

Sales Low As 4th War Loan Drive Starts

Civil Air Patrol Flight For Spur Organized Tuesday

Spencer Campbell Is Named Acting Flight Leader At Meeting

At a meeting held Tuesday night in the study hall of the Spur high school, attended by thirty men and boys, the Spur flight of the Civil Air Patrol was organized. Several officials of the Stamford squadron were present to assist in the organization. These were Capt. Roy Arledge, commander Group 9, Texas; Lt. Warren B. Tayman, Stamford squadron commander; Lt. Charles Green, group and squadron adjutant, and Lt. C. B. Gray, group supply officer.

Spencer Campbell, local air enthusiast, was appointed acting flight leader for the Spur flight, to serve until the organization of the local flight is completed.

V. C. Smart opened the meeting by introducing Capt. Arledge, who spoke on the organization and purpose of the Civil Air Patrol. He praised the Spur airport and also the interest of the citizens of the city in the organization of the CAP.

Arledge stated that the CAP was organized two years ago under the supervision of the Office of Civilian Defense. The organization is made up of civilian flyers, most of whom are too old or physically unfit for military service. Among the many services the CAP performs is the carrying of mail for the army and many other duties of like importance, Capt. Arledge said.

In June, 1943, the CAP was taken over by the army air corps when they realized the worth of the organization and the government felt the patrol would work better under the supervision of the air corps, he stated.

The patrol is divided into 48 wings, with one wing commander in each state. Each state is divided into groups, squadrons and flights.

When a man joins the patrol, Arledge pointed out, he signs up for the duration. In order to receive a membership card in the patrol he must have at least 25 hours of flight training in the air.

The uniform is the same as the army, with the exception of buttons and insignia and the patrol uses red shoulder straps.

In the new program outlined for the patrol for 1944 the air corps is asking the Civil Air Patrol to enlist 250,000 Civil Air Patrol Cadets. These cadets are boys who have not yet reached their eighteenth birthday who are interested in aviation. The air corps hopes to get a major portion of the air corps replacement cadets for this year from this source, Arledge said. Boys of 17 to 18 are eligible to join the air corps reserve.

He also stated that the air corps had given 268 planes to the CAP for use in taking the cadets for a ride to get them interested in aviation. Capt. Arledge pointed out.

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NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

Due to the continued increase in the price of newsprint and labor costs, the publishers of The Texas Spur find it necessary to increase the subscription price from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per year in Dickens county, and \$2.00 per year outside Dickens county. This increase in subscription price will become effective Tuesday, Feb. 1, and all who so desire, in the meantime, may renew their subscription for one year at the old rates of \$1.00 per year in the county and \$1.50 per year outside the county. Renewals at the old rate will not be accepted for more than one year; and we ask all subscribers to please bear in mind that the subscription price of The Texas Spur after Feb. 1 will be \$1.50 per year in the county and \$2.00 per year outside the county.



B. J. APPLGATE, 5-1-C, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Applegate of Spur, has been in the service about two years and is now stationed somewhere in Brazil. His mail address is B. J. Applegate, 5-1-C, Naval Air Facilities, WAF Box BB %Fleet Post Office, New York, N. Y., and he would be glad to hear from any of his friends who care to write him.

J. C. (Coy) Dopson Announces for Com. Precinct No. 3

"I wish, at this time, to announce my candidacy for the office of Commissioner, Precinct 3, of Dickens County, and relative thereto will say:

"That I have lived in this county for the past 32 years and reared a family here. I own the farm upon which I now live and pay taxes just like other citizens of this county. I am well acquainted with most of the persons in my precinct and invite those who are strangers to me to feel free to investigate my character and reputation for honesty and fair dealings. This is every voters privilege and duty.

"If the good people of my community should elect me to this office of public trust, I will do my best to make a good commissioner and to promptly attend to the duties of such office.

"I further promise you to do every thing in my power possible to advance the war effort and to see that the counties' business policies are formulated with the utmost goal in mind.

"It will be my desire to render prompt, courteous, and efficient service to my constituents at all times, and to any and all other citizens of this county.

"I would like to be your commissioner, and now I sincerely ask that you keep me in mind as the coming election draws nearer.

Your friend,
"J. C. (Coy) Dopson."

Joe McLaughlin To Seek County-District Clerk's Office

Joe McLaughlin of McAadoo, who ran a good race for county and district clerk two years ago, acting upon the insistence of his many friends throughout the county, has decided to make the race for this office again this year, and this week authorized The Texas Spur to make the announcement.

In making his announcement for the office of county-district clerk Mr. McLaughlin emphasized the impossibility of being able to make a house to house canvass of the county but stated that he would make an effort to see as many of the voters as possible, and also, that he was deeply appreciative of the splendid vote given him two years ago and earnestly solicits your vote and influence during the coming campaign, promising if elected to put forth every effort to give the county courteous and efficient service.

O. L. Darlin will leave soon for Sulphur Springs where he will operate a farm.

Congressman Mahon Believes Tax Law Will Be Simplified

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 19.—Congressman George Mahon, who himself voted against the present complicated income tax law, stated in Washington this week that he felt confident the regulations would be simplified but simplification would probably be too late to be of assistance before March 15. He said that one of the most frequent and justified complaints which he heard during his recent visit to West Texas was in regard to complicated tax returns.

Mahon explained that simplification for the small income tax payer was attainable but cautioned that in cases where large incomes and complicated transactions are involved, many of the regulations would have to remain highly technical in order to plug loopholes and prevent loss of revenue.

County Agricultural Agent Advises On Pruning Trees-Vines

Good fruit, both in quality and yield, is obtained through good care of trees and vines. And, observes Charles A. Taylor, county agricultural agent of Dickens county, pruning is one of the most important items in the creed of orchard management.

Grape vines, of which Texas has abundance, must be pruned every winter, and January is the most suitable time of the year to do it. If they are cut too early in the fall, or left until February, they are likely to lose sap from pruning, Taylor says. A normal plant can carry 30 or 40 bunches of grapes to maturity. But if too much growth is left, the branches will be small and many small branches are likely to die on the plant in the latter part of the growing season, accordingly, he recommends selecting 30 or 40 of the best side branches and removing all other growth. Cut back the remaining branches, leaving buds on each shoot.

Normally, blackberry and dewberry vines should be pruned in June, but if the job was overlooked it should not be delayed further. Before applying shears, all weeds and grass around each plant should be removed with a hoe. Then select three of the best and largest canes and cut out all others. Taylor adds that if the remaining canes are more than three feet high, top them with the shears or a sharp knife.

Completes Airplane Mechanic's Course

Pfc. Jesse J. Powell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse T. Powell of Afton, has completed an intensive course in Airplane mechanics at Sheppard Field, near Wichita Falls, according to word received from the public relations office of the field. This is one of the largest and finest schools of the AAF Western Technical Training Command. The field trains men for the overhauled crews which work in all weather and under all conditions to keep American planes in the air. These specialist technicians already are making a name for themselves at United States air bases all over the world.

Before entering the school he was trained at one of the basic training centers of the AAF Technical Training Command.

Local Pastor Attends Meeting In Amarillo

Rev. Howard H. Hollowell, pastor of the First Methodist church, left Tuesday for Amarillo where he is attending a meeting of the Bishop's Crusade for a New World Order.

Several of the Bishops of the Methodist church are to be present and are to speak. The meeting is being held at the Polk Street Methodist church. A large attendance was expected for this meeting from all over this section of Texas and from New Mexico.



DAVID HULL, S 2 C, of San Diego, Calif., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hull, who is here on a 12-day leave after his graduation from Torpedoman school. He will return to San Diego at the expiration of his leave and will be assigned to special training for six weeks at the destroyer base at San Diego.

Carl Proctor Named Chairman President's Birthday Celebration



CARL PROCTOR

Carl Proctor has been named Dickens county chairman for the President's Birthday Celebration, it was announced this week.

Proctor stated that this year's celebration would be in the form of free will offerings. He said that containers would be placed in each drug store in the county and contributors are asked to leave donations at these places. Also, Proctor pointed out, money may be deposited at the Spur Security Bank for this or can be left with Proctor at the store.

It will be remembered that last summer an epidemic of 'polio' or infantile paralysis spread throughout the county. The government did a marvelous job in combatting this dread disease and finally succeeded in stamping it out to a large extent. Your nickels, dimes and dollars will go to a good cause when you donate it to the March of Dimes.

Contributions will be taken now and until Jan. 31, Proctor said, and the public is urged to contribute as much as possible.

Church of Christ Has New Minister

It has been announced this week that Ernest Findley, senior minister of students at Abilene Christian College, has been employed as minister of the Spur Church of Christ and will begin regular work here next Sunday, Jan. 23.

Findley will continue his school work at Abilene and will move to Spur at the close of school there.

He is president of the Student Association and is one of the outstanding young preachers at the school.

It has also been announced that the time of the evening service each Sunday has been moved up to 5:00 o'clock.

ATTENDING STYLE SHOW

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Golding of the B. Schwarz & Son store in Dallas this week attending the Spring Style show and purchasing merchandise for the store here. They expect to return this week end.

School To Sponsor Repair Shop Here For Farm Machinery

The Spur high school, in cooperation with our national government, will sponsor a Farm Machinery Repair Shop through the local vocational agriculture department, provided there are enough local farmers interested.

This part of the program will be financed by the federal government for the purpose of helping farmers to repair their machinery. There will be no charge except when new parts have to be purchased. Of course the farmer will do the repairing, with the help and instruction of a shop man, who will be employed to be in the shop during the hours the shop will be open.

Those in the school system will appreciate very much if those farmers who are interested and will use the shop to get in touch with either Supt. C. F. Cook or Foy Brantley, high school principal, or Walter Labay, vocational agriculture teacher, or send word by your child by not later than Feb. 5.

At least 15 farmers will have to be enrolled and the attendance will have to be kept at around ten in order to keep operating.

A meeting will be called soon after Feb. 5 to arrange the regular meeting dates. Again farmers are urged to get in touch with the above named men by Feb. 5 if they are interested.

Duck Creek Soil Conservation News

There are two kinds of farming. One is wasteful farming although the farmers have not called it that or even recognized it as such. We let this kind of farming use up the soil because our minds are too completely centered on getting a cash return for crops at the end of the season.

Men who do the other kind of farming are the ones who are trying to keep their topsoil from going down the river. These men are the ones who expect to live on their land for a good many years to come. They do not expect to move on somewhere else. Perhaps their sons will farm this land after them. Each year these men use every method they can to hold the land and build its fertility while they plant and harvest their crops and make their living. This is permanent agriculture.

The people in the Duck Creek Soil Conservation District have (Continued on page eight)

Postmaster To Speak At Rotary Luncheon

Rotarian Olan Arthur will speak at the regular weekly luncheon of the Spur Rotary Club today (Thursday) at the Spur Inn, it was announced by President Jack Christian.

The subject for Arthur's address will be "The Dispatching of Mail." A full attendance is expected for the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hoover and daughters, Robbie and Eurena, of Spur, and Mr. and Mrs. John Dunaway and son, Jerry, of Jayton, spent the week-end in Dallas visiting their son and brother, Pfc. Travis Hoover, who has been stationed in North Carolina. He expects to be shipped overseas soon. They also visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. McCarter and family in Matador.



FFC. LOFTIN SANDIDGE, pictured above, son of D. H. Sandidge of Spur, is serving the colors in England and has recently been transferred from The Stars and Stripes Overseas to Headquarters Public Relations office, Pfc. Sandidge, who was employed on The Texas Spur for a short time several years ago, was affectionately known to his friends here as "Rody." He is a graduate of the Webster Grove high school, a suburb of St. Louis, and the Washington School of Journalism of St. Louis. Young Sandidge went to Chicago from Spur where he was engaged in newspaper work when he entered the service in January 1941.

Fred Christopher Seeks Re-election For Sheriff's Office

D. F. (Fred) Christopher, Dickens county sheriff, tax assessor-collector, acting upon the insistence of his many friends that he again be a candidate for this office, has decided to make the race, and has authorized The Texas Spur to announce his candidacy for re-election as sheriff and tax assessor-collector. In making his announcement for re-election Sheriff Christopher released the following statement:

"In again seeking the office of sheriff and tax assessor-collector of Dickens county, I feel that the experience I have gained in the past better qualifies me to serve you as sheriff and tax assessor-collector, and if I am again elected to this office, I pledge my wholehearted efforts to make you a better official in the future than I have in the past. I feel that the experience I have gained will enable me to do this.

"I know I have made some mistakes in the past and will possibly make others in the future, but I have striven at all times to enforce the law with fairness and impartiality to all alike, and if you see fit to again elect me as your sheriff and tax assessor-collector I propose to follow this same policy of fairness and impartiality in the future.

"Due to the war and ration restrictions it will be impossible for me to make a house to house canvass but will try to see as many of the voters as possible during the campaign. I want to take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation for all favors shown me in the past, and I earnestly solicit your support and influence for re-election.

