

## GRASS SEED

Grass seed is rapidly coming to the forefront as a new cash crop for farmers and ranchers of Central and Eastern Texas and Oklahoma. This crop actually has been there for many years, but it has been discovered only recently.

Improved range management and the need for more erosion control have brought out the importance of native grasses of the section and have resulted in a commercial demand for the seed.

There is, for example, the rescue grass common to central Texas. An excellent early spring feed and erosion control grass that reseeds very easily, it has been popular for many years, but practically all seed available on the market had to be imported from Australia. Experience of the Soil Conservation Service of the Department of Agriculture has shown that locally collected seed is as good as, if not better than, the imported seed; that it can easily be collected with various types of combine in the same manner as wheat and oats, and can be sold for seed at a reasonable profit. This is a cash crop that can be harvested in May and June.

Important native grasses that mature in the fall and early winter include the big and little blue stems, the grammas, Indian grass and buffalo grass. Each of these except the buffalo grass may be harvested with combines. Where extra purity is desired the material can be harvested by hand with grass knives at reasonable cost, and later threshed with the usual threshing equipment. Buffalo grass, one of the most desirable grasses for many locations can be collected in many Texas locations by dust pan and stable broom. This is because after the seed ripens it falls to the ground and is washed into small piles and ruffles by the rain. Considerable re-cleaning is, of course necessary, to give the seed so collected a good market value. However, for home use, no re-cleaning is required. Buffalo grass seed that has weathered for a month or so on the ground, always germinates most readily.

According to C. B. Webster, chief of the regional nursery division of the Soil Conservation Service office at Fort Worth, Region 4 of that Service, has collected, purchased or produced approximately 60,000 pounds of seed of these various grass species for use in the erosion control program of the Service since last July 1. Seed produced included selected strains of Rhodes grass and slender grama. The Rhodes grass is especially adapted to many southern Texas and Louisiana localities. Cold resistant and otherwise improved strains are being developed by the Service and the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station to permit the northward extension of use of this valuable species. Other important native grasses are being similarly improved, according to Webster. Before the eroded and overgrazed lands of the region are satisfactorily revegetated, Webster predicted that native grass seed will be an important source of farm and ranch income in many localities.

This is cleanup week. Every householder in Sterling City is expected to clean up his premises at his own expense. But if you are unable to haul the trash to the dump-ground, sack or box it and place it where it can be loaded on a truck and a way will be provided to haul it away.

## The Week Before Easter



(WNU Service)

## LABOR SHOULD BE PROTECTED, BUT-----

It is all right for the labor union leaders to contend for their rights under the constitution, because they have certain rights that must be respected, if the constitution is to exist, but no man or set of men have the right in any manner or form to delay or obstruct the common defense of the country.

The purpose of the constitution is plainly set forth in the preamble: "We, the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

This constitution gives no man or set of men the right to willfully obstruct, or delay any measure intended for the common defense of the country.

The labor unions of today are conspiring and conniving to obstruct the efficient output of war materials by strikes at a time when these things are most needed. These misguided people are being led by alien enemies of our country, Communists, Nazis and Fascists whose only mission is to betray this country into the hands of its enemies.

The Administration and the men of the Army and Navy are working in unison to prepare the country against aggression, while the unions are seeking to obstruct and delay this preparedness which is next to the heart of every true American.

Labor has had a hard struggle to build itself up in the esteem of the public, but its abuse of these rights and privileges which has been granted it, is cause for shame.

These organizations must be made to understand that they are no better than others. If they fail to heed the warnings to cease their troubling, they will be outlawed and made to realize what it means to become units of organized treason. —Uncle Bill

## WOMEN ON JURIES

I will vote for the amendment to the constitution allowing women to serve as jurors. I believe that a woman has as much right to serve as a juror in the courts as men, but I reserve the right to doubt if they would make as good jurors as men. A man has but few excuses why he should not serve on the jury, but a woman has a myriad of excuses why she shouldn't serve.

The thing will pass without doubt, and when it becomes the law, I am going to canoodle with Judge John F. Sutton and get myself appointed as a member of the Jury Commission. Then we will select a panel composed entirely of women—women of our own selection and then watch that Judge hear excuses that he never heard men make. I imagine he would use a dozen matches to keep his pipe going while hearing excuses. I'll bet he would get by with it, but it would be fun.

My better half is agin it, but I hope to keep her away from the polls when we vote on it.—Uncle Bill

Those who take advantage of the war situation to profiteer on food and clothing will be prosecuted.

## Tom C. Davis Dies Suddenly

News of the death of T. C. Davis at Fort Stockton was received here late yesterday evening. Details of his death is not yet available, but it was learned that he died suddenly, probably the result of a heart attack. Funeral arrangements have not been announced, but the body will be brought here this afternoon and it is probable that burial will be made tomorrow afternoon.

