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### Castro County Home Demonstration Council In Meeting Here Saturday

The Castro County Home Demonstration Council met Saturday, April 17, 1943, in the office of the County Home Demonstration agent.

Reports were made by those who attended the district meeting at Littlefield, April 10. Club and committee reports were made and a committee was appointed by the chairman to make plans for pressure cookers in communities without the Demonstration Clubs in the county. People are urged to cooperate because in pressure cookers held within clubs many dangers have been found unsafe. Gauges should be replaced before the coming season to prevent unnecessary work and spoilage of food canned in cookers with faulty gauges. The council also urges those people who have county cookers and sealers in their possession to return them to the County Home Demonstration Agent's office so they may be repaired for the coming season.

The following people attended council meeting: Mrs. Noel Gollehon, chairman; Mrs. Jess Birchfield, secretary; Mrs. George Bradford, treasurer; Mrs. Clint Coventry, Mrs. Emil Huseman, Mrs. W. M. Hockstein, Mrs. Barber Eubanks, Miss Hazel Dimmitt and Miss Ava Grindstaff.

#### METHODIST CHURCH

The revival has been good. Several have been converted and a number reconsecrated. God has manifested himself to us. Several have united with the church and others indicated they will unite immediately. Services will continue through Sunday.

We will attend to the Baptism of infants Sunday morning at the beginning of the 11 o'clock service.

Will you be one of 125 in Sunday school next Sunday? You are very welcome to all of our services.

W. F. S. P. M.  
Intermediates—8 P. M.  
Ural S. Sherrill, Pastor

Mrs. E. B. Boren has gone to India with Mrs. Walker of Lubbock. They are visiting Mrs. Walker's son who is stationed there. Mrs. Boren is to be away for several weeks.

### Last Rites To Be Held Sunday For Mrs. Elmer Watson

Funeral services will be held in the High School auditorium Sunday at 2:30 P. M., for Mrs. Elmer Watson who died at Amherst Wednesday, April 21. Rev. Bob Huckabee, pastor of the 10th St. Methodist Church of Amarillo will conduct the services assisted by Rev. Ural S. Sherrill, pastor of the Dimmitt Methodist church. Interment will be made in the Plainview cemetery.

Eufaula McElreath was born August 10, 1897, in Cumberland, Indian Territory. She was converted and united with the Methodist church when a child. She was married to Elmer C. Watson at Rule, Texas, March 29, 1919. To this union five children were born, four of whom survive.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson came to the Sunnyside community in August, 1939, where Mr. Watson has taught school three years.

Deceased is survived by her husband and the following children: Joe, who is in the air corps at Drew Field, Fla.; Elmer, Gene and Sue of Sunnyside. She is also survived by her father, H. V. McElreath of Stamford, two sisters, Mrs. Jimmie McCollum of Wichita, Kansas, Mrs. Geo. Van Horn, Albany, Texas, two brothers, Lt. E. R. McElreath, Atlanta, Ga., and H. C. McElreath of Stamford.

### CASTRO COUNTY'S WAAC RECRUITING QUOTA IS PLACED AT ONE MEMBER

The West Texas District has fallen deplorably behind, and at present is in danger of trailing all the rest of the state in the enrollment of WAACs. It was declared this week by Lieut. Col. Marvin B. Durrette, commanding West Texas Recruiting and Induction District, Lubbock.

"We cannot allow this blot on our record," the Colonel said. "It is unreasonable to think that the women of West Texas are of a less patriotic character than the women of north, south and east Texas. We have a quota of 726 WAACs to meet by June 30. Castro County's quota is 1. It is a fair quota, based on your urban population. We appeal to you to meet it, to double it if possible."

### DIMMITT FAR FROM GOAL IN 2nd WAR LOAN DRIVE, \$21,348.75 FOR COUNTY REPORTED TO DATE

With only a few days left in the second War Loan Drive, Castro County enters the home stretch with less than half of the \$50,000 quota subscribed. According to H. W. Golden, chairman of the Castro County Bond Committee, only \$21,348.75 had been invested in bonds by citizens of this county through Wednesday of this week. It is not necessary to enumerate the different types of bonds being offered for sale by the government in its greatest crisis, as the loan drive was preceded by one of the largest advertising campaigns ever conducted. What matters now is for Castro County to go over the top for Uncle Sam at home while many of our sons are going over the top in the battlefields where the war is being waged against the enemy.

