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IN THE SERVICE

A Soldier Speaks

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After spending some time over what I returned to find out what I was fighting for. The place my family and I occupy, we weeks before we moved in was renting at \$6.00 a week, I now pay \$15.00. The store where I purchase my groceries (and I've purchased at different ones) have the prices marked on their goods and no ceilings whatsoever. They take points if and when they can. By the way, let me explain the phrase—the place I occupy consists of one room—no cook, eat and sleep in it. In the time I handled real estate deals for my dad since the war started no matter what happened there was no way in the world we could have justified a \$9.00 a week increase. Yet here in Texas it seems to go on increasing. Other friends of mine, lieutenants who have come back from combat, are paying from \$12.00 to \$18.00 a week for a room with no cooking facilities. If these things do not give you ire sufficiently, maybe you are right when they say, "What do we care? There's no OPA here." If the people of 47 states can have rationing, well, as on the 48th state have it, too. There has been promised a number of times but to date all remains in limbo. Supposing we had sat here and we'll go over and beat the Nip, there would probably have been no OPA, or no U. S. A. Your posters are over, your campaign seems to be in the neck of the woods through the medium of radio and such, but it doesn't seem to do any good. Why spend our good U. S. money on all that propaganda if we let places like ——— and ——— rampant? You wonder why we are not don't squawk, maybe there are a few of the reasons. We have been over there some time. We've lost contact with our families and food prices. Then, we have our families with us and we consider ourselves lucky to find a place for \$15.00 when we had a wife pay \$18.00. We go to school here for from nine to 12 weeks and for that time we pay outrageous prices. Do we have to come to Washington on our own and ask for what we were fighting for? You can't have to come to us on your own when danger to our cause is imminent, so let's do your best as well as we who lived to come back have done ours. If there were two members of my family died for, then I hang my head in humiliation because I didn't do that those at home kept faith and backed up those who were there. We don't live on promises. We live and thrive on action. Let's have some down here in ——— and ——— Texas areas. If rationing is an essential (and I think it is), let's ration to all equally and squarely. If my dad had a rent ceiling and my home grocer has an OPA inspector check his shelves periodically, why can't it happen here? It's not so, if I have to write a million letters to a million different people and start a major issue over it. This is the country I live in and almost died for and I am the people that walk around and taunt you with "We care, there's no OPA here." At least you can do is to send letters and investigate; if you don't change in the conditions I've described, then I'll pack up and go back to where the people are behind their government 100%.

WITH THE CHURCHES

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Floyd Eugene Grady, Pastor
We welcome you to join us in Sunday School at ten o'clock. There are classes for all age groups.
At morning worship, eleven o'clock, the pastor will deliver his second sermon on the theme, "WHAT ARE YOU LIVING FOR?" The sermon topic at the evening service will be "THIS IS THE LIFE" The sermon will climax the development of the theme of the morning sermon.
The heat wave is past and it is cool in the sanctuary where God's winds sweep across the parched soul. Won't you join us there Sunday?

PRESBYTERIAN LADIES

The Ladies Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian Church met Tuesday for the following missionary study program with Mrs. Mackie Greer as leader:
Song—Jesus Is All the World to Me.
The Great Commission—Mrs. T. A. Massay.
Faithful Unto the End—Mrs. C. E. Cooke.
Solo, "In the Garden"—Miss Frances Sitter, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Travis Stokes.
China and India—Mrs. Floyd E. Grady.
Lovely refreshments were served by the hostess Mrs. Allen Wilson. Others present were Mrs. C. O. Goodman, Mrs. E. L. Sitter, Mrs. F. H. Bourland and little Lester Sitter.

Mrs. Herman L. Petty left Saturday for Roby after a visit with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty.
Lt. Thomas W. Beck, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Beck, and husband of Mrs. Patricia Ann Beck of McLean, is a flying co-pilot on a paratroop hauling, glider towing ship that was in action over France on invasion day.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Sitter and son are visiting the former's parents here this week. Spencer has been at boot camp at the naval training center at Great Lakes, Ill.

Cpl. and Mrs. Ferrell C. Hardy of Detroit, Mich., visited their uncle, W. B. Mercer, and family this week. Cpl. Hardy is stationed at Camp Barkeley.

Pfc. James Burns, a cousin of Mrs. C. P. Callahan, was killed in France in July. He was first reported missing, and later reported killed.

W. T. Wilson, Mrs. Vera Beall and son, Bobby, visited Pvt. D. A. Beall at a Temple hospital last week.

Mrs. F. L. Simmons orders the home paper sent to her son, Granville L. Simmons, F 1/c, who is on duty on an aircraft carrier.

Mrs. Jewel Eades orders The News sent to her brothers, 1/Sgt. Chester A. Darnell, in Italy; and Pvt. Grady E. Darnell, in Burma.

Cpl. and Mrs. Geo. Angelopoulos of North Camp Hood visited the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bailey, the first of the week.

Cpl. Robert V. Kennedy, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty, was admitted to the hospital at Camp Barkeley last week.
Damon Wade, S 1/c, from San Francisco, Calif., is visiting his mother Mrs. J. H. Wade.
E. L. Petree orders the home paper sent to his son, S/Sgt. Charles Petree, who is in England.

