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Town and Farm in War Time

Stamp Reminders
Patriotic Pats—Brown stamps Y and Z in book three good through March 31. Red 10-point stamps A, B, C, D, E, and F in book four are good through May 20. Waste kitchen fats are redeemed at 5 cents points and 4c a pound.
Green Stamps—Green stamps L, M and N are good through March 31. Blue 10-point stamps G, H, I, J, K, L, M and N in book four are good through May 20.
Stamp No. 30 in book four is good indefinitely for five pounds.
Stamp 40 in book four is good for five pounds of canned goods through February 28, next year.

Coupons—In 17 east coast states A-9 coupons are good through May 31. In states outside the east coast area, A-10 coupons are good through March 21.
Inspection Deadlines—For inspection holders, March 31; for coupon holders, May 31; and for B-coupon holders, June 30.
Stamp No. 18 in book four is good through April 30. A-10 stamp No. 1 in book 3 is good indefinitely. Another ration stamp good for one pair of shoes beginning May 1 will be announced soon.

Who Must File Declarations
The following persons must file a declaration of estimated income and victory tax for 1944 on or before April 15—single persons (or married persons who have separated) who expect to receive more than \$2,700 of wages subject to withholding or more than \$100 from all other sources, provided total income is expected to be \$500 or more; married persons, if they expect to receive more than \$3,500 of wages subject to withholding or more than \$100 income from all other sources, provided that their combined total income is expected to be \$1,200 or more or his total separate income is expected to be more than \$624. Blank forms are to be distributed by the Bureau of Internal Revenue late in March.

New Farm Gasoline Rules
To aid in the drive against the black market in gasoline, the Office of Price Administration announced that after April 1 the five-gallon "R" coupon will be invalid at filling stations and may be used only by those who buy gasoline at bulk plants or who have it delivered to storage tanks on their premises. Farmers buying most of their gasoline at filling stations have until April 1 to exchange at local boards their "R" coupons for "E" coupons, which will be accepted at filling stations after March 15. "R" and "E" coupons in all cases must be endorsed whether for gasoline delivered into storage tanks or picked up at filling stations. However, to ease the task of endorsing these coupons, the consumer buying a large quantity of gasoline may endorse a whole strip or block of coupons with a single signature and address written across the required number of coupons given as a unit for his single purchase. For one gallon he continues to endorse one "E" coupon.

Send-up
Total U. S. war casualties as announced March 9 by OWI were 382,362—including 37,853 dead, 57,338 wounded, 35,565 missing, and 21,826 prisoners of war.
WPB announces that—the ban on two-trouser suits, trousers with pleats, vests with double-breasted collars, and other clothing production restrictions will not be eased.
Restriction on manufacture of such items as baby rattles and teething rings from nitro-cellulose plastics have been removed.
Phonograph record manufacturers in the second quarter of this year may use one-fourth as much shellac as they used in 1941, due to increased supplies.
The Department of Agriculture announces a 1944 goal of 22 million victory gardens, two million more than last year. Achieving the goal would mean 10 million tons of fresh food, or 25% more production than in 1943.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Cash visited Mrs. Floyd Phillips at an Amarillo hospital Sunday. Their little granddaughter, Eunice Elaine Cash, of Dallas came home with them for visit.

IN THE SERVICE

Sgt. Wood Given Medal
Sgt. Carl L. Wood, Jr., with a medical battalion somewhere in the South Pacific, has been awarded a Good Conduct Medal for "demonstrated fidelity through faithful and exact performance of duty, efficiency through capacity to produce desired results, and behavior such as to deserve emulation."

Mrs. C. P. Callahan orders the home paper sent to her nephew, Pvt. Albert J. Campbell, who is in New Guinea. Pvt. Campbell, says he enjoys reading the home paper, and tells some interesting things about the country, especially the large snakes seen.

Pvt. David Wayne Back, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie R. Back of McLean, has been assigned to the Technical School, Army Air Forces Technical Training Command, Truxau Field, Madison, Wis., for training as a radio technician.

Born March 15, to Pfc. and Mrs. J. H. Kisner, at a Shamrock hospital, an 8 pound, 5 oz. girl named Nettie Ophelia. Mrs. Kisner will be remembered as Miss Vada Appling. Pfc. Kisner is located at Camp Swift.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Coffey have returned from a trip to New York City, where they met their son, Ems. T. J. Coffey, Jr., who was in port for a few days from foreign service.

Lieut. and Mrs. Lloyd Hunt are visiting the former's parents, Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Hunt. Lieut. Hunt has just returned from Porto Rico and is enroute to Fort Bliss.

Pfc. James E. Smith from Camp Carson, Colo. is visiting his wife and baby here. He has just returned from the Aleutians.

Mrs. H. L. Dorsey orders the home paper sent to her son, Ray Dorsey, HA, 2/c, at San Diego, Calif.

Born Feb. 21 to S/Sgt. and Mrs. Perry Everett, Jr. of Palacios, an 8½ pound girl named Virginia Sue.

T/Sgt. and Mrs. Vernon Sublett of Salt Lake City, Utah, visited relatives here over the week end.

BURROWS-JAHNKE

Miss Madge Burrows and Pfc. Carl Jahnke were married Friday night, March 10, at 8:00 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Burrows, with Minister Jack Hardcastle officiating.
The bride was given in marriage by her father. The couple was attended by Pfc. Evelyn Burrows, sister of the bride, and Pvt. Alan Anderson. Bridesmaids were Misses Bennie Mae Wade and Naomi Hancock.
The bride was dressed in the traditional white satin bridal gown with a pink veil of net. Her bouquet was of white carnations. The maid of honor was in WAC uniform. The bridesmaids wore blue and orchid net over satin and carried arm bouquets of pink carnations and orchid sweet peas. The bride's mother was dressed in a navy blue suit with a corsage of red carnations, while the groom's mother wore a black suit with a corsage of white carnations.
Other guests attending the wedding were: the bride's brother, Junior Burrows; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burrows, grandparents of the bride; Miss Wanda Tyson of Blackwell, Okla.; Pfc. Charles Zamzow, Pfc. White, Pfc. and Mrs. Robert Phaler, Pfc. Bob Williams, Mrs. B. E. Burrows, Mrs. J. H. Wade, Mrs. W. L. Hancock and Mrs. Barney Fulbright.

KERR-HOLLOWAY

Mrs. D. H. Kerr and Mr. J. C. Holloway were married at Sayre, Okla., Thursday, March 2. They are making their home in McLean.

GOOD RAIN TUESDAY

A rain amounting to .76 of an inch fell Tuesday evening, accompanied by a light hail, with cooler weather since. Wednesday morning saw some ice, with the thermometer standing a little below 30.

Miss Wanda Elliott of Fort Worth visited in the Walter Bailey home over the week end.

Representative Red Cross Here

Mrs. Grayce Bryson, field representative of the Mid-western Area, the American Red Cross, met with several members of the local chapter Monday afternoon to discuss the local war fund quota and chapter bounds.

Mrs. Bryson was told that the McLean chapter, when chartered, Feb. 6, 1918, had the Heald and Kellerville communities in its territory, along with precincts three and four in Gray county. Now, for some reason, Heald and Kellerville are included in the Shamrock chapter boundaries and, of course, precinct three has no contact with McLean at all, citizens there trading at Pampa or Groom.

It was admitted that it is possible that the Heald and Kellerville communities are still in the McLean chapter, and Mrs. Bryson promised to look into this matter.

When it was pointed out that Shamrock has the same quota as McLean, it was stated that the population figures were based on the ration board's No. 4 book registration, and the camp personnel raised McLean's figures about 500.

Mrs. Bryson said that the complete story will be told to the central committee before next year's quota is set, and everything adjusted with fairness to all concerned.

Among those present were Chapter Chairman and Mrs. J. S. McLaughlin, Past Chairman and Mrs. H. C. Rippey, Mesdames D. C. Carpenter, Chas. E. Cooke, J. A. Sparks, E. J. Lander, T. A. Massey, Joe Hindman, Mattie Graham; Messrs. A. L. Rippey and T. A. Landers.

1944 Follies To Be Presented

What is said to be the funniest and most colorful of stage shows will be presented in the high school auditorium on April 6th, sponsored by the Girls' Glee Club.

The show is made up of current song hits, clever wise cracks, beautiful costumes and stage settings. The girls' orchestra will be on hand to supplement the show with swing rhythms.
The show is directed by Mrs. Carl Chaudoin.

CLUB ORGANIZED AT WEBB

The Friendly Neighbors Club was organized Feb. 21 at the Webb school house, by Mrs. E. E. Gething, for the purpose of creating a fund for the home boys who are in the service.

Every returned service man living within a radius of five miles of the Webb school will receive his equal share of the funds in the treasury at the time of his discharge.
The time of meeting is every two weeks at the Webb school house. The time is spent in playing progressive 42, after which refreshments are served.
There were 30 present Friday night, March 10. The next meeting will be Friday, March 24. Everyone is invited.

Mrs. E. E. Gething is club president; hostesses, Mrs. Ray McDowell and Mrs. Ray Rath; secretary, Mrs. Geo. Riley.

