," so that the winds cannot blow parallel to the rows. Close-growing crops such as legumes, grasses and small grains are planted in alternate bands with cultivated crops, and when turned under as green manure replace nitrogen, organic matter and other plant food essential to fertility. If the strips are laid out on the contour, the water conservation that results will offer additional help in preventing the soil from blowing.

Alternate strips of summer fallow and grain shorten the distance that loose soil can move during "rest periods." When fallow and wheat are stripped together, for example, the stubble left after the wheat has been harvested will protect the fallowed land while it renews its fertility in preparation for the new grain crop. The old wheat strip will then go into fallow, in progressive rotation.

In many areas where it is especially suitable, wind strip-cropping has replaced the earlier method of alternating entire fields of fallow and crops. The movement of soil exposed during winter and spring months is greatly reduced when the land is planted in alternate bands rather than in fields which would be open to the wind.

The danger and severity of the winds must be taken into consideration in planning the width of the strips. The stronger the blowing, the narrower the strips required to counteract its effect.

Many barren wastes in America could be completely salvaged by proper wind strip-cropping.

Agriculture

In the News

By W. J. Dryden

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Wind Strip-Cropping Halts Blowing of Soil

Time at Hand to Plan
For Future Protection

FARMERS are making more and more use of wind strip-cropping to help protect the soil and increase food production in areas where bare, dry soils are subject to blowing by constant winds of high velocity, according to the War Food administration. When the fertile topsoil is



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removed, productivity of the affected land is immediately lowered, and will continue to decrease from year to year unless some means of stopping the depletion is employed.

Wind strip-cropping is the use of alternate strips placed at right angles to prevailing winds, or in a continuous "S," so that the winds cannot blow parallel to the rows. Close-growing crops such as legumes, grasses and small grains are planted in alternate bands with cultivated crops, and when turned under as green manure replace nitrogen, organic matter and other plant food essential to fertility. If the strips are laid out on the contour, the water conservation that results will offer additional help in preventing the soil from blowing.

Alternate strips of summer fallow and grain shorten the distance that loose soil can move during "rest periods." When fallow and wheat are stripped together, for example, the stubble left after the wheat has been harvested will protect the fallowed land while it renews its fertility in preparation for the new grain crop. The old wheat strip will then go into fallow, in progressive rotation.

In many areas where it is especially suitable, wind strip-cropping has replaced the earlier method of alternating entire fields of fallow and crops. The movement of soil exposed during winter and spring months is greatly reduced when the land is planted in alternate bands rather than in fields which would be open to the wind.

The danger and severity of the winds must be taken into consideration in planning the width of the strips. The stronger the blowing, the narrower the strips required to counteract its effect.

Many barren wastes in America could be completely salvaged by proper wind strip-cropping.

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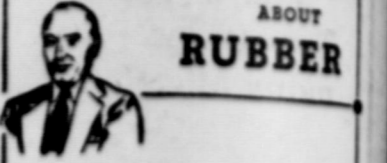
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John F. Fair



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MEDICINE NEEDS RESEARCH

Austin — Additional full-time research is necessary if health work in Texas is to meet the requirements demanded of it, according to Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health officer. Texas is expanding industrially and new problems are constantly arising regarding water, sewage disposal, transmission of disease and many other problems. New development of ideas and processes in treatment devices in water, sewage, milk, and food are needed. No diseases of foreign origin, especially tropical diseases, will be present in the post-war era, and the state department of Health must be

in a position to combat them. It will be necessary to train returning waterworks and sewage personnel and sanitarians, who have physical impairments, as technicians in their field of work.

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Lynn County had ginned 88,312 bales of cotton up to March 1st, from the 1944 crop, with an estimated 771 bales yet to be ginned, according to the census taken by E. W. Holloway, official enumerator. The county's crop would possibly have reached almost 100,000 bales had all cotton raised been gathered and ginned.
—Lynn Co. News

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If you do not attend services some where else, we wish to take this opportunity of inviting you to attend the Church of the Nazarene next Lord's Day, J. T. Crawford, pastor

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Things I Never Knew 'Til Now:

That Uncle Sam lost 10,500 soldiers, sailors and marines in 1944—not by Jap or Nazi bullets, but by accidents in the U. S. . . . That when soldiers and sailors actually take heed of their superiors' accident warnings, the accident rate in camps drops 60%. . . . This column is dedicated to saving the life of some soldier, sailor, marine or worker in the war effort—and the statistics prove that it probably will. . . . Every life lost to this country is one less fighter against Hitler. Your country needs your life—to protect its own. . . . This is the breakdown of your chances of living this year:

That 30,000,000 Americans have been injured in home-front accidents since the war started. . . . Work accidents last year caused the loss of 900,000 man-years of labor, and more workers were killed OFF the job than on the job—25,000 to 18,000.

That drinking on the part of either the driver or the pedestrian is involved in one out of every five fatal traffic accidents, and that, even in wartime, one or both drivers in fatal accidents violate a law in two out of every three cases.

That about 7,000 persons were drowned in the United States last year. . . . Smokers cause nearly a fifth of all fires in the U. S. A. . . . Accidents kill one out of three school-age children who die. . . . Three out of five fatal traffic accidents occur at night. . . . Nearly 2,000 persons were killed in grade crossing accidents last year. (So, Look, Listen and Live!)

That thousands of hunters will be maimed this year—and nearly 1,000 will be killed in hunting accidents unless the hunter is extra careful. . . . 17,000 people in farm families were killed by accidents last year—and only mining, construction, transportation and public utilities are more dangerous industries than agriculture. . . . About 80,000 hospital beds are occupied today by persons who have suffered accidents. (This is roughly 10% of all beds, and the pity of it is that accident cases usually require the immediate attention of several doctors and nurses, as well as the use of anesthesia apparatus, operating rooms and hospital beds. And this at a time when they're talking about drafting nurses!)

That Benjamin Franklin was one of the first safety advocates in America. Remember? He said: "Haste makes waste" and "Carelessness does more harm than want of knowledge."

That the Chicago fire of 1871, the Johnstown flood of 1889, the Galveston tidal wave of 1900, the San Francisco earthquake of 1906, the sinking of the Titanic in 1912, the Boston night club fire in 1942, and all the other major disasters since 1865 have killed less than 25,000 Americans. (And yet day-by-day accidents killed 94,000 in 1944 alone!)

That accident figures prove the safest people in the U. S. are little girls between the ages of 5 and 14. . . . There is an accidental death in the U. S. every 5 1/2 minutes—and an injury every 3 seconds! . . . Accidents are the fifth cause of deaths in the U. S. . . . And cost \$141 per year per family in America.