AMERICAN HEROES

BY LEFF



The Navy plane plunged into the Pacific a mile off Guadalcanal's dark-infested shores. T/Sgt. Julius Mayer was on shore patrol with a fellow-soldier. Launching a 2-man rubber raft, they reached the Navy fliers, placed them safely aboard and propelled them to shore. Buy War Bonds for the safety of our men.

Rent Administrator Here Next Week

Louis G. Raney, rent administrator for this district, will be in McLean Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, August 29, 30, with office headquarters at the Southwestern Public Service Co.

Mr. Raney was here Saturday and was disappointed in the number of people who called upon him. He will see each landlord in McLean in a house-to-house canvass unless all see him next week.

Any tenant who believes he is being overcharged is also urged to contact Mr. Raney's office.

Some violations of the rental rules have already been found in McLean and a thorough check will be made to place responsibility for any failure to live up to the rules. There is no way to disobey the rules and escape responsibility as the rules are made by the Federal government.

Everyone who rents any kind of property from a bedroom or trailer space on up, is expected to see Mr. Raney Tuesday or Wednesday. Time will be saved for everyone if they will call at the Public Service office on those days.

WONG-WOODS

Miss Linda Ellen Wong and T/Sgt. Andrew L. Woods were married August 19 at the office of Justice of the Peace J. H. Bodine.

Sgt. Wood, a native Texan, is stationed at the McLean prisoner of war camp. The bride is a native of South America.

MESSER BUYS STATION

E. W. Messer has bought the Texaco station at the east edge of town and will be glad to meet all the old customers of this station and make new ones. See announcement in our advertising columns.

Miss Ozella Hunt of Monahans, Mrs. Glen Thompson and children of Morton, Lt. and Mrs. Cagle Hunt and daughter of Tyler are visiting their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Howard and daughter of Plainview and Miss Martha Howard of Amarillo visited their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Ethel Howard, over the week end.

Mrs. Amos Thacker and daughter, Mrs. C. E. Hunt and Miss Kathryn Brooks were in Amarillo Friday on business.

Mrs. Floyd Phillips, Mrs. Allison Cash and daughter of Dumas visited in the C. J. Cash home Sunday.

Mrs. J. F. Ledbetter was taken to an Amarillo hospital last week for an operation.

Miss Joellene Vannoy has returned to Little Rock, Ark., after a visit with her father here.
Joe and Miss Ruby Bidwell were in Amarillo Monday at the bedside of their mother.

Town and Farm In Wartime

Ration Reminder
Meats, Fats, etc.—Red stamps A8 through Z8, and A5 through D6, good indefinitely.
Processed Foods—Blue stamps A8 through Z8, and A5 through F5, good indefinitely.
Sugar—Sugar stamps 30, 31 and 32 each good for five pounds indefinitely. 33 good for five pounds after September 1. Sugar stamp 40 good for five pounds of canning sugar through February, next year.
Gasoline—In 17 east coast states, A-11 coupons good through Nov. 8. In states outside the east coast area, A-12 coupons good through Sept. 21.

Your Boy Friend in Australia
Young lady, if your boy friend is in Australia, you'd better write him today—and every day. The Australian news and information bureau says that an estimated 10,000 American service men in that country, have married Australian girls. The more than 7,000 marriages registered with American consulates do not include recent weddings.

Take Your Own Shopping Bags
When you go shopping, you can give your merchant a lift if you take your own shopping bag or else carry your purchases home unwrapped, because WPB reveals that this year less than half as much paper for retail wrapping and paper bags is available than during a normal year. WPB has asked merchants to wrap for protection rather than appearance.

Nurses Get Most Citations
Of the awards and citations given to a total of 105 women in the U. S. armed forces to date, 97 women of the Army Nurse Corps got the lion's share, OWI reported on the basis of information from Army and Navy. The distinguished flying cross, highest award ever made to a woman, went to a flying army nurse in New Guinea.

Round-up
Any farmer who sold 6,000 pounds or less of dressed meat having any ration point value and produced from his own livestock during the past 12 months must file a report of his sales on form R-1609 and file with OPA. . . Because of extensive counterfeiting of A-11 gasoline coupons, service station operators should be sure that every A coupon they accept is torn out of a valid ration book and that the motorist has endorsed the coupon with the license number of the car into which the gas is delivered. . . Forty-one percent fewer cattle were on feed for market in 11 corn belt states on August 1, this year, than on that date last year, one of the sharpest decreases ever known.

SECOND PRIMARY SATURDAY
The second Democratic primary will be held Saturday with McLean voters registering at the city hall.
With only county office (attorney) on the ballot, little interest is expected to be shown.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Davis visited their son, Melvin, and family at Childress Sunday. Their grandchildren, Patricia and Jim, returned home with them.
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Blackman and son of Clarendon visited the lady's sister, Mrs. J. B. Pettit, and other relatives here last week.

Mrs. Harold Clement and daughter, Betty, of Amherst visited their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Greer, last week end.

Mrs. C. E. Cooke, Mrs. J. E. Cooke, Mrs. Allen Wilson, Mrs. E. J. Windom, Jr., and son were in Amarillo on business Friday.

Mrs. V. B. Reagor and sons, Mrs. D. P. Carruth and son of Amarillo visited relatives here Friday.

Mrs. Millard Anderson of Shamrock visited her daughter, Mrs. Reo Heasley, last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bell of Lubbock visited here Friday.