**JAMES E. BRADFORD STATIONED AT KNOXVILLE, TENN.**

According to information received here this week, James E. Bradford, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bradford of the Flag community, and a graduate of the Dimmitt High School, class of 1937, is now serving his country in the 63rd College Training Detachment, U. S. Army Air Forces, University of Tennessee at Knoxville. James volunteered Dec. 4th and was placed in the Cadet Reserve. He was called into active service Feb. 23. He received his basic training at Shepard Field, Wichita Falls, and is now studying at the University of Tennessee.

Mr. Clint Cox made a trip to House, N. M., Monday.

### Bethel To Be Host To Castro Singing Convention Sun.

According to an announcement by officials of the organization, the Castro County Singing Convention will meet at the Bethel school house Sunday, April 25, at 2:00 P. M., for its regular monthly meeting. It was stated that among the special singers for the occasion would be the Pickering family of Clovis and other well known singers of West Texas and New Mexico.

Everyone has a cordial invitation to attend the convention. Mr. Willis Branscom of Big Square is president of the organization.

### CHEMIST WARNS OF DANGER OF ACID IN TODAY'S MOTOR CARS

NEW YORK, N.Y., April—Danger of acid in the engines of America's motor cars, due to slow driving necessitated by wartime rationing, was pointed out today by Dr. B. H. Lincoln, chief chemist of Continental Oil Company.

He warned that motorists must be doubly cautious under present conditions if they are to preserve the country's transportation system for the duration of the war.

"There won't be any new cars until long after the war is over," said Dr. Lincoln, "because manufacturers will have to divert from wartime to peacetime production before they can turn out new automobiles. Consequently it behooves all motorists to take the best possible care of the cars they now have."

"Due to war conditions of slower driving and less frequent driving, an old danger threatens to become more pressing and do immeasurable damage. It has always been known that cold engines, not run long enough or hard enough to get really warmed up to their jobs, wear out fast. Engineers have estimated that the first few minutes of operation, the warm-up period, are responsible for 80 per cent of all engine wear."

"Actually this has not been due to wear from friction, as the word is usually understood. Corrosion of metal parts by the action of acids is to blame."

"The ordinary driver does not know much about the danger of engine acid and corrosion, its causes and effects, and the best method of prevention. Most of all he does not know how and why this particular operating problem has become suddenly more dangerous as he patriotically reduces his speed and cuts down his driving mileage."

Dr. Lincoln went on to say that this acid condition and its dangers are responsible for Continental Oil Company's current advertising theme—an effort to prolong the life of America's automobiles by a timely warning to motorists.

One of Continental's advertisements, in this series, featuring the dangers of acid, appears in this week's issue of the Castro County News.

### CALLED TO OKLAHOMA

Stub Jones of Dimmitt and Mrs. J. R. Roden of Friona, returned home Friday from Durant, Okla., where they had been at the bedside of their brother, Mr. B. C. Jones, who recently suffered a stroke of paralysis. Mr. Jones received word today, Thursday, that his brother was again in a critical condition following a second stroke.

Bob McLenn was transacting business in Lubbock Monday.

### Castro County Farmers Active In Various Soil Conservation Projects



DIMMITT, TEXAS, APRIL 20—Contoured grain sorghums increase the yields and save the soil.

Grain sorghum yields at Dalhart, Texas, during the last of the Dust Bowl years from similar soils and slopes but under different methods of tillage were as follows: no conservation treatment, 461 pounds per acre; with contour tillage only 589 pounds per acre; with contour tillage and terraces, 723 pounds per acre. These yields are an average from 48 fields.

Similar results were observed on a number of farms in the Soil Conservation Demonstration Project in 1936, 1937 and 1938.

The Castro County Wind Erosion Conservation District has borrowed the services of a crew of engineers from the Deaf Smith County Wind Erosion Conservation District to help in the rush planning of farms prior to row crop planting. It is hoped that enough farms will be planned in the next few days to keep the construction equipment operating throughout the summer.

In order to do the best possible job of contouring or terracing on most farms it is advisable to make the plans several months ahead of the construction so that the crops may be planted to fit. Land to be terraced after wheat harvest should have the row crop land surveyed and planned beforehand so that it won't interfere.

