



Letters A Little Late Are News to A Sailor



Doyle Houthens

The following letter was received recently by Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Houthens from their son, Doyle, along with the information that he had recently been promoted to Master at Arms. He had previously been classified as G. M. 3/c: My Darling Mom and Dad:

Good morning—I have been up since seven this morning and it is ten now. During that time I have made my sack, I have eaten breakfast, brushed my teeth, helped clean my gun and inspected the other seven. I am through for now and came in to write to you.

And boy! oh boy! do I feel great. Why? Because I got mail yesterday. Yes about seventy-two letters in all. I think the earliest date was Nov. 29—a long time back isn't it? I started there and came on up. From killing the beef, buying Xmas presents, Xmas, New Years, Valentine, birthdays, sickness and well I guess I am just about caught up on all the news.

You should have seen me when I got my mail. You see, we had gone ashore to go swimming and on our way back we stopped to see about the mail.

Well all those letters they couldn't barely get me to follow. I wanted to set right down and read them there. It took me until ten-thirty last night to finish reading them. I didn't even take time out to eat chow.

I know you have been through a lot, with all your children being sick. I hope everything is O. K. now.

I am tickled pink about the wheat and I am planning on helping daddy harvest it.

I sure hated to hear about Marvin (Boyd) having to leave. I guess there is nothing any of us can do to prevent his going. I am proud he will be stationed so close to home. I bet he gains a lot of weight too.

Now, Mom don't even worry about me. There is nothing wrong with me. Why even while I was sick my doctors were always telling me what a perfect specimen I was.

Do you know what? Since I have had the malaria fever all my hair has come out—you know how particular I always was about it. Well it has come back in and it is almost the same color as yours, I have even been called red. They say that when you have the fever that your hair will come out and you will get a new crop. I knew my hair was gone but I was afraid I wouldn't get that new crop. But that is all over now, and my hair is even thicker than it was.

You couldn't have given me anything better or that I could have used more. I can hardly wait until I get all my packages. Just leave it to my parents to think of the right things at the right time.

I got more Christmas cards. They were so very nice and that Valentine was so sweet. I am going to keep all of them. Tell Mrs. Me that I got her nice card. She wrote me the sweetest letter. Tell her I will write her as soon as I get a chance.

It is almost time for chow and I guess I have just about run out. Thanks again for all those sweet letters, cards, and clippings from the paper. I will try and write often. By for now.

All my love,
Doyle

O. K. Pollock is visiting his mother in Ardmore, Oklahoma, and Mrs. Pollock's parents in Wilson, Okla., this week.

Highway Seal Coat Bids Opened by Highway Dept.

Low bidders in a number of Texas highway improvement projects were announced Tuesday by Highway dept. engineers. Contracts will be awarded after highway commission approval is given. Among the projects on which low bids have been announced was 75.1 miles of seal coat on highways U. S. 87 and state 86 and 207, with the public construction company's bid of \$55,433 being low. This project is in Castro, Swisher, Parmer and Lamb counties.

LT. ORLIN J. GIBBS WEDS MISS LILLIE SHELBY OF ARLINGTON

Lt. Orin J. Gibbs of Denver, Colo., and Miss Lillie Shelby of Arlington, Texas, were married at the home of Rev. S. M. Bennett, March 8, at Arlington. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Shelby of Arlington where she attended school.

Lt. Gibbs is the grandson of Mrs. Idriss Gibbs of Dimmitt, with whom he made his home prior to his enlistment in the armed forces. He graduated from Dimmitt High School and Texas A&M College. He is now stationed in Denver, Colo., where he is attached to the chemical warfare dept. Lt. and Mrs. Gibbs will make their home in Denver.

Local Man Buys Registered Jerseys

NEW YORK, N. Y., March 22—Two registered Jersey cows have been purchased by R. N. Gollehon of Dimmitt from Cliff Rhodes of Tulia from Standard Jersey Farm. The animals are Meadow Cedric's Gertrude 1179349 and Daisy Belle Myrtle 1358057.

The whereabouts of all registered Jerseys is known and carefully watched over by the American Jersey Cattle Club, with offices in New York City. This important job is made possible through registrations and transfers made by Jersey Breeders everywhere. Tattoo identification, somewhat similar to fingerprinting, keeps individuals of this dairy breed always known.

Jerseys make up 42% of all dairy cows in the United States. Because they produce the world's richest milk, and because there are more Jerseys than any other breed in America, their role in National Defense is an important one. Increased production of Jersey milk guarantees the protective food needs of here and abroad.

W. M. S. News

The Woman's Missionary Society met at the Church Monday, March 20, 1944, for their Missionary program. Twenty-two women attended.

Mrs. Lester Dowell was leader of the program, "On the Kingdom of Righteousness For the Wreckage in Europe."

Mrs. Richard Greathouse had the devotion, using as her subject "Nebuchadnezzar's Dream."

Mrs. Harmon led in prayer.

Mrs. J. E. Burch gave a discussion on "Christianity in Europe Today."

"Baptists in Europe Today" was given by Mrs. Elmer Youts.

Mrs. Frank Dewees gave "Baptists in Europe Tomorrow." Jaunita Singer sang "Tell Me The Story of Jesus."

Mrs. Dowell dismissed in prayer. The Women will meet in Circles Monday, March 27, at 3:00 o'clock. Maye Bell Taylor—Mrs. Bill Gafford.