"D. F. (Fred) Christopher.

ON BUSINESS TRIP

Howard Brainin is spending a few days this week in Lubbock and Big Spring on business.

\$21,506 Reported Sold In First Two Days of Campaign

The Fourth War Loan Drive officially got under way Tuesday, Jan. 18. To date no appreciable response has been noticeable, according to O. B. Ratliff, Dickens county chairman of the War Finance Committee, as there have been only \$21,506.00 sold for all types of bonds.

The following table reveals the quotas and sales for Kent county and the various school districts in Dickens county:

School District	Quota	To Date
Duck Creek	\$6,125.00	\$75.00
Red Mud	2,450.00	375.00
Dry Lake	9,187.50	131.25
Highway	7,350.00	18.75
Wichita	9,800.00	None
Peaceful Hill	3,062.50	None
Spring Creek	3,675.00	None
Wilson Draw	4,287.50	37.50
Pattin Springs		
and Dumont	44,712.50	37.50
Dickens Ind.	30,625.00	300.00
McAdoo Ind.	34,912.50	168.75
Spur Ind.	88,812.50	9,912.25
Dickens county total		
sales to date		\$11,056.00
Kent county total		
sales to date		10,450.00
Total Kent and Dickens counties		21,506.00
Amount yet to be sold		269,409.00

Some of the sales indicate that someone of the committee for that particular district has been doing some personal solicitations. Other districts reveal a laxity of interest in war bonds and the war effort. If your particular district, Ratliff stated, does not come up to expectations contact your local chairman and offer your assistance.

Two bond rallies have been set to date, the rally at Girard on Friday, Feb. 4, and the rally at Dickens on Thursday, Feb. 10. Both meetings are to be held at the high school auditoriums and will begin at 8:00 p. m. If your district has not yet set a meeting make immediate preparations for it now.

A bulletin board is being prepared for the Spur post office. Purchasers of bonds will be privileged to back a buddy by dedicating a war bond to some soldier in the armed forces, Ratliff said. Go by the post office and put some of your money behind some particular soldier. Sign your name and the name of the soldier to whom you are dedicating the bond.

A meeting was held in the Spur Theatre building last Friday, which was attended by chairmen and workers from the various school districts of Dickens county. Ratliff explained the duties of each worker and told of the different kinds of bonds that could be purchased. Emphasis, he said, is being placed on the popular Series E bond in this drive.

O. C. Arthur, postmaster in Spur, and W. T. Andrews, local banker, also made short talks.

A Victory Band Concert will be held at the high school auditorium here Thursday, Feb. 10, at 8:00 p. m. The high school band will play and the admission to this affair will be by purchase of a war bond or stamp, according to C. F. (Foster) Cook, superintendent of the Spur schools.

Oklahoma Man New Assistant Manager Of Spur Creamery

It has been announced by Roy Stovall, proprietor of the Spur Creamery, that Leo Peters of Oklahoma City has been employed as his assistant in the operation of the creamery.

Peters, former district manager for Armour & company, has had many years experience in the creamery business. He was associated with Armour & company in Oklahoma City for nine years.

He stated that he had a great deal of business dealings with Stovall in the past and had been contemplating his move to Spur for some time.

Peters stated to a representative of The Texas Spur that he was glad to become a citizen of such a fine town with such fine people.

He plans to move his family, his wife and three children, to Spur next week. They will occupy the L. H. Perry home on West Hill street.

Drilling Equipment For Deep Test Well Moved To Location

The Blackwell Gas and Oil company of Cushing, Okla., and W. A. Delaney, Jr., of Ada, Okla., have announced the digging of a deep test well, the location of which will be the northwest quarter, section 8, block B, Public School lands.

The contract has been let to George Callahan of Abilene and material and equipment has already been moved

to the location, which will be known as the Blackwell Gas and Oil Co., No. 1 A. A. House.

This block was assembled by L. C. Harrison and others and this test should be of great interest, due to the oil and gas shows which have been present in other wells drilled in the vicinity. The contract depth of the well is 7,400 feet.

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Russia To Dominate Europe

The people of the United States might just as well begin to learn some of the simple ABC's that relate to the settlement of affairs in Europe, including the Polish question.

We have considerable sympathy for the aspirations and ambitions of the Poles. Out of the settlement of this war there should arise, no doubt, a new Poland. But, this does not necessarily require that it should contain every square mile of territory that was Polish in 1939.

The supreme fact, to be recognized in considering every European settlement, is the might and power of Soviet Russia. When Germany is defeated, Joseph Stalin will have ample force at his disposal to apply a Russian settlement to all questions arising in Eastern Europe.

This fundamental power is the No. 1 fact affecting the determination of the boundaries and the existence of smaller states. It can be erased only by the mobilization of greater power, able to operate effectively in Eastern Europe.

We hope that the Soviet Government will conclude that its interests suggest a policy of cooperation with Great Britain, The United States, and other nations but it is also possible that the Russians will decide to make their own disposals, with an eye to the future security of their country.

If Russia puts no faith in international cooperation, the cold fact is that the entire area of Eastern Europe will be completely dominated by the Soviet. This includes Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Hungary and Rumania.

These states can expect no armed assistance from the United States or Great Britain if they elect to make war against Russia. The quicker their friends understand this, the sooner and safer will become their independent existence.

The Russians, as nearly as we can make out, are not yet sure that a re-ordered world will follow the defeat of Hitler. They are probably doubtful of the effectiveness of any understanding with the Western Democracies.

Even if Stalin and his advisers are ready to consider the possibility of mutual cooperation, they seem inclined to create conditions which will safeguard Russia in the event that the new collaboration collapses.

Big Business Likes the Courts

Some of the leading business men in the nation are doing much to create the impression that there must be inevitable hostility between business and the Government.

They insist that all matters at issue between the Government and business must be settled in the courts and declare that it is impossible for an official of the Government to be impartial in determining an issue between a contractor and the Government.

The business men insist upon clarifying all Government officials as if they possess a pecuniary interest in the matter to be determined. While bureau and commissions commit errors, there is no inherent reason why a member of a commission cannot be as impartial in reaching a conclusion as a judge.

The truth of the matter is that the business men do not object to the official connection between the Government and a commissioner. What most of them object to is the speed and dispatch with which commissioners decide matters. The average business man would prefer to have an opportunity to array his counsel and debate the matter for years in the courts.

We think the growth and development of commissions in connection with governmental regulations is due largely to congressional appreciation of the advantages of the process as contrasted with the delays, technicalities and red tape of the judicial procedure.

What the law-makers seek is not a biased commissioner, ready to decide everything in favor of the Government, but prompt decisions, leading to the prompt as well as the proper enforcement of legislation.

Corporations Doing Well

Because the corporate form of industry is necessary to the economic functioning of the nation, there is no excuse for blind hatred of corporations and indiscriminate denunciation of corporation officials.

While this is true, there is less sense in blindly swallowing claims made by corporations and their officials as to what they do for the country and what fiscal policies are necessary for their successful operation.

Various corporation officials are denouncing the Renegotiation Act and insisting that corporations be allowed to build up tax-free reserves in order to function efficiently in the post-war period. This latter purpose is an off-shoot of the 'cushion-the-depression' idea.

How are the corporations doing? In 1943, the net profits of corporations, after taxes had been paid, were \$8,550,000,000. This compares with \$4,040,000,000 in 1939.

The amount paid out in dividends in 1943, however, was only \$4,000,000,000, or about the same as in preceding years. The other \$4,550,000,000 of corporation profits is being held for new capital investments or to build up corporate reserves.

The size of corporation reserves leads to the conclusion that they will run into little financial difficulty in connection with peacetime production. Reserves already piled up are estimated at \$27,000,000,000 in bank deposits and more billions in Government securities.

Moreover, many corporations will secure tax refunds from the Treasury for post-war losses and will receive compensation payments for cancelled war contracts.

MacArthur's Communiques

Life magazine, in its issue of January 10, tells about the hard fighting done by American troops in the attack upon Arawe, New Britain, and then comments:

"What was unfortunate about Arawe campaign was not that the fighting was tough . . . but that the American people did not know how tough it was. This was principally due to Gen. MacArthur's communiques which tended to exaggerate local success and ignore setbacks and casualties."

Continuing, the magazine says: "American casualties were light in initial attack" but "by last week, however, casualties were mounting because the Japs in many places outnumbered the Americans. In addition, although MacArthur's communique did not admit it, the Arawe airstrip was lost."

These statements speak for themselves. We have read hundreds of Gen. MacArthur's communiques, which have not, as a rule, given the infantry much credit for anything. While single flights of aircraft have been reported, the General often dismisses ground action with a short sentence, although steady fighting on land has been the sole means of gaining against the Japs.

Not many people believe it but chances are that improper eating ruins as many stomachs as improper drinking.

We are not much inclined to worry about the worries of those who try to arrange the future of the world and its peoples.

Be on your guard against those who stir up enmity against our allies; they are helping Hitler, whether they realize it or not.

The Four Freedoms will be great blessings to mankind but you can't force them down people's throats by a treaty, even if it is backed by force.

The strangest phenomenon in the United States is the persistent propaganda of our minorities who are about to take the republic from the majority.

In view of the present national debt, will some financial wizard explain earlier prophecies that the nation would collapse under a debt of one-half its size?

The Japs are not concerned with what happens to the United States after the war; let's forget Japanese problems of the future and concentrate upon multiplying their troubles in 1944.

Some observers say that the Germans are planning for a third war, even now; so far as we are concerned, let 'em plan—when the United Nations finish with them, their plans will not be dangerous.

LOOKING AT WASHINGTON

By HUGO S. SIMS

SENATOR GEORGE'S TAX VIEWS SAYS INCOME LEVY AT TOP; WAR MAY REQUIRE SACRIFICE

Senator Walter F. George, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, points out that since 1940 Federal tax collections have risen six hundred per cent, or from \$5,925,000,000 to about \$41,000,000,000 for the current fiscal year which ends June 30th next.

The Georgia legislator reports that many persons in and out of Congress believe the limit has been reached in raising additional revenue and that to comply with the recommendations of the Treasury Department "would shatter the public morale."

There is much to the point made by Senator George, who calls attention to the increased taxes paid by individuals. He says that few persons realize that with the carry-over of the 1942 or 1943 tax, required to be paid in 1944 and 1945, "no individual, no matter how high his income," will have left more than \$25,000, assuming his income remains constant and that his uncancelled tax is paid out of current income.

It should be considered, as Senator George suggests, that Federal taxes must be added to various State income, excise and sales taxes, as well as other property taxes and special taxes of political subdivision scattered throughout the country.

The Senator makes it clear that to raise \$8,000,000,000 more, as recommended by the Treasury Department, without resort to compulsory savings, a general retail sales levy or other new methods opposed by Congress, would, in his opinion, disrupt the country's economy not only for the present but for the post-war period.

The Senator's argument, contained in a recent radio address, emphasizes the plight of individual taxpayers. It is undoubtedly true that many Americans are paying what would have been considered exorbitant taxation on their incomes in pre-war years.

From the facts presented by the Senator, one is inclined to agree that Federal taxation of individual incomes is high enough but there are other facts involved in the discussion.

There is no way to escape the financial burden of warfare. The nation is engaged in what amounts to two serious wars at the same time, which require the expenditure of cash at a rate unprecedented in the history of mankind.

Certainly, individuals who make up the nation must understand that those at home have a burden in connection with modern war. The burden consists at present of certain rather minor inconveniences in regard to essential commodities and the necessity of paying part of the expenses of the grim struggles.

Every loyal American wants to do his, or her, share on the home front, but, in accordance with human nature, most of us are extremely reluctant to accept the necessity for financial sacrifice. We can find all sorts of excuses to avoid taxation which means definite and non-transferable reductions in our planned style of living.

We are not inclined to insist upon heavier rates on individual incomes but, if necessary, the people of the United States can pay heavier taxes for victory.

It will mean reduced standards of living, a postponement of desired luxuries and pleasures and a painful contribution to the common cause. To suggest that this is impossible is nonsense, even if one admits that the bulk of our people do not desire such an experience.

SIMPLE TAX PLAN, YOO HOO! PEOPLE WONDER ABOUT REPORTS

About a year ago, the nation was excited over an easy, painless tax plan, proposed by Beardley Ruml, who asserted that it would mean increased revenue for the Government, free 75,000,000 from the hazard of income tax debt, simplify the whole system of paying income taxes and let all income taxpayers skip a year.

The debate waxed fast and furious throughout the country, until Congress finally adopted a compromise, including a 50¢ cancellation of taxes for persons owing \$67 or less and seventy-five per cent of the year's taxes for all others.

The unabated fourth, or about \$3,000,000,000 became payable over a two-year period and a twenty per cent withholding tax became effective on July 1st at the source to make taxpayers current.

While there continues to exist differences of opinion as to the effect of the new plan upon Federal income and how the plan benefits those with large incomes in 1942 and 1943, there is general agreement that the simplification feature is a farce.