Soybeans build up the nitrogen in the soil if properly inoculated, but they leave little cover on the soil to prevent blowing. On most soils they should be planted in narrow strips—16 to 24 rows—with sudan or sorghums drilled or combine type of grain sorghums on both sides of the strips.

C. O. Byrnes recently made an application for soil conservation work on his farm two miles east of Cleo. He plans to put in an irrigation system. The District is to locate the well site and plan the distribution system. Mr. Byrnes intends to retire some light soil, irrigate some pasture, and utilize all feed and pasturage with live-

### Additional Funds Reported In Late

According to Mr. E. F. Harman, chairman of the Castro County Red Cross committee, an additional \$89.25 had been reported following the recent announcement that the county contributed a total of \$2,700.00 to the National Red Cross drive. The additional sum makes the grand total for the county \$2,789.

Orbin Nowell had some terrace lines laid out on some land that is impractical to irrigate. Construction won't be done until next fall or winter, but Orbin wants to be ready.

W. E. Kirkpatrick, E. B. Wright, Barber Eubanks, Francis J. Woelfle, Carl Sevier and Elmer Watson have been planting trees for the past few days. Mr. Kirkpatrick and Mr. Watson planted 1200 each. Mr. Woelfle and Mr. Wright 750 each. Mr. Sevier planted 600, and Mr. Eubanks planted 550. These trees were furnished by the District for shelterbelts, windbreaks, gully control and wildlife protection. In all cases they were planted where extra water can be given them.

Barber Eubanks was recently appointed District Supervisor to take the place of Colin Walton, who moved to South Texas this spring.

Clem Gilliam, who bought the P. J. Woodridge farm 5 1/2 miles east of town, has started a soil conservation program. He plans to retire to native grasses some of the land that is most apt to blow, change some fences to better utilize the grazing and leave as much stubble and stalks on the surface as possible. One hundred and twenty acres was terraced last week. The District engineers were able to lay several of the terrace lines out parallel and group the point row areas on others so as to cause the least difficulty in farming. The AAA program will pay for the terrace construction.

The District has just had its Caterpillar tractor, grader and Fresno completely overhauled. Several days of construction were lost while the repairs were being made, but increased output will make up for it in a short time.

Terrace lines are being laid out on the farm of Frank Dorris at Arney.

Surveys are being made for irrigation on Laurence Bourland's farm in the Bluridge community.

### FATHER OF REV. RANKIN BURIED AT ABILENE

Mrs. Melvin Rankin returned home recently from Abilene where she attended the funeral services for her husband's father, Rev. Rankin, a Captain in the Chaplain Corps of the U. S. Army is stationed in India. He was formerly pastor of the Dimmitt Methodist church.

To our Easter prayer this April, will be added a very special prayer for America's legions of men in uniform. For those who stand in the Church of their faith for those far from home, on ammunition-spouting decks and on battlefields of the world! May Victory quickly be theirs, and may they enjoy to the full that democratic way of life for which they fight—their sakes—and for our own spiritual security, let us pray for them this Easter!

### Castro Stockmen Win Awards At Dairy Show

#### BEST TYPES OF GRAIN SORGHUMS GIVEN

What is the best type of combine type grain sorghum to plant is on the minds of the majority of Castro county farmers stated the Castro county agent last week. There are two kinds of combine types—Martins, milo and Plainsman milo, which have seed available for planting. Plainsman is a selection from a cross of Double Dwarf Kafir and Dwarf Yellow Milo made at the Lubbock Experiment Station in 1929. Martin's is a selection out of Wheatland which in turn was a cross between Kafir and Milo made at the Woodward Experiment Station and distributed in 1931. Both of these varieties are resistant to pythium or root rot. Martin's resemble the sooner maturing type and has fewer leaves and a more slender stalk diameter, thus can be cut over easily when high winds hit it. Plainsman has a larger stalk and more leaves and will stand more wind before falling over and under normal moisture should yield slightly better than Martins and should stand up a great deal better, states County Agent May. In a real dry year Martins will probably yield the most due to the fact that it has fewer leaves.