Vada Waldron—Mrs. Frank Schooler.

Grace W. Is.—Mrs. Homer Bartlett.

We are sending a box of clothing and eggs to Buchner Orphan's Home. If you have any good used clothing you wish to send, please take them to Mrs. Tom Tate. Bring your eggs to Wilson Grocery, M-System, Thompson Grocery, Griffith Grocery or Tate's Produce Saturday, April 1.

Last Rites Conducted For Mr. E. G. Lovelace

Funeral services for Mr. E. G. Lovelace were conducted Friday, March 11, at the Dimmitt Baptist church, with Rev. M. J. Lee, pastor, officiating. Interment was made in the Dimmitt cemetery with Maples Funeral Home of Snyder, in charge of arrangements.

Active pallbearers were: Garland Brown, Edwin Ramey, Edgar Ramey, Percy Estes, Ernest Harman and A. O. Gregory.

Eugene Gilbert Lovelace was born in Kaufman County, Texas, November 21, 1887. He died in East Snyder March 8, 1944, at the age of 56 years and 3 months and 10 days.

He moved to Sherwood in his early boyhood and later to Texaco. He was married to Ida May Simmons January 19, 1930, in Greenville, S. C.

He attended the Baptist church, his father was a Baptist Minister and had served as pastor of the Hale Center, Texas, Baptist church.

Survivors are his wife: Mrs. Ida May Lovelace, Snyder; three brothers, Chas. D. Lovelace, Bandera, Texas; Irion (Doc) Lovelace, Clovis, N. M., and Holt Lovelace, Miles, Texas; and three sisters, Mrs. Tom Tate, Dimmitt; Mrs. Ollie Finney, San Antonio, Texas; and Mrs. E. K. Baten, Follett, Texas.

Baptist Church

March 26, 1944

Sunday School—9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship—11:00 A. M.
Training Union—7:30 P. M.
Evening Worship—8:30 P. M.

We have had a gracious visitation from our Lord during our Revival. Much and lasting good has been done. We were grateful for the presence of everyone that visited with us during these days. The ordinance of Baptism will be administered at the evening service Sunday to those awaiting Baptism.

You are invited to come and study with us the "Word of God" in our Sunday School and worship with us in our services. A part of your time belongs to the Lord. Go to Church Sunday.

RECREATION IS TOPIC AT CLUB MEETING

Recreation and reading in the Home were the topics discussed when the Midway Home Demonstration Club met March 17th in the home of Mrs. Noel Gollehon.

In the absence of the president the vice-president, Mrs. Sawnie Carroll, presided over the meeting.

Reading for the Children was given by Mrs. Carroll.

Reading for the Teen-agers by Mrs. Howard Scoggins.

Reading for the Adults by Mrs. Noel Gollehon.

Recreation in the Home by Mrs. C. R. Gibson.

Those attending the meeting were Mesdames Curtis Crick, Spurgeon Johnson, Sawnie Carroll, C. R. Gibson and the hostess.

Dimmitt Girls Presented By Tech. Club

Under a colored spotlight on a revolving stage Miss Betty Newton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Newton, and Miss Jo Winders, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Winders, were presented Saturday evening at eight-thirty in the Junior Ball-room of the Hotel Lubbock. This affair was the annual Las Vivarachas club presentation.

Miss Newton wore an off-the-shoulders dress of pink net and lace. She carried a bouquet of iris and wore iris in her hair.

Miss Winders wore a white off-the-shoulders dress of marquisette with ruffles of lace and carried a bouquet of red carnations, wearing carnation in her hair.

With Castro County Men In The Armed Service of the U.S.A.

NEWS FROM HOME MAKES THE WORLD LOOK SMALL

Dear Editor:

Here's a few words to let you know that I've been receiving the paper for some time. I want you to know how much it means to us out here to get the news of the people back home. It makes home seem much closer and we realize that the world isn't such a big place after all.

I'll stay so long for now and hope the day will be soon when I can come back to Dimmitt and take up where I left off.

Sincerely,
Jack Gladman

AFTER THE INVASION THE NEWS

Castro County News,
Dimmitt, Texas.

Dear Sirs:

Please note change of address. I was very glad to have several copies of the News waiting for me when I got here. I enjoy it a lot, especially since I got over here. I was in the invasion of the Marshall Islands. I came through all right.

I will sure be glad when I can be with you people again. I would even welcome the sight of a good dust storm right now. You can't beat that country, even with its storms. It's the people that make a country and we have the best in the world.

Your friend,
T/Sgt. L. C. Gatewood

Cpl. Marvin W. Dempsey returned to Jackson Mississippi last week after a visit with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Dempsey.

Buell O. Ayres, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Ayers of Dimmitt, has been promoted to Technical Sergeant. Buell has been stationed with a Chemical Engineering Corps in Blacksburg, Va., for the past year. He is now at Ames, Iowa.