WASTE PAPER CAMPAIGN

The News has received many inquiries about the waste paper campaign, and in trying to find an outlet, the following telegram has been received:
"Thanks for card. Have wired A. S. Patrick Flood, WPB salvage executive secretary of Texas, UPQ, Scarborough Bldg., Austin, Texas, to obtain outlet for your waste paper immediately. You should hear from him shortly. Best of luck in your campaign."
EDWIN S. FRIENDLY, Chm. Newspaper Committee, U. S. Victory Waste Paper Campaign.

Memorial Sign Board Favored

The Lions Club voted to ask the American Legion Post to join them in erecting some kind of memorial plaque to the service men of this war, at the regular luncheon held Tuesday.

Lion Meador told of the various kinds of sign boards that might be used, stating that an outside board would cost approximately \$1000, and an inside board around \$450. He stated that he had found that most people favored the outside board.

Lion McLaughlin reported some \$3,000 raised on the Red Cross quota up to Tuesday.

W. B. Mercer was presented as a guest of Lion Landers.

Red Cross Fund Over \$3,600.00

The Red Cross war fund for McLean is now within \$600 of the community quota of \$4200, workers reporting topping the \$3600 mark by Wednesday noon.

Hopes are expressed that the quota may be reached before the week closes. Most people have been extremely nice to the solicitors and many have called or mailed in contributions. Only a very few have given less than expected of them.

Meador Cafe Banquet Room

W. B. Mercer, owner of Meador Cafe, has equipped a banquet room opening on Main Street for those desiring special entertainments, luncheons, or dinners.

Mr. Mercer is improving the cafe and the service each week and says he is not pleased until his customers are pleased. All are welcome to come in and inspect his place and arrange for any kind of special luncheons or banquets.

VIA FOR ATTORNEY

B. S. Via authorizes The News to carry his name as a candidate for county attorney subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

Judge Via is a life-long Democrat and has been engaged in the practice of law in Pampa for the past 18 years. He is an overseas veteran with an "excellent" discharge.

Judge Via has presided as a special judge in the district court a number of different times by vote of the Gray County Bar Association. He is a member of a protestant church and promises if elected to see that all laws are enforced, and not just those that are in popular favor. He also promises that he will be in the office every day. He is especially interested in the juvenile delinquency problem and will give the matter special attention. He will appreciate any consideration given his candidacy and will endeavor to see every voter possible under the present gasoline restrictions.

HUDZIETZ-PURDY

Miss Frances Hudzietz and Sgt. C. L. Purdy were married March 2 at Fresno, Calif., by a Baptist minister.
The bride is a granddaughter of Mrs. J. T. Glass of McLean and is a graduate of McLean high school. She attended W. T. S. C. at Canyon one term and completed a secretarial course at an Amarillo business school.
The bride was dressed in navy blue with white, and the groom was in uniform. Others present at the wedding were the minister's wife and son.

Judge and Mrs. J. H. Bodine have sold their home on North Main Street and bought a house from Mrs. L. E. Cunningham on East First.

Subscription renewals this week: C. J. Cash, H. W. Grigsby, H. W. Brooks, E. J. Lander, Rob Hindman, Robert Howard, Mrs. D. L. Abbott.

Mr. and Mrs. Guydell Woodburn of Clarendon visited the lady's sister, Mrs. Cleo Davis, last week end.

WITH THE CHURCHES

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

C. O. Huber, Pastor
The W. M. S. is especially anxious to complete the "KITs" for the Russians, and are in need of sugar. Some have, more sugar than necessary for their home requirements and they are requesting that you make this donation of surplus sugar to the Russians.
Follow our service announcements weekly. We list herewith our subjects for Sunday and invite your attendance. Worship with us.
10:00 a. m. Sunday School, J. S. McLaughlin, superintendent.
11:00 a. m. Morning Worship, "What Think Ye of Christ?"
7:15 p. m. Training Union, Miss Georgia Colebank, director.
8:00 p. m. Evening Worship, "The Power of Prayer."
Our evening message is the seventh consecutive subject of a series of services from the general theme, "The Life and Destiny of Man," which will continue through Easter Sunday. We have had good attendance, but invite you, also. Come!

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

S. R. Jones, Supply Minister
Sunday School 10:00 a. m., F. H. Bourland, superintendent.
Morning Worship 11:00.
Evening Worship 8:00.
W. M. S. 2:00 p. m. Tuesday.
Choir rehearsal 7:30 p. m. Wednesday.
CHURCH OF CHRIST
Jack Hardcastle, Minister
Bible study 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00.
Evening Worship 8:15.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 8:15 p. m.
Women's Bible class Wednesday, 3:00 p. m.

Red Cross Production

Mrs. Chas. Cooke, Production Chm.
Our March and April quota of dressings is here. We need you to help get them made on time. Every dressing is needed for our wounded boys over there. Let's all work together for something we will be proud to have had a part in when our boys come home. They are giving their lives, let's give a small part of our time.
Ladies who worked, and number of hours, for February:
Mesdames Homer Abbott, 3; C. C. Bogan, 4; Murray Boston, 5; Bill Boyd, 3; Fred Bentley, 2; Jack Boyd, 3; Willie Boyett, 15; W. E. Bogan, 46; Orville Cunningham, 60; Chas. Cooke, 55; D. C. Carpenter, 60; T. J. Coffey, 10; C. M. Carpenter, 5; C. P. Callahan, 2; Brent Chapman, 12; Geo. Colebank, 5; Keith Caldwell, 3; Elmo Drumgoole, 4; Kate Everett, 7; John Ferguson, 9; H. W. Finley, 10; Byrd Guill, 23; B. A. Gastineau, 3; D. M. Graham, 21; Cecil Hagan, 8; J. L. Hess, 5; Lillian Higdon, 7.
Mesdames A. D. Johnson, 3; J. E. Kirby, 3; Bunia Kunkel, 7; Ed Lander, 2; H. A. Longino, 14; T. A. Massey, 27; L. Morgan, 4; Bud Morris, 3; C. J. Magee, 2; Kid McCoy, 8; L. McCombs, 5; J. T. McCarty, 4; D. M. Simpson, 5; Travis Stokes, 4; W. L. Schopf, 3; F. E. Stewart, 5; J. A. Sparks, 19; Haekell Smith, 3; Ethel Sagner, 10; Joe Simpson, 7; Roger Powers, 3; H. C. Rippey, 67; Ed Railsback, 12; Frank Reeves, 3; Boyd Reeves, 4; A. L. Rippey, 6; R. F. Sanders, 3; Amos Thacker, 32; A. W. Taylor, 9; June Woods, 5; Homer Wilson, 7; Leroy Williams, 4; Lee Wilson, 3; Howard Williams, 2; Frank P. Wilson, 17; Ellen Wilson, 8; Miss Gertrude Roach, 5.

STEWART'S NEPHEW KILLED

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Stewart were in Sunray Monday for the funeral of their nephew, Lieut. Leroy Stewart, who was killed in an airplane crash in Louisiana.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Brewer of Borger visited in the J. A. Sparks home Sunday. They also visited relatives and other friends.

M. M. Ruff of Richmond, Calif., was in McLean this week at the bedside of his mother.

Citizens Protest Ration Board Move

About fifty citizens met at the city hall Tuesday evening to register a protest against moving the ration board sub-station from McLean.

The meeting was presided over by Mayor Boyd Meador, who asked O. G. Stokely, local member of the gasoline panel, to present the Pampa visitors: Chm. Ray McKirnan of the Gray county board, Walter Daugherty, chief clerk; and County Judge Sherman White.

A letter from the district office was read, in which it was said that the "national office demands the closing of all sub-boards."

Judge White said that Congressman Worley had been asked to assist in keeping the sub-boards open at McLean and Shamrock. Lieut. Coffman from the prisoner of war camp stated that some 150 cars at the camp were rationed by the McLean board.

Chm. McKirnan spent a good share of the time answering questions on gasoline rationing from those present.

It was brought out that the closing of the sub-boards is probably due to black market operations in stolen gasoline stamps.

Clifford Allison acted as secretary of the meeting. E. L. Sitter and T. A. Landers, local board members, were called upon for remarks.

Boyd Meador, Clifford Allison, Ruel Smith, Earl Stubblefield and W. W. Boyd were named to draft the following telegram, which was signed by Mayor Meador for the McLean community citizens committee, and sent to eight different government officials, including congressmen and senators:
"Directive Lubbock office ordering removal McLean sub-office Gray County War Price and Rationing Board to Pampa, 38 miles distance involving round trip of 76 miles protested on grounds that it would effect no economy of county board office operation and is contrary to all concepts of conservation of gasoline and tires necessitating as it would greatly increased travel over unreasonable distances on the part of more than 1500 applicants serviced by McLean office, including 110 incidental to operation of nearby McLean Prisoner of War Camp.

"Postal congestion to Pampa by way of Amarillo is such that a minimum of six days now required for exchange of correspondence, necessitating applicants' use of cars to secure all ration of emergency nature.
"Ration coupons and supplies now adequately protected by approved type vault provided by City of McLean eliminates theft hazard.

"No expense McLean office paid by OPA except salary one clerk which cost would be added to cost of operation Pampa board office if this clerk and files moved there and serviced from there."

BERNADINE BREINING DIES

Miss Bernadine Breining, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Breining of Winchester, Va., died Sunday.

Miss Breining's mother will be remembered as Miss Anne Richey, who taught in the McLean schools some years ago.

