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COGITATIONS and APHORISMS of Jodok

I have seen in the papers, censure of Congressman, Eugene Worley for the way he voted on the Neutrality law—that is, he voted against its repeal.

I do not know enough about that law or what it embodies, but it is my opinion that Mr. Worley, being in the position he is has a very good opportunity to know what he is doing when he comes to casting his vote on any important matter, and will cast his vote according to what his judgment tells him is the best thing for his country.

At any rate, that is what I expect him to do when we sent him to represent us in congress. And I shall take it for granted that this is exactly what he has done all along on every matter which has come before the congress ever since he has been there.

I believe he has voted conscientiously and sincerely as his best judgment has directed him on all matters, and that is what I think he has done in this Neutrality matter. Whether he has voted the way I would have voted, had I had the opportunity to do so, I would still praise him for voting as he thought best.

It may be on account of my queerness, but somehow, I have always admired a man that does his own thinking and then acts in accordance with the conclusions he has arrived at as a result of the said thinking, rather than making himself a "cat's paw" or a "rubber stamp" for carrying out the desires of some other party.

I am proud of the fact that we have a man representing us in congress, who has the moral courage to act on his own initiative and according to his own better judgment, whether it agrees with my own or not. Some more of my queerness, I suppose, as there do not seem to be very many people who adhere to such an attitude.

It occurs to me that if we had more such men as Eugene Worley in our congress, trying to make statements of themselves, rather than mere office-grabbing politicians, our country would be in a far more satisfactory condition today. In my opinion there is no political party that is wrong all the time, and there is no political party that is right most of the time, and the man who willingly submits himself as a political puppet for some boss politician or bends to the party lash like "dumb driven cattle," is not the man who has the best interest of his country and his constituents at heart. The sooner the voters find this out and acquire moral courage enough to vote accordingly, the sooner we the people will have better laws to govern us.

I have voted for candidates in most of the leading political parties, and, while adhering to the Republican Party, I have voted for lots of Democrats, a few "Bull Moosers," Prohibitionists and one Socialist. Although I did not think so much of their parties nor their leaders, I did admire the honor and integrity of the men; and I knew they would make good and honest public servants, if elected, and some of them were.

Thus, I am still for Mr. Worley, and just because he may have voted in opposition to my views, I shall not censure him for it but trust he may have the courage to go ahead voting as his own judgment tells him is the best.

I still sometimes wonder just how many Friona people really know Friona. I stopped in at the Houlette Helpy-Selfy Laundry one day about two weeks ago, and I found the proprietor, Rev. E. E. Houlette, very busily at work, pressing a nice dress shirt. He just had a part of it pressed—the sleeves and the front of the shirt—and if I am any judge of such matters, he was doing a really fancy laundry job of it.

Soon learned that he has his dry equipped with machinery which I had had no idea could be found in so small a town. (Continued on Page 3)

Club House Site Of Silver Tea And Open House

Approximately 75 guests enjoyed the silver tea and open house sponsored by the Friona Women's Clubs Sunday afternoon at the Club House.

Mrs. Minnie Goodwine, a charter member of the senior club, presided at the guest book, and Mrs. Pearl Kinsley and Mrs. Sloan Osborn, charter member of the senior and junior clubs respectively, presided at the tea table, which was lighted with a Horn of Plenty as center-piece.

Mrs. Floyd Schlenker, president of the Senior Club, announced the following program: piano solo, Charlene McFarland; dedicatory address, Rev. C. Carl Dollar; music by Grade School Chorus; club poem, written and read by Mrs. Pearl Kinsley; music by Congregational Church Chorus; flute duet, Jean Crawford and June Maurer; tribute to club O. F. Lange; music by high school chorus; vocal solo, Nancy Shackelford; tribute to those who made the club house possible, Mrs. J. T. Gee.

McElroy Gives Advice On Weevil Control

Now is the time to consider seed treatment for weevils to be successful in weevil control. The first and most important factor in successful control of weevils in stored seed is the bin, or fumigation chamber, built so tightly that the gas will not flow away. Suitable temperature and sufficient quantity of fumigant will complete the job and take care of your weevils.

According to Lee H. McElroy, County Agent for Parmer County, bins with double walls and floors covered with building paper between consisting of a tightly matched lumber makes a good bin. Grain piled high on the floor or ground may be fumigated with reasonable success when covered with a tarpaulin or other air tight material. This would also apply to open bins or barns. Barrels or boxes may be used for similar amounts especially for seed.

The temperature should be 75 degrees or higher. Carbon disulphide or bisulphide otherwise known as "highlife," is the best fumigant for farm use, but McElroy advised extreme caution should be taken when using this material because it is highly inflammable and explosive, and all lights and fires should be kept away from the liquid and its fumes. Four to twenty pounds of this liquid per 1000 cubic feet of bin space should be used, the quantity varying with the temperature and tightness of the container. The following is a guide for small amounts: One-half gallon jar, one-quarter teaspoonful; 1 gallon syrup bucket, one-half teaspoonful; 25 pound lard can, 5 tablespoonfuls; 50 gallon barrel, one ounce. A mixture of 3 parts of ethylene dichloride with 1 part of carbon tetrachloride is free from fire hazard under ordinary conditions. It can be used as a substitute for highlife, under circumstances where the latter cannot be used. The highlife or bisulphide may be poured over the top of the seed and the lid fastened on the containers. It also may be placed in shallow pans on top of the seed as a gas is heavier than air and settles downward. Seeds for planting should be kept in the tightly closed containers 24 hours. If for food, 48 hours, then ventilated or aired thoroughly.