That the Seaford Nylon plant of E. I. duPont de Nemours & Company has the best no-injury record in American industry, having gone nearly 17,000,000 man-hours without a single lost time injury to one of its employees. (And at the last report, the record was still running.)

That even if more than 700,000 women drivers were involved in traffic accidents in 1941, there is no conclusive evidence that women are more reckless than men when it comes to driving automobiles. . . . A speed violation is a factor in about 1/3 of all fatal traffic accidents. . . . Approximately 4% of drivers involved in fatal accidents are hit and run drivers! (The rats!)

That communications is the safest industry and mining the most dangerous. . . . One person in 14 will have an accident in the United States in 1945, if the 1944 pattern prevails. . . . Nearly 10,000 pedestrians are killed in traffic accidents yearly. (And walking is so easy.)

That peanuts, coins, medals, marbles and such simple things can be and are killers. More than 600 children under five years of age are killed every year because small objects like these are so easily sucked into the lungs. . . . Falls were the greatest single cause of accidental deaths in 1943, the last year for which figures are available. The number killed by falls in 1943 was 27,400. And 92% of all persons killed by falls are 25 years of age or over; two out of three persons killed by falls are 65 years of older.

Ernie Pyle With the Navy:

B-29 Superforts Answer To a Crewman's Prayer

Big Bombers Afford Yanks Many Comforts on Journeys

By Ernie Pyle

IN THE MARIANAS ISLANDS.—The B-29 is unquestionably a wonderful airplane. Outside of the famous old Douglas DC-3 workhorse, I've never heard pilots so unanimous in their praise of an airplane.

I took my first ride in one the other day. No, I didn't go on a mission to Japan. We've been through all that before. I don't believe in people going on missions unless they have to. And as before, the pilots here all agreed with me.

But I went along on a little practice bombing trip of an hour and a half. The pilot was Maj. Gerald Robinson, who lives in our hut. His wife, incidentally, lives at 123 South Girard street, Albuquerque, N. M., on the very same street as our white house.



Ernie Pyle

I sat on a box between the pilots both on the takeoff and for the landing, and as much as I've flown, that was still a thrill. These islands are all relatively small, and you're no sooner off the ground than you're out over water, and that feels funny.

If the air is a little rough, it gives you a very odd sensation sitting way up there in the nose. For the B-29 is so big that, instead of bumping or dropping, the nose has a "willy" motion, sort of like sitting out on the end of a green limb when it's swaying around.

The B-29 carries a crew of 11. Some of them sit up in the cockpit and the compartment just behind it. Some others sit in a compartment near the tail. The tail gunner sits all alone, way back there in the lonely tail turret.

The body of the B-29 is so taken up with gas tanks and bomb racks that there's normally no way to get from front to rear compartments. So the manufacturers solved that by building a tunnel into the plane, right along the rooftop.

Big Tunnel Links Crewmen

The tunnel is round, just big enough to crawl in on your hands and knees, and is padded with blue cloth. It's more than 30 feet long, and the crew members crawl back and forth through it all the time. Maj. Russ Cheever reported that he accomplished the impossible the other day by turning around in the tunnel.

On missions, some of the crew get back in this tunnel and sleep for an hour or so. But a lot of them can't stand to do that. I've heard combat crewmen bring up the subject a half dozen times. They say they get claustrophobia in the tunnel.

There used to be some sleeping bunks on the B-29, but they've been taken out, and now there's hardly even room to lie down on the floor.

A fellow does get sleepy on a 14-hour mission. Most of the pilots take naps in their seats. One pilot I know turned the plane over to his copilot and went back to the tunnel for "a little nap," and didn't return for six hours, just before they hit the coast of Japan. They laughingly say he goes to sleep before he gets his wheels up.

The B-29 is a very stable plane and hardly anybody ever gets sick even in rough weather. The boys smoke in the plane, and the mess hall gives them a small lunch of sandwiches and oranges and cookies to eat on the way.

On mission days all flying crewmen, even those not going on the mission, get all the fried eggs they want for breakfast. That's the only day they have eggs.

The crewmen wear their regular clothes on missions, usually coveralls. They don't have to wear heavy fleecy-lined clothes and all that bulky gear, because the cabin is heated. They do slip on their heavy steel "flak vests" as they approach the target.

They don't have to wear oxygen masks except when they're over the target, for the cabin is sealed and "pressurized"—simulating a constant altitude of 8,000 feet.

Once in a great while one of the plexiglass "blisters" where the gunners sit will blow out from the strong pressure inside, and then everybody better grab his oxygen mask in an awful hurry. The crew always wears the oxygen mask over the target, because a shell through the plane "depressurizes" the cabin instantly, and they'd pass out.

The boys speak frequently of the unbelievably high winds they hit at high altitudes over Japan. It's nothing unusual to have a 150-mile-an-hour wind, and my nephew, Jack Bales, said that one day his plane hit a wind of 250 miles an hour.

There are five officers and six enlisted men on the crew of a B-29. All the enlisted men of a crew stay in the same hut, because that's the way the boys want it. Thus there are usually three crews of six men each in a Quonset hut.

"My" crew is a grand bunch of boys, and as I suppose most of them are. They have trouble sleeping the night before a mission, and they're tense before the takeoff. As one of them laughingly said at the plane just before takeoff one morning "How do you get rid of that empty feeling in your chest?"

But they relax and expand and practically float away with good feeling once they get back and have another one safely under their belts.

The six enlisted men of "my" crew are Sgts. Joe Corcoran of Woodhaven, L. I.; Fausd Smith of Des Moines, N. M. (near Raton); Jes McQuade of Gallup, N. M.; John Devaney of Columbus, Ohio; Norbert Springman of Wilmont, Minn., and Eugene Florio of Chicago.

Sergeant Corcoran is the oldest of the crew. The first time I walked into their hut he called from his cot, "Hi Ernie, the last time I saw you was in the Stork club."

"But I've never been in the Stork club in my life," I said. So we puzzled over that a while, and finally decided it must have been two other guys, or else I'm living a double life which I don't know about.

'Sarge' Continues To Ply Trade

Sergeant Corcoran is a chiropractor before the war, and still gives the boys amateur treatments. He practiced for three years at Jamaica, L. I., and had a fine business worked up. I asked him how a chiropractor ever wound up to be a side-gunner on a B-29, and he said damned if he knew.