CUNNINGHAM-MESSENGER

Miss Emma Beatrice Cunningham of McLean and Mr. Chrystal Richard Messenger of Colorado were married Sunday night at the home of Judge J. H. Bodine.

John Biggers is a new subscriber to The News.

BIRTHDAYS

March 19—Mrs. Barney Fulbright, Iva Nora Simpson.
March 20—Roger Powers, Mrs. Arthur Erwin, Rev. W. A. Erwin, Howard Hardin.
March 21—Margaret Glass, Dorothy Dell Willis.
March 22—J. D. Shaw, C. A. Cryer, Mrs. Otis Jones, Naomi Hancock.
March 23—Shirley Ann Nelson, John Adrian Mead.
March 24—Jack Bogan, Floella Cubine, T. L. Loveless, C. S. Doolen, Yvonne Clark, Billy Rex Campbell.
March 25—Luther Petty, Mrs. C. B. Lee, Mrs. Ernest Brown.

Immense Task of Soil Rebuilding Faces Managers of Nation's Six Million Farms

Land Being Mined by Excessive Cropping Will Need Fertilizer

American farmers face the most gigantic soil rebuilding job in all history when World War II is fought to a successful conclusion.

That is the considered opinion of farm economists, soil conservation experts and leading agronomists of state agricultural colleges throughout the country.

What this job will cost, no one knows yet, but it will be considerably above the 250 to 300 million dollar expenditure farmers have been making for fertilizer in recent years. Virtually all of the nation's 6,000,000 farms will need serious attention.

Two major reasons are cited by soil experts for this situation:

1—Wartime crop goals necessary to produce foodstuffs, meat, dairy products, oil and fiber crops for victory, are eating up the soil's resources of nitrogen, phosphorus and potash much faster than they can be replaced today. Steps to correct this must be taken immediately the war crisis is over.

2—The long-range job of soil conservation must be stepped up. Big-scale operations can be postponed no longer. The "fifth column" attacks of erosion are becoming more menacingly serious. Wasteful farming practices over a century and a half have squandered precious topsoil to a dangerous degree.

Farmers recognize that the present wartime drain on their soil's fertility level is a necessary contribution to victory. But they should bear in mind the imperative fact that wealth borrowed from the soil to help win this war, must be repaid later on.

Dr. George D. Scarseth, head of the agronomy department of Purdue university, summed things up when he said:

"Farmers in the Middle West and elsewhere throughout the nation are making a sacrifice in the war production program to an extent not fully realized by the world. Soils that have had to produce war crops by fertility exhaustion practices will not have dividends to pay after the war, but will require their own kind of taxation in the form of fertilizers."

"In reality, farmers are in the manufacturing business, the same as munitions makers, or steel producers. They are turning out essential products for our armed forces. They are manufacturing foods, feeds, fibers and oils out of the raw materials of the soil—the nitrogen, phosphorus, potash and lime."

"Fortunately all our soils are not exhausted of their inherited riches. But exhaustion is on the way even with our best soils, and we face a future where these raw materials must be added to the soils as fertilizers in greater amounts than in the past. Unless we do this, the productivity of the soil will sink to a dangerous level."

Concerning the future outlook, he said:

"Our war debt won't be only a matter of taxes and maturing bonds. Our farmers are asked to mine their soils because fertilizer materials are scarce. But crops must be made on the 'fat' of the soils. This means that a farmer of the future will have the handicap of a more exhausted soil and smaller crop yields to pay the taxes that will follow this war."

Tremendous Drain.
Just how big a drain on the soil's fertility resources does this extra crop production impose?

The answer is plenty! Take one single crop—corn—for example. Agronomists estimate that the 1941 corn crop in ten midwestern states removed 2,645,404,736 pounds of nitrogen, phosphorus and potash from the soil. Increasing wartime yields boosted this tax to 3,093,123,334 pounds in 1942 and 3,227,363,770 pounds in 1943.

Large as this removal was, it represents but a portion of the fertility loss from a single region. Add to it the fertility drain caused by producing huge yields of wheat, soybeans, potatoes, alfalfa, clover, oats and other crops and you have some idea of the depreciation of fertility resources. But that doesn't tell the whole story, either, for the job of producing livestock and dairy products requires heavy amounts of plant food, too.

The plain fact is that every time a crop is harvested and hauled to market, or livestock are shipped to a packer's yards, some of the farm's fertility goes with them. Those essential elements, nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium, in various compounds, have been drawn out of the soil by the plants that grew on it. The bigger and better the crop, the more vital minerals extracted. Ordinarily, much of these elements is replaced by rotation, fallowing, or application of fertilizers, but during these war years when every field must be made to yield to the limit, there is an annual loss. Also, the scarcity of fertilizers, and shortage of help and machinery have conspired to impoverish the farmer's land.

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An aerial view of a large Georgia farm on which several soil conservation methods are used. In the upper part of the picture appears a large meadow strip, which serves as a safe water disposal area for surface runoff from adjoining fields. The curved bands are contour strip cropping, and terracing. The owner, Dr. A. C. Brown of Royston, also follows improved rotation practices.

Increased acreage. In order to produce the extra crop quotas, not only do existing acres have to do a bigger crop yielding job but more and more acres have to be tilled. Much of this land represents a lower strata of fertility level and hence it is not able to bear the burden of heavy cropping effectively. A glance at acreage figures tells the story. In 1941 the total harvested acreage of principal crops in the United States was 334,130,600. In 1942 it rose to 338,081,000 and in 1943 to 347,498,000 acres. New production goals for 1944 propose the use of some 300 million acres.

One-Twelfth of Land Ruined.
When we turn to the long-range job of soil conservation that has been accumulating since the pioneer settlers' plows first broke America's virgin farm land, we find an even more serious situation.

Hugh H. Bennett, chief of the U. S. soil conservation service, is authority for the statement that 50 million acres of the nation's 600 million tillable acres have been completely ruined for agricultural purposes.

An additional 50 million acres, he estimates, are seriously damaged and a very large further acreage has suffered a marked decrease in soil fertility. As a result of the soil conservation service's work and the efforts of agronomists at state agricultural colleges and experiment stations, significant steps have been taken in recent years in combating this menacing trend. But the major task lies ahead.

Six principal factors are responsible for the foregoing losses, according to Mr. Bennett. They are erosion, leaching, the removal of fertilizer elements by harvested crops, livestock and livestock marketing, oxidation of soil organic matter, and fire.

Erosion is the worst offender, removing annually 2,500,000 tons of nitrogen, 900,000 tons of phosphorus and 15,000,000 tons of potash—the three major plant foods which make the productions of crops possible.



Hilly land often considered practically worthless can be made to yield good returns by proper strip cropping. C. D. Klubaugh, Danville, Ohio, is shown weighing the harvest from such a field. He is one of the three million farmers now included in 693 soil conservation projects.

Ammonium Nitrate Will Boost Yield of Hay Or Brings Pasture to Grazing Stage Earlier

The use of nitrogen as a means of increasing vitally needed hay and pasture production to meet wartime requirements, was recommended by Dr. D. H. Dodd of the Ohio State university.

Summarizing the results of a series of experiments, Dr. Dodd declared that:

1. Sixty pounds of nitrogen, equivalent to 175 pounds per acre of ammonium nitrate applied to a good

Harvested crops rank next in depleting the soil and are in normal years responsible for taking out an additional 4,600,000 tons of nitrogen, 700,000 tons of phosphorus and 3,200,000 tons of potash.

Nearly a third of the fertile topsoil of American farms has been lost due to erosion, floods and the damaging effects of overcropping, according to a statement issued by the Middle West Soil Improvement Committee.

Six Inches of Topsoil.
"A century and a half ago," says the statement, "there was an average of nine inches of topsoil spread over the entire United States. To

day this averages only six inches in depth. "The present war emergency, as well as the future of American agriculture itself calls for a determined fight against the forces of soil depletion. The effectiveness of the individual farmer's soil management plan in wartime as well as in the peace era to follow, can be aided by the cooperation of agronomists at state agricultural colleges and experiment stations. Through research and experimentation over a long span of years, these experts have developed information concerning fertilizer needs for various crops and soils that is helpful to the farmer who is striving to rebuild his soil's productivity."

In combating the destructive effects of erosion, individual farmers and organized agriculture are confronted by a stealthy, fifth-column enemy. Erosion's damage is gradual and in the first stages, barely noticeable. But once it gains headway, winds and rains not only carry away valuable topsoil, but also remove needed fertilizing elements such as nitrogen, phosphorus and potash.

Conservation methods are the surest means of reducing these losses of valuable topsoil and plant nutrients. It has been found that soils having a cover crop suffer only a fraction of the losses from erosion that other farm areas experience. Not only will grasses and legumes provide effective vegetative cover for holding topsoil in place and furnish a balanced ration for farm animals, but they promote nitrogen fixation, improve the soil tilth and help increase crop yields following in the rotation. This is particularly true where adequate fertilization is undertaken.

Bonds Will Provide Funds.
Fortunately the means for accomplishing this soil replenishment job are in the hands of virtually every American farmer. Dollars invested in war bonds now that farm cash income is at the highest level in history and farm debt at the lowest point in many years, can provide the ready cash to pay for the purchase of nitrogen, phosphorus and potash needed to restore the fertility level of farms later on.