Tech. Sgt. Dee A. Umberson of Dimmitt, Texas, has recently been appointed non-commissioned officer in charge of AACS facilities. Tech. Sgt. Umberson is a member of the World-wide Army Airways Communications System which operates and maintains aeronautical radio communications all over the world. He is stationed at Walker Army Air Field, Victoria, Kansas where as an AACS radio maintenance Technician he helps to keep airways radio equipment "on the air" 24 hours every day. To insure the safety of military aircraft in flight this equipment is kept in A-1 condition. Tech. Sgt. Umberson must be able to make repairs and substitutions at any hour of the day or night. In his capacity as an AACS maintenance expert he insures the proper operation of radio ranges, radio transmitters and receivers, homing beacons, and the direction-finding equipment. Before entering the army and being assigned to the Army Airways Communications System, the Tech. Sgt. was employed as a radio repairman in Dimmitt.

FATHER MEETS SON WHILE ON BRIEF LEAVE

Motor Machinist mate, 2nd class J. Paul Waggoner, Son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Waggoner of the Cleo community, on March 12 had the opportunity of seeing his son, Mickie Lee, born January 9, for the first time. Mrs. Waggoner and little son went to Galveston to be with their husband and father while he was there on a brief shore leave.

J. Paul recently received the rating of motor machinist 2nd class. He is a member of the crew of a P. C. Boat.

Miss Loyed Marie Pollock of Dallas is here for a visit with her father, Mr. O. K. Pollock and family.

Mr. John Broadstreet, accompanied by his brother, Jim Broadstreet of Amarillo will leave Sunday for a visit with his mother

OTIS ENGLISH ANNOUNCES FOR COMMISSIONER PRE. 2

The News is authorized to announce the candidacy of Otis English for the office of Commissioner of Precinct 2, Castro County, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries.

In announcing his candidacy Mr. English declared that he had been a resident of Castro County for the past twenty-seven years, and had been a resident in Precinct 2 for 20 years of that time. He further stated that he felt that he was qualified to discharge the duties of the office in a way that would be satisfactory to his constituents, and that in event of his election to the office he would make every effort to merit the trust placed in him by the voters of the precinct.

He solicits the consideration of every voter in the precinct.

FORMER DIMMITT BOY IS KILLED IN ACTION

It was learned here this week that Quana D. Conner, 22 years of age, of the U. S. Navy was reported missing in action Feb. 26 in the Mediterranean war zone. Later information was received on March 4 disclosing that Quana was killed in action. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Connor of Ashland, Oregon, former residents of the Cleo community in Castro County.

Quana enlisted in the Navy in June, 1942, and received his training at San Diego, Calif., and Norfolk, Va. He was reared in Castro county and received his public school education at Cleo and Dimmitt and was a member of the Cleo Baptist Church. When Mr. and Mrs. Connor moved to Oregon in 1941, Quana remained in the Cleo community and made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Waggoner for several months prior to his induction in the Navy.

RED CROSS CONTRIBUTIONS FAR IN EXCESS OF QUOTA

The Castro County Red Cross war fund drive has been well over-subscribed it was revealed by reports from the various communities Saturday. Tabulation revealed Saturday that \$3,945.00 had been raised in the county since the beginning of the drive. The county quota was set at \$2,300.00. Mr. E. F. Harman, chairman, declared that prospects were good for doubling the county quota by the end of the drive, March 31.

Canning Equipment Should Be Tested

Homemakers who wait until the garden season is well advanced before they get their canning equipment in shape are running a big risk, warns Miss Leila Petty, County Home Demonstration Agent. Miss Petty says equipment people are busy making repairs and supplying parts, and further delay mean the loss of days or weeks in getting equipment in tip-top shape.

Cooker parts should be sent back to the manufacturer now, or else carried back to the place where the cooker was bought.

Pressure cooker clinics will be held over the county in April and May in order that owners may be certain that their cookers have the proper pressure. Since the Home Demonstration Council just owns one maximum thermometer it will take some time to test all the cookers, and they should be tested every year. It will help if those wanting their cookers tested will send in their requests now.

There are some kinds of checking that home makers can do for themselves, Miss Petty points out. For example, they can check their jars to be sure there are no cracks or chipped ones set aside for use this year. Re-use of war-time tin cans is not recommended by the Extension Service since these often become discolored, rusty, and corroded. Usually the seams are not suitable for re-flanging. War-time rubber rings should not be used again.

Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Alexander of Memphis were here recently for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Clem Gillim and Mr. Gillim and Jimmy and Wally Cayton.

Banquet Being Planned For Bobcats Friday Nite

Methodist Training School Begins Sun.

A Training School will be conducted at the Methodist Church next week, beginning Sunday, March 26, at 3:00 P. M., and continuing each night through Friday night. Rev. W. E. Hamilton of Lubbock, Executive Secretary of the Board of Education of the Northwest Texas Conference, will teach the class, "Life of St. Paul." Everyone is cordially invited to attend the class and take part in the studies and discussions. Session will be from 8 P. M. to 10 P. M. each evening. Bro. Hamilton is a Bible student and has given special time to the study of the life of Paul. He will preach at the Methodist church next Sunday at 11:00 A. M. and 8:30 P. M., according to an announcement by Rev. Ural S. Sherrill, the pastor, and the public is invited to hear him.

Methodist Church

Sunday School—10:00 A. M.
Munroe May General Superintendent.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 8:30 P. M. by Rev. W. E. Hamilton.

First lesson in the study of the Life of Paul at 3:00 P. M.

W. S. C. S. will meet Monday at 3:00 P. M. at the church.

MYF at 7:30 P. M.

We are always happy to have you worship with us. We want you next Sunday.