If these chemicals described above are not used either of the following methods have been found satisfactory. Seeds may be placed in a bag in cold water and increasing the heat to 140 degrees F. then drying quickly or applying dry heat in an oven or something similar from three to four hours at 135 degrees. If the two above temperatures are not exceeded, germination will not be injured.

BROOKFIELDS SUBSCRIBE, GET CARDS

A letter from Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Brookfield, former Friona residents, now living at Dimmitt, takes advantage of the special Christmas Card and subscription offer.

Loans For Cotton Depend On Referendum

County Entrants Will Take Part In National 4-H Scholarship Contest

H. D. Clubs Doing Top Job In Defense Of Democracy

Members of the county home demonstration clubs this week were proud of a clipping from Texas Agriculture, in which Mrs. Walter Ferguson, national syndicated columnist pays tribute to the clubs as doing the best group job in defense of democracy of any women's organization.

Mrs. Ferguson's column follows: "A friendly reader puts me on a spot. She wants me to name the feminine organization which in my opinion is doing the best group job in defense of democracy. Because the times call for moral courage, I shall do so and duck.

The Home Demonstration Clubs. As you know, this group is composed wholly of farm women. The average city dweller, housewife or business woman is entirely out of touch with it. I know any number of intelligent club leaders who know nothing whatever about what it has done or what it is doing.

Well, take it from me, those women are doing plenty. All their activity is based on common sense, on actual community needs, and their aim is the preservation and defense of the American home; therefore as defenders of democracy I think they are tops.

They waste no time on abstractions. Theories which abstract.

Handels "Messiah" Will Be Given At Hereford

Handel's "Messiah" will be presented at Hereford, next Sunday afternoon, at 2:45, at the First Baptist Church.

The Hereford Civic Chorus, of 55 voices, will be assisted by singers from Amarillo, Pampa, Dimmitt, Claude, Friona, and Portales, N. M.

Two soloists, from Friona, Miss Nancy Shackelford and Harley Bulls, will have important parts. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Emil F. Myers of Amarillo, will be guest conductor for the presentation, Mrs. J. C. McCracken is pianist, and Miss Mattie Mae Swisher, director.

Giant Clown Opens Season



Marking the opening of the Christmas season, New York staged its annual parade, with this giant rubber clown towering over the heads of thousands of snappers who turned out to witness the spectacle.

Dallas Coldiron Will Work At Pampa Store

Dallas Earl Coldiron left Saturday for Pampa, where he will work at the Cretney Drug Store. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Coldiron of Friona, and has been employed for the past year at the City Drug Store. Previous to that, he was employed by the Clements Tailor Shop.

Dallas is one of Friona's most popular young men and will be missed by his many friends, all of whom wish him success in his new work.

Ford Subscription Paid Up to Jan. 44—A Record

Mrs. J. W. Ford, enthusiastic Star reader who lives west of Friona, was in town Wednesday and extended her subscription to Jan. 24, 1944 to take advantage of the special Christmas card offer.

Mrs. Ford now has her subscription paid up farther in advance than any other subscriber on our list.

Main Street Guards Against Invasion



What happens when an army takes over Main Street is demonstrated in the Carolina war games. Heavily camouflaged, a 75-mm. gun of an anti-tank battalion awaits invaders (top). A handy hayrack provides a defensive position (lower left). Under cover of smoke which shrouds the business section of Marshville, N. C., maneuvering forces fire a 37-mm. anti-tank gun (lower right).

By making a "Yes" or "No" on the face of the ballot, Parmer County farmers will help write the answer to the question: "Do you favor marketing quotas on the 1942 crop?"

The question will be answered Saturday, December 13, according to Keltz Garrison, Secretary of the Parmer County Agricultural Conservation Association National cotton marketing quota referendum is held.

To be in effect, marketing quotas must be approved by two-thirds of the cotton farmers voting in the national referendum. Cotton quotas have been approved for the past four years.

Regardless of whether farmers approve quotas, conservation features of the 1942 AAA farm program will be the same, but loans for cotton cannot be made unless quotas are approved Garrison pointed out.

According to the AAA Act, marketing quotas on cotton are proclaimed in any year when the supply of cotton is more than 7 per cent above the normal supply. With 23,800,000 bales of American cotton in the world August 1, 1941, the total supply was 31 per cent above normal. About 23,000,000 bales of the total supply were in the United States.

The purpose of marketing quotas is to divide a limited market equally among cotton producers. Farmers planting within acreage allotments established under the AAA program are permitted to sell all cotton produced on these acres.

With more than 2-million farmers in the United States planting within cotton acreage allotments they are cooperating in an effort to keep supply in line with demand, Garrison said.

New Creamery Has Full Line Dairy Products

Friona's newest industry, the Malone Creamery and Produce Station, began operation last Friday with plans made for the installing of all equipment this week.

Roy Vaughn, a former resident, is manager of the creamery and will be in charge of purchases of eggs, cream, poultry and all kinds of produce. The new business will also have for sale a complete line of balanced rations for dairy cows and poultry and a line of mill feeds and cotton seed meal.

"Trail Brand" butter will be manufactured at the Malone Creamery; and with completely modern equipment and using high quality cream, the new plant will turn out a really high grade product.

"We hope not only to give the people of the Friona territory the best in all products in the creamery line, but we also plan to give you high type service in all phases of our business," Mr. Vaughn states.

Former Residents Visit On Way To Tulsa, Okla.

Clifford Thompson and family, former residents of Friona, arrived last week for a brief visit with friends and relatives here before moving to Tulsa, Okla., where Mr. Thompson will work on a defense construction job.