Listed below is information from the Lubbock Experiment (Continued on last page)

Castro County dairy catt breeders done well in the exhibition of their registered Jerseys at this year's Panhandle-Plains Dairy Show concluded in Plainview last week. Frank Huseman, Nazaret and T. P. and Doyle Davis of Hatt exhibited four head at the Plainview show. Frank Huseman placed 2nd in the Junior Yearling Bull Class which was considered very good for the strong competition in that class. T. R. Davis placed 5th in the Junior Yearling Yearling class, and Doyle Davis, the first 4-H club boy from Castro County to ever show a dairy calf at any show, placed first in the Senior yearling heifer 4-H Club class and 3rd in the Senior yearling open class.

The showing these men did at this show was considered very good for the first time. The other breeders of Castro County plan to make a larger showing each year when they have up their breeding herds. The animals that were shown this year by the Castro County Jersey breeders were some purchased last year and some of their offspring.

These men have started the showing of Jerseys out of Castro county for the first time and they plan to exhibit same as usual at next fall's Castro County Fair.

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### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT DIS. RESIDENT ENGINEER IN CITY

Mr. W. H. Garrett, State Highway Department resident engineer for this district, arrived in Dimmitt this week from Tulsa to establish an office in the commissioners court room at home. Mr. Garrett decided as soon as living quarters were obtained here and Mrs. Garrett would move to Dimmitt.

Work was begun this week on the surveying and drawing of plans and specifications for the gap in Highway 51 north of Dimmitt. Due to the fact that Mr. Garrett will be located in Dimmitt indefinitely it is reasonable to expect that plans and specifications for other highways will be completed in the near future.

The P. T. A. had its monthly meeting at the high school Tuesday, April 20, with about 35 members present.

Plans for an old fashioned school picnic for parents, teachers and pupils, with Mr. Blaine in charge of the day's recreational activities were discussed. The program began with a musical number, "Last night I Said A Prayer" by the six "Heartthrobs" consisting of Juanita Singer, director, Sue Sheffy, Mary Alice Sherrill, Mary Nell Ernest, Callie Francis Hicks and Harritt Huckabay.

A very timely discussion, "Growing Up In Wartime" was led very capably by Mrs. George Bagwell.

The next meeting will be held on the afternoon of Tuesday, May 11, with Mrs. B. J. Brannan in charge of the discussion.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Duran have purchased a farm 15 miles northwest of Dimmitt and plan to move there when improvements are completed.

### Books in the

"The Road Back" by Ernie Pyle, published by Little Brown. This book was translated by W. Wheen and portrays the days and years of problems of re-adjustment in the examples given. In the interest of our own boys and our own boys it and pray. But a word of warning to the readers of this book.

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I. NELSON, EDITOR

Entered as second class matter, the post office in Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas, under the act of March 3, 1879.

**SUBSCRIPTION RATES**  
Castro and contiguous counties, one year, \$1.50.  
Other Texas counties, year, \$2.



and Mrs. W. E. Kirkpatrick Mrs. Myrtle Crabb were transacting business in Lubbock last week.

Mrs. H. H. Donaldson of Abilene visited her sister, Mrs. Clint Cox, and Mr. Cox last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Bradley are the parents of a baby boy born April 19, named Carl Dixon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ozro Stephens left Wednesday morning for Waco to accompany Harold home. He has been attending Baylor University and will enter the armed forces soon.

E. R. Rothwell of the Bethel community is quite ill at the Miller-Cogswell Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Goodwin and Kay Sharon returned home Tuesday night after several days visit with relatives in Oklahoma and at Pampa, Texas.

J. M. McIntire who has been seriously ill is reported improved. Mrs. Mary Webb is also ill in the McIntire home. Mr. and Mrs. Ray McIntire of Floydada have been at his father's bedside.

Sgt. Charlie McLean, who is stationed at Norfolk, Va., is visiting with his wife at Friona. They were guests here in the home of his mother, Mrs. Ruby McLean, Friday night.



By BOYCE HOUSE

"God, give us men! A time like this demands strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready hands; Men whom the lust of office does not kill, Men whom the spoils of office can not buy, Men who possess opinions and a will, Men who have honor; men who will not lie, Men who can stand before a demagogue And damn his treacherous flatteries without winking! Tail men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog In public duty and private thinking."

A terrific blow to loan sharks, who extort \$40,000,000 a year from war workers, men in the armed forces and the general public, will be dealt by the injunction bill which the legislature has passed.

As a small boy, I used to shudder when the lightning crackled, then one day I read in a paper that lightning kills only 26 people out of a million in a year, or maybe it was only six, and since then, I haven't worried a great deal about thunder storms.