Mrs. C. J. Montgomery and sons visited in Shamrock Thursday.

Camp Officers At Lions Lunch

Lt.-Col. Baird, commanding officer, and First Lieutenant Ludwig of the P. W. camp were guest speakers at the Lions Club luncheon Tuesday.
Both officers were lavish in their praise of the good treatment afforded the army in McLean, but Col. Baird gave some interesting information on the treatment of prisoners of war.

H. R. Trimble was also a guest and made a short talk in appreciation for the good fellowship of the club.

Lion Tamer Batson inducted Lion Callahan into the club and presented the visitors.

W. B. Mercer acted as tall twister, and Lion Davis led the opening song.

Lion Longino, who was unable to be present, was voted his attendance to protect his record.

Lions Bogan and Meador placed the names of Lions Stubblefield and Brooks in nomination for tall twister. The election will be held next Tuesday.

Lion Mercer announced a home talent program for next week.

Boss Lion Landers announced that the regional rent director and a corps of inspectors have promised to attend the club next week. Adjournment was taken with 17 present.

Lightning Cuts Gas Line Sunday

On Sunday evening, lightning struck at the Claude Hinton home east of town, cutting two holes in the gas line in the wall, about a foot from the ground, and cracking the wall under a window.

The bolt is supposed to have entered the house on a light wire, causing a short with the gas pipe in the attic, and following the pipe down until it jumped to the ground. The holes in the pipes were about a quarter inch in size and about that far apart, not going from one side to the other.

This is the second time this year that lightning has struck this house.

A BIRTHDAY PARTY

Miss Jo Ann Grigsby and her grandmother, Mrs. T. A. Landers, were hostesses Tuesday afternoon at the latter's home, honoring Miss Kathleen Huber on her birthday.

A large birthday cake topped with 11 candles was served with home made ice cream.

A number of nice gifts were presented the honoree, with several sending gifts.

Among those present were Betty Stolle, Laveta Jo Gunn, Marsalee Windom, Dorothy Ruth Grigsby, Wynette Caldwell, Jan Black, Peggy Allen, LaWanda and Darlene Shadid, Jackie Bentley, Charles Wendell Bailey, and Mrs. I. W. Huber.

MRS. BROOKS' FATHER HURT

A. J. Dauer of White Deer, father of Mrs. H. W. Brooks of McLean, was injured Monday noon when a truck crashed into his car. He was taken to a Pampa hospital for treatment.

Subscriptions this week: R. W. Osborn, J. M. Stevens, R. B. Jones, W. C. Alexander, Miss Sue Jones, Mrs. I. D. Patty, Mrs. T. E. Crisp.

Mr. and Mrs. Irven Alderson

have returned from a trip to Colorado.

BIRTHDAYS

Aug. 27—Bill Cooke, Mrs. E. J. Windom, Virginia Beck, Dr. W. E. Ballard, J. R. Clark, A. C. Meier.
Aug. 28—Mrs. Vester Smith, Mrs. W. A. Glass, Marjorie Goodman.
Aug. 29—Mrs. John Mertel, Wanda Rae Allen, Don Crockett.
Aug. 30—R. T. Dickinson, Joellene Vannoy.
Aug. 31—Kathryn Brooks, R. A. Burrows.
Sept. 1—S. R. Kennedy, James Noel, Mrs. Homer Wilson, Mrs. D. M. Davis, Mrs. Howard Trigg.
Sept. 2—C. B. Lee, Jr., Creed Bogan, Mrs. Jack Cooke.

Eastman Funeral Held at Shamrock

Funeral services were held at the First Methodist Church in Shamrock Saturday for Mrs. Mary Eastman, aged 63 years, 2 months and 9 days, who died August 18 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. L. Thomas, in McLean.

Services were in charge of the pastor, Rev. Marvin B. Norwood. Pallbearers were Ely Smith, Lonnie Burks, S. Q. Scott, Earl Hommel, Glenn White and Matt Lewis.

Survivors include her husband, W. R. Eastman, Shamrock; five daughters, Mrs. Velma Young, Ida Bel, Okla; Mrs. H. L. Thomas, Mrs. Jack Messer, Mrs. Mary Belle Craig, McLean; Mrs. Robert Eastman, Shamrock; S/Sgt. G. I. Eastman, England; two brothers, a sister and 15 grandchildren.

Burial was made in Shamrock cemetery by Womack Funeral Home of McLean.

Church Women Postpone Meeting

At a meeting of representatives of the Fifth Tuesday Council of Churches Monday, it was decided not to hold the regular meeting Tuesday, but instead a meeting will be held the evening of Sept. 8th at the Methodist church to plan a reception for the school faculty. All who are interested are invited to attend this meeting.

KINGS AT CARLSBAD

Mr. and Mrs. Harris King represented McLean at the Carlsbad Caverns August 15, when 452 persons from 28 states visited the caverns.

Mr. King was kind enough to send the editor a copy of the daily paper published at the caverns.

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Boston included their daughter, Miss Iva Nelle, of Dallas; Mrs. Boston's sister, Mrs. Estella Perry, of Whitesboro; and their son and wife, Sgt. and Mrs. Wm. G. Boston, of Colorado Springs, Colo.