"It is not too early to begin planning for this agricultural reconstruction job, any more than it is premature at present to lay plans for future political and economic peace," a statement by the Middle West Soil Improvement Committee concludes. "For it is becoming increasingly clear that the whole structure of future security will rest on the productivity of the soil. While every encouragement will be given to soil rebuilding projects by the federal government and by state agricultural agencies, the major responsibility for getting the job done will rest on the shoulders of individual farmers. By earmarking part of present war bond purchases now for peacetime soil rebuilding expenditures, farmers can be ready when the materials and manpower become readily available in the postwar era."

mal load, the nitrogen-treated grass will have exceeded it by 700 to 1,000 pounds of herbage containing 175 to 250 pounds of protein per acre, figured on a dry basis.

3. The inclusion of 20 to 30 pounds of nitrogen with phosphorus or phosphorus and potash in a first treatment for general pasture improvement, may be expected to increase the returns the first year by 50 to 75 per cent instead of 25 per cent, which is a reasonable expectation for the first year for the mineral without nitrogen.

Overseas Men Support U. S. Bond Drive



Proof that U. S. servicemen in the forward areas are also taking a financial interest in the war is shown here. T-4 Robert Ross of Hammond, Ind. (right), buys a bond from Pfc. Julian Will of Pawnee, Okla. War bond officer Lieutenant Harnes of New York (second from left) supervises, and Sgt. Harry Eller of Knoxville, Tenn., awaits his turn to make a purchase.

Outstanding Miler Relaxes at Studies



Gil Dodds, Boston divinity student and one of the nation's greatest mile runners, relaxes with a Bible after his spectacular run at Madison Square Garden. Dodds was clocked in 4:08.3 for the mile at the National A.A.U. championships. In addition to his autograph, Gil usually gives a Bible quotation about the race of life.

Army Nurses Make the Best of It



Although constantly under threat of German bombing or shelling, these U. S. nurses (left) on beachhead below Rome refuse to let it get them down. At right, two U. S. army nurses make the best of it. They are using a borrowed motorcycle to take an airing near the field hospital near Nettuno. Being under fire has failed to dampen their spirits.

War Comes to Eniwetok Aborigines



A grateful mother and father carry two nude children into a coast-guard-manned landing boat which, only moments before, had landed assault forces on Eniwetok atoll in the Marshall Islands. The frightened natives were carried away to safety from the ravaging battle which preceded fall of the atoll to hard-hitting American forces.

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hall in a tan shirt and brown pants. He also wears tan socks, and brown shoes. We also noticed that baseball mustache, "Nine on each side."

Mr. Wilson is one of our leading men of the week. He wears a pair of gray pants and brown shirt and tie. We think that new tweed coat will go very good with your fashion.

Mary McMahan looks very nice in her blue striped dress. She wears blue anklets and brown oxfords.

We see the gruesome twosome, Loujuanna Roberts and Norma McClay, in their blue pleated skirts and white blouses. Norma wears white anklets and brown oxfords. Loujuanna wears white anklets and white sandals.

We see Mary Sue Drum in a blue flowered dress. To set this off, she wears red anklets and brown oxfords.

Speaking of fashions, did you see the chorus girls in their skirts and blouses Friday? Boy, if I was a little older!

Billie Glass looks very beautiful in her tan blouse, plaid skirt, red socks and black shoes. And she wears a very pretty black ribbon.

THE ASSEMBLY PROGRAM FRIDAY, MARCH 10

The assembly program opened with a piano solo by Ruth Strandberg. Gladys Smith sang "Cuddle up a Little Closer," accompanied by Mrs. Chaudoin at the piano.

The trio, Ruth Strandberg, Dorothy Clark and Imogene Peabody, sang "Blue Skies," "Marzy Dats" and "Shoo Shoo Baby."

Dorothy Ann Goodson played a violin solo. Glenda Joyce Smith played an accordion solo.

The chorus, led by Mrs. Chaudoin sang several negro spirituals. The entire program was enjoyed by all.

FREDDIE THE FRESHMAN

If your little reporter has a black eye this week it's because she knows too much. I see Kenneth Preston is back. I wonder if Ruby Swinney is satisfied?

I see a lot in my general math class: one of which is the heart-warming romance of Ray Longino and James Cooke. Pooled you, didn't I?

I wonder what became of the Faith Hancock and Jimmy Batson love affair? Could it be Joyce

Smith? Has anyone noticed Frances Owens' coat? I see it belongs to Bob Evans

Dorothy Clark and Don Montgomery are getting quite regular. I wonder why?

I see Patsy Alexander and Claude Gene Doolen are having fun at several places, one of which was the box supper.

Billy Joe Ford seems to like a girl at Kellerville. To save time, her name is Mildred Allen.

Earl Boyd doesn't seem to have a girl. What's the matter with you? There are plenty of them.

I wonder if Johnny Cubine and Dorothea Back enjoyed their supper Friday night.

SNOOPERMAN

Couples seen over the week end were: Bill Reeves, Wanda Pugh, Marvin Grigsby, Melba Hanner, Bill Carpenter, Gloria Gunn; Kenneth Preston, Ruby Jo Swinney, Loujuanna Roberts, it seems that Earl Collier still prefers brunettes.

What about the one from Lefors? Kenneth Preston, where were you Saturday night? We heard that a girl from Mobeetie wanted to see you.

Eileen Johnston and Eulamae Lively seemed to be doing all right Friday night. Fred, I wish you were here to keep Ruby Lowery company. What about Friday night?

Frank Simpson and Joe Reeves are still on the loose. Girls, I wish some of you would take one of them.

the soldiers. Miss Gadberry, that was really a handsome one we saw you with Sunday afternoon.

Betty Davis, who was with you Sunday? Anyone we know? Bernard McClellan and Zelda West seem to be having trouble.

Joe Reeves and Loujuanna Roberts seem to be doing all right in the 4th period study hall. What will Earl say, Loujuanna?

Well, I think this is enough for this time, so see you next week.

ELECTION NOTICE

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF GRAY, CITY OF McLEAN. To the qualified voters of the City of McLean, Gray County, Texas: Take notice, that an election will be held on Tuesday, April 4th, A. D. 1944, at the City Hall in the City of McLean, Gray County, Texas, for the following purpose:

ELECTING THREE CITY ALDERMEN. Every person who has attained the age of twenty-one years, who has resided in the State of Texas twelve months and within the corporate limits of the City of McLean, Gray County, Texas, six months prior to date of said election, and is a qualified voter under the laws of the State, shall be entitled to vote at said election.

No person shall be eligible to any of said offices unless he possesses the requisites for voters at such election. Ercy Cubine has been appointed as presiding officer of said elec-

tion, and he shall select two judges to assist him in holding the same. Said election shall be held in the manner prescribed for holding elections in other matters. Witness my hand and seal of office this the 26th day of February, A. D. 1944.

BOYD MEADOR, Mayor, City of McLean, Gray County, Texas. Attest: W. E. BOGAN, City Secretary.

Darwin's "Origin of the Species" was sold out on the first day of publication. T. B. Roby made a business trip to Shamrock Saturday.

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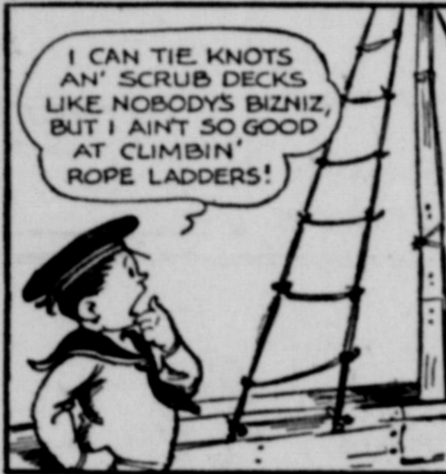


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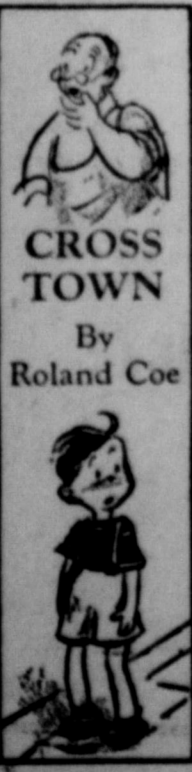
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sale is made. Such money then to be divided half to my son, Steve, half to my daughter, Joy. To Lew Burnet, furthermore, five hundred head of his own choice out of the extras, to be held by him in payment for half interest in his Powder River lands of Wyoming." Ames Strayhorn, Tom Arnold's attorney in Ox Bow, had witnessed and notarized the document.

There was no loophole. Its legality was beyond question, and he couldn't help but feel the compliment of the old man's trust in him.

Joy was the first to look up. Any sudden surprise is hard to take for most people. You come up behind a man and only yell his name and most likely he gets mad. He thought it was that way with the girl now. She stared at him with a quick, bewildered anger. He saw Steve's eyes lift from the paper and strike at Clay, questioning him, all of their old hounded fear suddenly in them again. Of the three this turn seemed to hit Steve the worst. For Clay's reactions were slow at times. His head came up. He stood like a huge bull swelling with his rage.

It burst from him with the madness of one hardly knowing what he said. "This changes nothing!"