It's unusual to find two men from thinly populated New Mexico on the same crew. Smith and McQuade never knew each other until they met on this crew, and then it turned out they had joined the army the very same day. Now they are great buddies.

McQuade was a fireman on the Santa Fe, and Smith owned a grocery store, but finally had to sell it. They'd just had letters saying it was below zero back home, and they were at least thankful to be away from that.

Both the boys have had experiences. McQuade made two trips to the Aleutians as a gunner on a ship. And Smith is serving his second tour of aerial combat overseas.

Smith was in the South Pacific in the early days, and flew 53 missions as a gunner on B-17s. He has all his missions painted on the back of his leather flying-jacket—yellow bombs for the South Pacific, and red ones for Japan. He says he's only got room for 27 more missions on his jacket, and then he'll just have to quit.

I asked Sergeant Smith if he hated to come back overseas as badly as I did.

"Twice as bad," he said. "You couldn't."

"Well, as bad then," he said. "But I haven't griped so much about it since we got here. It's not near as bad as I expected. In fact we're living as good here as we did in America."

Sergeant Smith's odd first name—Fausd—is Syrian. He is growing a funny little rectangular goatee, black as coal. I asked him how long he was going to keep it. He said, "Probably only until the colonel happens to notice it."

Smith and Corcoran are the only two sergeants on the crew who are married. Both their wives are living temporarily in California.

B-29 Takeoff an Exciting Spectacle

I've always felt the great 500-mile auto race at Indianapolis to be the most intriguing event—in terms of human suspense—that I've ever known. The start of a B-29 mission to Tokyo, from the spectator's standpoint, is almost a duplicate of the Indianapolis race.

On mission day people are out early to see the start. Soldiers in groups sit on favorite high spots

around the field—on tops of buildings, on tops of bulldozers along the runway, on mounds that give a better view—and even a few bold souls stand at the very end of the runway to snap amateur pictures.

As the planes taxi out, it's just like cars at Indianapolis leaving their pits to line up for the start. You wave farewell and then scamper to a good vantage point.

Toting a Torch Down the Ages

Strange Devices Used by Primitive Men; Then Came Electricity.

NEW HAVEN, CONN.—Thousands of years before the discovery of electricity, a caveman invented the first hand light that gave illumination without fire.

That light which nudged back the night for prehistoric man, was a perforated gourd crammed full of lightning bugs.

After the feeble phosphorescent glow flickered out in the caveman's gourd at the very dawn of recorded history, it was not until Edison's invention of the incandescent lamp that man was able to produce a satisfactory portable light without using fire.

Even then, years were to pass before the modern electric flashlight became possible, according to J. C. Calhoun of the Winchester Repeating Arms company division of Olin Industries, Inc.

Before electricity, fire was the only source of illumination for hand lights.

While the barbaric Teuton was using a primitive firebrand to guide himself through the forests of central Europe, highly civilized Julius Caesar lighted his way through nocturnal Rome with a torch made up of a collection of oil-soaked sticks bound with strips of metal and fastened to a long pole.

Even 1,500 years later Henry the Eighth was still carrying a torch in England. He called it a "link" but it was only a rope soaked in wax, resin and tar.

Used Fat on a Stick. Asia was no lighter at night than darkest Africa. Kublai Khan who established the Mongol dynasty in China, produced light from a chunk of fat that had been lashed onto a stick.

Coming down to more modern times we find that Shetland islanders burned the body of the sea bird called the Stormy Petrel for their light. This bird is so fat that by lighting a wick thrust into its throat, it actually burns and provides a weak illumination.

Candles seem almost as old as the torch. The early Phoenicians are credited with having invented the wax candle, and the tallow candle is supposed to have preceded the Christian era by two centuries. Early American history was candle-lit. Pioneer housewives made their candles from such varied materials as kitchen or bear grease, deer suet, bay leaves and sperm oil.

The oil lamp, another common form of hand light, was almost universally used in ancient times, but the first real improvement in lighting did not come until the discovery of petroleum and the subsequent development of kerosene lamps and the Welsbach mantle burner.

Then things happened quickly. Edison's electric light made electricity an illuminant. The next step was to make electricity portable. Eighteenth century's Alessandro Volta's "voltaic cell" which was the first "wet" battery, was the inspiration for what we now call the "dry" cell battery. Volta made electricity in a glass jar filled with a weak solution of sulphuric acid in which he suspended a copper and zinc plate.

A Frenchman named Georges Leclanche substituted a jelly-like material for the sulphuric acid, and a carbon rod for the copper plate. Around the rod he packed a material called the depolarizer which is a black mixture of graphite and manganese dioxide. This prevents the formation of a chemical coating on the carbon rod that would otherwise put the battery out of operation. He enclosed the whole in a zinc can. Presto: the dry cell.

Although we insist on calling our modern flashlight battery a "dry" cell, it is actually a "jelly" cell. Once a flashlight becomes dry and the jelly has dried out, it becomes dead.

Now what is the precise thing that produces electricity when you press the switch of a flashlight? Answer: A chemical reaction. The switch joins into an electrical circuit the zinc can and the carbon rod in the center of the battery. The material in the jelly called sal ammoniac, begins to eat the zinc can and by that simple process produces electricity.

Light results when the "jelly-made" electricity is fed into the tiny filaments of the little bulb in the end of your flashlight. Being in a vacuum and offering great resistance to the passage of the current, the filament is heated to incandescence. Result: the darkness then vanishes.

French Losses, Excluding Prisoners, Total 130,000

PARIS, FRANCE.—The newspaper L'Ordre reported recently that five years of war had cost France 130,554 military and naval personnel killed, wounded or missing, of whom 103,233 were killed in France, Africa and Italy. These figures excluded prisoners. At the time of France's fall the Germans said they had captured more than 1,900,000 French troops, including 29,000 officers.

Yank Weapons Are Superior to Foe's

Eisenhower Quoted in Reply To Criticism of Arms.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Answering critics of American armament, Maj. Gen. Lewin H. Campbell, army ordnance chief, quoted General Eisenhower as saying we have "general superiority" in armament over the European enemy.

He quoted from a letter from General Eisenhower and said it was the answer to "some critics who write alleging inferiority" of certain American armor compared with the Germans.

Saying he was referring particularly to published reports that our tanks are not big enough to cope with the Nazis' Royal Tiger and Panther tanks both from the standpoint of armor and fire power, Campbell told the Associated Press:

"I could build a tank as big as the Pentagon if the generals in the field said they wanted one, but there is no evidence to date that they want or need tanks larger than those we now employ. Those men know what they want—they're good judges of horseflesh!"