Ural S. Sherrill, Pastor

RANCE CLUB NEWS

The Rance Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Geo. DeLazier Wednesday, March 15. Roll Call was a current event. Recreation was led by Mrs. DeLozier. Mrs. Streuve gave a talk on Reading for the children. Mrs. Walker on Reading for the teen-agers. Mrs. Behrens on Reading for adults, and Mrs. Steally gave a talk on Recreation in the home. Present were Mrs. L. J. Counselman, Mrs. Jack Streuve, Mrs. A. F. Blake-more, Mrs. Walk Boston, Mrs. W. L. Steakley, Mrs. H. G. Behrens, Mrs. Lowery Walker, Mrs. A. H. Ferguson, Mrs. L. A. Beavers, and one visitor, Mrs. H. D. Buse, and the hostess, Mrs. Geo. DeLozier.

FOOT MARKS IN WARTIME

Black marks on waxed floors made by wartime rubber heels and soles may be removed with liquid wax, turpentine, or cleaning fluid, Miss Leila Petty, County Home Demonstration Agent, suggests. Rubbing with a cloth moistened in a cleaning fluid like carbon tetrachloride or in turpentine is one way of taking off such marks. The grease solvent removes the wax along with the black, so wax should be applied to the floor after removal. Rubbing with liquid wax has also been found to be successful. Marks should be removed at least once a week, for if the black is allowed to remain too long on the floor, it becomes difficult to remove.

The carbon black in the rubber, which causes the marks, has the virtue of making the rubber more durable and has always been used in tiers and other rubber prepared for long wear, according to the War Production Board. In the present rubber shortage more carbon black than usual is being used to make enough rubber soles to go around, as well as to make the soles last longer. The inconvenience caused by marking is necessary if civilians are to have the footwear they need.

Mr. Leonard Morris and daughter, Peggy Lou of Booker, Texas, arrived here Sunday for a brief visit with their daughter and sister, Miss Mildred Morris, who recently underwent an appendectomy. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Morris who had been with her daughter for the past several days.

Arrangements were made at the regular meeting of the Lions club Tuesday for a banquet, to be given Friday night, March 31, for the Dimmitt Bobcats. The football squad and both boys and girls basketball teams will be guests at the banquet. An arrangements committee was appointed at a previous meeting of the club to select the date and make other arrangements for the banquet. The program and other details will be mapped at the meeting of the Lions club to be held next Tuesday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS MADE FOR PLACES IN CITY GOVERNMENT

The News is authorized to announce the candidacy of R. E. Wilson for the office of Mayor of the city of Dimmitt and Jack Gregory and C. G. Miller as commissioners. The only retiring member of the city commission is Mayor H. W. Golden. Mr. Wilson and Mr. Gregory are both now serving as commissioners.

Singing At Big Square Sunday

The regular annual meeting of the Castro County Singing Convention will be held at Big Square Sunday, according to an announcement made this week by Mr. E. L. Ivey, president of the association. This will be an all day singing with dinner being served at the noon hour. Everyone is invited to attend and enjoy some real good singing. Out of county singers expected to be present at this singing.

W. S. C. S.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met Monday and began a Mission study taught by Mrs. Rankin. The devotional was given by Rev. Sherrill. W.S.C.S. will meet next Monday at 3 P.M. at the church. All ladies of the church are urged to come. Visitors are welcomed. Present Monday were Mesdames Hershey, Ashcraft, Harrison, Wilson, Wright, May, Rankin, Sherrill, Newton, Nelson and Rev. Sherrill.

O. S. Y. A. SPONSORS FARM MACHINERY REPAIR COURSE AT HIGH SCHOOL SHOP

The government is sponsoring a Farm Machinery Repair Course under the direction of the office of "Out of School Youth Administration". This course should be very interesting to people not attending school. Any outside of school may bring his own job and do it under the instruction of Reuben Mayfield. When his job is completed it is not absolutely necessary for him to continue to come to the class for the duration of the course. If a person wants to continue in the class for his own personal benefit he may do so.

When the war is over it is not likely that free instruction will be available, either of this type or quality. The courses are sponsored by the government so that people may learn to care for their own machinery. This slogan is now being used in all parts of the United States, "Care For Your Machinery For Your Country."

Persons eligible for this enrollment is any person that is not attending school. If you are not attending school you are the person this work was especially designed for. You may attend as many meetings of the class as you wish. It is not a class to get grades in. You come and learn as much as you can or get as much work done with the shop tools as you can during these hours.

The shop now has a new cement floor in it, and a burner that can be used as a stove. These new improvements will make the shop comfortable on the coldest of nights, so do not stay away because it is cold.

This work is being done each Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday night. The working hours are from 8:30 until 11:30 each night.

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NORTH EDGE

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Crum and Leon visited in the George Shepard home Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hance and children were Hereford visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Ethel Womack called in the Frank Shepard home Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. George and Jimmie and Harry Joe Hance visited friends in Plainview Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hance, Beth, Linda, and Kent visited the Dave and Percy Shepard homes Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hance made a business trip to Canyon Monday.

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The NEIGHBORHOOD

BETHEL

(Mrs. J. C. Williams)

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rothwell visited Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Dennis and Mrs. J. H. Cryer in Dimmitt, Sunday.