"Clay," he said, "that's enough." He could feel the scar across his cheek begin to itch and burn. "You call this a showdown. All right, let's show! Something happened before the start that's made you want to block this herd from going north. Now you think you've got your chance. You'd make Joy an excuse to let it go. Want to hear why? The Open A is coming up behind us. If we lose our herd to the Cheyennes they'll pass with no trouble. There's a stacked deal for you! It's all you want."

He saw Joy's face down beside his shoulder turn from anger to shocked disbelief. She stared at Clay, drew back from both of them suddenly, holding them both with darkly bitter eyes. Without speaking she walked with rigid steps toward her wagon.

The group of men had begun to break up. Joe Wheat rose and came over in his casual walk, a thin slit

of a man with a gaunt, morose face. But there was a thing behind Joe Wheat's morose silences that men understood.

In his quiet drawl he said, "Time for the first guard, ain't it, Lew?" He turned his deeply hollowed eyes on Clay. "Our watch."

It was Wheat's plain statement that there had been no change in bosses. And under those quiet hard eyes some of the stiffness went from Clay Manning's back. With no more the old man started away. Lew followed him past the fire.

"Not you, Joe," he said. "I'm riding guard in your place. You're going back to Doan's." He picked up his saddle, carrying it on to the night-guard horses. "We haven't come more than seventy miles. You can make it by daylight and lead the troop back. They said they wouldn't give me any help in the Nations, but they've got a young lieutenant. He'll come when he knows we have a girl along."

Saddling, he looked past the firelight toward her wagon. Steve was over there, leaning in across the endgate to where she lay motionless on the blankets, her head buried in her arms. It was strange how rarely he thought of them as brother and sister. There was never much between them to show that mood. Yet all of a brother's comfort, for some reason now, was in the way Steve's hand brushed her hair slowly, his lips moving in talk.

Sometime past the middle of the next morning he saw the first breath of wind stir through a gray curtain of drizzle that had been falling straight down. He dropped back along the herd, feeling the bitter

irony that so much could hang upon the direction of a wind.

He pulled to a stop and let the longhorns flow past, waving the men on as the drag end came abreast. Most of the crew were riding back here now, each with a rifle scabbard thrust under his left stirrup leather, stock forward, close to his hand.

They had made a good start, beating the dawn by an hour. The cattle had risen by their own accord from the wet bed ground and would not feed in the rain. They were walking fast. He figured they had already made better than ten miles. Still his main hope had been that when the wind came it would be out of the north—cold and stormy. What he felt against his cheek was a warm, melting breath from the south. It would clear the skies too soon.

In a dead silence, as the clacking thud of the longhorns passed on, he sat facing their back trail where even in this short time a breeze had begun to tear the gray curtain into shreds. As far as he could see the land was as flat as a floor, unbroken by any creek or dangerous hollows of ground.

When he passed Joy's wagon, up close along the point behind Owl-Head Jackson's, he saw that she had her father's frontier forty-four lying on the seat. They hadn't talked this morning. He was going to ride on. She called him over.

"Forget it, Lew." She smiled. "Nothing's bad enough to make you look like that."

"Well," he said, "I got you into this."

"And you'll get us out." Her clear eyes showed him that. He grinned at her. He was suddenly warmed beneath his wet, soaked clothing. "Sure," he said. "We'll get out!"

If only the fool longhorns could grow wings! In another hour the rain had stopped. The herd was grazing now, loose-kneed, heads down, crawling at a slow, tormenting pace. A thick ground mist was left blowing northward. It gave them shelter until sometime past noon.

The lift came abruptly in a layer of fog that rose and hung suspended overhead. He swung out from the herd and looked beyond their close formation, hunting off southeast in the way from which Joe Wheat would come. But off there and on behind him the land stretched empty and flat. He brought his eyes around slowly to hold a fixed gaze on the back trail toward the distant humps of the Wichita range. That emptiness was too good.

So far away that at first he hardly caught it, looking like a part of the brown earth, a darker spot of brown was moving.

He yelled and crooked his arm at the dragsmen. They jumped their mounts into a run toward his side of the point. Quarternight leaped around to him. Moonlight Bailey and young Jim Hope began to drive the leading horse herd back.

He waved the wagons over, and under that pressure of mules and horses and men the point began to swing. Gradually four thousand longhorns were turning back upon themselves, until they made a great letter U. And then the gap closed as the leaders joined the drags. There had been no confusion to give them a scare. They milled only a little and came to a stop in their compact pool. It had taken perhaps ten minutes' time.

Watching east, he had seen the dark spot grow in size, coming on swiftly in these minutes.

"John," he said, "you're an old timer at this. What would you say?"

"Take it easy," Quarternight answered. "Set like we are. They'll have to do their fancy ridin' first. If they get too close we can out-talk 'em some ways off."

They sat with men spread out at intervals on either side, the two wagons close behind them, the horse herd bunched between the wagons and the cattle. Like that they formed a line facing the direction of attack, a line that could shift around the pool of longhorns if the Indians swung.

He turned once and saw that Clay was backed against Joy's wagon seat, making himself her guard. Then his buckskin's little black-tipped ears pricked up, swinging forward. He felt the animal's heart pound beneath his leg. Even the horse knew these were Indians, somehow, from a mile off.

He wrapped his reins around the horn and drew his rifle from its scabbard. A cool fascination gripped him, like the thing you felt when you watched the rippled movements of a snake. They made a sight, no longer a solid brown. Their mounts were streaked with red and yellow. Naked, painted bodies and black heads lay close to the horses' backs.

They came on at a steady trot, knee to knee in a widespread line.

"Ain't that a show!" Quarternight said. "Cheyennes, sure enough."

"How many you figure?" he asked.

"Some less than a hundred. Not near what you were told."

(TO BE CONTINUED)



"This changes nothing."

"Then we can count on that. If the rain holds tomorrow we can make better than twenty miles to the west. We'll be close to the Texas panhandle by that time. It's thin safety, I know, but we can call on the army if we have trouble off of Indian lands."

"Army!" Clay mocked. "You got any idea where that is?"

"There's a troop," he said, "at Doan's Crossing. I'm sending a man back tonight."

"That all you got?" Clay asked.

"That's all. Keep moving. Except we can make a fight of it if we have to."

"Sure. Against six hundred Indians!"

"Eleven men," he pointed out, "hid off more than that at Adobe Walls. But there won't be six hundred bucks. Half of any tribe are squaws." He leaned back on his elbows. He needn't go on with an argument, and yet he wanted Clay to show his hand.

It came forced out with heat, where none was called for, as if Clay needed that fire of temper to bolster him up. "You're right about turning west. But the herd travels too slow. We'll send the wagons on ahead."

"What about splitting the men?" he asked. "You can't divide this outfit now. You'd have no protection anywhere."

"Then send plenty with the wagons. Make sure of that. It's Joy I'm thinking about!"

Maybe. Yet Clay's plan boiled down simply to abandoning the herd. He grinned dryly. "Why not all go with the wagons? Let the Cheyennes take the cows."

"Lew," Steve put in, "Clay's right!"

Lew gave the boy a long straight look. "Steve," he said gently, "you know better than that. You stand there in your dad's boots and tell me to desert four thousand longhorns at the first scare of Indians. You've got more reason than you're showing. That's plain enough. No man with any honest sense would split his crew here or run off either. I won't."

"Then I guess," Steve said flatly, "a showdown's come. Hate to do it, Lew. Clay's taking charge."

Lew stood up. "By owner's vote?"

"That's it."

"You agree, Joy?" he asked.

"Lew, I—" she began and faltered.

"All right," he said. "That's all I wanted to know." He paced toward the three of them slowly. "I wanted to be sure you understood the owner had full power." He pulled a folded sheet of paper from inside his buckskin jacket. "I hadn't intended to show this or use it. Joy—keeping the paper in his own hands, he opened it and held it to the firelight for her to read.

The two blond heads bent in close to hers and he followed the lines their eyes were following, written in Tom Arnold's oddly small, rounded script. He passed over the first full preamble to the meat of what said: "To Lew Burnet, in the event this will be read while the ownership is still on the trail, ownership. That ownership to until Ogallala is reached and a

Who's News This Week

By Delos Wheeler Lovelace

Consolidated Features.—WNU Release.

NEW YORK — Money matters have chiefly kept John W. Pehle busy through his years in government service. He has been in the treasury, treasury, treasury, that big building east of the White House and mainly at Secretary Morgenthau's right hand, or nearly. He has worn a number of the lengthy titles in which the department dresses its key men—senior attorney for the exchange stabilization fund, special attorney in the foreign exchange control division. Lately, as assistant to the secretary, he has been in charge of the administration of the foreign funds control.

Now, because of his executive talents, he may be pushed into the alien, humane post of director of the War Refugee board. This is the board long sought to supervise the United States' share of the rescue of Jewish people in occupied countries and finally set up by President Roosevelt. And since many of the rescued will find a haven in Palestine and bring fertility to its sandy wastes, Pehle may help to make true after 2,500 years the words of Isaiah. That prophet of boundless faith once wrote of a day when "The desert shall . . . blossom like the rose," and "the ransomed . . . shall come to Zion with songs."

Thirty-five years old, Pehle was born in Minneapolis. So he is a Minnesotan even though his folks quit the state so early that the schools of Nebraska and South Dakota helped educate him. His colleges are Creighton in Nebraska, and Yale, which is in Connecticut. There he got his law. He has been in government service for 10 years, following a short private practice in New York city.