Favorite season: Fall.  
Favorite writers: Mark Twain, Dickens, O. Henry.  
Favorite historical figures: Lincoln and Lee.

And favorite people: Those who have traveled and adventured, and those who have thought and studied though they may never have been more than 40 miles from the village in which they were born.

Nomination in the oldest joke contest:  
"Will it stop raining?"  
"It always has."

The thousands of women engaged in the beauty shop profession pay taxes on their property just as any other citizen does; and, in addition, these ladies pay a special State fund to be used in the interest of the public for regulation and efficiency in connection with that profession. A surplus of \$300,000 has accumulated and a bill (which opponents say would confiscate this amount) is pending in the House of Representatives. This money should be used for the purpose for which it was paid or else it should be refunded to those who paid it. Just because the State General Fund is overdrawn by some \$25,000,000, why should these ladies—who, through skill and hard work, earn a living be singled out for any such discrimination as this?

There is also an effort being made to take the current special assessments paid by the barbers and put this money into the General Fund, the warrant of which are discontinued whereas their warrants are, bringing par, and in the General Fund, it would no doubt be mixed and mingled with other revenues and much of it could be used for other purposes than that for which it is paid.

Miss Patsy Rawlings, who is attending Texas Tech. at Lubbock, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rawlings.

Miss Lucille White visited with her parents near Muleshoe over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Boothe visited with their son, Lon, at Lubbock Sunday, and with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Boothe, at Floydada Sunday night returning home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Welch of Dawn visited in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Stub Jones, and Mr. Jones Sunday.

Misses Decimae Ramey and Kathryn Easter, teachers in the Hereford school spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Ramey, and Mrs. J. F. Easter.

George Byrd was transacting business in Hereford Monday afternoon.

**THE GOVERNMENT'S PROGRAM TO STAMP OUT BLACK MARKET**

The Government's program to stamp out the black market in meat should be clearly explained to consumers, farmers, dealers, slaughter, and retailers, etc.

People who knowingly or unknowingly deal in the market should be made to understand how they are acting as dupes and suckers-bait for the most unscrupulous band of criminal activity that has plagued this country for generations.

The fact that stamping out the black market and wholeheartedly cooperating with the new meat rationing program means less meat for many families than they've been accustomed to, should not be minimized. But the necessity of having every civilian—farmer, slaughterer, packer, wholesaler, retailer and consumer—give his full support should be emphasized through as forceful, compelling appeals as can be devised.

Farmers are urged to produce as much livestock and poultry as possible as a vital contribution to the war. If they slaughter meat for sale they should take out a slaughter permit from their County War Board (The County Agents office) and stamp all meat with the permit number, and are reminded that under the meat restriction order they are permitted to slaughter for sale only as much meat as they slaughtered for sale in 1941.

They are asked to keep accurate records of all livestock bought and sold. And finally, farmers are urged to sell livestock only to licensed dealers or those who have obtained a permit from the County War Board. For their own protection they should demand to see these permits. As a black market precaution, all dealers and truckers offering extravagant, above-the-market prices for livestock should be reported to the County War Board.

Slaughterers are required to obtain a permit for the slaughter of any livestock for sale and their permit number must be stamped on every wholesale cut of meat sold.

**PACKERS**—All large meat packers operating under Federal Supervision should be reminded that they must set aside a designated percent of their production for Government purchase agencies.

**RETAILERS**—Should be told to check all wholesale cuts of meat to see that they are marked with the proper slaughter permit numbers, and grade stamps. They must be reminded continually to post in conspicuous places in their stores all OPA ceiling prices on meat as announced. Also a committee of local retailers should be organized to help see that all stores in their community have a clear understanding of the new regulations pertaining to meat rationing and new anti-black market measures, and to see to it that all outlets in the community comply fully with these regulations and measures.

Restaurants, Hotels and Institutions are asked not to accept any wholesale cuts of meat without the proper permit number and grade stamped on the carcass. They are advised that under the new meat rationing plan, effective March 29, they will be limited as to the amount of meat they can buy. Also they should be encouraged to limit the sizes of individual meat servings to their customers.