At the same time, Campbell disclosed that we now have in action a new "assault tank" which has double the armor of our 35-ton General Sherman and is about 5 tons heavier.

Just returned from a tour of inspection of ordnance in the European and Mediterranean theaters—during which he said he interviewed all top-ranking generals and scores of enlisted men—Campbell said he had their assurance that this could be said:

"We need not only have no apology for any item of American ordnance in comparison with that of the enemy—but we're leading them all the way."

Marines Add Twist to Famous South Sea Dance

IN THE PACIFIC.—Even the hula, famed dance of the South seas, has been given an added twist by marines reports S/Sgt. Bob Cooke, a USMC combat correspondent of Leatherneck.

The traditional hula tells a story of love, or a local legend in significant hand gestures above weaving hips. Marines, says Sergeant Cooke, haven't the same interest in arm and hand signals that they have in native weaving.

Since leathernecks have been in the Pacific, a new dance has made its appearance. Called the "jeep hula," it tells the story of a native girl who bummed a ride in a jeep. The Polynesian chant throughout the dance ends with a strident whistle, a loud "Going my way?" and a gesture of the thumb over the shoulder common to hitch-hikers throughout the world.

Sprout Whiskers, Stick To Job, Workers' Idea

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—Unshaven since the year began, Goodrich Rubber company swing shifters are keeping up a hands off razor policy begun to fight absenteeism.

After the war department's appeal for tire makers to work 120 days without a day off, the workmen set up a \$5 a man pool in which every man who keeps a perfect attendance and no shaving record the first 120 days of 1945 will share.

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The whiskers, the tire makers decided, would lessen temptation to play hooky from work for night sport entertainment.

The plan has spread to other shifts and the management is so pleased it hinted it might add to the pool.

Crewless Tow Plane Pulls Glider to Mark

LONDON, ENGLAND.—A pilotless tow plane, abandoned by its crew after it burst into flames, miraculously continued its course and enabled Glider Pilot J. D. Hill of Abilene, Texas, to land with badly needed supplies on the edge of besieged Bastogne, it was revealed recently.

Troop Carrier Pilot Capt. Thomas Corrigan, Kansas City, Mo., said he saw the tow plane burst into flames after being hit by flak. "The crew bailed out," Corrigan said, "but the plane apparently was set on an automatic pilot and it continued like a flaming arrow straight ahead, pulling the glider as if nothing had happened."

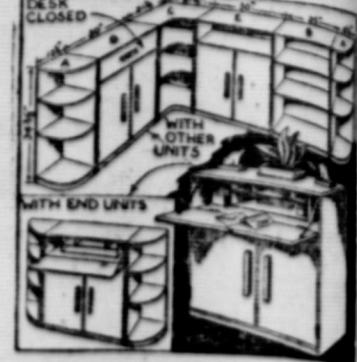
Hill did not pull his release until over the drop zone. Then he landed his glider in the American battle area.

Nazis Have Word for It; and What a Word

LONDON.—"Raumingsfamilienunterhaltsbeitrage," a 36 letter word, the longest yet appearing in the language of German officialdom, is a direct result of the Russian offensive, reports Reuter's radio listening post here. It means "subsidies toward the maintenance of evacuated families."

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LOCAL FARMERS MAY HAVE FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE
Lynn County farmers have until April 25 to place their 1945 crops of American Upland cotton under protection of the all-risk Federal crop insurance program, according to W. C. Huffaker, chairman of the county AAA committee.
Under the new insurance program, farmers will have a choice of two insurance contracts, one providing coverage up to 75 per cent of the average yield and the other up to 50 per cent. The insurance provides coverage against crop losses from drought, floods, hail, wind, frost, winter-kill, wildlife, hurricanes, insects, plant diseases and other hazards determined by the Federal Crop Insurance Corp. to be unavoidable.
Contracts are now being written by county AAA committeemen and other authorized agents in the county, Huffaker said. Contracts must be signed before the crop is planted, and at least 50 applications (or the one-third provision if it applies in the county) must be made before crop insurance becomes effective in the county.

The stage of the cotton crop's development will determine the maximum indemnity to be recovered in the event of loss, Huffaker said. If a loss occurs after it is too late to replant to cotton, but prior to the first cultivation, the indemnity would be

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21 Years Ago
News Items taken from the files of Index, March 21, 1924
Headline: C. H. Cain announces for County Judge.

Berry Davis and son, Herman, came in from Gracemont, Oklahoma and were so well pleased with the future outlook of O'Donnell that they bought the Miller gin and will become permanent citizens. Mr. Davis states that he will give the gin a thorough overhauling and will add one more stand to the four seventies now in place.
Snow began falling Tuesday night and by morning the ground was covered with a blanket of white. It is estimated that between three and four inches fell.
The election held Monday to vote \$25,000 bonds for the construction of a new school building for O'Donnell was carried by a majority of 7 to 1. Come to O'Donnell, the best little city on the plains.
A meeting was held Sunday afternoon at the school auditorium to organize a singing class for O'Donnell. The meeting was well attended and the following were elected: C. H. Mansell, president; Mel Pearce, vice president and L. L. Busby, secretary.
W. J. Shook, proprietor of the City Market, installed a new ice box this week.

Miss Sofia Adams, who has been here for some weeks nursing Mrs. A. W. Gibbs, returned to Tahoka Monday. She was accompanied by Mrs. B. F. Brown and B. F. Brown, Jr.
W. R. Sanderson and son, Morris, have sold their interest in the O'Donnell Filling Station to John Earls and son. Mr. Sanderson's interest in the O'Donnell Oil Company has been purchased by C. J. Beach located near the Santa Fe tracks and Quincy Haney.

Farmers are Asked To Raise more CHICKS
In 1945 the Government requests a new increase in chick raising and egg production. The War Food Administration now asks for four billion, 350 million dozen eggs in 1945, also 140 million more broilers raised than the average pre-war years.



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W. W. Williams moved to his new home south of town this week.
W. P. Moore and son, Tom, have purchased a section of land about 6 miles west to O'Donnell and are making preparations to plant 400 acres of cotton.

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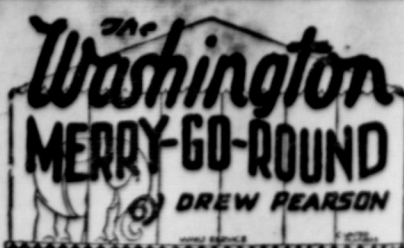
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COMING COAL CRISIS

President Roosevelt got back from his notable achievements at Yalta to find serious problems awaiting him at home, particularly on the labor front. Some of his advisers felt, however, that these problems, especially the coal crisis, could have been averted by beginning to prepare for it earlier and by appointing a new secretary of labor.