IT SEEMS that George VI has been mighty busy, handing out knight-hoods in the Order of the Bath to this American and that. But he has an out, for foreigners, however distinguished, are not included when the roll is called to make sure that the limit set a century and a quarter ago has not been exceeded.

Latest American in the notable company is Lieut. Gen. Walter B. Smith. He moves into the middle rank, below the Knights Grand Cross but topping the Companions. Smith is chief of staff to General Eisenhower and before the imminent invasion has ended will have earned his decoration a couple of times.

A colonel when this war started, he has come up fast. No West Pointer, a one-time reserve officer from Indiana, he entered the army in 1917 and did well then and in the following peace. He did well because he is smart, as chiefs of staff must be. He is a graduate of the general staff school, the war college and most of the army's other crack courses. And when the general staff needed a secretary in 1939 he got the job.

He has a strong, dark face, a wide, full mouth which is stubborn—unless determined is a better word—and a decoration from North Africa which is quite different from the Order of the Bath. The French Colonial regiment, the Second Spahis, made him an honorary Pfc. As such he is entitled to wear a red cloak which hangs down to his heels and probably is a lot snappier than any Bath costume.

THE harassed Japanese must wish they had been less helpful to the Chinese. All too often for Japanese comfort the record on China's top men contains the names of men who have helped them. "Then came a year of study in Japan." Liu Kwang-chi, frankish Gan Bay general now supporting our Stilwell, had his year in Japan and it helped him tremendously, much to the discomfort of the Japanese.

Forty-six years old, Liu finished high school, went to Japan much as young Englishmen used to make the Grand Tour, then finished at the military academy at Paoing and the staff college at Nanking. When Japan attacked China he was ordered to Shanghai. Since then he has been chief of staff or commander in half a dozen war zones. Now he is at the Kunming headquarters.

Liu got his nicknames because he says "Gan Bay" when giving a toast to his American friends. "Gan Bay" means "Bottoms up." He has planned on coming to America when the war is over and he says he will run a newspaper and announcing that the Gan Bay general will be pleased to meet his friends . . . It ought to be a dandy party.

The son of a family of farmers and scholars, Liu was born in Shantung province. He is married but childless. Of English he says he understands nothing, and he never speaks it.



LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON

Johnny was not at the dinner table when his father came home, for the reason his mother had sent him upstairs to bed for swearing.

"Swearing!" bellowed the father. "I'll teach him to swear!" He dashed up the stairs and midway, stubbed his toe, stumbled and crashed his chin on the step.

When the atmosphere cleared a little, Johnny's mother said sweetly, "No more now, dear. You've given him enough for one lesson."

Dog Tale
Joe—I paid \$500 for that dog—part Scotty and part bull.
Bill—Which part is bull?
Joe—The part about the \$500!

Easy to Please
Fellow—What can you suggest as a present for my girl?
Clerk—Does she like you?
Fellow—Sure. I'll say she likes me.
Clerk—If she likes you, she'll like anything!

South Sea Idyl
First Pvt.—These Hula Hula dancers have an easy time with their dancing.
Second—What do you mean?
First Pvt.—All they have to do is stand around and twiddle their tums!

Running Accounts
Jones—What's your occupation?
White—It isn't an occupation, it's a pursuit. I'm a bill collector.

THE LOWDOWN



Stranger—Can you tell me what a joint account is? My wife and I wanted to open one.
Cashier—Well, in that case, a joint account is one where you put the money in and your wife takes it out!

Right Definition
Joan—How do you know it's real love?
Jane—Well, she's quitting her job as his secretary to marry him and work for him for the rest of her life without salary!

Army Training
First Pvt.—I don't get much kick out of necking girls!
Second Pvt.—I never heard one complain either!

Hooked!
He—Am I good enough for you, darling?
She—No, but you're too good for any other girl!

Natural Death?
Mr. Jones—It's just ten years today I lost my wife.
Mr. Smith—That's too bad. It must be hard to lose your wife like that.
Mr. Jones—Hard! It's darn near impossible!

Easy Does It
Lady—I want to know if I have grounds for divorce.
Lawyer—Are you married?
Lady—Yes.
Lawyer—That's all that's needed!

IN THE NAVY



Captain—You aren't sick, are you?
Gob—No, but I'd hate to yawn!

Zoo Work Too
Harry—How do you like being a farmer?
Jerry—It's too tough. You go to sleep with the chickens, get up with the roosters, work like a horse, eat like a pig and everybody treats you like a dog!

Dish-Is Fun!
Housewife—Be careful not to drop any of those dishes, Sadie!
Sadie—Don't worry, ma'am, if they did fall, they'd be too light to hurt my feet.

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Mix shortening and sugar thoroughly. Add egg and beat well. Stir in All-Bran and milk. Let soak in All-Bran and milk is taken until most of moisture is taken up. Stir flour with salt and baking powder; add to first mixture. Stir only until flour disappears. Fill greased muffin pans 3/4 full. Bake in hot oven (400° F.) about 30 minutes. Yield: 6 large muffins.

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It has been many years since this community had as fine a season in the ground at planting time. We should make a bumper crop this year, with just a little moisture at the right time during the growing season—and we will probably need good crops this year as never before. Victory gardeners are assured of early crops with the present season in the ground.

Most people realize the value of the Red Cross, but there are still a few who seem to want to pick flaws in an organization whose services are entirely free. No charge is ever made for anything the Red Cross does for our soldiers, with the exception of bed and breakfast at Red Cross headquarters, when a charge of 50c is made to satisfy international relations. All other services are free, regardless of what anyone says. The returned soldier speaking in Amarillo last week used the short and ugly word describing those who spread misinformation about the services of the Red Cross.

If the OPA is really sincere in trying to conserve gasoline and rubber, sub-boards would be allowed to function. There is less time, money, rubber and gasoline used when three men make trips to the county board than to require every person to appear before the county board every time a need arises. The statement that all cases can be handled by mail is not true, for even trained clerks are stumped at times by the rules, and certainly the ordinary person cannot understand all the forms sent out. Another reason is the fact that neighbors understand the local situation better than anyone else, and citizens will come nearer having rations to meet their individual needs where the board member is personally familiar with conditions.

NEWS FROM DENWORTH

The Denworth Baptist Church conducted a B. T. U. training course recently. The adults were taught by the pastor, Rev. Bill Pond; the juniors and intermediates by Mrs. Pond.

Mrs. Coleman Brown attended the Friendly Neighbors Club at Webb school house Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Benson and sons of Hereford visited the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Greer Friday night.

Mrs. Allen Wilson, Mrs. E. J. Windom and Mrs. G. W. Sullivan were in Shamrock Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Phillips, Mrs. Paris Hess and daughter were in Amarillo Thursday.

Bert Woodrome of Lookaba, Okla., visited his brother, Eugene, and family this week.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
 To: Edward Flaherty, 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 the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 3rd day of April, A. D. 1944, at or before 10 o'clock a. m., before the Honorable District Court of Gray county, at the Court House in Pampa, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 17th day of February, 1944. The file number of said suit being No. 7523.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Nathalie Flaherty as plaintiff, and Edward Flaherty as defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff alleges that plaintiff and defendant were lawfully married at Waterbury, Conn., on March 4, 1934, and that the defendant used intoxicating liquor to excess and abused this plaintiff from that date until June 1, 1938, at which time this plaintiff left the defendant and has not seen or heard of him from that date until this.

Plaintiff sues for divorce alleging that there are no children of this marriage nor was there any community property.

Issued this the 17th day of February, A. D. 1944.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Pampa, MARIAM WILSON, Clerk District Court, Gray County, Texas

By WILLADEAN ELLIS, Deputy.

(SEAL) 8-4c-BLP

Mrs. J. Frank Bidwell has returned from a visit with her sister, Mrs. R. A. Wood, at Austin.

Mrs. H. W. Finley went to Kansas City last week for a visit with her son, James Edwin, and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bogan visited their son, Creed, and family at Borger Sunday.

Douglas Wilson of Richmond, Calif., visited relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Williamson and son of Wheeler visited in the C. P. Callahan home Sunday.

Avalon

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Thursday
 "THE FIGHTING SEABEES"
 John Wayne, Susan Hayward

Friday, Saturday
 "RIDERS OF THE RIO GRANDE"
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"HOOSIER HOLIDAY"
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Sunday, Monday
 "STANDING ROOM ONLY"
 Paulette Goddard, Fred MacMurray

Tuesday
 "WOMEN IN WAR"
 Patric Knowles, Wendy Barrie

Wednesday, Thursday
 "HIS BUTLER'S SISTER"
 Deanna Durbin, Franchot Tone
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 "This is one war America will not win, because America is too weak at home. Your people are too far away—their hearts are not in it. They will tire—they do not have the unshakable determination to conquer that fills every man and woman of the German Reich!"

When you're asked to buy more War Bonds and to keep on buying more War Bonds—remember what that German officer said.

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Print Frocks Bring a Message Of Bows, Ruffles and Slim Lines

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



PRINTS are certainly a delight to the eye this spring. Not only because of their striking new color schemes and their unique and artful patternings do they soar to a new high in fabric interest but the fact that designers are doing such remarkable and out-of-the-ordinary things with prints adds infinitely to their charm.