Under the law which existed prior to the pay-as-you-go act,

the taxpayer made a return in March, reporting his income for the year before. After calculating the amount of the tax due, the account was settled in cash by the wealthy and in quarterly payments by the bulk of Americans.

Under the new legislation the taxpayer will have to file a return in March, which is much more complicated than last year's form. This is a report on income for 1943, in order that actual income may be checked against estimates submitted to the Treasury in September and December.

In addition, the taxpayer must file an estimate of 1944 income, and, in addition, figure out the amount owed the Government under the one-fourth payment on the year skipped, which will be 1943, or 1942, whichever income is lower.

Taxpayers must also report the amount of taxes which have been withheld and already paid by their employers.

U-BOATS FAILED IN 1943 RECORD SHOWS NAZI DEFEAT

With the beginning of the New Year, we come to our annual speculation as to the operation of German U-boats in the Atlantic Ocean. The shipping situation has improved so much within the past twelve months that it is doubtful if many Americans appreciate the full extent of the defeat inflicted upon the Nazis.

Only a year ago there was something like consternation in this country over reported depredations of U-boats. German construction was exceeding sinking of U-boats and there was talk about a great Spring offensive. Estimates as to the extent of losses suffered in 1942 approached fantastic figures.

Recently, a joint Anglo-American statement reported on cargo tonnage lost in 1943, putting it at only forty per cent of 1942. This is indefinite because no official report has been made as to the tonnage lost in 1942.

Not much information comes from the additional statement that the tonnage of new merchant vessels constructed in 1943 was more than twice as great. Figures of the Maritime Commission indicate that American shipyards constructed 1,896 ships of 19,238,626 deadweight tons in 1943, but "more than twice as great" can mean anything below 9,600,000 tons.

Some light on the extent of our losses comes from a German broadcast which claims that Nazi forces sank 754 Allied ships during 1943, including 607 merchant-ships totaling 3,784,500 tons.

Consequently, it appears that the Germans claim to have sunk less than 4,000,000 tons of merchant shipping in 1943. It is interesting to observe that German claims credit the U-boats with sinking 593 merchant vessels of the 607 claimed to have been sunk.

It is reasonable to conclude, on the basis of the German broadcast, that shipping losses in 1943 aggregated 3,784,500 tons, or less. In fact, it is extremely improbable that the Germans destroyed as many tons as claimed in the German broadcast.

It seems indisputable that the Allied shipping situation has improved very greatly and that American shipyards, alone, constructed in 1943 four times as much tonnage as the Germans were able to destroy.



SCHIZOPHRENIA

There is an ailment of the mind that makes people go for what scares them. Some shoot themselves rather than go to war, some jump from tall buildings because they're afraid they will fall. It is an unusual disease but I met a case of it recently by picking up a hitch-hiker. Sharing transportation has become patriotic duty. My passenger was talkative and led the conversation straight to political economy. It seemed to be his favorite topic.

Within five miles we had reached a disagreement. "You are a capitalist," he said, "Are you rich?" I admitted being in the low income brackets, paid less for my work than the average railroad brakeman. "Then you are a sucker," he said in a tone that indicated sympathy rather than contempt. "You have everything to lose and nothing to gain from capitalism."

A Fast Talker.

The young man grew eloquent as he warmed up. His clear word-pictures revived impressions that have been made popular by repetition of office seekers on occasions for generations. Plainly I recalled cartoons of personified Mr. Capital, a fat figure sitting on a big pile of money. I remembered also the oratorical bombardment of Wall Street from the brush arbors at rustic barbecue attractions.

My passenger's reasoning was a bit wobbly, but I learned something from him just the same. He convinced me that capitalism is not at all popular. In using the word he seemed to wave it about like a red flag in the hand of a foredoer. He made it mean arrogance, extortion and oppression.

By implication he made capitalism appear as a world order dominated by a few soulless corporations.

Seemed Sincere.

He and I agreed on only one point: A few wealthy people are not the source from whom all blessings flow. He's right; they are not. America has a prosperity of a most unusual sort and wealth is only a factor in it. As for rich people, some of them are merely hangers-on. Some are farmers and school teachers, some help and some don't.

Our unique prosperity depends on production. Our commercial progress depends on increasing production. "Capitalism," says Eric Johnston, "is the greatest force ever known for increasing production." That's what America must have to keep its leadership among nations, and production requires concentration of capital as well as concentration of workers.

The man who rode with me desires financial improvement and has a right to it, but he is fooling himself and perhaps a lot of other people. He has a notion that there is just so much wealth in the world and that people who own more than other people have robbed somebody. It is not a new doctrine but it is completely wrong.

Here's Capitalism.

If two thrifty workers save some money, from a partnership (Continued on page three)

Prescription Filled Over 15 Million Times

Recommended to do just two things: relieve constipation and gas on the stomach.

This successful prescription is now put under the name of ADLERIKA. Get a bottle of Adlerika next time you stop at your druggist's and see for yourself how quickly gas is relieved and gentle but thorough bowel action follows. Good for old and young. Get Adlerika from your druggist today.

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Count Your Blessings THEN Count Your Bonds

It's funny how we liberty-loving Americans take so many blessings for granted. Just think what a Pole or Norwegian would do if today he had a chance to lend his money to his Government, (if he had a Government) how he would sacrifice to redeem his lost liberty—to escape his present slavery and torture!

You know . . . many Americans, if they think about it at all, think freedom is exclusively American . . . sort of invented here like the airplane or tank and then parcelled out to other countries on a royalty basis. Freedom is not God-sent. Freedom is man-made.

The Four Freedoms, or the hundreds of freedoms which we enjoy and which we just take for granted, were born here in the blood of our ancestors, and they're going to exist here only so long as each succeeding generation is willing to pay the current installment of blood which may be required to preserve them. Millions of our finest young men are in the ranks now, ready, waiting, willing to give blood if necessary.

Millions more of us are being asked merely to lend our money to our Government through the purchase of War Bonds so that the war may be won more quickly; that more of our boys may return; that less of their blood may be let.

Count your blessings, count them one by one . . . THEN . . . count your bonds
BE SURE YOUR NAME IS ON THE WAR BOND ROLL CALL

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"WAKE UP, AMERICA!"

Should the Presidency Be Limited to Two Terms?

Moderated by FRED G. CLARK, General Chairman American Economic Foundation
As debated by

HON. JERRY VOORHIS
Congressman, 12th District California.

CONG. VOORHIS OPENS: Under our present monetary system we cannot support a 300 billion dollar debt, without increasing it. At 2 1/2% interest alone will cost taxpayers 7 1/2 billions annually! True, if the present 150 billion national income is maintained, we can support it. But, this hitherto unheard of production depends directly upon the war and huge deficit financing. War orders end with peace. Production will collapse unless war demand is replaced by equivalent orders for peacetime goods. Total money in circulation determines total consumer demand. But after every war the banking system, through self-interest, pursues a deflationary policy. Deflation means destruction of a part of our buying power. America's money supply at present depends upon banks creating demand deposits, lending them to private borrowers, or government, at interest. If banks don't lend, borrowers don't borrow, deflation and depression result. No one says we can support a 300 billion debt in a depression. To overcome depression, government must increase the volume of purchasing power in circulation. Under the present system, that means deficit financing, trading interest-bearing government bonds for new bank-created credits, still more interest-bearing national debt. This way we can support a 300 billion dollar debt by increasing it to 400 billion, ad infinitum. This is impossible psychologically, politically, economically!

MR. SAXON CHALLENGES: Congressman Voorhis forecast ignores past precedents. World War I raised our national income from 38 billions in 1914 to 75 billions in 1920. In the following decade, it rose to 85 billions. The depression years, 1930-40, saw it fall to 45 billions to rise again to 73 billions. This year we will have an income of 150 billions. The next decade, despite depression, can easily average 100 billions or more. A 300 billion debt can be borne as I have shown on an average income level of 100 billions. And we can reasonably

O. GLENN SAXON
President Pennsylvania Economy League; Professor of Economics, Yale University.

MR. SAXON OPENS: We can redeem a 300 billion dollar debt without repudiation, inflation, or white rabbits if we display the moral fibre, common sense, and political courage of our forefathers. Between 1909-13 and 1920 during World War I, national income rose from \$30.7 billions to \$73.5 billions, or 139.4%. In the subsequent post-war years, we held this gain. Average income, after price adjustments, rose 55% during 1919-38 over 1909-13. National income during World War II has risen from \$76 billions in 1940 to \$150 billions in 1943, or 97.3% before and 28.3 per cent after price adjustment. Over the next 50 years national income should average at least \$120 billions. By taking annually 25% of this average income for all government, (we took 22.6% in 1938 before the war) we'll have \$30 billions, say \$9 billions for state and local, as in the 1930's, and \$21 billions for Federal purposes. This allows \$8 billions for normal Federal functions, as in the 1930's, \$7.5 billions for interest, and \$5.5 billions for debt redemption, veterans' aid, and increased costs of the armed forces. Consequently,

expect to reach 150 billions in the coming decades of peace.
CONG. VOORHIS REPLIES: To carry and reduce 300 billion dollar war's end debt, our country must have means of maintaining high national income and preventing depression without further increasing the debt. But, under our present monetary system, increased national income and recovery from depression cited by Dr. Saxon have only been possible because national debt was multiplied. The answer to present debt cannot be more debt. Instead, Congress must provide for creating on the books of the Treasury, debt and interest free, such new national credit (purchasing power) as may from time to time be required to provide a full market, for all America can produce, and thus assure continuing high national income.

we can redeem the debt over the next century on this minimum income. If income increases, as it should, we can do it sooner.

CONG. VOORHIS CHALLENGES: But the rise in national income from 76 to 150 billion in 3 years time, of which Dr. Saxon speaks, has rested squarely upon the greatest deficit spending in history. If we attempt to maintain a post-war national income of 120 billion by the same methods, continuing deficits will exceed debt retirement, and we will constantly owe more and more. As pointed out in my book, "Out of Debt, Out of Danger," the only solution is to divorce our money from our debt. Only then will full employment, high national income, and reduction of debt, all three, become possible.

MR. SAXON REPLIES: Let's face facts. World War I also doubled national income; yet in the next 20 years, including the depression, income averaged practically the wartime peak. Over the next century, we'll top the 150 billion dollar mark. With a tax-take of only 23% for all government (the 1938 level), we can redeem the debt slowly, but honestly. We need no white rabbits. We need only to unshackle Agriculture, Labor and Industry from the dead hand of bureaucracy—return government to its proper functions of regulator and policeman rather than dictator of our competitive profit system and all economic life.

Our Weekly Quiz

1. How long have the Japanese had Rabaul?
2. How many miles of railroads are in the United States?
3. What is the F. E. P. C.?
4. How many persons are engaged in war work?
5. Did the flu kill ten, twenty or thirty million people throughout the world in 1918-19?
6. What are "ducks" to Army men?
7. Where is the Ledo Road?
8. Who is "Tokyo Rose"?
9. How much coal will the nation need in 1944?
10. How many pre-war fathers are below the age of 38? (See "Answers To Quiz" elsewhere in this paper.)

He's A Girl Scout.

What does that young boy of yours do?
He's a girl scout.
You mean a boy scout.
No, he's always out scouting for girls.

Will You Smile?

To Be Expected.

That sailor I was with last night sure was a fast worker. What do you expect of a fleet man?

Which Are You?

The pessimist fearfully asks, "Is there any milk in the pitcher?" The optimist confidently says, "Please pass the cream."

Slap.

He—I get most of my clever hunches when I'm asleep.
She—Your most serious ailment is insomnia.

Cheap.

Sandy met his fiancée at the station with a brass band. Didn't he find that pretty expensive?
Yes, but it's the cheapest kind of wedding ring there is.

On the Finnish Front.

1st Finnish Soldier: Just 40 degrees below this morning.
2nd One: Can't last. Just Indian summer.

Not A Museum Piece.

I'd give \$10 for a little tin whistle.
Are they so scarce, now?
No, but this one I'm thinking of belongs to the little boy down stairs.

A Date.

Say, Buddy, can you let me have a dime for a glass of milk?
I thought milk was only a nickel?
Yeah, but I have a date.

Always.

I suppose nothing is too good for that pretty little wife of yours.
No, no matter how good things are I bring her she always must have something better.

Hitler Is On His Way Out

The Roosevelt, Churchill, and Stalin Conference has written the doom for Hitler. Surely the end with Germany is in sight, undoubtedly some time this year. Tojo will follow in due time, of course.

Already war operations are being curtailed. In many places, both men and women are being laid off at work plants. Most of these have been trained strictly in war work. Can this training be utilized freely in converting to peace? No doubt, some will, but in the great majority of cases, their services will not be needed. Then, what?

It is a known fact that the great number of young men and women from last year's high school graduates left the school room and went into war plants or some type of training devoted almost wholly to training incident to the war.