The President left for Yalta almost immediately after his inauguration. And, up until a day or two before his inauguration, he had not made up his mind what to do about appointing a new secretary of labor. In the end, he did nothing and Miss Perkins continued, despite her very firm desire to resign.

Meanwhile, various moves could have been made to head off the coal crisis. One of them, discussed in the background but never brought forward, is an annual wage for miners. If the miners knew they would be able to work all the year around, especially in peace times when they have been laid off for about one-third of the time, they might forego wage increases now.

Another move, proposed back-stage, was to appoint coal mine representatives on local OPA boards to make sure the cost of living did not go up, or if so, under circumstances they understood.

But the most important move was to have appointed a new secretary of labor, with a new, fresh outlook, untarnished prestige, who could have tackled the job firsthand, and, if necessary, gone out to the mining areas to meet with the miners themselves.

No one is looking for this thankless job. But sense colleagues say the one man who could do it, if willing, would be forthright, fair-minded Senator Harley Kilgore, who comes from the great coal state of West Virginia, is known and trusted by labor but also would not hesitate to oppose labor when it is wrong.

FARM BLOC FUNCTIONS

Sometimes the congressional farm bloc feels its oats to such an extent that it demonstrates its power just for the fun of it. That was what happened when the house passed the Flannagan resolution—which does nothing more than say that congress considers a law it passed two years earlier still should be observed. This law is the Tydings amendment to the Selective Service act which provides for the deferment of farm workers.

The house spent several hours trying to decide whether it should pass the new resolution, even though everyone knew it would go through. Hard-hitting congressmen like Ed Izac of California, Gene Worley of Texas, and Ewing Thomson of Texas pointed out that all the resolution did was remind the nation that 340,000 men from 18 to 23—the age group the army wants most for fighting—are being denied the army.

El Paso's Thomson declared his support for the Tydings amendment, but said he saw no reason to pass further legislation on the subject. San Diego's Izac, a wounded and decorated lieutenant commander in the last war, came out against the Tydings amendment.

"If we turn this resolution down, maybe the senate will have backbone enough to throw out all legislation that interferes with the winning of the war," Izac continued. "The 340,000 boys on the farm are no more precious to their fathers and mothers than are the other boys who have been taken away and are now serving in the army and the navy."

After several hours of debate, however, the house passed the resolution by a voice vote, but not before the author of the resolution, John Flannagan of Virginia, was called upon to define what he meant by an "agricultural occupation." Republican Congressman Clason of Springfield, Mass., was afraid the words might be interpreted as referring only to men growing or handling crops. Flannagan assured him it included also poultry farmers and livestock farmers.

CAPITAL CHAFF

Col. Harry Vaughan, now military aide to Vice President, was formerly his secretary. Vaughan is now virtually back on the office staff—in uniform.

There are about 375 baseball players in the American league, of which 130 are 4-Fs. Baseball moguls say: "If the 4-Fs are barred from baseball, the game will have to be played by old men."

Quoth Senator Tom Connally of Texas during prolonged hearings on the Mexican waterways treaty: "The flood of oratory in this committee room is as hard to control as the notorious floods of the Colorado river."

Not as many people know about Elmer Irey as know of J. Edgar Hoover, but Irey is being talked about for Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis' job as dean of baseball. Congressman Cochran of Missouri says: "If baseball gets Irey, they won't have to worry about gamblers. He knows them all."

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CHAPTER XVI

"I seen you trying to sneak by my gate! I'll learn you to cheat an honest widow woman! You come back!"
Minnie grabbed Dosta's tail, snarling, threatening. The mare reared and reared. Minnie caught Lark's skirt then, pulling her down to the saddle.
Lark said, "I'm sorry. We didn't see—"
Minnie was staring at her. She looked her eyes with the back of her hand and stared again. Galt slipped off the red horse, but Minnie scarcely glanced at him.
"God blame me!" her big voice was hoarse with astonishment. "Pinch me an' wake me up. . . . Don't blame me an' bust my lights an' stue if it ain't the Duchess of Arse!"

"In the name of the good God," Minnie said reverently, "how come you wasn't drowned, honey?"
"Luck," Lark said. "I was washed up on an island."
"Where you been? Where you live? What you doin' here? An' who's the handsome trouser-ful you got with you?"
Lark said, "This is Galt With, rescued me from the island. We and Squire Terraine's horse on the island. We're taking him to Great-greats."
"We'd better get along toward Great-greats, Lark." Galt looked at the sun reddening in the west.
"And what's your hurry?" Minnie wanted to know. "I'm glad to see this girl. Me an' her went through hell together on the old tramp. We be old friends. You'll stay and have a good hot supper with me or I'll know the reason why!"
"Even if we tried to skip your tramp?" Galt asked, grinning.

Minnie laughed. "All right, all right. Just the same I'm glad I might you. I wouldn't miss a second of you for dough-nuts. Where's your pretty Mr. David North at these days?"
"He's in Baltimore, on business." Minnie's deep laugh shook the loose folds of her chin. "First business in England an' then business up to Baltimore. An' while he's all that busy, you finds another little gent, an' a damn handsome one, ask me. . . . You two ben't married to one another by any chance?"
"No," Lark said. "No, of course not."
"You ever get to see the super-fine Mara Hastings you was always air-ing over, back on the old Temp?"
Minnie asked slyly.
"Yes. We spent several days with her."
Lark said, "Minnie, we've got to go. I'm glad we saw you. I'm glad you didn't drown." She turned to the mare, but Minnie put a massive arm about her, pulling her back to the ground.
"My God, you're skin and bone!" Minnie's big hand ran down Lark's leg to her knee, experimented then to her arm and shoulder. "I was so fat funnin' with you about North that Hastings cat. You been married for a bad time, if it wasn't just by that God-woeful shipwreck. You're goin' to my place an' rest your head. Don't bother your head about sayin' no, because you're goin' to. I thought about you lot of times since that wreck, thought how you was drowned like my Dan. Remember Dan? I thought how proud all you acted, though you was hung an' green as they come. I and of liked you, Lark, from the first. An' seein' you now, after a experience we had together that was tough to straighten the hair on a rate's chest, I'm goin' to feed you and rest you before you go another inch of the way, wherever it is!"
Suddenly, Lark was crying, the tears brimming, slipping down her cheeks. Minnie, clucking like a disturbed and sympathetic old hen, nestled her along the path to the stable and the toll-gate.
"Barnes," Minnie bellowed, "you arnes! Fetch these here horses to the stable and show the young gent an' old room, will you?"
Lark slept for a while, waking to almost dark room, with Minnie lighting an oil lamp, pulling a little green around the day bed, where blue tin tub of water had been placed on a square of matting. A measure of soap, two big towels and what seemed to be a pile of wash clothes, were near at hand on a chair.
"Hurry now!" Minnie's pumpkin-like face appeared over the top of the screen. "You was a great one wash and fancy up, on the old tramp, I call to mind. Supper's on hot, my girl!"
Lark bathed and rubbed her body with the clean voluptuous tow-