Especially pretty are the lovely rayon prints that brighten the current fashion scene. Amusing novelty prints share honors with colorful and refreshing varieties of the ever-beloved florals in both daytime frocks and modish short length dinner gowns. Novelty prints draw their inspiration from many sources. Buddha figures, cameo medallions, Mardi Gras carnival symbols and Chinese characters are among the new ideas in this spring's prints. Outstanding also is a patterning that prints actual, readable bars of music on a white crepe background. Just as unique is the flower-seed packet print which pictures the flower-labeled envelopes in a modernistic design on the fabric ground.

Analyzing the latest styling technique used in making up the new prints, it is apparent that the silhouette is being slenderly molded this year, stressing nicely fitted waistlines, brief sleeves for frocks with bracelet-length or wrist-length, painstakingly fitted sleeves for jackets. Skirts are slim, even though subtly draped either at front or to one side. Thus simple uncluttered lines achieve flattery without the use of unnecessary yardage.

Especially to be admired is the cunning displayed by designers in achieving clever trimming effects with the use of self-fabric. Such, for example as the myriads of bows that add interest alike to tailored or dressy frocks. These adorning bows are apt to occur most anywhere on the dress at necklines, sleeves, shoulders, hiplines and also in connection with side-drape fastenings. Little bows are prettily disposed from neckline to hemline down the front opening of the now-so-popular coat dress. Another evidence of the wide use of self fabric

trims are the myriads of little ruffles that are being lavished on the new print frocks. They put the finishing touch on low-cut square and V-necklines, they adorn pockets, they travel up and down skirt seams and these fluttery frills often add interest to side drapes.

The flair for novelty prints is reflected in the softly tailored two-piece frock shown to the right in the group of charming fashions pictured. This Mardi Gras print scatters "shocking pink" mandolins, flutes, masks, ribbons and flowers in pretty confusion over the background of fine black crepe. The gala theme, together with the striking color contrast, give to this print an animated charm that is just what one wants in a print these days.

If you are looking for a print that features "something different" in a flower motif, you will find your dream come true in the new-this-season moss rose patterning. The beauty and the unusualness of this floral is stressed in the rayon crepe print used for the dress shown to the left in the group. Here the moss roses are in deep rose and green. The skirt is draped to a side bow, and small bows at the sleeves are a nice complementary detail. The new low neckline is accented by a fold straight across the bodice.

Great splashy sprays of clear yellow acacia and fuchsia-toned anemones make a brilliant patterning against fine black rayon crepe for the effective dinner gown centered in the group. Here is an instance of the dramatic styling designers give to prints this season. The fact that a matching mantilla is made of the same print bespeaks eloquently of the trend to do startlingly out of the ordinary things with prints. A self-fabric bow at the side of the deep rounded neckline repeats the bow motif at the side of the gracefully draped skirt.

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Miser-Pouch Pocket



This blouse takes on a most original new detail, namely a miser-pouch pocket that buttons over the belt as shown. This striking dinner gown has a black crepe sheath skirt topped by an aqua print blouse completed with a cleverly designed pocket outlined in jet. Jet sequins outline the print bodice. The miser-pouch makes a welcome recessacle in which to tuck one's handkerchiefs and vanity out of sight.

Hat, Bag Ensemble Of Rick-Rack Braid

Most intriguing uses are being made of rick-rack braid. In one of the smart shops a set that captivated the fancy of everyone who saw it consisted of hat and bag made entirely of rick-rack. Carried out in bright colors or in pure white these rick-rack accessories are to be coveted.

To make it, get a simple pattern of bag and hat and baste the rick-rack on it into shape, then whip firmly together. Cunning is a Dutch bonnet, its face-framing flange made of the rick-rack. A simple drawing bag is the easiest type to attempt. It adds more flipp to sew flaring cuffs of the rick-rack on your "shorty" gloves.

Dickey, Jabot Set Makes Many-Purpose Ensemble

One dickey plus a set of button-on jabots and other pretty lingerie novelties is the many-purpose ensemble which you can buy at accessory booths such as leading stores have installed for the convenience of women who seek the latest in pretty gadgets and furbelows. This new foundational dickey is a simple roll-collar type with bosom tucks done in a washable rayon sheer. With it comes a set of jabots, one made of lace, another of eyelet embroidery, another of simulated tatting. You can get a set of lace butterflies to clip on in lieu of buttons.

Improved Uniform International SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

Lesson for March 19

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JESUS CRUCIFIED

LESSON TEXT: Mark 15:22-27, 29-39. GOLDEN TEXT: He was wounded for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.—Isaiah 53:5.

The crucifixion of Christ brings us to that darkest of all days in the history of the world, when wicked men with cruel hearts and hands crucified the loving Son of God. But, thanks be to God, it was also the day when bright hope shone forth for sinful humanity, for in His death Christ bore our sins upon the tree, the veil was rent, the old sacrifices were set aside, and the "new and living way" was opened into the "holiest by the blood of Jesus" (Heb. 10:20).

The cross is not just an ornament to decorate the steeple of a church, or to adorn man. It speaks of the black horror of the cry, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" But it also tells of our God, who "so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son" as its Redeemer.

What does Calvary mean to us? It means that—

I. The Saviour Died So We Could Live (vv. 22-27).

The details of and circumstances surrounding the crucifixion are of deep interest to every Christian. We stand with Luther and weep as we see Christ's unspeakable agony, not only of body but of spirit, and we cry, "For me, for me!" How can any believer contemplate the cross and withhold self, substance, or service from Christ?

There would be less careless, selfish living if we would go often to the story of the death of Christ and recognize the loving, sacrificial devotion of Christ.

Equally heart-searching is the message of the cross to the unbeliever. He knows he is a sinner (Rom. 3:23); he knows that "the wages of sin is death" (Rom. 6:23), and he knows that "neither is there salvation in any other, for there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12). Here at the cross he meets that one "who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness; by whose stripes ye were healed" (1 Pet. 2:24).

Note the difference between the two thieves who were hanged with Jesus, for it is the difference between those who face Christ in our day. One railed on Him (Luke 23:39), while the other, repentant, had a faith that looked all the way into Paradise (Luke 23:43).

II. The Son Was Forsaken So We Could Be Accepted (vv. 29-35).

Awful was the railing and mocking which our Lord endured on the cross. It must have made His devoted, loving heart well-nigh break as He saw the scorn of the very ones He died to save.

Yet it was as nothing compared to that moment when He who knew no sin "was made sin for us" (II Cor. 5:21). Bearing the awful load of the sin of the world He knew the bitter agony of being forsaken by the Father. He turned His head away and we hear that saddest of all cries, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

We cannot fathom the full meaning of that hour, we dare not attempt to explain it, we can only accept it and thank God that because He did become sin for us we may be "made the righteousness of God in him" (II Cor. 5:21). He died that we might live. He was forsaken that we might be "accepted in Him" "the beloved" (Eph. 1:6).

After the darkness, however, comes the light. He died not as a martyr, a vanquished gladiator defeated in battle; no, there was victory.

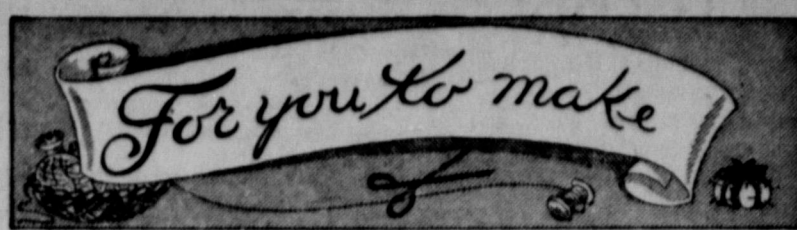
III. The Veil Was Rent So We Could Enter (vv. 37-39).

The death of Jesus was not the pitiful weakening of a human martyr. Here was the Son of God, crying with a loud voice (v. 37), giving up His spirit to the Father (Luke 23:46), declaring that the work of redemption was "finished."

As a visible indication of that fact, and as a declaration that the old dispensation of law had given place to the new dispensation of grace, God tore the temple veil in twain. Only He could have done it. No man could have torn this sixty-foot long, twenty-foot wide, and inch-thick curtain, and note that it was torn from top to bottom. This was the act of God. This veil had hung in the temple to keep all but the high priest out of the Holy of Holies, and he entered with fear and trembling but once a year as the representative of the people.

Now all this is changed. We have now, "brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil."

Therefore, "let us draw near with a true heart and full assurance of faith" (Heb. 10:19-22).



SOUNDS gay, happy, carefree and spring-like, doesn't it? A little red bird, big green leaves and nice, fat red cherries are all combined in a famous old quilt design. Make 30 blocks, each 16 inches square. Put big leaves of green-patterned material in 15 of the blocks—bright red cherry clusters in the other 15 blocks. The 8-inch border has 22 red birds and a vine design. Makes the brightest quilt imaginable.

To obtain cutting pattern, applique patterns, amounts of all materials specified, finishing directions for the Bird in a Cherry Tree Quilt (Pattern No. 5283) send 16 cents in coin, your name, address and the pattern number.



Flavor your next can of corn with a few celery seeds and heat in bacon fat.

A small bread board is useful in the kitchen to protect surfaces from the damage which may follow the many cutting jobs that meal preparation necessitates.

An old paint brush is a good cleaning accessory for hard-to-get-at corners. With an old brush of this kind and good soapy water, those stubborn particles of dirt haven't a chance!