Mr. Thompson has gone to Tulsa and his family will join him in the near future.

The former resident stated that Mr. and Mrs. O. D. McLellan, who have also lived in Friona were being transferred to Tulsa from Abilene.

ANNUAL HOME COMING BANQUET DATE SET

The date has been set. The Annual Home Coming Banquet will be held on Friday night, Dec. 26, at 8 o'clock.

The sale of tickets will open Saturday morning, Dec. 20, and close Thursday night, Dec. 25. Be sure and buy your tickets before the dead-line, Thursday night.

The place, the place to buy tickets and the price, will be announced in the Friona Star in the near future. Plan to attend and watch the Friona Star for further announcements.

G. M. Baker is helping H. H. Magnus with his work at the Phillips Wholesale Oil Warehouse.

Farmer John SEES THINGS

In a few days from now, on Saturday, Dec. 13, another national referendum on cotton quotas will be held. The AAA authorities are eager that farmers go to the polls and vote.

In each succeeding referendum since 1938, the size of the vote has declined. There may be two or three interpretations as to why that is true. It would be very interesting to AAA officials, farm leaders, and the general public, including the politicians, to be put straight as to just why the farmers have acted the way they have.

One line of thinking contends that the farmer, through his blind faith in the government program, believes that he will be taken care of vote or no vote. The thought seems to be that the farmers do not believe in the soundness of government manipulation, therefore will have nothing to do with it. It has been suggested that farmers just naturally won't take the trouble to vote unless they are "agin" or dissatisfied with the program. Some AAA enthusiasts contend that "silence gives consent."

Another reason frequently set forth for the falling off in the vote makes decent people blush, if it should be true. Some farmers assert that they do not think their vote will be counted anyway, if they are "agin" it. Others have expressed fear that they might be discriminated against in the program if it became known that they do not approve it. Again, this has been laid to lack of interest. The stay-at-home farmers have been accused of not having sense enough to vote for his own interest. As "Jodok" would say, "By that as it may, howsoever, nevertheless, moreover, notwithstanding, farmers owe an obligation to themselves and to the men, honestly trying to better agricultural conditions, to the buyer and consumers of farmers' commodities, and to the tax-payers, who must some day pay the expense bill of the AAA. All eligible farmers should, express an opinion by voting for what they think of the practical value of cotton quotas. Healthy national life depends more on the judgment of farmers than on that of any other people.

Not all farmers are eligible to vote at this election on Dec. 13. It is a kind of a "closed shop" affair. Only if you have a cotton allotment or a cotton work sheet, will you be allowed to vote. Regardless of how much ambition to farm, or how many farm-home air castles you may have built, you are not competent to vote unless you have already had experience at raising cotton. Understand, you are not required to have been successful at raising cotton this year or last. Neither are you required to have even tried the last three years. Only, if you are honored with a cotton card will you be privileged to pass judgment on the future of cotton production, consumption, and price in the United States.

The agitators for the "food for defense" program, the campaign for "food for freedom," interventionists and the AAA propagandists, seem to see a real danger that, without cotton quotas, this country will be short of food. Their theory is, that regardless of the probable price, the American farmers are so "cotton-minded" that there would be little land left to grow eggs, milk, pork, steaks and soy beans, after the cotton is planted. This cotton-minded story might not look good in print. But the dollar sign will influence farmers' production. The calamity howlers doubtless feel that farmers, for the past three years have been so thoroughly propagandized, so rigidly regimented and so pauperized that his natural shrewd business senses are so stagnated from disuse, that some benevolent government bureaucracy must reach down from Farwell, College Station or Washington, and tell the poor dazed fellow what to plant.

But the red-blooded men—men who are farming, men who have lived with farmers and know their aptitude at self-reliance, realize this idea is absurd. When once aroused to the danger of encroachment on their rights, when the threat to the individual ownership of their farms is realized, then farmers will be the soundest thinking. (Continued on Back Page)

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CHDA Notes

By ELSIE CUNNINGHAM

You've been hearing a good deal about meals to give the family better nutrition and health. Most homemakers are interested in feeding their families to keep them fit.

It is very important that we are careful to get vitamins and minerals in our meals every day. These are most abundant in milk, fruits, vegetables and whole grain cereals.

Whole grain cereals are top-notchers when it comes to important food values. By Whole Grain cereals I mean all those that have had none or very little of the branny layers and the germ part of the kernel taken off in processing. Naturally, the more of these left on, the better, as far as food value is concerned. For it is in the germ and in the branny layers of the kernel that grain plants store their vitamins and minerals.

One of the most interesting demonstrations of the year, in my opinion, was the cooperative program last Tuesday sponsored by the County Home Economics Association. The home economist participating in the program besides myself were: Mrs. Edna Elms, Home Supervisor with the F. S. A.; Mrs. Erman Miller and Mrs. Edith Osborn, Homemaking teachers of Farwell and Texico.

Whole grain cereals were used in the ten recipes demonstrated. I am passing on to you three of the most popular recipes used at this demonstration and I believe you will be pretty safe in trying these on your family since they were given hearty approval by the 50 people who did the sampling.

Whole Wheat Cookies
2 1/4 cups whole wheat flour
1-2 teaspoon salt
1-4 pound (1-2 cup) butter or other fat
1 egg

1 cup raisins, ground
1 tablespoon baking powder
1-2 teaspoon cinnamon
1 cup sugar
1-2 cup milk
1 cup chopped nuts (if available)
Mix the flour, baking powder, salt, and cinnamon. Cream the fat. Add the sugar, then the egg, milk, the mixed dry ingredients, the raisins, and the nuts (if available). Drop by round teaspoonfuls on a greased pan. Bake from 12 to 15 minutes in a moderate oven. Remove from the pan while hot.