Betty Dickinson is recovering nicely from a tonsillectomy performed at an Amarillo hospital Tuesday.

Drs. H. W. Finley and C. B. Batson attended the meeting of the Gray-Wreeler County Medical Society at Pampa last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Caldwell and son, Mrs. R. T. Dickinson and daughter were in Pampa and Amarillo Saturday.

Mrs. Clyfton Wilkerson of Fort Worth visited relatives here last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Christian and son, Duane, of Hereford visited in McLean the first of the week.

Mrs. Bennie Watkins and daughter of Fort Worth visited relatives here this week.

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Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation, which may appear in the columns of this paper, will be gladly corrected upon due notice of same given to the editor personally, at the office at 210 Main Street.

It used to be "Spare the rod and spoil the child;" now it is "Never strike the child except in self-defense."

It has been suggested that an editor can take a vacation by skipping a week's issue of the paper, but he cannot do that in Texas and retain his status as a legal publication. This editor has never had a vacation, but we are in favor of other folks taking one each year.

The kids have done a good job helping out during vacation, but they should be right back in school when the first bell rings. Much good officer material was lost in this war on account of a lack of education, and the need of an education will be even more vital in the future. No child should have less than a high school education and all should complete a college course if at all possible.

The state insurance board has issued a warning against buying cheap policies from out-of-state companies which are advertised by radio or direct mail. These companies cannot be regulated by state laws and in many instances their policies would not be approved for companies licensed in this state. Local insurance agents can sell a good policy as cheaply as anyone and there will be no misleading terms in the policies offered.

While McLean has furnished some few women in the WAVES, WAC, etc., certainly not enough have volunteered for patriotic service. In order to be more than fair to the women, most of the blame has been placed on their "men-folks" who do not want their women in service, but there are women and girls in this community, as there are in many other places, who ought to be right by the side of those patriotic women who are in the various women's auxiliaries.

This editor has received an invitation from a country club in a "big" town a little down state, to take part in a golf tournament, the best local four to be given a bottle of whiskey. We do not play golf, nor do we drink booze in any form, and we are not sure we endorse affairs attempting to draw trade for hundreds of miles, as scarce as gasoline is. As far as we are concerned, postage and printing costs can be saved by removing the name of The News from their list of "prospects."

Living memorials for our service men are becoming popular, displacing the old signboard idea. The planting of trees, building lakes, etc., as permanent memorials

means more than a temporary signboard, or even a monument in cold stone. McLean has a good chance to spend some money profitably by building a swimming pool as a memorial to the men and women in service from this community. Here is a chance to make a permanent improvement for the town, and much of the money is already in hand.

NEWS FROM DENWORTH

There were 26 in prayer meeting Wednesday night.

Lenwood Copeland and son, Jerry, came home Saturday from a Pampa hospital, where they underwent tonsil operations.

Mrs. Forrest Hupp was badly burned and cut about the face, neck and arms Thursday, while canning corn, when a jar exploded.

Mr. and Mrs. Holloway and girls have gone to Colorado on vacation. Mrs. Jess Roberts and May Farris are running the store while they are away.

Mrs. C. E. Cortis and daughter, Alice Billy, are visiting relatives and friends in Tulsa, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Rath went to Oklahoma City last week end to visit the lady's mother and bring their daughter and son, Jean and Dean, home after a two weeks visit.

Little Miss Deanna McDonald visited her mother and other relatives in Amarillo over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob James of near Berger visited in Denworth Saturday.

Mrs. Buddy Jones of Vernon, who has been visiting her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Ray McDonald, the past week, has returned to her home.

Les Quarles returned Saturday from a Pampa hospital. Mr. Quarles suffered a heart attack and has been under treatment for some time.

The Methodist meeting began Sunday at Denworth. The pastor of the McLean Methodist church is doing the preaching. All are invited to attend.

Fay and Norma Baker and Betty Ann Wade went to Pampa on business Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Meyers were in Amarillo Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Gwendyl Brock of Pampa air base visited their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Sunday.

Miss Alva Ray McDonald, who has been in school at St. Louis, Mo., is home for a month's vacation.

Ernest Dowell came home Friday from a Pampa hospital. Mr. Dowell lost a finger and had three others injured while working. He also underwent a tonsil operation.

Rev. and Mrs. Willard and children of Alanreed were dinner guests in the Baker home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan and girls of Kellerville visited Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Railsback.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF C. C. ALEXANDER, DECEASED

Notice to creditors of the Estate of C. C. Alexander, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the Estate of C. C. Alexander, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 22nd day of November, 1943, by the County Court of Gray County Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and address are Pampa, Gray County, Texas.

VERA ALEXANDER,
Administratrix of the Estate of C. C. Alexander, Deceased.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks to our friends and neighbors for their assistance after our home was destroyed by fire.

A. B. McPherson and Family.

When molting, wild birds shed two feathers at a time, a corresponding feather from each wing. When new feathers are halfway grown out, a second pair of feathers is shed. Thus, throughout the entire molting season, the bird's delicate flight mechanism remains in balance.

The Salmon River in the Sawtooth Mountains of Idaho, is known as the "River of no Return." Flat bottom boats can navigate it downstream, but no boat has ever been able to pull upstream.