Drop a piece of bread in a kettle when cooking cabbage or cauliflower and it will keep unpleasant odors from filling the house.

When cooking lima beans, add a little brown sugar for delicious flavor. And when frying ham, add a little brown sugar after turning it over. It gives the dish personality plus.

Save brooms from extra wear by hanging or standing them on the handle end. A weekly rinsing in hot soap suds will aid in lengthening broom life.

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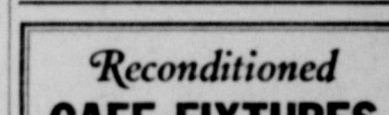
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MONEY BACK—IF SOROTONE DOESN'T SATISFY

"and McKesson makes it"



Buildings Tight, Urges Farmers

Wants Spoils, Stock Sheds in Leaky Barn

Farmers have done a better job of repairing farm machinery than buildings. In fact, in only the last few years since 1921 have investments in buildings equalled depreciation. Eventually, farmers find that buildings are essential tools—no amount of thrashers, reapers, mowers, or tractors will do the job. But too often, farmers neglect the "shakes," or after a building's roof allows moisture to seep through it where it can attack the building and the cattle, hogs, or machines stored there.

What use is it to raise an extra hundred bushels of grain, the War Administration points out, if that grain is to be lost in a granary with a leaking roof? Of what use is



to expand poultry flocks if as much as 30 per cent may be lost because of uninsulated, damp structures? Why attempt to raise more livestock unless steps are first taken to save the 30 to 40 per cent which never reach maturity because of poor or inadequate shelter?

Like home owners, farmers are apt to forget that roofs can never "relax" in the battle with wind, rain, ice and snow. While some roofing materials cannot be obtained, non-critical, fire-resistant asphalt roofing, which is easy to apply, is available.

Many New Uses Found For Chicken Feathers

The government is taking all elder duck down and geese feathers, leaving chicken and turkey feathers for civilian use.

About 95 per cent of feathers for pillows, quilts and cushions came from Europe and China in peacetime—forcing manufacturers during the war to improve domestic supply sources, which now also must be tapped for increased war needs.

Public prejudice against chicken feathers for pillows and cushion stuffing has waned somewhat because of improved methods of preparing them, manufacturers said, adding that now they are more sanitary, while a curling process has made them softer.

More than 100,000,000 pounds of feathers now are produced annually from American poultry flocks, compared with only about 20,000,000 pounds before the war. About 95 per cent of the total is made up of chicken feathers.

Even in surgery, feathers have taken on a new value. Chemists have developed a method for dissolving them and producing a protein plastic. Threads of this plastic can be used as sutures for sewing wounds because they are strong and are absorbed by the body.

Trade sources say that down makes ideal sleeping bags for soldiers and for fliers' jackets. Kapok, formerly used extensively in America as pillow-stuffing, now is unobtainable from the Dutch East Indies and available supplies on hand are used by the government.

Poultry flock owners get about five cents a pound for chicken and turkey feathers and approximately \$1 a pound for down from waterfowl.

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EQUIPMENT OF AMERICAN HOMES

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Don't Use Too Much Seed

In buying seed, it is wise to plan the amount needed for the space to be planted. A half-ounce of carrot seed, for example, might all be put into a single 100-foot row. The half-ounce of seed would contain about 12,000 seeds, and if 90 per cent of them were to grow, according to the germination test, that would mean about 11,000 plants in the row, or about 100 to 110 little carrot plants to the foot of row. Actually 25 to the foot is about right.

THE CUB POST

Grade school has had several teachers out recently. Mr. McCasland was quite seriously ill last week...

Bruce Hugg has started back to school. It caused quite a sensation. So long.

FOURTH GRADE NEWS

100% spellers for the week were: James Clark, Eleanor Lary, Elmer Malone, Bobby Vineyard, Bobby Joe Coe, Sally Skuttle, Delbert Haire.

6-A GRADE

There was a box supper at the high school Friday and these are the girls in our room who took boxes: Marsalee Windom, Norma Joyce Mercer, Doris Richerson, Patay Blaylock, Jo Ann Grigsby.

FIFTH GRADE NEWS

Who Pleases Who: Wynnette and Charles Hamill, Thelma Cox and C. C. Cox, Hershel Nicholson and Nova Jones, Kathleen and Tracy, Barbara Beck and Pat Reeves.

MRS. GRAY'S ROOM

Mrs. Gray's room is ready to welcome spring when it comes, for they are all anxious to play out in the sunshine and sit in a sun-warmed room.

ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

Yes, everyone really enjoyed the eighth grade Medicine Show in assembly Friday. The teachers especially liked it because they got that "long looked for chance" to exhibit their many talents from the stage.

EIGHTH GRADE NEWS

Sue Davis and Fred Johnson were doing all right. Is that so, Sue? W. N. Bowen is doing fine with Melba Stotts.

SIXTH GRADE

Dale Johnston and Marie Cotton have withdrawn from the 6-B class. A new student, Alta Mae Coe, entered this week.

SECOND GRADE

The second grade boys had girls in Miss Gallegly's room are preparing themselves for the multiplication tables, and the English problems that will confront them in the near future.

FIFTH GRADE SNOOPER GIRLS

Hello, everybody, here we are again bringing you some more eighth grade news, and we'll start first with Alvis Shelton and Dorothy Graham sitting in the show together Saturday afternoon.

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FOR RENT

FOR RENT—6-room house with bath. Mrs. Etta Mann, 1c

FOR RENT—4-room furnished house. Odell Mantooth, 1p

LOST AND FOUND

STRAYED—Spotted Poland gilt wt. about 100 lb. Reward, E. W. Sullivan, 1p

LOST—No. 3 ration book belonging to Johnnie Wardlow, Box 843, McLean.

FOUND—Fountain pen. Owner may prove property and pay for this ad at News office. 1c

WANTED

HOUSEWORK wanted by young lady. Call Meador Cafe. 1dh

WANTED—Brooder stove with hood. Must be in good condition. Wm. Stolle, 1p

MISCELLANEOUS

FREE, as long as they last—fruit and coffee jars at Meador Cafe. 1c

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Barr attended the fat stock show in Fort Worth this week.

Mrs. Walter Bailey and son, Lester, were in Shamrock Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Sublett were in Amarillo last week for the stock show.

Buy printing in McLean.

NEWS FROM HEALD

Mrs. Lee Billingsley and three sons visited relatives near Mangum, Okla., over the week end.

Mrs. Glynn Pugh was taken to the Shamrock hospital Friday of last week. She was reported as doing fairly well at last report.

Mrs. Raymond Carson, who had been in Shamrock hospital for several days, was taken to Amarillo Tuesday of last week for a serious operation.

Rev. Vernon Willard filled his regular appointment here Sunday morning and evening. He was dinner guest in the J. W. Stauffer home and made several pastoral calls in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Yoakum and family of Stinnett; Mr. and Mrs. Wade Bogz and family of Phillips visited Jack Bailey and family Sunday.

Bonita Bailey was sick last week.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

- For Commissioner: C. M. CARPENTER
For Tax Assessor-Collector: F. E. LEECH
For County Clerk: CHARLIE THUT
For Sheriff: G. H. KYLE, ROY PHARCE
For County Treasurer: MRS. GENEVA SCHMIDT
For County Judge: SHERMAN WHITE
For County Attorney: B. S. VIA

BENNIE'S CAFE

FOR FINE FOOD
Pauline McMullen
Norma Thomas

but was able to go to school Monday.

LaJune Chilton spent Sunday afternoon with her cousin, Charles Bailey.

Clifford Davis spent Saturday night with Wesley Phillips, who is staying with his uncle and aunt, Mrs. Ed Bailey.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met with Mrs. J. W. Stauffer Monday afternoon. Mesdames Nida Green, K. S. Rippy, O. R. Reneau and Loula Ladd were in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stauffer and daughter, May Ruth, and Mrs. Loula Ladd went to Oklahoma City Friday of last week, returning Saturday.

Negotiations are quietly under way for America's post-war right to use foreign air fields built with American funds.

Brigham Young was reputed to have 19 wives and 57 children.

T. N. Holloway was in Shamrock on business Thursday.

FOR SALE

The Grave Protector and Marker made by Moore Monument Co. Shamrock, Texas. S. R. JONES, Agent

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For Your Satisfaction—Gasoline, Oils, Greases, Tires, Batteries, etc. Washing and Greasing. BARR SERVICE STATION. Service 'Round the Clock



Americans changed their habits for the better in February...

The Fourth War Loan Drive is over. It was a huge success, thanks to you, the Average American Citizen. You put it over, and do you realize that in doing that, you laid the foundation for a wonderful new habit...

kill you. All right—why not keep buying extra Bonds? Why not make the Drive of February the habit of March, April, May and the duration? You'll be doing yourself a tremendous favor. You'll be helping that son, husband, sweetheart, neighbor who's in the Armed Forces. You'll be helping win a quick and complete victory!

Let's all KEEP BACKING THE ATTACK!

MEADOR CAFE

This is an official U. S. Treasury advertisement—prepared under auspices of Treasury Department and War Advertising Council

Use Our Banquet Room for Special Entertainments

Pat's Paper Puppet advertisement featuring a cartoon character and text: 'sure—we get you news from all directions and places...'

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