Rolled Wheat Casserole
1 lb. ground raw beef or hamburger
1-8 teaspoon pepper
2 cups sliced onions
3 tablespoons ketchup
1-2 cup boiling water
1 teaspoon salt
4 tablespoons bacon fat, drippings or butter
2 cups tomatoes
1 cup rolled wheat
Saute onions in fat until slightly brown. Remove onions, add meat and brown. Combine ingredients, mixing thoroughly. Turn mixture into well greased casserole or baking dish. Bake in moderate oven (350) 1 hour or until brown.

Tamale Pie
Make a mush, using 5 cups boiling water and 2 cups of meal or grits, salt. Line a pan 2 1/2 inches deep and about nine inches square with this mush. It should be brought up on the sides just like pie dough, and at least an inch thick on the bottom of the pan. Save out enough of the mush to cover the top. Of course you may use any pan that you have, but I merely give you this size because it is the pan I used.
1 pound beef, ground course
1-2 pound pork, ground course
1 small can tomatoes
1 onion sliced
2 tablespoons chili powder
salt and pepper

In an iron skillet heat a little bacon grease and fry the onions. Onions to be used in this way for seasoning should be fried very slowly and not scorched or burned. When they are a pale yellow they are ready to use.

Now add the beef and pork, stir well, as much of it as possible. Pour in the tomatoes, add the chili powder and the salt and pepper. Let this simmer for 10 minutes, mixing well.

Into the pan which you lined with mush pour this mixture. Cover the top with the remaining mush and bake in a moderate oven for two hours.

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Second Sunday in Advent
Sunday School at 2:15 p. m.
Divine Worship with the Celebration of Holy Communion at 3:00 p. m.

Announcement for Holy Communion before the service.
Waltham League Business Meeting and Bible Baseball at the Home of Herman Schuler in the evening.

You are cordially invited to worship with us.
Karl W. Keller, pastor.

CARD OF THANKS

To all those who so generously made donations of food, time and labor towards making our annual Thanksgiving supper a grand success, thanks to you. And to all those who came and once again ate with us.

We appreciate your financial help and visit with us. We hope you will want to come and spend the evening with us again next year.

American Legion Auxiliary

A LETTER TO LEGION AUXILIARIES

Dear Auxiliary members:
Once again I am going to make an appeal to all of you who have not paid your 1942 mem-

bership dues. Our year is fast drawing to a close, and memberships, not paid by January 1, become delinquent, and the \$1.25 that you pay as dues each year, is such a great help to our organization—more than most of you would think.

Your State Department President, Dr. Martha Woods, sent this message to all of you, that, if you are not physically able to help in your unit's program, to let your membership dues work for you; so please, members, see if you can pay them before Jan. 2.

There is so much depending on us in these days of trial. Our Child Welfare program is heavier than it has ever been. Our sick veterans must be cheered at Christmas. Our veterans, that are in the Leprosy Colony, in Louisiana, are clinging to what aid we can give them, and a part of your membership dues go to each of these different parts of the program. So, ladies, please see that your membership dues reach me in time.

Thanking each one who has already come forward with her dues.

Very respectfully,
Mrs. Polster Rector, Sec.

Summerfield

MRS. JIM CLARK

Nearly all families in this community celebrated Thanksgiving last Thursday. Although the school dismissed the preceding Thursday and Friday they celebrated with a dinner at the school this Thursday. School was dismissed in the afternoon for the football game in Hereford.

Relatives of Mr. and Mrs. George De Lozier surprised them Thursday evening by arriving at their home with well-filled baskets of food. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Atchley, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Lance, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Lance, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Jack Streun and sons, Misses Gertrude and Ruth Atchley, Thurman Atchley, Luster Suttle, Roy and Jim Suttle, and Mr. and Mrs. Elbert De Lozier and family, Mr. and Mrs. Al-

bert Farris and Mrs. Sally Stallings of Hereford.

Rev. D. R. McMahan was painfully injured Thursday when an engine backed into the box car which he was loading with grain at the elevator. Mr. McMahan was climbing a ladder into the partly loaded car when the engine hit the car and knocked him off the ladder. He will be in the hospital for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lance of Hereford entertained Thursday in honor of their son, Earl, Jr., who was home on furlough from the Marine Corps Base at San Diego, Calif. Those from Summerfield attending the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Walser, Mrs. Jim Clark and sons, Mrs. D. C. Walser and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Walser and family. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kendall and daughters, Mrs. J. C. Lance, and Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Walser of Hereford, and Mrs. C. J. Crump of Borger.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Staats and family attended a reunion of the Staats family in Oklahoma Thursday and Friday. R. D. Lance, Jr., drove the school bus for Ted the two days he was away.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Thomas went to Amarillo Monday. Kenneth Neill, who has been attending college in Weatherford, spent Thanksgiving here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Neill. Mr. Neill has not been well.

Mrs. O. B. Sumner, Mrs. B. E. Roberson, Mrs. O. B. Roberson, Mrs. R. D. Lance, Jr., Mrs. Ray Johnson, Mrs. D. C. Walser and Mrs. J. B. Noland, who was one of the hostesses, attended a shower at the club house in Hereford Tuesday in honor of Mrs. Kenneth Clayborne. Mrs. Clayborne is the former Miss Eva Greeson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Greeson of Summerfield.