Then she looked at Lark and burst out laughing.

ny thing the way a old sayin' will work out. That's your dress, for a fact, honey, an' ain't it God's blessing! I took it from you on the old Temp?"
"You probably took my brooch, too."
"Prob'ly. In the worry of that wreck it's a caution what I might've gone an' stuck away in my little old carpet bag. Ain't many folks come out of a sinkin' ship with a dress to their back, let alone a bag of things like I did. I'll have a look for that there brooch, but I can't promise."
"You didn't happen to tuck that money I lost in your bag, too, did you?" Lark asked sternly. "The money in my money belt, remember?"
"I remember your takin' on about some money. Mighty high an' mighty you acted on the old Temp." Minnie's teasing grin irritated Lark.
"I hadn't known any thieves before," Lark said coldly. "You and Dan—"
"Nothing but good about the dead." Minnie came to her, pulled her down on the day bed beside her. "I reckon I been a thief, Lark, lot o' times. I never thought much about it till that fearful wreck come. But I tell you, I thought about it since. Many's the night I've woken wide up, seein' you, right in the room by me, holdin' out your hands for your things. You was sent my way for me to make it up to you. I can see that clear. Like I said, 'Be sure your sin—'"
Galt, bathed, dressed in clean linen, joined Minnie and Lark at the cheery window table. Taffy loaded it with ham, sweet potatoes soaked in whisky and glazed to a candy, corn pones, pork tips in eggs and vinegar sauce. There was a big platter of river croppie fried to a platter crisp. There were chunks of muscavado sugar, rice cakes, grits bread, pickles, strong black coffee. Minnie talked steadily as they ate. How she'd thought Lark drowned and no mistake. How she'd soon be going to join the Fair circuit as the fattest woman on earth, a duty she performed every fall of the year and made good money on it. How she missed Dan who'd been like a husband to her, and better in many ways. What a neat piece of property she owned here, and how the gentry always spoke to her nicely, seeing she kept the best and most honest toll-gate in several counties.
"Good money!" Minnie waved her knife as a carriage drew up on the pike just beyond their window, paid toll to the midget Negro now in

charge, and drove on. "Big weddin' up to Great-greats, tonight. Good toll to Minnie Buxtree an' the State of Virginy. . . . A weddin' or a funeral is always good business, 'cept the parson goes free, an' I ask you, ain't that a unnecessary generosity?"

The harvest moon laid a warm amber light over the pike and the fields. The wheels passed whirring. Laughter and the sound of hoofs, the tinkle of silver, the clang of the gate bar. . . . Peace and warm food and welcome. . . . Lark in her own blue dress. . . . Minnie, the fattest woman on earth. . . . Galt, smiling at Lark, joking with Minnie, Galt, tall and straight in his chair.

It was clear that Minnie had taken a fancy to him. He was quite the little gentleman, she said, reaching over to smack him playfully on the shoulder. He was a great buck, she said knowingly, and had left a trail of broken hearts behind him wherever he'd been, she'd wager. What was Lark thinking about? That David North, a man who ran insurance company ink in his veins for blood? David North who'd get what was coming to him when he married the Hastings cold-pie? Mara Hastings thought a bed was for praying by, and sleeping in, and for nothing else in the wide world! Minnie chuckled.

She listened with interest to the story of Lark's and Galt's adventures, but chucked with scorn over the idea of returning Red Raskall to Jarrod Terraine's stable.

"He's got horses thicker'n fleas on a hound-dog, now," she argued. "Is it reasonable for him to get that horse God give you right out of the ocean? Reward nothin'! You two keep that horse an' run him at the Fair an' save the money for your brains."
Galt reddened, and Lark said, "We have to return him, Minnie. We hate to, but—well—we'd just have to do that."
"Conscience," Minnie nodded. "I got one, too. Lot of trouble, conscience. They all works different. . . . What if you take your horse to old Jarrod, and he won't give you any reward money?"
"He offered the reward," Lark said. "He's a rich man."
"That was better'n six weeks ago, he offered the reward," Minnie said. "Remember that. Lots of things can happen in less time than that. I was never one to take much stock in gossip, but there's a tale—" She broke off suddenly and leaned forward, listening.

Lark said, "Minnie, a while ago you started to say something about Squire Terraine and the reward money, didn't you?"
"I don't remember. Did I?" Minnie yawned. "He's cuttin' a figure tonight, I bet, up there at Great-greats likkerin' up half the county. . . . Taffy's finished clearin'. No use our settin' here all night. Want to set in the parlor?"

For an hour Minnie entertained them with stories of the Fair. She showed them her collection of mot-toes and birds' eggs.
Finally Lark said, "If we're going to take Red Raskall to Great-greats, we'd better go, hadn't we? The wedding must be over."
"Where you goin' to sleep at?" Minnie wanted to know. "I took for granted you was stayin' with me. Where you puttin' up?"
"Here," Galt said firmly. "Right here. You were good enough to take us in, and Lark's worn out. There's time enough in the morning to take the horse to Great-greats."
"That's the first good sense I heard in a hour." Again Minnie's yawn disturbed her chins. "I got to eat me a half pie to keep up my weight. Then I'm for bed. Anybody want to join me, they better speak up."

Laughing hugely, Minnie shooed Galt off to his end room. Then she brought sheets and a blanket and arranged the guest-room bed for Lark, fussing over her hair, buttoning a starched night-dress snugly on her, tucking her in, and kissing her moistly, noisily, before ambuling away to her own bed.
Lark slept late next morning. The closed shutters kept the room quiet and dark. It was comfort past belief to burrow deep in the feather tick, to feel the slick soft surface of linen sheets, to smell the lavender scent of the fluffy blanket.