THANKS FOR HELPING OUT THIS SUMMER. YOU'LL BE ABLE TO DO AN EVEN BETTER JOB WHEN YOU'VE FINISHED YOUR SCHOOLING.

LIVING MEMORIALS FOR OUR BOYS

In memory of me, you wouldn't erect

A dreary stone that would reflect No thought of joy or living things, Or hope, for which the whole world sings.

I ask that you go plant a tree To cast a shadow cool, for me, A tree to bless the weary earth, Or any monument of vital worth!

In haunting memory, on marble cold, I want no story of my valor told. Forlorn and desolate, they stand for years; Despair they bring, and lonely tears.

Instead, I beg you, plan a place, A playground—where children race, A little lake, a bathing beach— A happy place—in easy reach.

For all the boys—on sea or land, For all the flyers—who victory planned, From the Spirit World—we unite our pleas

For playgrounds—pools—and glorious trees!

No futile piles of stone to mar The landscape view—both near and far!

Dead monuments are but idle toys— Give living things for our noble boys!

—Millicent Easter.

FOOD FOR A YEAR

If you've been wondering how much food it takes for an average person for an average year, here is the answer as compiled by Oklahoma A. and M. College staff members. It requires approximately 75 gallons of milk for drinking and cooking purposes for one person in a year. Along with this the individual should eat 26 pounds of butter.

At least 35 pounds of lard, bacon and fat meat are required, and 30 dozen eggs. About 15 pounds of dried beans, peas and nuts; three and one-half bushels of potatoes and sweet potatoes; two bushels of tomatoes; 200 pounds of leafy, green and yellow vegetables; 350 pounds of other vegetables and fruit, peas, beets, turnips, onions and other such products; 20 pounds of sweets such as honey and sorghum; and three bushels of grains such as wheat and corn. This makes food planning and storing fairly simple.

CARD OF THANKS

With deep appreciation of your thoughtfulness, kindness and comforting sympathy during the illness of our daughter and sister,

J. M. STEVENS and family.

Hays, Kan.—A soldiers' wife, mother of a 3-months-old daughter, needed an emergency operation. The soldier took to Red Cross Field Director Paul Zieck the problem of what to do with the baby. Zieck phoned his wife "Honey," he said, in his kindest tone, "I'm bringing a guest home for a 10-day stay." And he did.

The roadrunner, a bird that can pace a horse for miles, will attack a rattlesnake, sidestepping the deadly fangs by agile footwork, and pecking the snake to death while it is uncoiled.

The hummingbird is the only bird which can fly straight up, down, backwards and forwards.

ABOUT YELLOW CORN

Yellow corn is the only grain which provides any important amount of vitamin A. Other common livestock feeds providing vitamin A are fresh green feed, dried, unbleached green hay, yellow carrots and cod-liver oil.

T. B. Windom of Spearman was in McLean Friday.

Family Hospital Policy
includes the children ages 1 to 18.
Economical Protection
Arthur Erwin
Agent
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LIFE'S Little TROUBLES

-CAN'T SLEEP-
No need to lie in bed—toss—worry and fret because CONSTIPATION or GAS PRESSURE won't let you sleep. Be sensible—get up—take a dash of **ADLER-I-KA** as directed, to relieve the pressure of large intestines on nerves and organs of the digestive tract. Adlerika assists old food wastes and gas through a comfortable bowel movement so that bowels return to normal size and the discomforts of pressure stop. Before you know it, you are asleep. Morning finds you feeling clean—refreshed and ready for a good day's work or fun. Get Adlerika from your druggist today.

POWERS DRUG CO.

VOTE FOR

Honest
Sincere
Capable

Dependable
Fair
Proven Ability

BRUCE L. PARKER
for COUNTY ATTORNEY

His record of 14 years law practice is in Gray County, and he invites you to check it. Vote for the man of proven ability.

He believes in justice and fair play, and will be just and fair to all if elected county attorney.

The county attorney is your attorney, so vote for a man you would trust to handle your local affairs. There is no substitute for training and experience. His qualifications are unquestioned.

HOT WATER ROUTS PROWLER
A Houston woman heard a noise in front of her house while she was cooking breakfast. She slipped to a door and saw a man trying to pry open a window screen. Hurrying to the kitchen she got a pan of boiling water which she threw into the man's face. He ran away howling with pain.

A legend relates that the largest lead-silver mine in the world was discovered in Idaho by a peevish burro pawing the earth while his master slept.

Mrs. Bill Bentley and daughter of Clarendon visited relatives here over the week end.

INSURANCE
LIFE FIRE HAIL, etc.
All kinds of life policies.
Boyd Meador
Insurance Agency.
Representative Southwestern Life Insurance Co.

COW TAIL HAIR GOES UP
The city of Austin, which received \$92.80 from the sale of clipped from the tails of cows killed there. Shortage of this new hair for manufacturing brushes.

Hartford, Conn., is known the largest insurance center in the world, with forty insurance companies located there.

Old Fashioned FISH AND CHIPS
Every Friday
Fresh fish and crisp chips
You will enjoy a meal
MEADOR CAFE
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Tires
We are again able to supply your needs in those good Atlas tires, all sizes, 1st grade, pre-war, guaranteed.

BATTERIES
Plenty of Atlas, Fisk and Firestone batteries—guaranteed from 21 months to life of your car. Let us again give warning—there is going to be a real shortage in batteries this winter. Buy now!