The Women's Society of Christian Service met in the home of Mrs. Will Copeland Wednesday with nine members present. The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. J. C. Williams on April 5.

We were visited by a belated blizzard Saturday evening. We received very little snow but plenty of high wind.

Several members of our community are brooding little chicks and discussing gardening.

Miss Earline Lust and her friend, Mrs. Latrice Jesse from W. T. S. N. C. visited in the Earl Lust home Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivor Bagwell and Mrs. Leland Smith were in Clovis Thursday on business.

Mrs. Kay Roberts and Carolyn Bagwell visited the dentist in Tulia Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lee of Muleshoe have moved into our community and are assisting Vern Lust with his farming interests.

Albert Sinclair happened to a painful accident Tuesday while handling a 32 pistol. The bullet penetrated his limb just above the knee burying itself in the muscle.

Mrs. Fred Bruegel honored Mrs. Clayton Graef with a birthday party Saturday evening. Refreshments were served to 23.

Moss Howell was an Earth visitor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Williams, who have been employed at the Blankenship Dairy in Amarillo during the winter months, have returned here to look after farming interests.

Those of our community who were in Hereford Saturday were: Messrs and Mesdames Bryan Sinclair, Vern Lust, Berl Beavers, Jim Givan and their families.

Mrs. J. G. Davis, Jr., and Keitha Kay and Mrs. Cleo Richardson are leaving for Sioux City, Iowa, to visit Lt. J. G. Davis, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Lust and family were shopping in Clovis Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs. Junior Rothwell attended a tacky party Saturday evening in the home of J. M. Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rothwell were in Muleshoe Wednesday and visited in the home of Mrs. Rothwell's sister, Mrs. Virgil Nowell.

Mrs. Evelyn Dean has returned from Camp Barkley where she spent a few days visiting her son, J. H. Kniss.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Graef and family visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Williams in Olton Sunday.

Mrs. George Bagwell and daughters and Mrs. Earl Lust and Lloyd made a business trip to Plainview Saturday.

FRIO NEWS

(Mrs. Owen Andrews)

Mrs. Welch recently visited her parents and other relatives at Mobeetie.

Mrs. C. Clayton and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Holly, parents of Mrs. Axe and Mrs. Clayton, spent Sunday, a week ago, with the Fred Axes and Mrs. Clayton and baby remained to visit her sister for several days.

Recent visitors in the J. M. Dixon home were the Sid Barclays and Miss Vera Lee Hoover, of Hereford and Mr. and Mrs. John Burnett and son.

The Honeas have his mother from Clovis visiting them. The Honea children have been ill recently, one of them having had the pneumonia.

Club met Wednesday with Mrs. J. M. Dixon. Refreshments were served after the business meeting to Mesdames Axe, Clayton, T. J. Sparkman, Sr., T. L. Sparkman, Jr., W. A. Springer, Elmer Jones, W. S. Littrell, J. H. Burnett, Landers, Blankenship, Haskel Benson, H. D. Robbins, Welch, A. T. Jones, Owen Andrews, Misses Alma Andrews and Lurline Dixon and the hostess. It was voted to discontinue the mid-month meetings and meet only on the first Wednesday each month, when Miss Oliver will be present. The next meeting will be with Mrs. W. J. Dickson. Visitors and new members are welcome.

Rev. Jimmy Duckworth preached at Frio on Sunday morning and evening, and was a dinner guest in the Honea home.

Mrs. George A. Springer recently returned from Wichita Falls

HART NEWS

(Mrs. William A. Hawkins)

Mrs. Perry Van Vliet has been in Amarillo receiving medical treatment.

Little Miss Eleanor Jo Ledger spent part of last week in Abilene, Texas, visiting her father and other relatives.

Mrs. Bacon Jones spent a few days in the Plainview hospital helping care for her brother, Leroy Aven, who was injured by a tire blowing out.

Mrs. Roy Pyeatt's sister from Chillicothe visited the Pyeatt family over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bennett, Mrs. H. E. Loman, Mrs. O. D. Dinwiddie were among those who were in Amarillo Friday.

All the teachers from the Hart Public School attended the West Texas Teachers Conference in Amarillo Friday.

Mr. Conard, who is janitor at the school building, has been on the sick list. The children miss his jolly and helpful service and hope for him a speedy recovery.

Little Judith Ann Sanders has been suffering from a severe cold for a few days.

Mrs. Tex Ewers visited her daughter and family, the Monroe Phillips, for several days. Mrs. Ewers has been working as dietitian in a hospital in Corpus Christi.

Sgt. L. J. Rice and Sgt. Tom Smith from the Pampa Air Field visited in the John Rice home over the week-end.

Mrs. Joe Crowley spent the week-end with her aunt, Mrs. Olen Rice, in Dimmitt.

Do not forget the meeting that the Wooten Brothers are holding in Hart this week and next. Give them your presence if you can.

The Baptist people have resumed work on their building. Any person desiring to build up our community will be welcome to help out. Also other churches may need help sometime. Besides the good that you can do, you can get a sumptuous meal at noon.

P. T. A. held its regular meeting Tuesday night. Besides election of officers for next year, we had a program by Speech students and a round table discussion led by Mr. Powell.

Gus and Theron Hawkins had a birthday party in their father's home on Monday night. The boys are exactly two years apart.

The weather man thought this was the beginning of winter instead of spring and gave us a big winter spell on Saturday night.