Members of the W. M. U. enjoyed an all-day meeting with a covered dish luncheon Wednesday at the church. Mrs. D. S. Walser taught the book, "These Things Remain," by Ella Broadus Roberson. The Sunbeams, under the direction of Mrs. C. R. Walser, presented an interesting number. Members attending were Mrs. D. C. Walser, Mrs. C. R. Walser, Mrs. Guy Walser,

Mrs. B. E. Roberson, Lloyd Lookingbill, Mrs. L. L. Cannon, Mrs. O. B. Sumner, Mrs. J. B. Noland, and Mrs. Ky Lawrence, Mrs. Lee Curry was a visitor.

Rev. Marcus Rexrode, Mrs. Ky Lawrence and Mrs. O. B. Sumner attended the Worker's Meeting in Friona, Thursday.

L. G. Harris, a student in Texas Tech, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with his father, W. G. Harris and with his sister, Mrs. Pete Carmichael of Progressive.

Mr. and Mrs. Otho Noland visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Story and daughters of Plainview.

The Story's visitor their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Story of Hereford and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Noland of this community over the week end.

Mrs. Homer Crow and children of Tullia visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Lookingbill, Thursday.

Mrs. Hart Carmichael and

daughter of New Mexico are visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Bud Sowell of Hereford is helping Mrs. McMahan at the elevator until Mr. McMahan is able to be back on the job.

J. B. Noland was in Amarillo Saturday afternoon.

A cafeteria meeting is to be held at the school Friday afternoon at two-thirty o'clock. Mrs. Dyaltha Brady of Hereford

will be present to present various plans and to answer any questions pertaining to a cafeteria for the Summerfield school. Anyone interested is urged to attend the meeting. Mothers of school children are especially urged to be present.

Wayne and Willis De Lozier, sons of Mr. and Mrs. George De Lozier enrolled in school last week.

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SOCIETY

Help Your Neighbor Club Resumes Meetings

Mrs. T. E. Daniel was hostess to the members of the Help Your Neighbor Club last Wednesday afternoon at the club room where the group gathered to piece quilts and embroider.

This was the first meeting of the club since suspension of activities because of pressing fall work.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Billy Anderson on Nov. 20, when an all day meeting is planned. The ladies have been asked to bring a covered dish for the noon meal and husbands of club members are invited to attend the luncheon.

Walther League Holds Regular Meeting

Discussion topic for the Walther League of Rhea Immanuel Lutheran Church was "Living With Others—Your Business Associates," when the group had their regular meeting at the home of Melvin Sachs on Nov. 23.

Thirteen members and two visitors were present. Mrs. Melvin Sachs and Miss Irene Sachs served refreshments to the group.

Mann's Have Family Thanksgiving Reunion

The home of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Mann, seven miles south of Friona, was the scene of a family reunion and a Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, when all the members of the Mann family, with one exception, gathered there for a day of festive fellowship. One sister, Mrs. Margie Stanley, of Corpus Christi, was unable to attend.

A long table was spread in the yard and was loaded with a great variety of delicious and appetizing foods.

The entire day was spent in feasting, social conversation and exchanging of family news. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Mann and sons, Dan and Bobbie Joe; Mr. and Mrs. A. R. McCutcheon, of Bovina; Mr. and

Mrs. H. S. Mann, and W. A. Mann, of Apache, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Farris and son, Elton, and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Crawford, of Rochelle; Mrs. George Chenault, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wade and two children and Mr. and Mrs. John Price, Wichita Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Patton and two children and Jesse Mann, Muleshoe Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Wertz, Goldsmith; Jake Mann, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mann and daughter, Friona.

Friends and other relatives present were Mrs. Culwell and Allene Green, Muleshoe; Don McCutcheon, St. Vrain, N. M.; Mary Hawthorn, Lawton, Okla., and Mrs. Price and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Swanson, Muleshoe.

Friona P. T. A. Hears Absorbing Book Review

A review of the book, "Youth Tell Their Story," was given by W. L. Edelman and Mr. Holmes at the program of the regular Friona P. T. A. meeting last Thursday night.

Harley Bulls opened the meeting by leading the members in group singing, and after the book review the hospitality committee sponsored a recreation period during which folk games were played.

The next meeting has been set for Dec. 18.

Women's Club Studies Poetry At Wed. Meeting

The Friona Womens Club met Wednesday, Nov. 26 in the Club House with fifteen members present. Two new members, Mrs. J. T. Guinn and Mrs. Ed Boggs, were admitted to the club.

Mrs. L. G. Simpson gave a very interesting program on poetry, which included a poem of her own writing.

Refreshments were served to Mesdames L. G. Simpson, O. F. Lange, L. F. Lillard, Floyd Reeve, Pearl Kinsley, S. L. McLellan, J. D. Buchanan, A. H. Boatman, Minnie Goodwine, Guy F. Bennett, Fred White, Worth Weir, Geo. Treider, M. C. Osborn, Floyd Schlenker, and the hostesses, Mrs. L. R. Baxter and Mrs. M. L. McFarland.

Carroll Day Weds East Texas Girl

Friends in Friona this week learned of the recent marriage of a former resident, Carroll Day, now of Little Rock, Ark., to Miss Nora Oliver of Garland, Tex. Mr. Day is a brother of E. R. Day of Friona and is well known among people of this territory.

PERSONALS

LEFORS PEOPLE READ STAR
Mr. and Mrs. Milt Gore and daughter, Betty Jean, of Lefors spent the week-end here with Mrs. Gore's mother and brother, Mrs. J. W. Ford and Leslie Ford, on their farm northwest of Friona.

The Gores are subscribers to the Friona Star and state that they enjoy the paper very much.