Farmers who are laboring day and night to produce more and more foods for war should be shown how they undermine their own war effort when they sell dressed meat or livestock to black market racketeers. Such steps mean: That their meat is taken out of normal circulation and reserved for the relatively few unpatriotic chiselers who capitalize on the war shortages to make money. This, in turn, means that less meat is available for feeding our armed forces, our Allies, and our patriotic citizens, who beginning March 29, were limited in the amount of meat they can buy under the new rationing program.

It also means that many vital by-products desperately needed for antitoxins, sutures, leather, variety meats, etc., are thrown away at the expense of their sons and friends fighting throughout the world. It also means that meat which the farmers labored long hours to produce, will be handled under extremely unsanitary conditions—will be subject to spoilage—may go on the market unfit to eat.

Honest Livestock Dealers will

**CONTRACTORS' NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION**

Sealed proposals for constructing 19.333 miles of Seal Coat from Dimmitt to 7.335 miles north of Dimmitt from the New Mexico State Line to 12 miles east on Highway No. 51 & 15, covered by Control M 226-6-3 & M 294-1-4, in Castro and Gaines Counties will be received at the Highway Department, Austin, until 10:00 A. M., April 27, 1943, and then publicly opened and read. The wage rates generally prevailing in this locality which are listed below, shall apply as minimum wage rates for those employees employed and paid by the Contractor on this project.

Title of "Laborer" "Workman" or "Mechanic" and Prevailing Minimum Per Diem Wage (Based on Eight Hour Working Day)

Crane Operator	8.00
Mechanic	8.00
Distributor Operator	5.20
Asphalt Raker	4.00
Roller Operator	4.00
Distributor Driver	4.00
Tractor Operator	4.00
Blade Operator	4.00
Truck Driver (over 1 1/2 tons)	4.00
Blacksmith	4.00
Fireman (Asphalt Plant)	4.00
Oiler	4.00
Broom Operator	4.00
Truck Driver (1 1/2 tons & less)	3.20
Flagman	3.20
Unskilled Laborer	3.20
Watchman	2.80
Water Boy	2.40

Legal holiday work shall be paid at the regular governing rates.

Plans and specifications available at the office of S. C. McCarty, District Engineer, Lubbock, Texas, and Highway Department, Austin. Usual rights reserved.

Mrs. Lila Pearl Carson of Hart is employed at the Miller-Cogswell Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Reynolds and Natalie and Miss Mary Bell of Lubbock were visiting with relatives and transacting business in Dimmitt Tuesday.

Pvt. Lescar Merritt of Oklahoma City, Okla., is home on a ten day furlough visiting with his father, Mr. Lint Merritt, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ozro Stephens had as guest in their home Harry Vincent of Texhoma, Okla., Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Bartlett has returned home after a several days visit at Lamesa.

want to cooperate because every pound of black market meat sold means that much less business for them. The black market not only cuts into their profits—affects their relations with their customers (by not being able to fill their orders)—but endangers the future of their business as well. For certainly the existence of excessive prices, unsanitary and spoiled meats, etc., is detrimental to the future of the meat industry.

Restaurants, hotels, institutions, etc., will want to cooperate now that steps have been taken that assure an equitable supply and distribution of meat for everyone. They can be made to realize the vital necessity for conforming with the new OPA regulations limiting the amount of meat they can buy, and for serving smaller, individual meat portions to their customers. Certainly they will not want to risk the reputation or the very existence of their business by buying unlicensed meat, or more than their allotted share.

The "patriotic" approach—linking the public's cooperation with the war effort—supply of meat for war workers, armed forces—what their sons and friends in the armed forces will think of anyone so petty that they must "cheat on Meat," etc.

The "social pressure" approach—pointing out what their friends and neighbors will think of anyone who tries to "poach their neighbors' share of meat," or who is a "meat hog" or "black Marketeer."

The "don't-be-a-sucker approach"—pointing out how non-cooperation with the "stamp out the black market" program merely means that they are being fleeced by a small group of criminals who are coining money at their expense—flouting the country's war effort in the faces of our fighting men—feeling that the citizens of this country are so greedy and petty that they will sell their country short for a little extra meat.

**Rationing Board Paints Dark Picture for Tire Use**

That dreaded, but expected deplorable tire situation now has a firm grip on car and truck owners in Castro County. We are almost afoot and at present there is very little that we can do about it. We have been reminded time after time that this situation was coming, but somehow many of us have held hope that here would be some way to dodge it. But it has arrived and present indications are it is here to stay for a long time, perhaps for the duration.