Word has been received here by relatives, of the birth of a daughter in Lubbock March 10, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sanders.

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Sweatt and Cassandra visited in the Ed Sweatt home from Friday until Monday.

Mrs. T. R. Davis has returned home from Jal, N. M., where she has been helping care for her grand daughter.

where she visited a relative who was ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Oran Bennett and sons of Lubbock, visited in the Owen Andrews home Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Bennett will be remembered as Miss Nola Mae Brumley, who taught in the Frio school prior to her marriage several years ago. The Bennett family also lived in this community several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lowery and children of Hereford visited his parents here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. David Riley of Westway visited his sister, Mrs. Wm. Adams Sunday.

On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rowe of Happy and Mrs. J. P. Rowe of Lubbock visited in the D. O. Benson home. Mrs. Henry Rowe came Thursday to remain indefinitely with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Benson, and her baby daughter, Patricia. Mr. Herman Rowe is a brother of Mr. Henry Rowe, and Mr. J. P. Rowe is their father.

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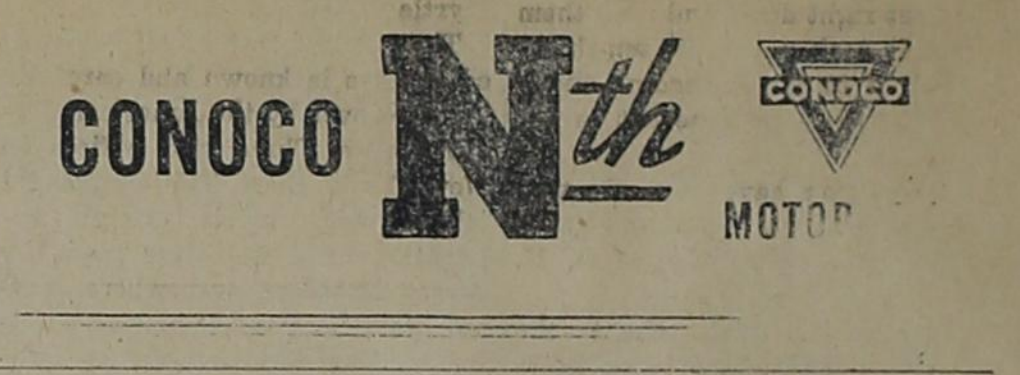
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SENIOR PLAY TO BE GIVEN

Yes, "Worrying Willie" is coming to Dimmitt Friday night, Mar. 24, 8:30 P. M. Willie is starred by the comedian of Dimmitt High Bill Birdwell. Along with him will be his lovable wife, Mary Lamb; Wilma Ruth Dixon, Mary Smith, Patsy Hutchins, the girl who seems to faint every two minutes, gets matters in an awful jam for Willie and his father, Eastwood Lamb, as played by J. A. Bagwell. Hamilton Lovejoy, Kenneth Jackson, Willie's best pal tries to straighten out things for Willie, but only gets things in a bigger mess. Hamilton seems to find Willie's sister, May, Lillie Sparkman, quite interesting. Marvin Cryer portrays Stewart Lamb and he also falls into Mary Smith's trap, but this time she plays for keeps. Lotta Lamb, Mary Gene Dyer, is continually worrying about Eastwood, and gets more angry as she tries to unravel the turmoil. Birdie Billie Jean Durant, the nosy neighbor, to say the least is responsible for the biggest part of the mess. She isn't curious "she just wants to know." Natacha and Dan Lion, Dorothy Sheffy and Billie T. Ayers, add their part of humor to the play. Mary Lamb's mother, Mrs. Fish, Edith Waggoner, comes to take her daughter "away from that horrid man."

If you're in the mood for a good laugh, just come and see how Willie gets out of this jam.

Rev. and Mrs. Ural S. Sherrill and children, Joyce, Betty and Tommy and Don Nelson visited in Plainview Friday.

CHAPEL

The Freshman Class, under the direction of Mrs. Elder, gave a very interesting program last week.

Two popular numbers, "Have I Stayed Away too Long" and "Say A Prayer for the Boys Over There," were sung by the quartet June Thompson, Melba Cone, Bobby Ruth Birdwell, and Peggy Wesson. They were accompanied by Anita Mixon.

Then different members of the Freshman class gave their idea of a faculty meeting, each portraying some member of the faculty. Their main topic was based on the question of "Gum Chewing in the Classroom." Jackie Brannan presided at the meeting, saying the things he thought Mr. Blaine would say. Jackie Brannan, Paul Byrnes, Charles Wilder, Loyd Stone and Bo Jackson sang two songs to conclude the program.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Freshman class and Mrs. Elder for their program. It was enjoyed by the students and faculty alike.

WHO'S WHO

Ida Faye Powell has been with the Senior Class ever since they started to school in the first grade. She plans to be a nurse when she has completed high school. Ida Faye has blonde hair and green eyes and at the present time she will tip the scales to 120 pounds. Her favorites are:

Food—Ice cream.
 Past time—Reading good books.
 Color—Blue.
 Singer—Bing Crosby.
 Movie Star—Ginger Rogers.

The Senior class is very happy to have had Ida Faye with them through these years and hope that her ambition to be a nurse will prove successful.