Very few, if any, prepared themselves for business, so there will, no doubt, be a shortage of well-trained business personnel. When peace comes, business will then predominate. Every activity will be more or less predicated upon business.

The far-sighted young men and women will sense this condition NOW and prepare themselves to take their proper places in business. There will not be time to prepare themselves with a four-year college training, as desirable as that is, in order to start with the coming of peace.

In the Tyler Commercial College at Tyler, Texas, you can, in a comparatively short time and at a very small outlay of money, prepare yourselves to take your place in the many avenues of business which are in the making now.

Why not write to this school for their catalog and find out what opportunities there are and will be in business? Their catalog is free.

Most of your friends away?

If most of your friends are away now—in the service—doing war jobs—don't you feel left behind sometimes?

Why not get in the midst of this war? Join the WAC! You can see new places, make new friends, learn interesting things—while you are doing vital work to speed victory.

The Army needs your help urgently. This is your chance!
For full details apply at the nearest U. S. Army Recruiting Station (your local post office will give you the address). Or write: The Adjutant General, Room 4415, Munitions Building, Washington, D. C.

Certainly, Madam.

Bride: I would like to open an account at this bank, please.
Teller: We shall be very glad to accommodate you. What amount do you wish to deposit?
Bride (smiling): Oh, I mean a regular charge account, such as I have at the department stores.

Closely Watched.

Minister: I do wish I could think of some way to make the members of the congregation pay attention to me when I'm preaching.
Son: Why don't you put the clock right behind the pulpit?

Just the Thing.

He was showing a friend around his ultra-modern house. There are lots of points about it that I like, said the candid friend, and there are some that I do not understand. Why, for instance, the round hole in the front door?
Oh, that's for circular letters.

Internal Revenue Auditors Wanted

Seeking accountants and auditors to fill 500 internal revenue positions ranging from \$2433 to \$3163 a year, the civil service commission announced today that applicants with three years of training or experience in accounting or bookkeeping will qualify persons for the highest salary, and two years of same kind of experience will qualify persons for the lowest salary, according to L. S. Wilson, local civil service secretary at the post office, who emphasizes that no written tests are required.

Mr. Wilson reports that guards, \$1824 a year, are also needed. They will be assigned to departmental posts.
Information and application forms may be secured from Mr. Wilson at the post office. Applications should be filed immediately with the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Looking Ahead—

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and start a fly-swatter factory, they become capitalists immediately. If their business grows and they give employment to a third man, capitalism has borne fruit and benefitted society. The employee's family (if any), his grocer and his clothier share in the benefits. Compared as to usefulness with a locomotive works, the difference is the same. My hitch-hiker wanted to destroy capitalism because of its tendency toward monopoly, a tendency that can be controlled. He had an idea that sovereign government should own everything and all citizens be fellow-workers. That would have no tendency toward monopoly; that would be monopoly—monopoly that never could be controlled. My summary is that the fellow had schizophrenia. He was running toward what he feared.

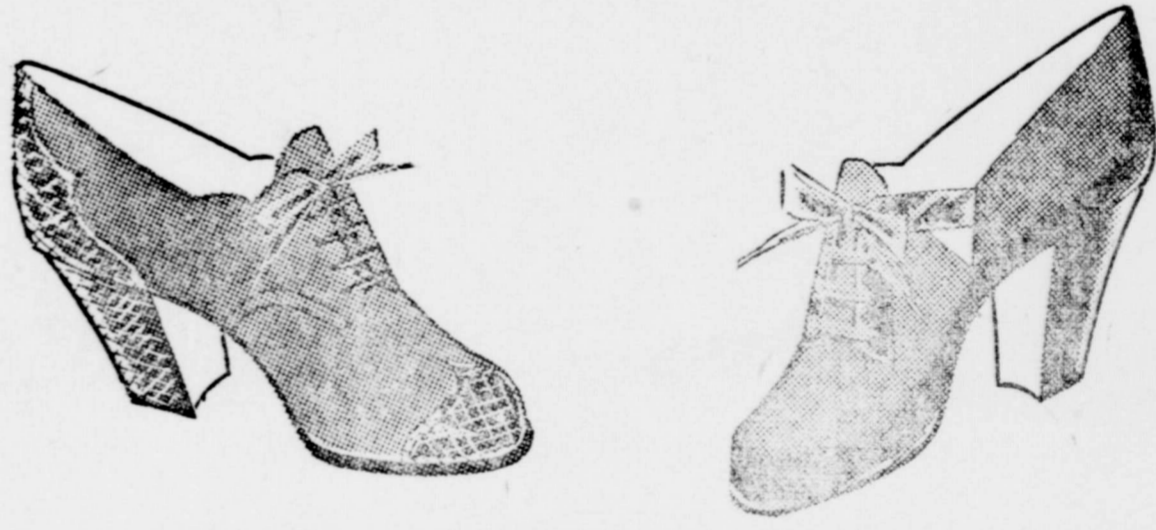
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These shoes are our regular stock and would sell in a regular way with shoe stamp, but due to the OPA release we are permitted to sell the above shoes without shoe stamp.



Here Are the Shoes and Here Are the Prices

All Ladies Shoes Priced from \$4.50 to \$5.00 will Go on Sale

All Ladies Shoes Priced from \$2.98 to \$3.95 will Go on Sale

\$2.95

\$1.98

There Will be no Approvals and Positively No Returns
This Sale Does Not Include Our Entire Stock of Shoes but the OPA Release Shoes.

Due to the fact that we want all of our friends and customers to have an equal opportunity to share in the above shoe sale these shoes will not go on sale until Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

FOR BEST SELECTION PLEASE SHOP EARLY

Here Are the Styles

Low heel oxfords in leather and suede, dress shoes in suede and some leathers. Here is your opportunity to buy that extra pair of shoes without shoe stamp. While you may not find the type shoe in every style that you want, you will find your size in some shoe.



IT'S IN THE AIR. You can feel it, every time the Axis is struck. This is the climax year, the year of decision. In history, 1944 will be the big year of the war—every stroke for victory counts more now. That's why it's vitally important for every American to beat his post, doing his part right now. You, personally, have an important job in winning the war—buying War Bonds. It's not glamorous—no, not even a sacrifice, really, because you are only lending your money, to be returned with interest. But it is essential to complete victory. Your part in this year of decision is at least one extra \$100 Bond, above your regular Bond buying. That is your minimum individual quota. But don't stop there. Remember wars are won only by all-out effort. So buy \$200, \$300, \$500 worth—buy more than you can afford. And buy your Bonds where you work—at the plant or at the office. Your country is counting on you—let's make the year of decision OUR year!



Let's All BACK THE ATTACK!

Spur Creamery

BRYANT-LINK CO. NEWS

Have you visited our old fashioned store. Yes, it's on a back alley and it's heated with an old fashioned coal burning heating stove. Yes you can really get warm by it; you sure are welcome but we don't want you to spit on the floor or cuss the government while you are here. We still think we have the best country in the world and that it will continue to stand when all criticism has been exhausted and the critics are dead. "This is my Father's world" and there's enough good people in it to keep God's Heaven peopled with souls that are in tune with the beautiful, pure and good of his world.

We have saddles, blankets and bridles—the good cowboy kind.

Quite a shipment of hardware now being marked up. Lanterns, axes, shovels, forks, scoops, etc., assorted bolts at 1/2 price. Water damaged nails and staples, new nails and staples. Pipe fittings that were in the fire but good for use at greatly reduced prices.

Bring in your John Deere Tractor now we have a stock of new parts and can put your tractor in good tune for real service. We know it pays to use only Deere made parts for John Deere Tractors and have them put in your tractor by mechanics schooled in Deere tractor schools, and who have to take a course every year.

And now we come to another Bond Drive. There can be no safer investment. They are better than money because they increase in value and we can keep them easier than cash for the temptation to cash them is largely overcome by the feeling that our government wants us to keep them for a rainy day which is sure to come.

Yes, there will be a big Red Cross drive soon, and then is when you can really give. That is a test of what a man thinks of his money. We once heard a preacher say that a man's religion that didn't reach his pocket book wouldn't reach heaven.

We appreciate our friends who come to see us in our Back-Alley Store. We are hoping to start rebuilding soon if materials can be had, and men to do the work. If we can't we will just wait until the war is won. "It's a Good Old World." We like it don't you?

BRYANT-LINK CO.
By GEO. S. LINK

CLASSIFIED

STRAYED: Three white face cows, about 8 or 9 years old. Left Jan. 2. Anyone knowing their whereabouts notify Buck Thompson, Girard, Texas. 12-2p

FOR SALE: One Singer Sewing machine and one Free Sewing machine. Moore's Repair and Upholstering Shop, one mile east of city light plant on highway. 1-c

FOR SALE or TRADE: 65-gallon Butane drum. See R. A. Gilcrease at Spur Trading Post. Phone 71. 1-c

FOUND: One stray horse. A sorrel flax tail saddle horse. See Leo Petty, Spur. 1-c

FOR SALE or TRADE: 1940 Chevrolet Coupe. See R. A. Gilcrease at Spur Trading Post. Phone 71. 1-c

FOR SALE or TRADE: One Chevrolet, 1931 model, one cold circulating heater, one thoroughbred mare. See Leo Petty, Spur, Texas. 1-c

USED LUMBER for sale. See Ferril Albin or call 186. 1-p

FOR SALE: Farm 160 acres near McAdoo, almost all in cultivation, no improvements. See O. L. Kelley. 1-c

WANTED: To buy or lease some grassland with maybe a few acres in cultivation. See L. D. Cravey, Box 22, Spur. 12-3c

FOR SALE: Four room house. Practically new and improved. See Herman Kee, Croton, Tex. 1p

WANTED: Farm hand. Give them crop or pay money for labor. See B. F. Middleton, 3 miles East of Afton. 12-4p

FOR SALE: Two FHA houses, small cash payment and assume loan for balance. Also small 3-room house near Ward school, price \$1,200. See O. L. Kelley. 1c

LOST: Child's brown and tan reversible overcoat. If found return to Mrs. W. M. Hilly or call 183. 1-c

WOULD like to have share crop. 200 acres or more. J. J. Dempsey, Gilpin, Texas. 1-p

FOR SALE: 1931 Model-A Ford, reconditioned motor, 5 good tires, new paint job. See it at Barclay's Garage. 1-p

FOR SALE: Brown Leghorn hens. See Mrs. Fannie Sullivan, West Hill Street. 1-c

LOST: Leather jacket, light tan horsehide with zipper, no lining. If found please notify R. L. Benson, phone 108-W. 12-2c

YANDELL Service Station in Jayton will buy your Butane Drums and Tanks. 10-4tp

FOR PIANO tuning at \$5.00, also reconditioning call J. E. Lowrance, 609 N. Willard St., just west of Spur Inn. All work guaranteed. Also will buy and sell used pianos. 8-1f-c

FOR SALE: Comparatively new Maytag Electric washing machine. See or write Mrs. Thomas Bingham, the former Mrs. John Wade, Box 642, Spur. 10-3p

WANTED: Hammer Mill. Give description and price. Ben M. Finney, McAdoo, Texas. 10-4p

POULTRY RAISERS
FOR BETTER health and more rapid growth feed your baby chicks QUICK-RID poultry tonic. It can't be beat as a disease resistor and conditioner, also good in the treatment of roup and colds for poultry of all ages, for more eggs and a healthier flock, feed QUICK-RID, sold and guaranteed by your local drug and feed dealer. 14-c

FARM FOR RENT to man who can take care of himself. See C. E. Hagins. 11-2c

FOR SALE: Ford Tractor. Home-made equipment. Write or see Leon Lawson, Afton, Tex. 11-2c

HOUSE for sale. See Dee Hairgrove. 11-2c

FOR SALE: Maytag washing machine. Good as new. Call No. 281, Spur. 11-4c

FOR SALE: Nice heifer with calf, gentle, good milker. O. B. Ratliff, Spur. 11-4c

FOR SALE: Good bathroom commode complete. O. B. Ratliff, Spur. 11-4c

WANTED: Reliable tractor driver. If proved satisfactory would be year around job. See Ferril Albin or call 186. 11-2

FOR SALE: \$100 Scholarship in Tyler Commercial College and \$60 Scholarship in Draughon's Business College, Lubbock, at substantial discounts. THE TEXAS SPUR.

Use the Want Ads!



It has been reported in a press release from the public relations office of the Fourth Ferrying Group in Memphis, Tenn., that Morris C. Harkey, son of D. J. Harkey of Dickens, has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal by his commanding officer for exemplary behavior, fidelity and efficiency during the past year of his military service. Recently promoted to the rank of Staff Sergeant, Harkey is the chief clerk of the 346th Air Base Squadron and is stationed with the Fourth Ferrying Group.

Pvt. Troy Boothe has returned to his station at San Diego, Calif., after spending a ten-day furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Boothe. He entered radio school there this week.