Hanna & Hanna for Xmas Photos, Hereford, 116 Main St.

Rev. C. Carl Dollar, pastor of the Congregational Church, left Monday afternoon for Oklahoma City where he attended a meeting of ministers of the Central South. Mr. Dollar returned to Friona Wednesday.

J. W. Dunn, who is working for Leslie Ford, spent Thanksgiving with his mother at Plaska.

County Attorney A. D. Smith of Farwell was in Friona for a brief visit Wednesday morning while on his way to Hereford on business.

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Carl C. Maurer left Saturday for Wichita, Kan., where he was called as witness in a trial. Mrs. H. H. Wright, former Friona resident, is plaintiff in a case to recover damages for the death of her son, Wade Wright, in a traffic accident near Wichita about a year ago.

F. W. Reeve and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Settle were business visitors at Muleshoe, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith and daughter, Thelma Joe, of McLean, came over Wednesday night and spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Day and family.

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CARD OF THANKS

We, the Bicknell family, want to thank the people in and around Friona, for their kind help and sympathy since the tragic burning of our home. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bicknell.

Bethel Items

By MRS. PATE SHANNON
Mr. and Mrs. Ray McEntire and DeVona Rae of Silvertown visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bagwell, Sunday.

The Bethel community enjoyed a Thanksgiving supper Thursday night at the schoolhouse. A short program was presented by Mrs. Vern Lust.

Brother Baker from Missouri closed the revival meeting at Bethel Sunday night. One person was baptized Sunday afternoon.

Bryan Sinclair and Frank Deuson were business visitors in Clovis, N. M., Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fate Shannon visited his mother and brothers at Quitaque over the week end.

Mrs. N. M. Cruise and boys spent the week end with friends and relatives at Turkey. Glenn Cruise returned home with them after a two week's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lust and Lloyd visited friends at Big Square Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Sinclair and Mrs. Billie Sinclair attended

GOSSIP From Here and There

Investigations conducted by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station in cooperation with the USDA revealed that blackstrap molasses is neither a preventive nor a cure for locoweed poisoning.

More of the peanuts produced in the United States are used for making peanut butter than for any other single purpose. Next largest use is as salted peanuts and peanut candy is the third largest outlet. Less than 10 percent of the commercial crop reaches the public as peanuts roasted in the shell.

Onions are traditionally tear-jerkers. They're so scarce in England now that possession of one brings tears of joy to its owner.

the singing at Friona Sunday afternoon.

Harry Sinclair spent the week-end at Plainview with his boys. He attended the football game Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Sinclair and Ivan Earl were business visitors in Hereford Saturday afternoon.

H. D. Clubs

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sorb so much of our club attention give way to hard facts, and facts with which their membership is familiar.

In short these women are not busy improving other people; either on the opposite side of the continent or the opposite side of the earth—they are trying to improve themselves. Their meetings are an exchange of practical ideas about practical subjects, subjects which women must master if they expect to

function as good citizens—child training, sewing, nutrition, the preparation and preservation of foodstuffs, religious standards in the home, recreation, poverty and crime problems in their neighborhoods.

Maybe because most of them do their own cooking, they seldom eat at meetings. Also they take their children with them, which is bound to inspire in the youngsters a desire to imitate their elders—and isn't that the best way of teaching?

It seems to me this group of farmers' wives and daughters is working wonders in the interest of the national economy, and because it represents the roots of that economy—the stable, self-respecting, industrious American family—I believe it deserves to be named the most useful and promising of our feminine organizations.

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city as Friona, and with these machines he was doing this splendid work—but why not do the best of work, even at Friona? As I watched him working with pains-taking care I wondered how many people of Friona knew that they could get such work done here.

Then there is something else about Friona that many of us do not know, and that is the fact, that by the time you are reading these lines, there will be a concern turning some of the finest creamery butter to be found anywhere, right here at Friona.

A few months or weeks ago, I was talking to one of our business men and he showed me some business stationary that was printed in two colors, representing the emblem of his line of business. He said: "I would like to have some stationary

printed like that." I said, "Why not get it then?" "Where could I get it?" he said. I told him why not try the Friona Star office. "Why, can they do that kind of work there? I thought I would have to send away off for such work as that."

I told him that if the Star could not do the work to please him it would not cost him anything; and the Star office got the job, and it did not have to do it for nothing either.

Thus, there are lots of things that can be done, and are being done right here at home, if we would only take the trouble to investigate and learn the facts. Carl Maurer has his business stationary printed in two colors, and he has it done at his home printing office, too. And I heard a man say that Carl Maurer has the nicest business stationery in

Friona. And another thing about getting these things done at home, is the fact that your money STAYS AT HOME, and you have a chance of getting it or a part of it back again.

That reminds me of the motto or slogan my good friend, Judge Temple, of Farwell, quoted to me from one of his friends "Buy at home, sell at home and you will always have a home." And I paraphrased it a little and made it read: "Buy in your home town, sell in your home town and you'll always have a home town."

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ATTACK ON AMERICA

CHAPTER XIV—Continued

Colonel Flagwill was asleep at his desk when Benning reported at the War Department in mid-afternoon. The G-2 Chief woke with a start and vigorously shook himself into full wakefulness.

"You've certainly justified your existence again!" Flagwill exclaimed, smiling at his assistant. "We've already ordered the prompt arrest of all Andes stockholders—innocent and guilty alike. That means the biggest spy roundup in history. We can separate sheep from goats after we've arrested the whole lot. Now is no time for half measures."

Benning said, "I'm sorry Bravot got away, sir."

"He'll be a magician," Flagwill vowed, "if he gets through the nets we've laid for him."