Jim Dyer is another one of the basketball boys that came from the Senior class. Jim weighs 180 pounds and is 6 ft. and 1 in. tall. He plans to join the Army Air Corps when school is out and his one ambition in life is to become a General in the Army. His favorites are:

Color—Polka-dots.
 Singer—Dinah Shore.
 Pin up Girl—Ruth Dixon.

DEAR EXES

Here we are once more to chat with you and to tell you that everything in Dimmitt High is running fairly steady and as usual at this time. Naturally, we have a few exceptions and that is what we are going to chat about.

The boys are going to start football practice soon and from all indications we are going to have another good year next year. They are practicing track too, and they are going to enter the District meet at Canyon which will be held the 15th of April. There will be five teams entering and we are right behind our boys, hoping they will once more come home victorious.

The girls physical education education classes are playing volleyball and they plan to get up a team soon. Hart has asked them to play and we hope to be able to do that very soon. We will let you know when and where we play and we would like for you to come out and back them.

We had quite a little snow Saturday afternoon and night; not enough to make the roads muddy though—just enough to cover the ground and make us think that we might have a holiday from school. We didn't!

The Seniors are coming along nicely on their play, which is to be given March 24th. It is entitled "Worrying Willie". We believe that it is going to be a good play and we want to urge you to come, if at all possible. It is under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Clark.

Joe Harrison was elected football captain for next year. He is a Freshman this year, but we are quite sure that he will prove himself capable.

Until next week we'll always be "The Bobcat"

F. F. A. NEWS

The F. F. A. boys completed the cement floor in the shop this past week. They are very proud of it and are going to take good care of it.

The night school started March 20, and will run for five weeks, if there are as many as eight attending each night. You must be eighteen to enroll, but school boys may attend anyway, but they won't be counted as one of the eight, this school is directed by Retben Mayfield. You may bring farm machinery and repair it at this school shop during the next five weeks.

C. B. I.

As we enter the doors of good old Dimmitt High we find that a great deal of gossip has been going on, so let us tell you all about it.

What is this that we hear about Hereford? Maybe Ruth can tell you about it, since she went there with Bill Birdwell Sunday. Billie Jean Durant and John Curtis were with them. It seems that all had a very enjoyable time.

Howard Cook has really been around this past week. He took Billie Jean Durant home Thursday night and was seen with Lois Jewell in Hereford Sunday night. Perhaps we shall see more of the latter couple.

Phyllis Youts said "yes" when Bob Mooney asked her to go with him to the Eighth grade banquet April 14th. Speaking of the younger set, Johnnie Bice and Anne Sheffy were doing the rounds with Bobby Bennett and Royce Rice from Hart last Friday night.

Norma Hunter and Mary Gene Dyer were changing boy friends often Saturday night. The boys were Corky and Percy, and they didn't seem to mind the changing around.

Dub Parks, and Peggy Wesson were having a swell time Thursday night, let's hope to see more of this couple.

Tyson Eubanks, a marine home on furlough, was seen with Miss Morris a few nights ago, but Martha Maroney has been taking up his time the past week.

Potts and Percy seem to be ignoring each other here lately, but no one seems to know the details.

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ENGLISH NEWS

Mrs. Hunter's English I and English II classes are making good grades, and are doing some very good work. There are forty-one students in the English I class, which is divided into two sections. They have been studying and writing Essays, and they have also been giving Book Reports.

The English II class, has been studying Biography, and have been writing articles of their own experiences. This class is also giving Book Reports.

Both of the classes are going to write Book reviews and expect to have those finished by next week. We know these will be very good, so if you wish to read them, you might look around on the study hall bulletin board, as the different Book Reviews will be changed from time to time.

Mrs. Hunter is doing her work very well and is making the work for the students very interesting.

DO YOU NEED PHYSICAL EDUCATION TRAINING

The general attitude of the armed forces is that most high school boys should take an active part in the physical education training which is being offered them today. It has been stated that when a person has made use of the physical training in school, enters the army or navy there is a marked difference between this person and the one who has not received this training.

Mr. Clark has reported that each boy in his physical education class takes part in some sport from twenty to twenty-five minutes each day. This class consists of the seventh and eighth grade boys.

The boys in the upper classes, under the direction of Mr. Blaine, are doing general conditioning work in preparation for the Conference track meet which will be held in Canyon April 15, and for spring football training.

Both classes are very busy and the boys are all very interested in their work.

ELECTION NOTICE

Pursuant to an order issued by the City Commission of the City of Dimmitt, Texas, as of March 7th, 1944, notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the 4th day of April, A. D., 1944, at the City Office the same being the place designated by law as the voting place of the City of Dimmitt, County of Castro, Texas, for the purpose of voting upon the following questions submitted to the voters of the City, to-wit:

To elect Mayor and Two Commissioners to serve two years as such.

H. W. Golden Mayor of the City of Dimmitt, Texas.

CARD OF THANKS

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Big Square News

Castro County Singing Convention is to be held at Big Square Sunday. Bring your lunch and enjoy some good singing.

Mr. Clarence Johnson and Ardain Carnes were visitors in the B. L. Carnes home Tuesday night.

Mr. Glen Stiles is home after treatment and an operation at Temple, Texas. He is feeling fine, we are happy to report.