It was the warm rich smell of frying bacon that wakened her. While she was dressing, Minnie tipped ponderously in, roared a hearty "good morning" when she saw Lark awake, and pushed the shutters open to a flood of violent sunshine.
"Guess who turned up?" Minnie grinned at her.
Lark's heart began to quicken, and Minnie shook her head.
"Naw, not David North."
"I didn't say David."
"Well you looked David! That little brown Cupsie from your sweet Mara Hastings'. Rid here with the mail man. Used to work here, onct. Right good help. Seems she took a mad on, at the way Miss Hastings done you, an' wants to stay here."
Cupsie stuck her head in the door, smiling broadly at Lark.
"You got a bill o' goods," Minnie said. "Cupsie, she likes you. She's bound she'll work for you. Maybe she can tell you something about the North buckaroo."

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FOURTH GRADE
Those making 100 all week in spelling are Wanda Veach, Roger Doss, Carol Lambert, Peggy Joan Mahurin, Bonnie Brownlow, Peggy Me Donaghay, Joy McLaughlin, Billy Joe Mahurin, Bobbie Jo Sumrall, Otha McClendon, Jerry Greenwood, Lela Johnson, Betty Jo Story, Garnetta Atkisson, Benito Rodriguez, Mary Castillo.

Those making 100 all week in reading are: Wanda Veach, Roger Doss, Carol Lambert, Peggy Joan Mahurin, Bonnie Brownlow, James Thompson, Peggy McKee, Dean Donaghay, Don Fritz, Wanda Joy McLaughlin, Billy Joe Mahurin, Bobbie Jo Sumrall, Betty Vulgamore, Garnetta Atkisson, Frances Holtzclaw, Benito Rodriguez, and Mary Castillo.

SIXTH GRADE
Honor roll: Patsy Ruth Simpson, Roger Lines, Clyde Maye Smith, Albert Ray Stokes, Berzell Brownlow, Norma June Nelms, Donald Mires, Elaine Hohn, Eugene Durham, Carol Ruth Hester, Tommy Merrick, Mary Elizabeth James Poe, Helen Payte Jones, Don Vaughn, Elmer Ray Rodgers, Harold Hohn.
We are sorry to lose Sam Single-

ton, who is moving to California, and Alvin Pierce, who is moving to Lamesa.

THIRD GRADE NEWS

Honor roll pupils in the third grade were Ann Singleton, Linnie Enloe, Vada Wagner, Carolyn Pearce, Sallie Gray, Velda Petty, Lillie Reynolds, Melba Corley, Shirley Sutton, James Johnson, Delman Gilliam, Henry Corley, Norman Hooten, Genell Crawford, Frances Vandiver, Ralph Simpson, Marvin Sherrill, Edward Noble, Jemmie Neal, and Raymond Reeves.

EIGHTH GRADE

Wonder what Pat Curtis is doing for a boy friend? Could it be Richard Maxwell?
What happened to Johnny and Buddy? Ask Pat McKee??

FIFTH GRADE

Doris Pierce has moved to Lamesa FIRST GRADE

The following first grade pupils were on the honor roll in reading the past week: Charles Holcomb, Roddy Jean Peltis, Dickie Phillips, Wendell McClendon, Betty Lee Burkett, Sylvia Gatlin, Donna Jean Hobdy, Ginger Cowger, Ralph Mires, Juana Rhea Heath, Delilah Gilliam, and Norma Presley.

This 'N That

What happened to Etta and Dee Breeding?
What happened to Mary Beth and Mickey's boy friends from Brownfield? Weren't they supposed to come down Sunday??
Wasn't that Mozelle and Marcia in the car with Ardis and Bob Saturday nite?
Who was Eva Johnson with Sunday night? Could it have been "Red" Oats??
Why does Patsy, Doris, Matt and Pace tell they were going to a track meet in Big Springs? We doubt it!!!
Who does Dorothy Jean have a date with for the banquet? Bob Clark??
What happened to Ruth and Glynn? We hear it is all over.
Isn't that Doyle that Peggy Sue has a date with for the Junior and Senior Banquet?
Why was Rue Nell so anxious to elect Edward Brownlow for the Ugly Man contest? Could it be she wanted to present him the prize?
Wayne V. Was very happy over the Pretty Girl Contest and he should be Barbara won.
Isn't that K. V. that Mary Moore has been going with??

SPELLING - SECOND GRADE

Honor roll: Jo Ann Griffin, Bobby Dan Griffin, Joy B. Barnett, Wanda Cunningham, Avery Doss, Tommy Franklin, Beiva Graham, Virginia George, Bobby Dan Griffin, Slaton D. Harris, Edmond Hobdy, Carl Gene Jones, Annette Mahurin, Mary Frances Pierce, Joyce Pearson, James Shaw, Rex Stokes, Carol Ann Thompson, Marvis Veach, Kathryn Vickers, Frankie Jo Young.

TRACK NEWS

O'Donnell entered the Big Springs relays last week. They went last Saturday, March 24th and entered the broad jump, high jump, 440 yd. relay, 100 yd. dash, and the shot put. Raymond Pearce tied with Abilene High representative for first place in high jump. A coin was tossed to settle the tie, but Raymond got second place. Other entries from O'Donnell fell slightly short of placing. This record, however, is not bad in view of the fact that the Eagles ran against such class AA teams as Abilene, San Angelo, and Big Springs. Much valuable experience was received which will help the locals in the district meet next month.

Meet A Senior

Bobby Joe Gantt was born January 2, 1928 at O'Donnell. His parents are Mr and Mrs. H. G. Gantt. He will graduate with 16 1-2 credits and plans to go to college.
Bobby's favorites are: teacher, Mr Johnson; Subject: Math; Flowers: Rose; Girl friend, not anyone especially; Boy friend, Glen McKenzie; Color: Blue; Song: "There goes that Song Again"; Movie Actor: Garry Cooper; Movie Actress: Betty Grable; Stang: "I'll be darn"; hobby: hunting and fishing; nickname: Punkin. Bobby has five sisters and two brothers.

Wells News

Mrs. Homer Simpson, reporter
Remember, everyone, our Spring Revival begins Sunday. Come, please and let us have a real revival.
Mrs. D. J. Bolch left for Christoval with her daughter, Mrs. Vera Vaughn to spend a few days vacation.
Miss Agnes Bates was an over-nite guest of Miss Vonie L. Simpson.
We want to thank everyone who contributed eggs for the Buckner's Orphan Home for their help.
Mr and Mrs. Laleon Jordan spent the week with Mr and Mrs. Hobert Jordan.