As Flagwill turned back to his littered desk, his eye fell upon a penciled memorandum. He looked up sharply at Benning.

"I've just found another little chore for you—to sit in on a very secret party row over successor to the Presidency." Flagwill lowered his voice and spoke rapidly. "A partisan intrigue to force Senator Tannard, Secretary of State, out of the line of succession. It all hinges on the fact that Tannard received an interim appointment from the President last fall, when Secretary Hinges died. Tannard has not yet been confirmed by the Senate."

"Now, if Congress rejects Tannard's appointment, the Presidency falls by law to Judge Baucum, Secretary of the Treasury. Since Baucum is party leader and wheel horse, it is likely that a swift party coup will bring this about, as Tannard may not want to make a fight for his confirmation under all the circumstances."

On reaching Capitol Hill a few minutes before four o'clock, Benning passed the House Chamber, went downstairs, and took the tunnel-trolley across to the Senate Office Building.

The selected senators, leaders of the party in power, were just arriving when Benning reached the Baucum conference room and was admitted by a Baucum secretary. Secretary Baucum rose promptly when the door closed on the last of those he had summoned. Baucum was a large man, square-faced, straight-tipped, with friendly, level gray eyes.

"Friends, I must announce that there will be a slight delay," Baucum said abruptly. His eyes ran slowly from face to face as if to test the mettle of those present against what he had to say. "I have just sent for Secretary Tannard."

Benning saw an interchange of astonished glances among those present and felt his own brows knit at Baucum's astounding announcement. Tannard long had been known as the particular political foe of Secretary Baucum.

"My reason for asking Tannard here," he said in a low, determined voice, "is I consider him the man best qualified among all of us to lead the country through our present crisis."

Senator Vren, veteran Senate leader, was on his feet. In his laud face was reflected the prevalent astonishment at Baucum's invitation to Tannard.

"Please be informed, sir, that I consulted the majority opinion before we came here. Therefore, I speak their opinion as well as my own when I inform you, sir, that it is your distinguished self we intend to name President of the United States, and this by the simple method of disqualifying Secretary Tannard."

Baucum's face softened to a serene smile, but he slowly shook his massive gray head.

"I appreciate the honor you pay me, Vren," he interrupted. "But we face an emergency, gentlemen, in which men are going to surrender their lives to their sense of duty—just as Captain Beal did. That makes it very easy to me to surrender so small a thing as my personal ambition. From now on, we must resolve to smash party considerations. Our national crisis is serious enough without divisions among ourselves. I must set a personal example and

confess to you frankly that I am too old and lack the vigor and, frankly, the abilities that are needed at this time."

He paused a moment, his eyes fixed defiantly on Vren, then he went on in a milder voice.

"If your minds, gentlemen, are free of purely partisan prejudices, you will not challenge my proposal of Tannard for President. Tannard has comparative youth and vigor. As Secretary of State, while he is new in that position, he is the lawful successor, unless we disqualify him on mere technicality. He has brains and guts and he has both feet on the ground. He is the man we need to lead us in this emergency, and I intend to do everything within my power looking to his confirmation."

Baucum broke off and his eyes searched each face again as if seeking challenge to the words he had spoken. Only a stunned silence met him. His eyes lifted and a friendly smile wreathed his face as the door of the conference room opened. A tall, erect man stood at the door, gravely hesitant.

"Come right on in, Tannard," Baucum invited. He stepped forward to extend a congratulatory hand and his smile widened as he added, without formality: "I hope your heart is in good shape to stand a hard shock, Senator. But the gentlemen present wish you to serve as President of the United States. Your confirmation will be voted without serious opposition."

Tannard's alert eyes searched the room. He was a man of fifty, physically fit, appearing much younger than his age. His face was angular, strong-featured. Tannard looked the born leader of men, man of action governed by an active, orderly mind.

In his steel-blue eyes there shone no gleam of personal triumph at Baucum's announcement. His emotional response was a tightening of the muscles of his jaw, a drawing erect of his wide shoulders.

Tannard gave his answer in a measured voice.

"Very good, gentlemen, if that is your decision, I accept. Forgive me



"I hope your heart is good."

If I have no platitudes of gratitude to offer, nor promises of performance, I will say only that I deeply deplore the unhappy circumstance that brings about my succession to the Presidency. If your position be confirmed by the Senate I will do my best, and I will expect the fullest support from you and from every American. If there is nothing further, gentlemen, I'll excuse myself."

CHAPTER XV

Van Hassek's Austrian spy was on hand at the Shoreham promptly at eight the next morning. Fincke was glum and jumpy as they ordered breakfast, and from time to time cast covert glances about the dining-room.

"Why the jitters, Fincke?" Benning asked him.

The Austrian took several nervous gulps of coffee and said: "Something's gone wrong, Bromlitz. I want to get out of this town as quick as possible."

"Heard anything from Bravot?" "No word from anybody, not since the last time I saw you. I can't figure it out, but it's there. Sometimes I think I'm being watched and G-2 has my number." Fincke pushed aside his unfinished breakfast and got up. "Come on, Bromlitz, let's get out of this town!"

Benning asked, as they took a taxi to the depot, "Did Bravot furnish you with travel authority?" "Last I heard it was all fixed up. All we have to do is show up at the gangplank and say, 'Passage for Amsterdam, Stateroom twelve.'" The Austrian turned suddenly to Benning with suspicion glinting in his eyes. "Say, Bromlitz, are you asking for information, or just feeling me out?"

"Isn't it natural, Fincke," Benning retorted, "for me to satisfy myself you've really got authority to go along? I hope you're not going to spoil everything by getting suspicious of me?"