Pfc. Victor Arrington, who has been in Brook General hospital in San Antonio for the past four months, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Arrington while on a 30-day leave. Victor has been in Guadalcanal for 18 months prior to being sent back to the states. He was hospitalized due to an attack of malaria. He will report back to the hospital on Jan. 28.

Cpl. and Mrs. Dean McInroe of Moneys, La., have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. McInroe and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Arrington.

T/Sgt. and Mrs. Raymond J. Babek of Garden City, Kans., spent last week here visiting Mrs. Babek's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Pickens.

Johnny Peacock, Seaman 1-c, of San Francisco, Calif., arrived here Monday to visit his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Colbert, while on a 15-day leave. He planned to leave Spur the latter part of this week for Seattle, Wash., to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Peacock.

Mrs. S. J. McSpadden recently heard from her son, Bob McSpadden, Machinist Mate 2-c, stationed in the South Pacific area. He stated that the "way was rough" there, but that he was doing fine.

O. T. Reeter, Seaman 2-c, of San Diego, Calif., is in Spur on a nine-day leave to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Reeter. He will leave Thursday of this week for San Diego to enter Machinist Mate school there.

Sgt. and Mrs. Worth Green are visiting this week in Dickens with his mother, Mrs. Jeffie Green.

Cpl. Dan Hisey arrived here Monday on a 22-day furlough to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hisey. Dan has been stationed in Alaska.

Sgt. Bertrand Robertson, who is stationed at Camp Livingston, La., was a visitor in Spur Tuesday. He is on a 12-day furlough and is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Robertson, in McAdoo.

Word was received here this week that Pvt. Wilburn L. Wright son of Mrs. Jessie V. Wright, who is stationed at Paine Field, Everett, Wash., has completed one of the Arms Qualifications Courses of the United States Army, qualifying as a sharpshooter, firing a small bore rifle. Pvt. Wright joined the army on Nov. 12, 1942. He is a member of a guard unit at Paine Field. He is now entitled to wear the silver sharpshooters badge.

Wilburn Ball, Chief Petty Officer in the Merchant Marines, arrived in Spur Monday night from somewhere in England. He is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ball, and friends while on a ten-day leave. He will report to Florida at the extent of his leave. Ball has been in the service since June, 1943.

Cpl. Aubrey McGaughy, who is enroute to the Pacific coast from North Carolina, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McGaughy, this week. He will leave Thursday night of this week. He stated that he expects to be sent to foreign service soon after his arrival on the Pacific coast.

Pfc. Eldon L. Reedy of Camp Ellis, Ill., is visiting his father, Shorty Reedy, of the Swenson Ranch, while on a 15-day furlough.

Pvt. Alton L. D. Beadle has just received a promotion to the rank of Corporal, according to word received here by his mother last week. Congratulations Alton.

Lt. J. F. Stewart, who is stationed at West Overfield, Mass., was a visitor in Spur Saturday.

He is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Stewart, in the Red Mud community while on leave. Lt. Stewart is in the Air Corps.

Pfc. David O. Holt of Los Angeles, Calif., is in Spur on a 15-day furlough to visit with Mrs. Holt and Mrs. Jim Crump. He will report to a station in New Jersey at the end of his furlough.

Pvt. Troy Boothe returned to his station on Friday of last week after spending a six-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Boothe.

Word was received here this week that Lt. Everett Martin had been transferred from the Waco Army Flying School to Miami, Fla., Army Flying School.

Golden Gleams

Ere God forgive the guilt
Make man some restitution—
Browning.

A wish for friendship is formed
quickly, but not friendship—
Aristotle.

What care I for caste or creed?
It is the deed, it is the deed;
What for class or what for clan
It is the man, it is the man.
—Loveman.

The universe is but one great
city, full of beloved ones, divine
and human.—Epictetus.

Thou needest not ask the angels
where
His habitation be;
Keep thou thy spirit clean and fair,
And he shall dwell with thee.
—Cary.

No man resolved to make the
most of himself can spare the
time for personal contention.—
Lincoln.

Use Spur Want Ads for results!

Lunches To Save Mother Time!

We're right around the corner from the public school—and make a specialty of balanced, nutritious lunches that aren't expensive. Fresh meat, or fish; vegetable, raw salad, milk and cookies; a treat for the children; a time saver for you—

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We have now in stock cattle watering troughs from 10' to 24' in diameter. Black steel.

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Our Knifing Equipment for Ford Tractors are perfect. Knife and cultivate at once.

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JAYTON, TEXAS



How Much Do You Want Him Back?

What would you give to bring him home safe . . . that soldier boy in khaki, that sailor in his blue? Is it worth the price of that new hat you don't really need, the teacup for your collection? Is it important enough for you to spend an evening checking your budget carefully to find a way to buy more Bonds? Do the frills of your life at home mean as much to you as bullets for his gun, planes over his head, medicine for his wounds?

THE MORE BONDS YOU BUY,
THE SOONER HE'LL BE HOME

GODFREY & SMART



KEEP 'EM

FIT

AND

FIGHTING

A busted piece of farm machinery is just like a busted tank—it quits fighting. And, next summer, there won't be time to fuss with broken implements . . . and there'll be bigger farm goals than ever to meet.

There should be more new machinery available next year, but not enough to meet all the demand. You've got to keep those machines rolling because, like everybody else, you won't have any more help next year than last.

These days, time and manpower are the keys to meeting deadlines—in factories, on the rails, on the farm. When we avoid bottlenecks, we deliver the goods. When we can keep things moving steadily, orderly—we get the job done.

It's the same way with repairing farm implements and tools. If you check them over now, order

replacements for worn and broken parts, fix them up this winter—you won't start making hay with a busted mower some busy day next June. And you won't have to wait then for repairs.

If you haven't done it yet, go over your plows, drills, discs, and cultivators. Give your tractor and truck a thorough check-up. See what the silage cutter and corn picker need. Tag each machine, showing service and parts numbers needed. Then see your local dealer or serviceman and order only what you need.



FARMERS WILL GET THE JOB DONE

S. I. Powell Shop
Ramsey's Garage
J. M. Murry & Sons.

East Side Garage
Evans Work Shop
Smith's Highway Garage

NOTICE TO BUTANE USERS

We have just opened a Butane Gas Service in Spur and will appreciate the business of all Butane users. We are prepared to give the best of service to our customers and will add more trucks as our business increases. We would like to have all our friends in Spur call on us. Our first concern is the satisfaction of our customers and we know this cannot be accomplished without giving the best of service. We plan to give the very best service obtainable anywhere.

Hagins & Francis Butane Service

SPUR, TEXAS

ELMER D. HAGINS
Phone 276

W. B. FRANCIS
Phone 24

Society-Club News

Mrs. Arner Watson Hostess To Tri-Community H-D Club

The Tri-Community Home Demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. Arner Watson Jan. 13. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Joe Watson, president. "God Bless America" and "The Eyes of Texas" were sung.

Mrs. Arner Watson gave a report on the last council meeting and formulas for making cosmetics were passed out.

Mrs. Agnes M. Marrs announced that an officers' training school would be conducted Monday, Jan. 17 at the Red Cross sewing room.

Mrs. S. Clark resigned as secretary-treasurer and Mrs. E. W. Smith was elected in her place. Mrs. Lee Parker resigned as chairman of the finance committee. Mrs. Edward Carroll was appointed to succeed her.

The following officers were also elected: Mrs. Pete Gannon, chairman of exhibits and recreation, Mrs. Edward Carroll, chairman of marketing committee and home food supplies, and Mrs. E. W. Smith, clothing demonstrator.

After recreation, during which songs were sung, Mrs. Joe Watson showed the club a pair of lovely, useful house shoes she had crocheted and Mrs. Arner Watson showed an attractive evening gown she had made for her daughter. Then the meeting was turned over to Mrs. Marrs.

Mrs. Marrs showed a chart showing the value of meat. She also showed, with pictures, why meat should be cooked slowly to retain the food value, and how cheaper cuts of meat can be prepared to make them as wholesome and tasty as higher priced cuts. She canned two 3-pound cans of rolled roast by first steaming 90 minutes, then sealing and processing 75 minutes. The roast was boned, rolled and contributed to the club by Austin Bell.

Cheese sandwiches, olives, potato chips, coffee and cake were served to Mmes. Loyd Johnson, Edward Carroll, Pete Gannon, Lee Parker, S. Clark, Joe Watson, E. W. Smith, Andrew Blair, Ag-

nes Marrs, one visitor, Mrs. Leo Petty, and the hostess, Mrs. Watson.

The next meeting will be held Jan. 27, in the home of Mrs. Joe Watson. At this meeting the club will make cream deodorant, nail polish remover and foot powder. The time for this meeting will be 2:30 p. m.

Twentieth Century Study Club Meets Tuesday

The Twentieth Century Study club met in the home of Mrs. Page E. Gollihar Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, with the president, Mrs. George S. Link, presiding during a business meeting when plans were discussed to aid in the Fourth War Loan drive.

At the close of the business session a very unusual and interesting program was given on Modern Art by Mmes. L. D. and O. B. Ratliff. A refreshment plate of tuna fish and cheese, pimento salad, fudge Brownies and sand tarts with olives and hot Sanka were served to the following:

Mmes. J. A. Koon, B. F. Hale, T. H. Blackwell, O. B. Ratliff, L. D. Ratliff, Cliff Bird, Geo. S. Link, F. B. Crockett, E. L. Caraway, O. C. Arthur, Emma Lee, Page E. Gollihar, and one visitor, Mrs. Gollihar of McAdoo.

Mrs. Albin Hostess To 1931 Study Club

The 1931 Study Club met Tuesday with Mrs. Ferril Albin in the home of Mrs. H. O. Albin.

After a short business meeting an interesting program on Bible Study was given.

Mrs. Hobert Lewis spoke on "The Christian His Creed." Mrs. Harold Karr gave "Grand Songs, Grand Hymns."

Refreshments of hot cocoa, open face sandwiches and cake were served to Mmes. Bynum Britton, Winston Brummett, Jerry Ensey, Ray Karr, Hobert Lewis, Carl Proctor, Rob Simmons, Horace Wood, Harold Karr, Miss Dorothy Elliott and the hostess, Mrs. Albin.

Spur H-D Club Meets In Home of Mrs. W.T. Andrews Friday

The Spur Home Demonstration club met Jan. 14 at 3:00 p. m. in the home of Mrs. W. T. Andrews.

The club president, Mrs. Thurman Morrow, called the meeting to order and yearbooks were passed out. Work for the new year was discussed.

The program for the day was on "First Aid to Beauty." A demonstration for making theatrical cold cream was given by Mrs. O. C. Arthur. Mrs. Hobert Lewis made hand lotion.

These demonstrations proved we could make our cosmetics much cheaper than highly advertised brands and we know what they contain.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. Thurman Morrow, O. C. Arthur, Hobert Lewis, Agnes Marrs, Winston Brummett, Lester Ericson, J. A. Marsh, W. F. Jennings, J. E. Berry and the hostess, Mrs. Andrews.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, Jan. 28, at 3:00 p. m., in the home of Mrs. Hobert Lewis.

What Can Women Do To Help Win the War

You can't do more for your country in 1944 than to enlist in the Coast Guard Women's Reserve. Women are needed desperately to replace the hundreds of trained Coast Guardsmen who must give up their shore jobs, important though they are, to take on fighting assignments at sea. In fact, 3,000 more must be enlisted immediately as Spars to fulfill our military needs. But this quota will be met if you—and other responsible patriotic women like you, respond immediately to your country's call.

Make this your year's resolution: I'll do more in 1944 and join the Spars today. To be eligible for enlistment in the Spars you must be an American citizen, between the ages of 20 and 36, be in good physical condition, have at least two years in high school and no children under 18 years of age. If you fulfill these qualifications, do not wait, write to the Coast Guard recruiting office at Box 1142, Postoffice Building, Lubbock, Texas, today, and we will mail to you our free copy giving you facts and information about the Spars. As a Spar you will be trained in Palm Beach, Fla. After your training period is over you will be given an interesting shore job, where you will be eligible for advancement in rating and pay, up to as much as \$217.50 each month. It's an opportunity you can't afford to pass by.

Edna Futch Becomes Bride of Bernice Bilberry At Midway

Miss Edna Ruth Futch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Futch of Dickens, and Pfc. Bernice W. Bilberry, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bilberry of the Espuela community, were married Jan. 9 at 1:00 p. m. at the Midway Baptist church, with Rev. Prince, pastor, officiating.

After a short honeymoon in

Lubbock and other points on the South Plains the couple returned to visit relatives at Spur and Dickens. They are both graduates of Dickens high school. The bride has been employed in the courthouse at Dickens in the county agent's office.

The groom has been stationed at Fort Riley, Kans., graduating from the radio school there on Jan. 6. They are leaving Thursday of this week for Brownsville where Pfc. Bilberry will be stationed at Fort Brown.

Newlyweds Honored At Wedding Dinner

Pfc. and Mrs. Bernice W. Bilberry were honored with a wedding dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bilberry in the Espuela community Sunday, Jan. 16.