Lt. Harold T. Barrett is now in south New Guinea. He writes that it is a very beautiful place.
Mrs. Lee Norwood was a visitor Friday and Friday night in the home of Mr and Mrs. L. J. Barrett.
Bro. Pool and wife, and Mr and Mrs. L. J. Barrett spent the day with Mr and Mrs. Herman Brewer Sunday.
Remember, ladies, Tuesday is club day. We will learn upholstery and making foot stools.
Mr and Mrs. W. J. Jordan were in Lubbock on business Monday of this week.
Mr and Mrs. A. C. Carson and children spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs. Homer Randolph of the Wells Community.
Last Saturday was the big roundup day at the ranch of D. J. Bolch. The cattle were gathered and the calves branded. Those enjoying the picnic lunch were: Mr and Mrs. D. J. Bolch, Tempe and Kay; Mr and Mrs. P. B. Wise, and family; Mr and Mrs. Dallas Vaughn and sons, Mr. Virgil Phipps and children, Mr and Mrs. A. C. Carson and children, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Randolph and children, Mr and Mrs. A. E. Newson and children and Mr. Ted Hildreth. The day was enjoyed by everyone althou the sand did blow.

Harmony News

MRS. JESSE LANE
C. Eales, Mrs. Birdie Parker and Mrs. Hattie Hayes and baby were visiting relatives in Ft. Worth and Weatherford last week. Mrs. Hayes and daughter remained for alonger visit.
Mr and Mrs. A. H. Furlow have been visiting Mrs. Joe Furlow and Judy at Boerne.
Mr and Mrs. L. M. Davis and Levin returned Saturday afternoon from a visit at Del Rio with Mrs. Davis' sister, Mr and Mrs. John Dunlap and family.
Curtis McMurtrey arrived Saturday for a visit with his parents, Mr and Mrs. E. W. McMurtrey and Alton. He has some two weeks left of his 30 day furlough and then he will be reassigned to a new ship.
Mrs. Carl Cockerham and baby son, were brought home from a Lamesa hospital Sunday. They are doing well.
Mr and Mrs. G. C. Aten and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lane and children attended the pie supper at O. K. Friday nite.
Levin Davis left Sunday for the army induction center at El Paso.

REX

Theatre

Evening Show

Fox office closes 9:30
OPENS 7:15; STARTS 7:30
Matinee 2:00 - Starts 2:15

Sat. nite only March 31
Anne Gwyn - Donald Cook

Murder in the Blue Room

Also Lets Go Fishing

Sun. - Mon. Apr. 1 - 2
Monty Wooly - Dick Haymes

Irish Eyes Are Smiling

Also Fox News - March of Time

Tuesday, Apr. 3
John Wayne - Clara Trevor

Stage Coach

Also Proudly We Serve

Wed. - Thurs Apr. 4 - 5
Joan Fountain - Autro De Cordova in

Frenchman's Creek

Also Paramount News - The Three Bears

Friday nite - Sat. Mat
Apr. 6 - 7
Gene Autry in

Red River Valley

Also Zorro's Whip no. 3
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This new Santa Fe bridge removes the

"bottle-neck" created by the old single-track bridge it replaces and has ample strength to take care of future requirements as to weights to be imposed on it.

The new Topock bridge is an impressive engineering feat, but it is only one step in Santa Fe's program of plant improvement—started long before Pearl Harbor. These improvements have speeded up war traffic today, and they will enable a higher standard of Santa Fe service in the days of peace to come.



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REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE

First National Bank

OF

O'DONNELL

IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON MARCH 20, 1945, PUBLISHED IN RESPONSE TO CALL MADE BY COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY UNDER SECTION 5211, U. S. REVISED STATUTES

ASSETS

1. Loans and discounts (including income overdrafts) \$1,120,000.00
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed 20,000.00
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions \$14,144.00
4. Other bonds, notes, and debentures \$ 0.00
5. Corporate stocks (including \$ 1,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank) \$1,000.00
6. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection \$416,314.00
7. Real estate owned \$ 4,500.00, furniture and fixtures \$ 4,300.00 (Bank premises owned are subject to Encumbrances not assumed by bank)
8. Real Estate owned other than bank premises \$ 0.00
9. Investments and other assets indirectly representing bank premises or other real estate \$ 0.00
10. Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding \$ 0.00
11. Other assets \$ 0.00
12. TOTAL ASSETS \$1,585,564.00

LIABILITIES

13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and Corporations \$1,452,274.00
14. Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and Corporations \$12,500.00
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings) \$25,190.00
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions \$14,144.00
17. Deposits of banks \$ 0.00
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's check, etc.) \$12,400.00
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS \$1,531,908.00
20. Bills payable, rediscounts, and other liabilities for borrowed money \$ 0.00
21. Mortgages or other liens, \$ none on bank premises and \$ none on other real estate \$ 0.00
22. Acceptances executed by or for account of this bank and outstanding \$ 0.00
23. Other liabilities \$ 0.00
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES \$1,531,908.00

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

25. Capital Stock:
 - (a) Class A preferred, total par \$ none, retirable value \$ none (Rate of dividends on retirable value is none per cent.)
 - (b) Class B preferred, total par \$ none, retirable value \$ none (Rate of dividends on retirable value is none per cent.)
 - (c) Common stock, total par value \$40,000.00 \$40,000.00
26. Surplus \$10,200.00
27. Undivided profits \$10,200.00
28. Reserves (and retirement account for preferred stock) \$ 0.00
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS \$60,200.00
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS \$1,592,108.00

MEMORANDA

31. Pledged assets (and securities loaned) (book value):
 - (a) United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities \$20,000.00
 - (b) Other assets pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities (including notes and bills rediscounted and securities sold repurchase agreement) \$ 0.00
 - (c) Assets pledged to qualify for exercise of fiduciary or corporate powers, and for purposes other than to secure liabilities \$ 0.00
 - (d) Securities loaned \$ 0.00
 - (e) TOTAL \$20,000.00
32. Secured liabilities:
 - (a) Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law \$22,722.00
 - (b) Borrowings secured by pledged assets (including rediscounts and repurchase agreements) \$ 0.00
 - (c) Other liabilities secured by pledged assets \$ 0.00
 - (d) TOTAL \$22,722.00

State of Texas, County of Lynn, ss
I, J. L. Shoemaker, Jr., cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23 day of March, 1945

J. L. Shoemaker, Jr., Cashier
C. H. Doak
J. M. Noble, Jr.
L. D. Tucker, Director

Lee Garner, Notary Public