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JOHNSON
Some years ago a bright grass; Great change new hair 'Twould n in' pay. Today w shout, It's Johns It seems A grass th It's easy It's easy It's only is running The prais got Has turne Our edito Head col It seems To damn grace. This gras harm— It just r The best shout, But after It holds Until a A crop of Just mak hat. —W I Review. OUCH! A boy and the tion said what to "Yes, I "I thou "My fa "And v "He sa to get I stuck all right. "And, ing to brother I "I du Year I g

NEWS FROM LIBERTY

Sunday school and preaching Sunday night.

Miss Alice Crockett and brother, Wendell, of Hollis, Okla., are visiting their aunt, Mrs. M. D. Curry, this week.

Mrs. Henry Cavendar of Slaton and Mrs. D. O. Reid of Altus, Okla., visited their sister, Mrs. O. Cunningham, over the week end.

Mrs. Lew Smith and children and niece, Leitha Juanita McCowan, of El Reno, Okla., are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Pearl Hardin, this week.

Mrs. Floy Lively and Mrs. A. Morgan called on Mrs. Z. B. Dyer and new baby Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Cunningham and Quail visited relatives in this community over the week end.

Mrs. Jack Bailey and son of Hald visited Mrs. Olen Davis Thursday morning.

Mrs. R. O. Cunningham and daughter, Mrs. Oleeta Matthews, were in Shamrock Tuesday.

Mrs. B. L. Stokes and Mrs. Leo Irvin were in Shamrock Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Myatt and Mrs. Bobby Wayne and Keith, were in Shamrock Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Henry Cavendar, Mrs. R. O. Cunningham and Mrs. Della Craig visited in the Harry Butcher home at McLean Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Stokes and son of Shamrock, Roy Stokes of Calumet, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Travis Stokes and daughter of McLean, Mrs. Mozelle Irvin and son of Kentucky, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lewellyn of Burkburnett, Mrs. Ira Sullivan of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Stokes and sons spent Sunday with their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Kate Stokes.

Keith Myatt is visiting his sisters in Borger this week.

Mrs. Kate Stokes, Mrs. B. L. Stokes and sons, Mrs. Ira Sullivan, Mrs. Leo Irvin and son and Mrs. Myrtle Lewellyn were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Stokes at McLean Monday evening.

Mrs. Jack Lisman was a supper guest of Miss Betty Lou Roth Sunday night.

Miss Dorothy Sue Davis returned Monday from a visit with relatives at Plainview and Chillicothe.

E. J. Curry, C. A. Myatt, Jr., and Kenneth Davis were in Shamrock Saturday evening.

Mrs. Della Craig of McLean spent Saturday night and Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. R. O. Cunningham.

JOHNSON GRASS
Some years ago it came to pass
A bright guy sowed some Johnson
grass;
Great claims were made for this
new hay,
'Twould make our southern farm-
in' pay.
Today when neighbors cuss and
shout,
It's Johnson grass they rave about.
It seems unjust to so defame
A grass that's lived up to its claim.
It's easy sowed and easy mowed,
It's easy grazed and easy mowed;
It's only fault, most folks agree,
Is runnin' on eternally.
The praise this honest grass once
got
Has turned to epitaphs that're hot.
Our editors to educate,
Head columns up: "Eradicate!"
It seems to me quite out of place
To damn a grass that's fell from
grace.
This grass, sez I, don't mean no
harm—
It just runs loafers off the farm.
The best of farmers cuss and
shout,
But after all, they clean it out.
It holds the soil in firm embrace,
Until a real man gets the place.
A crop of hay as smart as that,
Just makes me bow and lift my
hat.
—W. H. Darrow in Crosbyton
Review.

OUCH:
A boy was a witness in court,
and the lawyer in cross-examina-
tion said: "Did anyone tell you
what to say in court?"
"Yes, sir."
"I thought so. Who was it?"
"My father, sir."
"And what did he tell you?"
"He said the lawyers would try
to get me all tangled up, but if
I stuck to the truth, I would be
all right."

"And Harry, what are you going
to give your darling little
brother for his birthday this year?"
"I dunno," said Harry. "Last
year I gave him the chicken pox."

CHURCH MUSIC BEST
SUNG AS WRITTEN

Church music should be sung as it is written, without spectacular effects, and should be chosen with emphasis on musical simplicity and strength of text, Noble Cain, composer and choral director, declared at the University of Texas recently.

Mr. Cain addressed a four-day conference on post-war music education, devoting his remarks and a demonstration of conducting, to church music.

He deplored the tendency, increasingly apparent before the war, of presenting music in church for the purpose of "showing off" vocalists, organ, soloists or director.

"We presented anthems and hymns that were not particularly religious but were good musical compositions for exhibition purposes," he said.

"But since 1941, people are turning to religion and the church and to church music as a source of strength and comfort.

"We church musicians must be interested in bringing God and His attributes to the people. If we take our responsibilities seriously, we occupy perhaps an equally important place with the minister—and we must take those responsibilities seriously."

There are plenty of good hymns and good anthems available for church services, Cain declared, citing that a choir could present a new one every day for 400 years and not repeat.

The hymnals are full of good hymns if the choir director will take the trouble to hunt them out, he said.