Mrs. Ralph Cox and children, Mrs. James Wilson and Mrs. Elroy Wilson spent the week in Ft. Worth, Dallas and Temple, Texas. While there they attended the Ft. Worth Stock Show.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirby and children of Sunnyside visited in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Tom Carroll Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Carroll and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cox and children, Sam and Patsy were guests in the B. L. Carnes home Sunday.

Mrs. Harvey Smith Mrs. Lester VanDoren, Mrs. B. L. Carnes and Lee Carnes were visitors in Sudan Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Morton and children were business visitors in Plainview Saturday.

Mr. C. W. Mick and daughter, Mrs. Doc James are leaving Wednesday for California to visit with friends and relatives there.

ELECTION ORDER

Be it ordered by the Board of Trustees of Dimmitt Independent School District that an election be held at High School Building in the Town of Dimmitt in said Dimmitt Independent School District on the 1st day of April, 1944, for purpose of electing two School Trustees for said Dimmitt Independent School District. The following three persons, J. D. Duree, Election Judge (Two Assistants to be selected by Mr. Duree) are appointed and ordered to hold said election in accordance with the general election laws of Texas.

The returns of said election shall be made to the County Judge of Castro County in accordance with law.

A copy of this order signed by the president and attested by the secretary of this board shall serve as proper notice of said election, and the president shall cause notice of said election to be given in accordance with law by posting notices at three public places within the district for at least 10 days before the date of the election.

In testimony Whereof, witness the signatures of the President and Secretary of said Dimmitt Independent School District and the seal thereof hereunto affixed, this 15th day of March, 1944.

(SEAL) B. J. Brannan President Dimmitt Independent School District.

Attest: T. E. Harrison Secretary

Mr. O. G. McCormack, who is ill at the home of his parents in Wheeler, is reported to be improving according to word received here this week by Mrs. McCormack's parents. Mr. and Mrs. McCormack have been at Wheeler for the past several days.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The News is authorized to announce the candidacy of the following persons for the office under which they are listed, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries:

- For State Legislature, 120th Dis.: J. W. Jennings
- For District Attorney: Harold M. LaFont
- For County and District Clerk: Mrs. Ola T. Murphy (Re-election)
- For Sheriff: Garland Brown (Re-election)
- Pat Graef
- For County Judge: E. L. (Gene) Ivey
- Hazel Merritt
- Houston Fowlkes
- FOR COUNTY TREASURER: Mrs. Faye E. Holland (Re-election)
- For Commissioner, Precinct 2: Andy Thompson
- W. A. (Bill) Senter
- Otis English
- For Commissioner Precinct 4: John C. Stork (Re-election)
- Math Gerber
- For Commissioner, Precinct 3: J. O. Ayers (Re-election)
- Carl Sevier
- For Commissioner, Precinct 1: T. R. Davis
- For Mayor: R. E. Wilson
- For City Commissioner: Jack Gregory
- C. G. Miller

NAZARETH

(Rita Birkenfeld)

Vincent Huseman, who is stationed in the South Pacific on one of the Islands has recently been promoted. One morning he awoke to find a big rat in bed with him but the rat must have decided that the bed wasn't big enough for them both so it scrambled immediately. Vincent says that he feels too isolated in the Islands and prefers the U.S.A.

Cpl. Elmer Klemm is home on a pass from Dodge City, Kansas. A few weeks ago he was promoted to Corporal.

Miss Hildegard Schmuecker was home for a few days from the Fort Worth Consolidated Aircraft Factory where she is employed as a riveter.

Last Sunday afternoon the Children of Mary entertained their fathers in the parish hall. A short program consisting of songs was given and also a speech given by the sodality president and Very Rev. Father Boeckman. Everyone enjoyed themselves by playing cards which was followed by refreshments.

The regular 4-H meeting was opened on Thursday, March 16, instead of Wednesday. The members sang their new 4-H song called "Dreaming" which was led by the song leader, Irene Rickwartz. After the meeting was turned over to Miss Petty she showed the girls some pictures of skirts. She also showed us two skirts she had started to make. For Club project during March, each member is to make a skirt. We adjourned our meeting at 4:00 P. M.

HART 4-H CLUB MEETS

The Hart 4-H Club girls met Monday morning, March 20. Peggy Jobe, president, presided. Betty Brooks, recreation leader, led the group in a game. After the game, Miss Petty, the Home Demonstration Agent, talked to the girls about getting more members and asked if each one would try to get one new member. She then gave a demonstration on making skirts. The girls had their materials for their skirts.

Thirteen members were present at the meeting.

LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Agnes Leinen—GREETING. You are hereby 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 24th day of April, A. D., 1944, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Castro County, at the Court House in Dimmitt, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 2nd day of February, 1944.

The file number of said suit being No. 1833.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Frank Leinen as Plaintiff, and Agnes Leinen as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: Suit for divorce from the bonds of matrimony, plaintiff alleging bona fide inhabitancy of the State of Texas for a period of one year and actual residence in Castro County for six months next preceding the filing of this suit. That plaintiff and defendant were legally married January 25, 1910; that defendant voluntarily abandoned plaintiff on the 10th day of November, 1929, since when they have not lived together as husband and wife. That none of their children are under sixteen years of age. That they own no community property.

Issued this the 9th day of March, 1944.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Dimmitt, Texas, this the 9th day of March A. D., 1944.

Ola T. Murphy, Clerk District Court Castro County, Texas

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