Those present for the occasion were Messrs. and Mmes. Venson Bilberry and children, Arthur Bilberry and children, Alvis Bilberry and Jackie, E. J. Bilberry, Miss Ava Nell Bilberry, Mrs. J. C. Bilberry of Dothan, Ala., and the bride and groom.

Women Urged to Sew At Red Cross Room

Mmes. Page Gollihar, R. C. Brown, C. E. McGee, B. F. Hale and J. R. Scott were those who braved the snowstorm to sew at the Red Cross room last Wednesday afternoon.

Plans are underway to fold surgical dressings for the local hospital for several meetings after the completion of the Red Cross sewings. You are invited to continue your visits to the Red Cross room.

Espuela Home Demo. Club Meets With Msr. S. L. Benefield

Mrs. S. L. Benefield was hostess to the Espuela Home Demonstration club in its first meeting of the new year.

The new president, Mrs. Harold Karr, outlined the work for the coming year and appointed demonstrators to serve.

Mrs. Agnes M. Marrs discussed the preparation and buying of different cuts of meat.

Mrs. Roy Johnson won the game prize and Mrs. Riley McMahon won the surprise package.

Spur Jr. High 4-H Club Meets Tuesday

The Spur Junior High 4-H club met in a regular meeting at 12:30 p. m., Jan. 18, with Mary Olive Marrs, president, in the chair.

After the business session Dorothy Boykin showed her manikin with the clothes she made for it. The club is planning to have a cake sale on Saturday, Jan. 22, in Spur for the purpose of raising funds for the club.

A campaign to collect all old fountain pens is also being sponsored. Discarded fountain pens are being repaired and sent to army chaplains who will distribute them to boys in all branches of the service. If you have worn out fountain pens please turn them in to members of the Spur Junior High 4-H club, so they can be sent in for repair for use by our boys in the service.

Junior 4-H Club Meets Here Tuesday

The Spur Junior 4-H Club met in the sixth grade room in a regular meeting Jan. 13, at 11:30 a. m., with Pinnie Lou Dupree, president, in the chair.

Plans were made for collecting discarded fountain pens. These pens will be repaired and given to army chaplains, who will, in turn, distribute them to men in the armed forces.

Mrs. Agnes M. Marrs, the county demonstration agent, made hand lotion and gave the formula to club members. 28 4-H girls were present.

CARD OF THANKS

We want to extend our appreciation and thanks to our many friends for their kindness, the beautiful floral offering and all the many other things they did during the long illness and death of our dear mother and grandmother.

Mrs. W. N. Blackwell and family, Mrs. John Day and family and Mrs. Della Merriman and family

CARD OF THANKS

May we express our appreciation to our many friends for their thoughtfulness and help in our misfortune of a few days ago.

We're sure we cannot repay each of you but we pray the Lord may smile on you.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Wilson and children.

Thought for the Day.

"... the atmosphere (of Oxford) is, fine weather, singularly clear."

Political Office Announcements

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce the following candidates for the offices indicated, subject to action of the Democratic primary Saturday, July 22:

For Sheriff—
D. F. (Fred) CHRISTOPHER (Re-election)

For County-District Clerk:
JOE McLAUGHLIN

For Commissioner Precinct 3:
J. C. (Coy) DOPSON

For County-District Clerk:
JOE McLAUGHLIN

HOME DEMO COUNCIL MEETS SATURDAY

The Dickens county Home Demonstration Council will meet in regular session on Saturday, Jan. 22, at 2:30 p. m. in the Red Cross Sewing Room in Spur. All members are urged to be present and visitors are cordially invited to attend.

Methodist Church

Howard H. Hollowell, Pastor.

10:00 a. m. Sunday school, H. M. Christian, superintendent.
11:00 a. m. Morning worship.
6:45 p. m. Youth fellowship.
7:45 p. m. Evening worship.
Come with us and we will do these good.

First Baptist Church

Herman Coe, Pastor.

10:00 a. m. Sunday school.
11:00 a. m. Morning Worship service.
6:45 p. m. Training Union.
7:30 p. m. Evening worship service.

GOOD POSITION SOONER

Through the streamlined college-grade Draughon Courses and Southside Placement Service, you can step into a good income—be prepared for patriotic service—three years sooner than in other comparable careers. Starting in a vital government or business office, you can earn \$3,000 to \$4,000 during the time thus saved, and be gaining experience that will be invaluable after Victory comes... 3,000 positions annually to select from. Mail Coupon NOW for Special Time- and Money-Saving Plan.

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LUBBOCK, TEXAS

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Elliott Jr., and sons, Bobby and Dickey, and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Elliott, Sr., of Baird visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Powell last week end.

Rev. and Mrs. Howard H. Hollowell returned to their home here Thursday night of last week from Lubbock. Mrs. Hollowell was in Lubbock for a physical checkup at a clinic there.

TO OUR CUSTOMERS

Mrs. Hoover and I take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your loyal patronage during the past seven years we have been owners and managers of the Helpy Selfy Laundry, and we are sure you will be as loyal to the Hale Bros. who has bought out our business.

May we again say Thank You.

MR. AND MRS. A. M. HOOVER

A Weak Battery Means Many a Walk!



Colder weather and harder starting are just around the corner. Come in and let us check your battery now and put it in shape for winter. Lengthen tire and car life—get our expert check-up.



BACK THE ATTACK. BUY WAR BONDS.

LOW COST... HIGH VALUE

Listen to Goodyear's "SALUTE TO YOUTH" Tuesday, (Station), (Time)

ALLEN AUTO SUPPLY
SPUR Phone 14 TEXAS

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR POLL TAX?

This is general election year and every American citizen should pay their poll tax before January 31, as there will no doubt be many important decisions to be made at the polls this year, both state and national, and you will want to participate in the county election.

COUNTY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE



KEEP 'EM ROLLING for VICTORY

CHECK ANTI-FREEZE
CHECK TIRES
CHECK BATTERY

Because you're using your car as little as possible, to make it last, it's more precious than ever now! You can continue to drive, from here to Victory, if you give your car the expert care it needs to stay on the road. Drive in for regular, periodic check-ups, and one of our trained mechanics will help you stop trouble before it starts!

Be sure you have the proper anti-freeze in your car. The coldest part of winter is ahead. We'll supply you at ceiling prices.

Prevent battery plates from corroding by letting us check the fluid level. We'll recharge your batteries to assure you of a sound, efficient-driving car.

Smith's "66" Service Station



Men are dying...are you buying?

If you're inclined to say, "I can't afford any more Bonds," just take another look at the casualty lists.

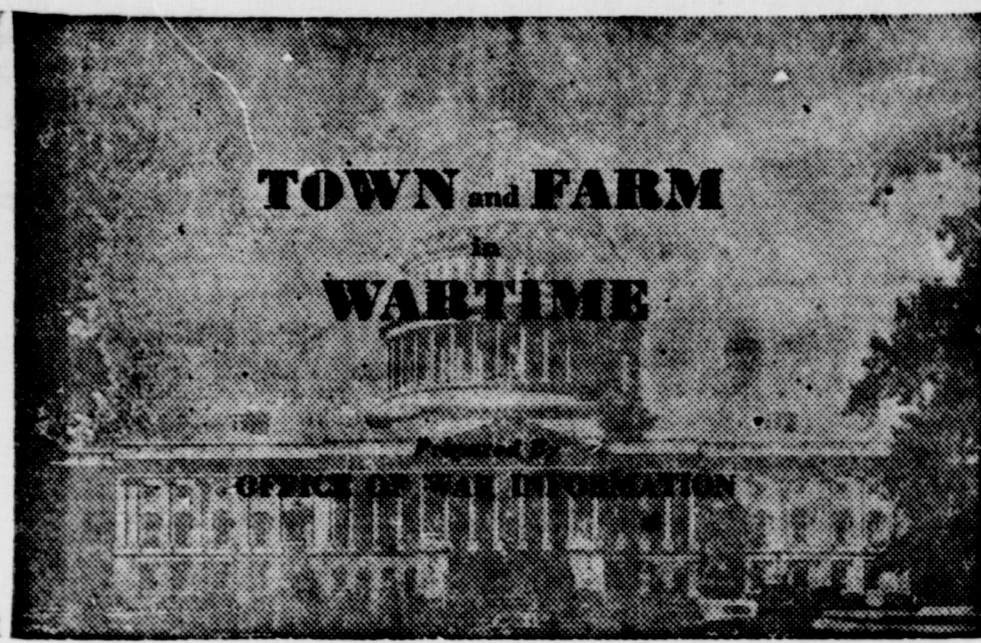
At least \$100 extra in Bonds—over and above your regular buying—is needed as your part in putting over the Fourth War Loan. At least \$100, \$200, \$300, or \$500 if you can possibly scrape it up.

Look at those grim lists in today's paper. Buy your Bonds while the names are still fresh in your mind.

Let's all **BACK THE ATTACK!** 

Spur Security Bank

 15,000 DOLLARS FOR EACH \$100 DEPOSIT



**TOWN and FARM
WARTIME**

RATION REMINDER

Gasoline—A-9 coupons are good through Jan. 21, and A-10 coupons become good Jan. 22 and remain good through March 21.

Sugar—Stamp No. 30 in book four is good for five pounds through March 31.

Shoes—Stamp No. 18 in book one is good for 1 pair. Stamp No. 1 on the airplane sheet in book three is good for 1 pair.

Meats, Fats—Brown stamps R, S, T, and U are good through Jan. 29. Brown stamp V becomes good Jan. 23 and remains good through Feb. 26.

Processed Foods—Green stamps D, E, and F in book four are good through Jan. 20. Green stamps G, H, and J in book four are good through Feb. 20.

SELECTIVE SERVICE CHANGES

Occupational deferments generally will be denied 18 to 22-year-old registrants, other than those in agriculture, fathers and non-fathers alike, unless they are engaged in activities in which deferment is specifically authorized, according to Selective Service. Furthermore, all registrants will be given pre-induction physical examination at least 21 days before being inducted. Therefore, the period of three

weeks in the enlisted reserve now granted by the army and the one-week period granted by the navy will be eliminated. These changes become effective Feb. 1.

SOCIAL SECURITY FOR FARMERS

Social insurance for farm operators, business and professional men, household workers, and employees of the governmental non-profit organizations was recommended by the Social Security Board in its eighth annual report. The board urged inclusion of these groups in an expanded social security program which would include insurance against costs of medical and hospital care without disturbing the present principle of free choice in selection of physicians or hospitals. The board recommended that a comprehensive social insurance system should be set up now while earnings are "at record levels" in order to have it in full operation for the post-war period.

TO STABILIZE RATION BUYING POWER

Under the new ration token plan effective Feb. 27, the housewife will be able to buy about the same amount of rationed processed foods and meats-fats as she can now. Point values will be adjusted so the individual's allot-

ment of 60 points for buying meat and fats will buy the same amount as the present allotment of approximately 64 points. Similarly, under the token plan the 50-point allotment for processed foods will buy an amount equal to the present 48-point allotment.

PRE-WAR BABY CARRIAGES BACK

Pre-war model baby carriages, strollers, walkers, and pushcarts will re-appear on the market in about six weeks, according to WPB. Greater availability of steel makes possible the production of these pre-war models.

ASKS FARMERS HELP IN WOODS

To mobilize farmers on farm woodlands and for work in forest industries, the War Production Board, War Food Administration, and War Manpower Commission have combined forces. Farmers and farm workers are asked to devote their spare time, particularly during the slack winter-spring period, to work in the woods and wood industries. Production of 14 million cords of domestic pulpwood will be necessary in 1944 to supply the needs of our armed forces overseas and meet essential home front requirements, according to WPB's paper division. Farmers have nearly 139 million acres of farm woods which annually produce about one-third of all forest products and 38 per cent of the country's pulpwood.

MORE FOOD FOR SCHOOL LUNCHES

America's school children have been assured by the Office of Price Administration more generous amounts of food for lunchroom and cafeteria meals under a new plan for providing rationed food to schools. The new allotments were worked out by OPA in close cooperation with school lunch and nutrition experts of the Food Distribution Administration. The Government's school lunch program, which went into effect one year ago, is a wartime measure to make sure that school children will have a well-planned and nutritionally appropriate noon meal.

ADVICE FOR SOLDIERS OVERSEAS

When writing to soldiers overseas, particularly those in the tropics, home folks may help contribute to their health, says the War Department, by reminding those overseas men of the necessity of following the advice of their medical officers.

TRACTOR PRODUCTION UP

Production of wheeled tractors in December was the largest for any month in two years—in excess of 20,000 as compared with 4,200 in December, 1942. However according to the WPB, the current rate of production must be maintained in order to meet the tractor quota of 209,000 for the 12 months that will end June 30. This will not be easy because many of the parts needed for tractor production are also used in landing craft, now in urgent demand by the armed services.

Making Headway.