Hymns should be chosen first for the words—"the text is the important thing, if we want to give the people true morale, which means morale built on faith," he said. The tune itself should be simple and moving, "not sugary," he added.

ON FDR'S "LET DOWN" LIST
Arthur Coon asks why Roosevelt ditched Wallace. I would like to ask Mr. Coon if he knows anyone Roosevelt has not let down? He let down Jim Farley and Al Smith. He let down John Garner and many more that I cannot think of at this time. So far he has not let Churchill down, but things begin to look like Churchill has beat him to it. He has not so far let down Joe Stalin but I rather suspect Joe has beat him to it. And on top of that he has let down the whole American people. In 1939 Frank R. Cox wrote that you could always count on Roosevelt's doing exactly what he promised not to do. Just now I can't think of a single promise he has ever made that he has kept. He has made lots of promises again and again. He hints that he is indispensable. I take that backwards.—J. E. Fitzgerald in the Fort Worth Press.

Too bad that some will buy war bonds just for show and then cash them in after the impression of patriotism has been made. They used to call this being an "Indian giver." There are cases where firms have compelled employees to be 100% perfect in their purchase record and then suggest that they cash in the bonds after the first full, impressive figures have been publicized. Sometimes it is necessary to cash in on bonds, often an excuse is understandable, but unfortunately the common habit finds the renegeing not justifiable.—Wheeler Times.

Byrd Guill, J. E. Kirby and Eric Cubine made a business trip to Oklahoma City Tuesday.

MICKIE SAYS—
NEWS AIN'T LIKE WINE
OR CHEESE—IT DON'T
IMPROVE WITH AGE!
LET US HAVE IT WHILE
IT'S HOT—AND BEFORE
IT HAPPENS, IF Y'CAN,
INSTEAD OF AFTER.

IS YOUR PAPER PAID UP?

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"STOP SAYING 'IT WAS WORTH IT' AND BRING THOSE THREE TOMATOES IN THE HOUSE!"

War Bonds as Investment for Farmers

by Warren W. Hawley, Jr., President
New York State Farm Bureau Federation

IN CHECKING figures of the Farm Credit Administration, I find that farmers are paying off mortgages faster than at any other period in the history of the Federal Land Bank.

At the same time, farmers are building up cash reserves, but the wise investment of this money is an extremely hard job for farmers to undertake. The temptation is to try and obtain as high an interest rate as possible.

Many of us see no reason why we should not get as much interest on our money now as we had to pay the bank when we were forced to borrow during the depression.

The answer is that today money is cheap—"expanded", as the bankers express it. Therefore interest rates are low except in very speculative securities. Naturally no farmer wants to risk losing his hard earned cash.

We farmers know our own business and we can invest money in it safely because we understand it. However, when we branch off

into other fields, especially the highly technical field of investments, most of us encounter sad experiences.

In these days it is virtually impossible for farmers to put their surplus cash back into the farm. War-time conditions prevent us from repairing buildings, and buying new machinery, automobiles, trucks and other equipment we must eventually have if we are going to stay in business.

So the smart thing for farmers to do is to invest their surplus money in War Bonds where it is as safe as a dollar bill. These bonds increase in value the longer they are held; they can be cashed after sixty days in case of need, and they will provide a reserve for investment after the war in the business the farmers know best—the business of farming.

I confidently predict that if farmers will do this, the dawn of peace will signalize a new day for agriculture.

U. S. Treasury Department

PRUNE PLANTS WHEN
GROWTH SHOWS NEED

Even though very late winter, when the plant is dormant and just before its spring growth begins, is the more generally accepted time for pruning, it can be done at other times also, according to necessity, says Dr. Michel Afanasiev, horticulturist at the Oklahoma A. and M. College.

"In fact," he adds, "pruning should be done only when needed rather than just because the neighbors are doing it."

One purpose of pruning is to control the shape or density of the plant. The removal of proper branches or ends of branches to make plants more dense is a common practice. Care should be taken not to make the tree too ragged or too thin.

Another reason for clipping plants is to control the size and form in general. For example, some trim their trees to make them spread rather than grow upward.

Pruning certainly must be done, Afanasiev says, in case of some diseases. When an infection is discovered, the defective branches should often be cut off immediately.

When a tree is to be pruned severely, it is preferable to do pruning gradually, in a few light steps, instead of cutting off all the superfluous branches at once. Plants, like any other living thing, cannot stand abrupt changes in environment or physiological processes.

SAFE WAY TO POISON RATS

If poisoned bait for rats and mice is placed in a two-inch pipe about one foot long, birds and poultry are not likely to be killed by it. The pipe should be anchored to keep it from rolling around. Rats and mice can enter the pipe, but birds, chickens and animals cannot.

Miss Bennie Mae Wade returned Tuesday from a Pampa hospital.

Mrs. J. L. Bidwell was taken to an Amarillo hospital Monday.