"No, but after the deal I got from Boggio, you can't blame me for wondering if I'm the goat," Fincke muttered. "Sorry if I rubbed you the wrong way."

Fincke's fears relaxed somewhat

when he and Benning reached New York in early afternoon.

They went to Central Park and walked about deserted paths until time to go to the pier. Promptly at four Fincke presented himself to a hulking Norwegian first mate who stood at the gangplank of the tramp freighter, a single-tunnel steamer.

The Fincke formula put them on board without question. Benning noted, as they were escorted by a cabin boy to their stateroom, that the decks were deserted, no preparations to sail were in evidence.

Fincke promptly slammed the door, peeled off his cotton coat, and sprawled on a bunk.

Benning threw off his coat, lay down on his berth, and took up the late New York editions he had bought before coming aboard. Later he meant to force the issue of a reconnaissance of the ship in preparation for the Navy's boarding party.

Headlines screamed the defeat of Mole's Second Division, the capture of San Antonio.

Mole's truck columns had sped his broken infantry and artillery to a new position near Austin along the Colorado River. There he was organizing a new defensive position, reinforced by Texas regiments. Van Hassek columns were moving on Austin for prompt attack.

Van Hassek had taken over San Antonio at daybreak and established headquarters in the City Hall at the old Spanish Plaza. A subordinate, General Alvido, had taken over the government as military governor under a decree of martial law, hauled down the American flag and hoisted the saber flag over the city.

Alvido claimed all of Texas under his decree. A Van Hassek truck column was moving on Galveston to occupy that city, and later, Houston.

Air raids had extended north last night. Fort Worth, Dallas, and Shreveport had been heavily pounded with the loss of hundreds of lives. Terror was sweeping other southern cities. Little Rock, Oklahoma City, Montgomery, Birmingham, even Nashville and Atlanta were within bombing range. There was no anti-aircraft now available for these cities. Thousands were fleeing into the hills and countryside.

When he had sketched through the day's news, Benning sat up and made a cast at Fincke.

"What gets me," he complained, "is why we have to go all the way to Amsterdam when there's so much going on in these parts, Fincke."

Fincke snapped erect, his eyes blazing suspicion, and snarled, "You know damned well we're not going to Amsterdam, Bromlitz! What's your game—always feeling me out!" Benning coolly drawled, "Evidently you suspect I'm a spotter for

Boggio or Bravot. If that's in your mind, I resent it."

"Sorry if I blew up again," Fincke relented. "But we're playing for big game this time, Bromlitz, and you can't blame me for being touchy after what happened before."

A Norwegian deckhand brought dinner into their stateroom at six o'clock. Two empty hours followed. At eight o'clock the engines began churning, the Norwegian tramp eased out of her berth and headed down the harbor.

Fincke brightened as the ship cast off, then was attacked by a restlessness that set him pacing the little cabin.

Dusk slowly deepened into night. Benning knew that the ship was spotted by Navy observers, that they would take no chance of letting her slip out of the harbor. He chafed under his inability to break further into the Fincke confidence or to effect a survey of the ship passengers.

The Austrian suddenly seized his cotton coat and straw hat.

"All right, Bromlitz!" he exclaimed excitedly. "It's nine o'clock and pitch dark. Here's where we move out!"

Benning followed the Austrian down the unlighted deck. There was a black huddle of figures at the rail where Fincke halted. Benning's straining eyes, now adjusted to the darkness, made out that the figures were moving over the side.

In a moment Fincke vanished. Benning hesitated, then groped his way down the Jacob's ladder. At the bottom a gasoline launch chugged tenaciously alongside in choppy water. As Benning, following the others, stepped precariously aboard, the launch cast off.

In the vague light shed by a lantern in the bow of the launch, Benning slowly counted noses. There were five passengers, two boatmen. Benning saw that the man beside whom he had found a seat was not Fincke. An intuition warned him, his eyes verified the warning as he traced out the man's profile. The passenger at his elbow was Bravot, Benning's fugitive spy-master. Silently stared into the wet night, Benning's hand sought the pocket of his cotton coat and released the safety lock of his automatic.

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people in the whole business world.

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I doubt if any large percent of farmers relish the idea of price-control legislation. To look at the problem historically, they suspect that they might get the worst end of the bargain. At least it would be a business deal with politicians running the show. Farmers are bound to look upon the scheme with a degree of skepticism.

The AAA authorities will bear down strongly and with skill, through free government mailing, radio and agencies, on the idea, that to protect cotton prices, farmers should vote cotton quotas. But again the leary farmer will likely keep one eye open. The wheat information from "authoritative" sources, is not yet forgotten. The effect of government loans on grain sorghums, is a living reality. Cotton prices are decent at present, either because of, or in spite of government regulations.

There are many students of farm economics, who contend that if AAA had not set up its

system of bonuses for cotton production, in the face of an already heavy cotton accumulation, and the government was rid of its tendency to interfere with farm commodity processing prices, cotton, today, would be as high as the country has ever seen. If the various lines of reasoning were thoroughly and impartially put up to the judgment of the farmers, there would, in my opinion be little doubt of the verdict.

Remember the AAA crowds will leave no stone unturned to make a respectable showing. AAA is thoroughly organized and it is government-financed. The advantage is several to one in organization's favor.

Every farmer who appreciates freedom and cherishes the American competitive system of doing business, should express himself in no uncertain terms. Every red-blooded, eligible farmer should shut down his tractor and lay down his cotton sack and vote for the freedom of his own business and the preservation of the dependable American system.

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