Thomas C. Davis spent the major portion of his life in this county. Several years ago, he and his sister, Miss Ada Davis, moved to the Fort Stockton country, where he engaged in the ranching business. He was about 55 years of age at the time of his death.

Beside the sister mentioned, deceased is survived by four other sisters, viz: Mesdames Jno. B. and J. H. Ayres, of Pampa, and Mesdames Henry Bade and J. H. Blackburn of Sterling City; one brother, J. L. Davis of Carter, Oklahoma.

## Attended Postmasters' Convention

Our postmaster, Mrs. Anna Lee Johnson attended the Postmaster's Convention at McAllen, Texas, last week. Anna Lee reports a splendid time in the great Rio Grande Valley where they raise good oranges and the best grapefruit in the world. She was thrilled when she was permitted to pick fruit from the trees. Did you know that up to date that over fourteen million boxes of grapefruit had been shipped from the Valley during the present season? Mrs. Johnson brought back a lot of grapefruit among which is one of the largest specimens ever seen here.

Mr. Johnson accompanied her on the trip.

The eleven fallen nations of Europe have paid the price of the dream of neutrality. Like sheep, when the wolf breaks into the fold, each of these nations stood by and watched the wolf cut the throats of the others. What a price to pay for a foolish dream!

## ZIEGFELD GIRL



Head of the Ziegfeld Girls Club on the West Coast, Irma Wilson is a glorified beauty in the M-G-M musical film, "Ziegfeld Girl."

## Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Foster Entertain Kentucky Relative

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Foster honored Miss Bettye Foster of Elkton Kentucky with a luncheon Sunday March 30. The occasion was for the Texas cousins to meet and know their Kentucky cousin. Present were, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Foster, Miles, Mr. and Mrs. Gid Ainsworth, Mrs. Eric Conger, Mr. and Mrs. Templeton Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Clas Coulson, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Foster and daughters Mary Lou and Carolyn, Mrs. Lester Foster and sons William and Bubba, Mrs. H. L. Hildebrand and daughter Elizabeth, Foster Sims Price and Miss Ethel Foster.

Miss Bettye Foster is the granddaughter of Tandy Foster, J. E. Foster the grandson of Frank Foster and W. L. Foster the son of Dr. Wm. L. Foster, these three brothers were the sons of John and Elizabeth Foster who came to Kentucky from South Carolina and settled in Todd County Ky. in 1817. Miss Bettye and her brother Joe still live on the farm and in the same house built by the great grandfather in 1817. Dr. Wm. L. Foster came to Texas in 1852, his brother Frank some years later. Dr. Foster never returned to his native state and not until Miss Ethel Foster toured Kentucky last October in search of family history did these families know of each others existence. Gid Ainsworth is a grandson of Dr. Wm. L. Foster by his first marriage. Plans are being made for W. L. Foster to visit the Kentucky home of his ancestors in June.

**ODESSA METEOR:**—The Odessa meteor crater is located ten miles southwest of Odessa, Ector County, Texas. It is a depression about 500 feet across made by a meteor striking the earth. Under a project carried on by the Works Progress Administration and sponsored jointly by the University of Texas and Ector county, this crater is being made into an educational exhibit. It is being cleaned out and made available to the public. The excavations around the rim have been practically completed, and the crater is now open for public inspection.

## QUESTIONS

Q. I have read that "the world's only operating helium plant is run by the Bureau of Mines at Amarillo, Texas." Is the statement correct, and can you give me a little data on the subject?—W. P. M.

A. The statement is correct. For full information, write the Bureau of Mines, Washington, D. C.

Q. Who was the only president of the United States who never voted?—C. E. G.

A. Zachary Taylor.

Q. Is it true that Texas now has the largest State capitol building in the world and that the state has had eight capitals?—S. P. S.

A. The Louisiana state capitol at Baton Rouge is the largest; the capitol building of Texas is second largest. Texas has had but two capitals—Houston and Austin—but she has had ten or more "seats of government" where officials of the Republic transacted business.

**ODDITIES:**—May is the only month of the year in which a president of the United States has not died. May and June are the only two months in which no president of the United States has been born.

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**FOLLOWING THE CALF'S TRAIL**

I once read the story of the calf which broke out of the pen and went rambling over the country which was covered with snow. The calf's owner on finding that it was missing, took up its trail in the snow.

It wandered afar over the terrain as calves will do, but the man followed it and made a trail of his own. Along came a teamster and he followed the calf and man's trail in the snow. Others followed the crooked trail until it became a public highway.

The only reason for maintaining this crooked highway was that the calf broke out of the pen and made tracks in the snow to mark its course. The calf didn't know where it was going, but it knew it was on its way.

Too many of us are following the calf's tracks in the snow for no other reason than the calf entertained when he got out of the pen.