Is your husband's studio prospering? the young bride was asked. Indeed it is, was the confident reply. He must be making lots of money, for he told me last night that they had to appoint a receiver to assist him.

REAL DISCOVERY FOR HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE

Dangerous High Blood Pressure (Essential Hypertension) is usually marked by distressing symptoms such as dizziness, throbbing headaches, sleeplessness and nervousness. If disregarded, this may lead to Heart Trouble, Stroke, Paralysis, Hardening of the Arteries or Kidney Trouble. Diamonex, discovery of a heart specialist, is designed to quickly aid in the relief of these distressing symptoms. A Chicago resident says: "I suffered from High Blood Pressure for several years with increasingly severe throbbing headaches, dizziness and shortness of breath. I showed the Diamonex formula to my doctor and, on his advice, tried the treatment for two weeks under identical conditions as previous treatments. Within only three days my bad headaches and dizzy spells were gone. My high blood pressure was reduced and I sleep fine." Diamonex goes directly to work in three different ways to aid in the relief of these dangerous symptoms. Results are speedy—within as short a time as two weeks sufferers often find that Diamonex has accomplished 75% of the total reduction possible with this formula. If you suffer from High Blood Pressure you may try DIAMONEX without risking a penny. To introduce this wonderful treatment to a million new sufferers this liberal trial offer is made for a limited time only. Send only \$1.50 to the Diamonex Company, 318-A North Michigan Ave., Chicago, Illinois for a full TWO weeks supply of genuine DIAMONEX, prepaid. Use Diamonex according to the simple directions for only two weeks. If, at the end of that test period you are not delighted with results your money will be refunded immediately on request. There are no strings or conditions—you owe it to yourself to make this wonderful test at once. Write today as this offer is fully guaranteed.

**Health and Beauty
By DR. SOPHIA BRUNSON
BACKACHE**

When persons come into this office with a persistent backache, they usually imagine that they have kidney trouble. They have seen numerous advertisements of pictures showing men standing with their hands on their backs and agonized expressions on their faces. The printed matter accompanying the cuts always advised a sure cure for kidney disease, which was supposed to be the cause of the pain.

This is all bosh. As a rule kidney troubles are not ushered in by pains in the back, though backache may be an accompaniment of kidney stones.

The back is a very important and complicated structure. A number of bones are superimposed one above the other and held together by ligaments, padded with cartilaginous disks between each vertebrae, thus forming the spinal column.

Sometimes the most intractable back aches are caused by a disk slipping out of place. It often requires skillful surgery and long treatment to relieve the condition. Many cases of back pain are due to injuries. Sometimes parts of the bones are chipped off or fractured.

Arthritis is a frequent cause of backache. If there are deformities of the bones or deposits about them, the X-ray will often reveal the trouble.

Bad posture is also a cause of pain in the back, for it puts a strain on the muscles and nerves. There are strong massive muscles which move the spinal column about. The nerves come out from the spinal cord through the openings in the vertebrae. They run to all the organs and structures of the body which they supply. Thus you see that if the back aches, the whole body is sick and most uncomfortable.

A diseased tooth or infection in any part of the body may produce backache. The cause should always be sought before the remedy is applied. Not all cases should be treated alike. If it is due to an injury, pounding and manipulation will only make the matter worse. Strapping and immobilizing will help a back that is strained and sore from an injury.

Penetrating lights, rest, dia-

Answers To Quiz

1. Since Jan. 1942.
2. 236,842.
3. Fair Employment Practices Committee.
4. An estimated 20,000,000.
5. Twenty million.
6. Amphibious trucks.
7. India, running from Assam into Burma.
8. A Japanese propagandist who broadcasts, in cultured English, to American fighting men in the Pacific.
9. About 690,000,000 tons.
10. About 5,000,000.

thermy, and Swedish massage will cure most of backache that the doctor sees in the routine day's work.

Prone Is Right.

"Pedestrians are prone to carelessness," says a magistrate. And after they have been careless they are certainly prone.—The Humorist, London.

Protest.

Of all the bores who now infest this badgered land of Britain I count the most prodigious pest, hard-baked, hard-boiled, hard-bitten,

The man who does his best to keep all hearts subdued and sinking

By writing off all brighter gleams as "merely wishful thinking."—Lucio, in the Manchester Guardian.

Either, Or—

A sailor's greatest trouble is a wife and money. A wife if he has one, money if he has none.—United States Coast Guard Magazine.

The Trouble.

The trouble in Latin-America is that business doesn't turn over as quickly as governments.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

"Electric Power Is America's No. 1 War Worker"

You Don't Need a RATION CARD To Use Your Electric Service

Electric power is the only essential of all war production that is available without restriction. Electricity is an essential ingredient of all war materials. It enters into the manufacture of tanks . . . planes . . . guns . . . ships . . . bombs . . . bullets. Power is a part of the arms the soldier carries, the uniform he wears, the food he eats. Since the war began the demand for electricity in war production has multiplied enormously, but despite that fact it is still available in unrestricted quantity not only for war plants and military establishments, but for civilian uses as well.

Municipal Utilities

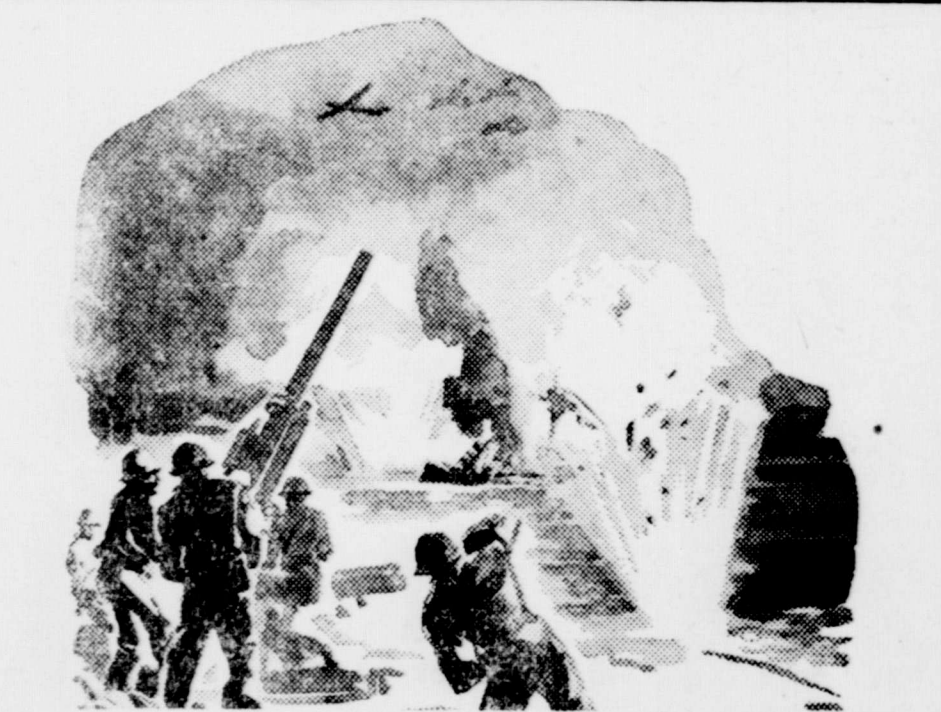
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THIS IS WAR --AND YOU CAN'T "SIT IT OUT" ARE YOU IN THE HOME FRONT FIGHT?

- If so, REMEMBER you have to do more than help the Red Cross, the U. S. O. and pay your taxes.
- Supplies for the fighters on the front are bought ONLY with money supplied by those in the rear.
- Never before has there been such a demand for used furniture.
- You can SELL anything usable to us for CASH to fill up the stamp book and turn it into a bond, and Uncle Sam wants to get those thousands of unfilled stamp books completed and traded for a WAR BOND.

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3. Do not sell until worn out—Don't sell what must be replaced.

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4th War Loan Drive

January 18 to February 15

DICKENS NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. Maude Goodwin of Afton was a visitor in Dickens Monday of this week.

District Judge Alton B. Chapman of Floydada was a business visitor here Monday.

County Judge E. H. Boedeker announced this week that he had compiled a complete history of the bonded indebtedness and warrant indebtedness of Dickens county. Boedeker stated that he had also compiled a financial history of the county, which shows the amount of taxes paid each year, bond interest paid each year and many other interesting items. He stated the figures on these histories would be made public in the near future.

The Dickens county commissioners' court has authorized the hiring of a government trapper for the county. If the predatory department of the federal government has a man available for the job he will be hired by Dickens county for the purpose of trapping predatory animals.

Officials of Dickens county have instituted a new bookkeeping system at the county court house in Dickens for keeping a check on the finances of the county, it was announced by E. H. Boedeker, county judge. Boedeker stated that the new system saves time and is more efficient than the old system, which has been in use for more than 40 years.

Rev. J. B. McCarley filled the pulpit at the Dickens Methodist church Sunday at both the morning and evening services.

County Superintendent O. L. Kelley was a business visitor in Lubbock Monday.

Pvt. Howard McDaniel, who is stationed at North Camp Hood, Texas, was a visitor in Dickens Monday. He is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. McDaniel, at the Four Six's ranch near Guthrie.

Supt. A. Z. Hays of the Dickens schools announced that mid-term examinations would be held at the school on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week.

The Dickens boys lost their first conference basketball game of the season to Jayton on Tuesday

night of last week by a score of 26 to 15. The girls' team of Dickens was victorious, however, winning over Jayton by a score of 18 to 6. On last Friday night the Dickens boys and girls won over McAdoo, the boys winning by a margin of 33 to 16, while the girls won by a score of 20 to 4. On Friday night of this week the local teams go to Lorenzo to play the teams of that school.

A. Z. Hays was a business visitor in Spur Friday of last week.

County Judge E. H. Boedeker has announced that there will be a special meeting of the Dickens county commissioners' court on Thursday of this week for the purpose of approving the county audit for 1943.

Sgt. Morris C. Harkey, who is stationed in Memphis, Tenn., sent a recording of his voice to his father, D. J. Harkey. It was received Monday of this week.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

TEACHING IN PARABLES

International Sunday School Lesson for January 23, 1944...

GOLDEN TEXT: "If any man hath ears to hear, let him hear."—Mark 4:23.

(Lesson Text: Mark 4:1-9; 26-34.)

As the hostility of the synagogue leaders became more pronounced against Jesus he changed his method of teaching. Until now he had spoken plainly and proclaimed great truths so that all might understand but, with the Pharisees seeking to entrap him, Jesus began to speak in parables.

"Parables are scenes or short stories, taken from nature or from common life," says Hastings' Bible Dictionary, "which present in a picturesque and vivid way some thought or principle which is capable of being transformed to the high spiritual life of man." The parable teaches by comparison. The object of nature or human happening is placed beside truth so that it illustrates and Jesus explains the latter.

Jesus adopted the parabolic method because the truths would be apparent to those fitted to receive them yet furnished his enemies no positive basis upon which they could seek to embroil him with the ecclesiastical authorities of the temple. His parables were easily understood by simple followers, were so attractive as to be readily remembered and embraced such fundamental truths as to be profitable for serious contemplation upon them.

Mark's gospel gives us here seven parables, as used by Jesus, the first of which was that which we know as the Parable of the Sower. Others were those of the wheat and tears, the mustard seed, the leaves, the hidden treasure, the pearl of great price, and the draw-net. The Oriental mind from China and India to Palestine was accustomed to this method of teaching.

To the large crowd which gathered around the Sea of Galilee Jesus gave these parables, seated in a boat near the shore to avoid the crush of the multitude which had followed him and waited his word. Our lesson this week considers what is generally accepted to have been the first parable used by Jesus, one which he explained himself in detail to his intimate followers and disciples.

From his seaside seat Jesus doubtless looked over a field and this comparison came to his mind. The sower of grain depended largely upon the nature of the soil upon which his seed fell for the harvest which would follow. So, as seed was generally scattered by the sower, Jesus said, it fell on four kinds of soil, on the foot-trodden path, shallow ground underlain with rock, in the midst of thorns, and on good tillable soil. In his explanation of the parable he likened each kind of soil to a kind of hearer of the word of truth spoken by him.

Seed left by the wayside had no chance to germinate because the birds found it easily and ate it. So, in life, many hearts have become hardened and if the word reaches them it is quickly destroyed and taken away by evil.

Some seed fell on shallow, rocky ground, where it immediately took root and sprang up, but lacking depth the plant died just as soon as the hot sun parched it. This represents those in life who receive truth gladly, with much outward emotion, probably change their life for a time, but when trouble or sorrow comes the little root of faith is too slender to maintain the plant.

Some seed falls among thorns, germinates and grows but the harder growth soon chokes out the grain-bearing plant. This class represents many who receive truth, give it consideration and acceptance, but allow worldly interests to choke out any genuine religion. Notice that Jesus mentioned three weeds in human life namely, deceitfulness of rich-

es, cares of the world, and lust of other things.