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Weekly Program

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"A GUY NAMED JOE"
Spencer Tracy, Irene Dunne

Friday, Saturday
"SHE'S A SOLDIER, TOO"
Beulah Bondi, Jess Baker

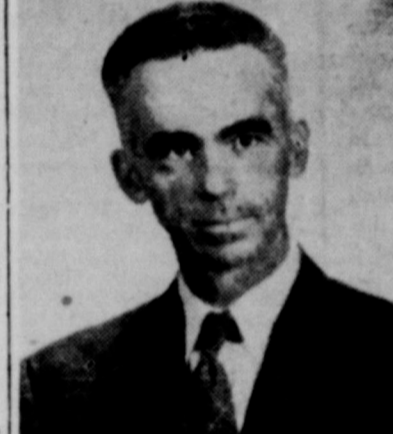
"BORDERTOWN GUN FIGHTERS"
Wild Bill Elliott, Gabby Hayes

Sunday, Monday
"LADIES COURAGEOUS"
Loretta Young, Geraldine Fitzgerald

Tuesday
"THREE MEN IN WHITE"
(a Dr. Kildaire picture)
Van Johnson, Lionel Barrymore

Wednesday, Thursday
"CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY"
Deanna Durbin, Gene Kelly

Ask Your Neighbor.
He Knows Me.

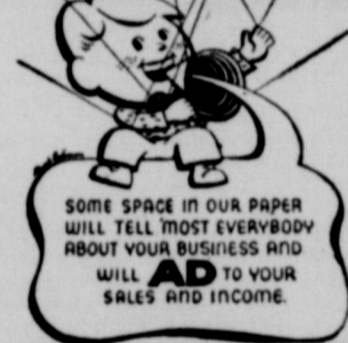


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WID SALVAGE



Semper Paratus

After reading Outline of History, Story of Philosophy, the Bible, quotations from all ages and other essential books, I conclude that if a man (and man embraces woman) will take the best the primitive has to give and the best that scientific research has to offer, and cement them together with the Christian religion, he will be Semper Paratus or always ready for anything that happens.

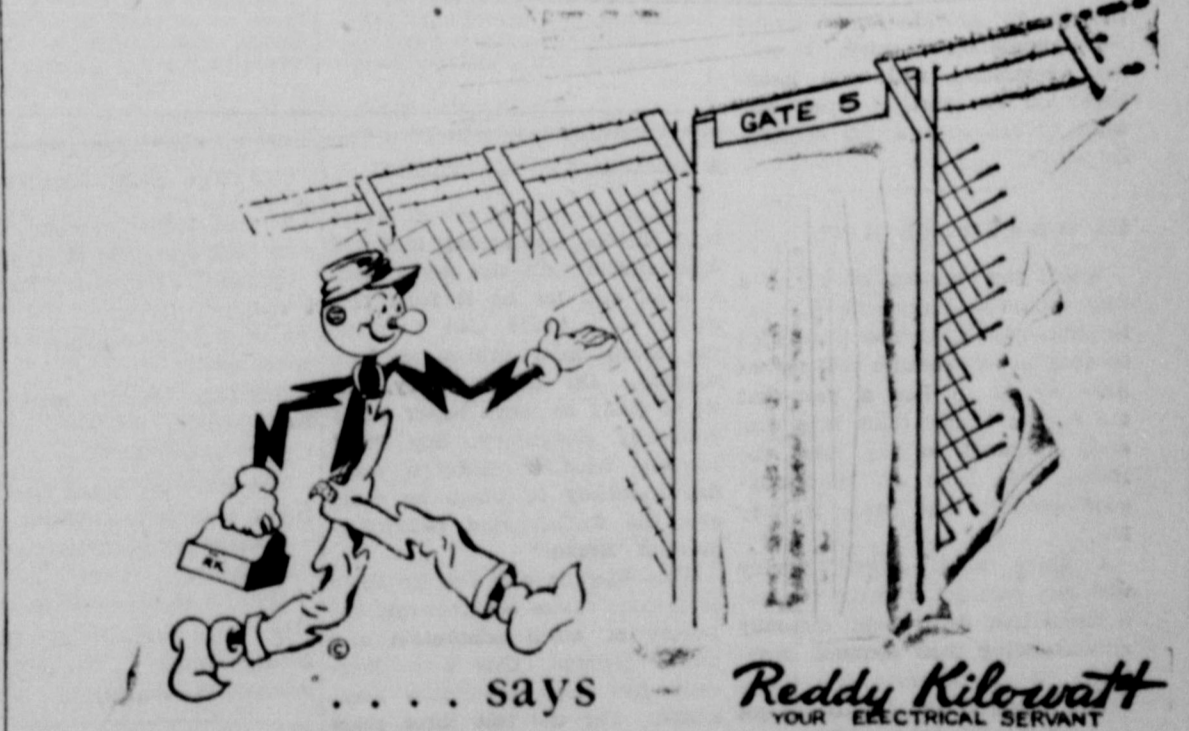
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Yes! Long before Pearl Harbor I was busy helping to turn out defense materials. Since then I've been even busier. War plants all over this area couldn't turn a wheel without ample and dependable electric power. In fact, the production of electricity has been declared an essential industry.

But it's not only in the factories that I am helping to win the war. Every farm is a war plant these days, producing food to sustain both our fighting men and civilian war workers. The uses of electricity on the farm are almost limitless. Farmers everywhere are making me work overtime to help them get the chores done.

And in your homes—did you ever stop to think how much time electrical appliances save the housewife? That's time which she can devote to Red Cross, or victory gardening, or getting into an essential industry herself.

The only thing about me that doesn't look like a war worker is my pay check. It's just as small as it ever was. So I'm proud of my war record. Who wouldn't be?

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