During the first fifteen days of this month the Board received applications from 42 car owners for a total of 65 tires, and from 27 truck owners for a total of 37 truck tires. It is reasonable to believe that during the remaining 15 days of the month those numbers will be at least doubled—that during the month of April the Board will receive applications for at least 140 car and 125 truck tires. Farm implement tires 50. It is the Board's belief that all the farm implement tire applications now in the office can be filled. Against requests for these 140 car and 125 truck tires, the county's entire quota for April is only 132 for cars and 55 for trucks. Of course the Board cannot exceed the quota fixed by the government which means that 8 of the car and 70 of the truck applications cannot be granted.

This does not mean that these 265 applicants, or any part of them are rejected. There just isn't enough water in the pitcher to fill all the cups.

It seems that many car and truck owners think that when a

tire inspector recommends for a new tire it is up to the Board to grant them a permit. In fact the inspector can do is to certify your need for a new tire, then authorizing you to make application with the Board. Then the Board does not question your need for the tire or tires in so far as the condition of your car or truck is concerned, but it is up to the Board to select, on the basis of National Emergency the few permits of fixed quota will allow.

The situation is so serious that the Board can no longer consider the interest of the individual applicant, but must base each permit upon the applicant's importance in the National Emergency. In other words, the lack of a permit may be fatal to the applicant's work or business, but unless the work or business is sufficient vital to National Emergency, the Board must not grant the request.

Applicants must bear in mind that the Board is fully aware of the situation throughout the county. They know that practically all trucks in the county are in need of one or more tires, and each individual request is necessary. They know that, generally speaking, truck tires in the county are worn out and that it is vital that trucks be kept in operation. But their action is required absolutely to the quotas established monthly to the county.

Rate applications are now being made, the Board can do nothing to exercise their best judgment in granting permits to one out of every five or six applications with them.

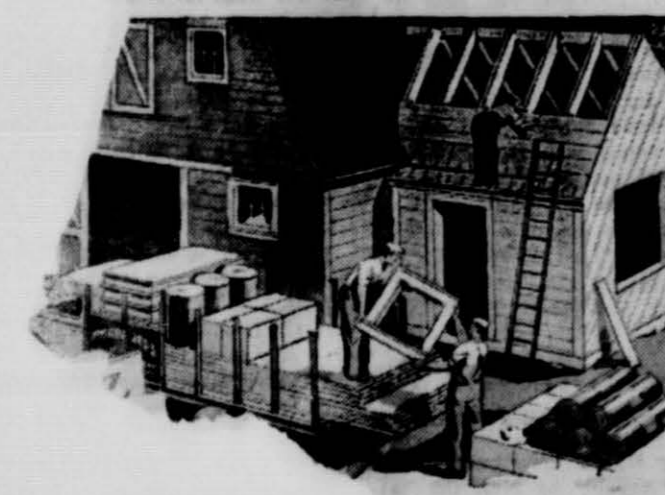


**The Lily--Symbol of Easter-- A Sign of Cheer and Hope...**

We must adopt cheer and hope as the mainstay—the backbone—of our determination for Victory! A bright outlook will do much to heighten the morale of the will to win, of civilian and soldier alike. . . . With that thought in mind we bid our friends and their friends a very Happy Easter—and may the next one be reflected in the glory of peace.

**Manning Dry Goods**  
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Phone 94 Dimmitt, Texas

**Supplies For FARM BUILDING**



you need one sash window, we are equipped with the kind of sashes that prove wear resistant, are efficient and are priced for long-time use as well as cost.

the opportunity to consult with you, on any job on your farm, we buildings.

**Bartlett**  
DIMMITT, TEXAS



Let Your Voice Lift High in Song—  
For Easter Is A Time For Hope  
'Tis Easter once again . . . and our voices are resonant with cheer. 'Tis Easter and we wish you happiness and join in your prayers for Victory! Our greetings, filled with war-winning hope, also express our determination to continue to fulfill whatever responsibilities come our way, in line with the nation's war effort.

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To our many old acquaintances and to the unformed visitors who have given us the pleasure of serving them during their stay, we extend heartiest Easter greetings. Although festivities will be quited by the shadow of war, our wishes are filled with hope for a speedy Victory and an everlasting peace that will serve to calm the world, through knowledge gained by never-to-be-forgotten experience!

**Shipleys**