Happily for the sower, some seed falls on the ground, takes root, grows into maturity and yields a rich harvest. So with the life of those who hear the word, accept it fully and completely, pattern their lives according to its truth and become a benediction and a blessing to those who come in contact with them.

Jesus completed his parable by saying, "Who hath ears to hear, let him hear." Almost every person can locate himself or herself in one or the other of the classes of hearers represented in the parable.

Jesus was anxious that his followers be not misled to the nature of his kingdom. Many people wonder what was meant by the term, "kingdom of God," and it would probably be better grasped by realizing that it means the same as the "reign of God," a time when mankind will be governed by the eternal principles of love, righteousness, and other attributes of the divine spirit. Lest his disciples misunderstood how this kingdom was to develop Jesus gave many parables seeking to explain its nature, and our lesson includes two of them.

The Parable of the Seed Growing Secretly is the only one which Mark gives which is not found in any other gospel. Man has made much marvelous progress towards solving the processes of nature and science but he has not yet found the secret of life. This is still locked in

the divine mind. Jesus said that his kingdom was as a man who planted seed in the ground and then went about his ordinary affairs. The marvelous process of life caused the seed to sprout, to grow and finally bear fruit. So, those who are interested in the advancement of his kingdom can do their best and trust in the certain response which will come, developing and magnifying the growth of the kingdom.

The Parable of the Mustard Seed was to fortify the faith and hope of his followers so that they would realize the possibility of great things from small beginnings. The smallest seed known to his hearers was that of the mustard herb, yet Jesus pointed out that it grew large enough that birds lodged on its branches. So, as the kingdom of God developed from its small humble beginnings in Palestine, so will any good work grow and multiply. Thus the sincere believer may apply himself to any worthy cause in the certain assurance that it will prosper and bless mankind.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

The following marriage licenses were issued last week by the office of the county clerk of Dickens county:

Clovis Ray Miller and Miss Maurine Peek.

O. F. Scott and Mrs. Ethel Shirley.

USE SPUR WANT ADS

THE LOW DOWN FROM HICKORY GROVE

I just busted into a hospital. For two weeks I have had the radio at my elbow, and brothers



and sisters, I am now an authority on programs. It never before entered my head that there could be such a tremendous amount of nothing on the air—24 hours continuous. But I did hear one thing that sorta intrigued me. It was the news that the big Medicine Men there on the Potomac have decided that a new label is needed to take the place of the old one on their old bottle of "snake oil and pain killer." I mean the New Deal Brand. They are thinking of naming the new elixir "Win the War." Sounds kinda foxy, but if sales drop off, you will scratch around for something that will help the business. They don't say that what is in the bottle is going to be changed, so I guess it will be the same old stuff—taste and smell the same. The label will have to be mighty pretty.

Yours with the low down, JO SERRA.

Buy War Bonds and Stamps.

Local Pastor Attends Meeting In Amarillo

Some phases of the 1944 AAA program are being held up due to the fact that the 1944 plan sheets have not yet been received by the county committee, it was announced by Hubert Karr, secretary of the county ACA.

The committee hopes to have them by not later than Feb. 15. When these arrive, Karr said, these plan sheets will be mailed

out to farmers of the county. The committee would appreciate the farmers filling these out and mailing them back to the office in Dickens as soon as received.

Karr also stated that the committee plans to have community meetings to aid the farmers in filling out these plan sheets.

Maybe Mussolini has discovered the err in Mediterranean.—Dallas News.

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Personal Mention

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Bird of Spur, on the birth of a 7 pound 7 ounce son at 5:40 o'clock on Wednesday morning of last week in Lubbock General hospital. The father is employed at the Farmers Co-Operative gin in Spur.

Robert Ward, who has been attending Texas Tech in Lubbock, has returned to his home in Spur and has been employed at the Palace Theatre.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bennett left Monday for Marlin where they expect to be for the next six weeks visiting relatives and for physical checkups.

Mrs. V. C. Smart left Thursday of last week for Hamlin to visit her sister, Mrs. Henry Jackson for a few days.

Pete Darlin announces that he is planning to leave Spur, going to San Diego, Calif., where he will be employed.

Mrs. Ann McClure returned to her home here Sunday from Corpus Christi, where she has spent several weeks with her sister, Mrs. McLean.

Mrs. Mildred Middleton and Mrs. Pat Robinson were guests of Mrs. Loyd Carter and Mrs. Ellie Clynnes in Lubbock Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kyle of Bovina spent the week end in Spur visiting with friends.

W. W. Bingham returned to his home in New Orleans, La., Saturday after a two days' visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Bingham here.

Mrs. T. A. Bingham was a business visitor in Lubbock Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. Herman Coe were visiting in Tahoka on business Tuesday.

Mrs. J. C. Bilberry of Dothan, Ala., arrived Saturday for an extended visit with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bilberry of Espuela. Her husband, a private in the army, is believed to have been assigned to foreign service. Mrs. Bilberry calls Washington, D. C., her home.

Mrs. Lydia Ragsdale of Haskell is here this week with her father, Rev. J. V. Bilberry, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Bilberry and son, Billy, of Midland, are visiting in the home of Rev. J. V. Bilberry.

Friends of J. C. Keene will regret to learn that he is very ill at his home here.

Mrs. Sam Gamble, whose home is in Hico, is visiting in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Howard Hollowell, this week.

Jack Keene of Midland and Mrs. Truman Gabbert of Lubbock are in Spur this week at the bedside of their father, J. C. Keene.

W. R. Smith of Gilpin has been reported seriously ill in a Lubbock hospital, but is improving now. He has been in the hospital for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Golding are in Fort Worth and Dallas this week attending the winter market, buying new merchandise for the B. Schwarz and Son Store here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Campbell are in Dallas and Fort Worth this week where they are buying new merchandise for the furniture store here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Holly were in Dallas last week end on business.

J. W. Adams, Harry Bennett, D. W. Hughes and O. L. Kelley were in Lubbock Monday investigating the purchase of new school buses.

Mrs. E. L. Adams, who has been in the West Texas hospital in Lubbock for the past three weeks, is reported still quite ill.

W. K. Street of Dickens was a business visitor in Spur Tuesday.

STRIPES FOREVER



—Courtesy New York Dress Institute

It's never too early to get into that basic striped dress for office wear or shopping, spring or summer, practically. This style in gray and white from a New York designer sports a deep red carnation, and buttons in one-piece speed, with pearl. Long bloused sleeves, a concession to the season's slim silhouette, have the same hip-narrowing effect as widened shoulders. Lilly Dache's white felt hat and the white gloves may be alternated with red or green accessories to herald the first robin, or, for use right now, with navy or black. Newer and softer in line than the shirtwaister, this type of simple crepe in solid color, print or stripes is an all-purpose dress needed in every wardrobe.

A Letter From Home

DEAR JIM:
Guess I'm not much of a letter writer, but I figure your mother takes care of that end of things pretty well, and whatever she writes goes for me, too. She knows all the news—still manages to bring home the groceries and the gossip in the same market-basket.
Been keeping the old nose pretty much to the grindstone down at the plant. With war news the way it is, although we know we're not through by a long shot, we're beginning to think some about what business is going to be after the war. Trouble is you can't plan—don't know the answers to a lot of questions, like whether we get materials right away, what they'll let us make after the war, and so on. It's the same with business all over the country. This government's done some good things, too, but they sure like to keep you guessing. Your old man's hair's getting grey, boy.
Well, I guess all that isn't what you want to hear about. Speaking of the plant though, Sam Johnson was home on furlough. He looks good. Dropped in at the office and showed us some of this commando technique they learn. Pretty tough, those babies. Got to be, though.
I'd still get in if they'd take me. Sis has got the bug now. Your mother, she just sits tight and knits Red Cross socks, and don't say a word, but she don't let either one of us far out of her sight.
Kind of hope myself, as a matter of fact, that we can keep Sis tied to the old apron strings till the war's over. Got to have one kid around the house. Of course there's always the danger too that she'll get married. Spends a lot of time writing letters, I notice, and I'll bet you don't get 'em all. Your mother won't even discuss that angle. Just shuts her lips tight and says "Nonsense!" and goes right on talking about college next year. Well, that's O. K. with me.
It's about time to take Towser for a stroll and fix the furnace. Going to be a cold night.
So take care of yourself, son—and drop one for me, will you?
DAD.

Bargain Day.

"It has been a long and tiring journey," said an Englishman to a Scotsman, as the London-Aberdeen express neared its destination.

"Aye," agreed the Scotsman, "an' sae it ought to be for the money."

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kyle of Bovina spent the week end here visiting with friends.

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Mrs. Vela Turpin, county treasurer of Dickens county, was a visitor in Spur Tuesday.

Civil Air Patrol—

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ed out that no boy would be taken up without the written consent of the parents. The Texas wing has received nine of these planes and as soon as the group headquarters receive one it will be brought to Spur to take all cadets for a ride. All prospective members of the air WAC's will be taken up.

There is no obligation on the part of the boy who joins the CAPC. He can quit at any time he chooses. However, it was pointed out, the boy will get some good training that will be of great benefit to him when he is called into the service. Beside the instructions in aeronautics, he will receive instructions in close order drill, military courtesy and discipline, small arms and ammunition, organiza-

tion of th army, navy and air corps, infantry training and many other things which will be of help to him, no matter what branch of the armed forces he is in.

Lt. Tayman explained the organization of the CAP flight. Lt. Green also spoke. He conducted a question and answer session, following which the organization of the Spur flight got under way. Applications were taken for membership in the flight and also in the CAPC.

Acting Flight Leader Campbell has announced that the next meeting of the local flight will be held next Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock in the vocational agriculture building of the Spur high school. A large attendance is expected for this meeting.

Duck Creek—

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begun to develop a permanent agriculture. They have a long way to go before they succeed in making farming so sound and good and durable that their fam-

ilies can go on living here successfully and happily for many years to come. They have much to do but they know it. They have the idea and are working on it.

During the past year the farmers and ranchers in the Duck Creek Soil Conservation District did a lot of work to save the soil and store the water that is needed to make a good crop.

From Jan. 1, 1943 to Jan. 1, 1944, the following work was completed in the Duck Creek Soil

Conservation District: Terrace lines run, 693.7 miles; terrace grauder work, 533.5 miles; old terraces built up, 75.5 miles; contour cultivation on 22,887 acres; strip cropping on 25,131 acres, crop rotation on 25,032 acres; stubble mulch on 16,260 acres; controlled grazing on 68,999 acres; contour furrows and ridges on 125 acres; planting new permanent pasture and range, 53.5 acres; drainage ways—channels, 1601 rods; stock ponds, 25 with 49.4 acre feet; and new silos, 34.

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Flour Sunnyside Pancake Flour 20-Oz. Pkg. 7¢	Lima Beans Regular Cello Pack 4¢	Success Brand PECANS 14-Oz. Pkg. 37¢
Oats Morning Glory Quick or Regular 48-Oz. Pkg. 19¢	Pinto Beans Cello Pack 3 Lb. Pkg. 29¢	DUZ Soap Powder 2 1/2-Oz. Package 23¢
Crackers Honey Maid Graham 1-Lb. Pkg. 20¢	Dried Prunes Small Cello 1-Lb. Pkg. 14¢	
Lint Starch Reg. Pkg. 10¢	Brown Sugar Cello Pack 1-Lb. Pkg. 8¢	
Sunbrite Coffee Cleanser Reg. Can 5¢	Pop Corn Black Beauty 1-Lb. Pkg. 18¢	
Coffee Airway Fresh Roasted 1-Lb. Bag 20¢	Flour Kitchen Craft Enriched 25-Lb. Bag 1.19	
Coffee Edwards Fine Quality 1-Lb. Bag 25¢	Corn Meal Mammy Low 5-Lb. Bag 23¢	
Coffee Chase & Sanborn 1-Lb. Pkg. 31¢	Margarine Sunny Bank 1-Lb. Pkg. 17¢	
Coffee Folger's Fine Quality 1-Lb. Jar 33¢	Cherub Milk 2 Small Cans 9¢	

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13-Oz. Package 23¢

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No. 2 1/2 Can 17¢ Points 15

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Loin End Cuts Lb. 28¢
4 Points Per Pound

Plate Ribs Fine to Braise or Stew Lb. 18¢ Points Per Lb. 4

Sirloin Steak Grade A Beef Lb. 38¢ Points Per Lb. 8

Ground Beef Fresh Ground Lb. 24¢ Points Per Lb. 6

Smoked Picnics Wilson's Certified Lb. 29¢ Points Per Lb. 2

Cured Hams Round End Lb. 33¢ Points Per Lb. 5

Salt Pork No. 1 Clear Sides Lb. 20¢ Points Per Lb. 2

Pork Sausage Grade AA-2 in Cloth Bags Lb. 33¢ Points Per Lb. 4

Sliced Bacon Grade A Lb. 35¢ Points Per Lb. 4

Beef Shoulder ROAST Lb. 24¢
7 Points Per Pound

Smoked Slab BACON By the Piece Lb. 29¢
3 Points Per Pound