It has not been so long ago since the boys and girls of Texas were taught that the North Concho River had its source in New Mexico. Some old cowpuncher explained that the North Concho crossed the Pecos on a foot log.

Surveyors trudged over the ground with their transits found that the maps and text books of the schools of Texas showed the source of the North Concho to be 180 miles west of its actual source.

About 35 years ago this error was pointed out through this paper to the school authorities of Texas and urged to correct it, but the schools kept right on following the calf's tracks in the snow.

Finally, federal engineers heard of the error, came on the ground and made the correction. Recent U. S. maps show the true location of the source of the North Concho, but I suspect that in some schools the kiddies are still taught that the North Concho crosses the Pecos on a foot log.

In our public schools, boys and girls are still taught to calculate land areas in feet and yards to the exclusion of varas, the legal unit of land measure in Texas. When they graduate and go out into the world and become land owners, they find that they have spent years in learning things of which they have no use if they live in Texas.

As an illustration, a young man who, after graduating from high school and finishing in college, bought a ranch of several thousand acres of land. He employed a surveyor to establish the metes and bounds. He was anxious to calculate the acreage as it was surveyed.

He was well grounded in the principles of mathematics, but had never learned the units of Texas land measure, so he asked the surveyor how to do it.

Surveyor said: "This survey is 1906 varas long and 1905 vrs. wide. All you have to do is to multiply the length by the breadth in varas and divide the product by 5445.4 (the number of square varas in an acre) and the quotient will be the

**Each State Has Share In Benefits From 8 Years of Legal Beer Sales**



Since 1933 beer's economic benefits have mounted to over 13 billion dollars, which every state shares.

BEER, re-legalized by Congress as a spark to revive industry when business was at its lowest ebb, will have its eighth birthday on April 7, and every state in the Union will share as a direct beneficiary.

With the re-legalization of beer, brewers poured millions of dollars into orders for farm products, construction, equipment, transportation and labor.

A survey shows that every state in the Union has shared in supplying these products—raw and finished—and services. The Pacific Coast states furnish hops, barley and rice. The great Midwest supplies barley, corn, and industrial equipment used in brewing. Rocky Mountain states furnish some of the metals for cooperage, containers, equipment and machinery.

Southern and southwestern states furnish much of the oil for fuel and lubrication, white oak for wooden barrels and rice for brewing. Eastern and Great Lakes states supply most of the brewing machinery, equipment and motor trucks.

Northern and Southern states supply lumber and pulp wood for boxes, cartons and paper products, while many of the states furnish

the material for bottles and glasses, coal for heat and power, resins for pitch, and scores of other products used in the manufacture and distribution of beer and ale. The nation's network of railroad and motor transport carries material to the breweries and beer and ale to the consumer.

In addition, each state is participating in revenue from beer, both from the economic ramifications of wholesale and retail distribution and from the public revenues, much of which has been earmarked for the support of educational and welfare activities.

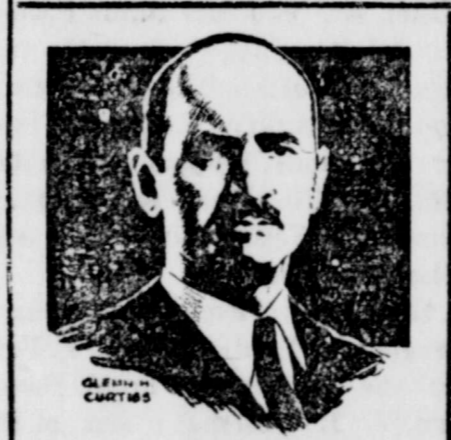
Beer's economic benefits have, in eight years, aggregated 13 billion dollars, of which \$2,800,000,000 has been devoted to the public revenues, and \$725,000,000 for farm products. In addition more than a billion dollars has been spent for machinery, approximately seven billion dollars for local business, more than a half-billion for transportation, fuel and power and hundreds of millions more for building, advertising and other purposes. All of this has resulted in direct and indirect employment for more than one million persons, with payrolls aggregating close to a billion dollars.

**YOUR ALMANAC — by Herbert**

CALCULATED FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 7...

SUNRISE	SUNSET
APRIL 7... 5:36	APRIL 7... 6:30
APRIL 8... 5:34	APRIL 8... 6:31
APRIL 9... 5:32	APRIL 9... 6:32
APRIL 10... 5:31	APRIL 10... 6:33
APRIL 11... 5:29	APRIL 11... 6:34
APRIL 12... 5:28	APRIL 12... 6:35
APRIL 13... 5:26	APRIL 13... 6:36

TIME GIVEN IS STANDARD BULOVA WATCH TIME...



IS YOUR NAME CURTISS? THE SURNAME CURTISS IS OF NORMAN-FRENCH ORIGIN. FROM CURTEIS--IT MEANS 'A COURTIER, ONE WHO IS POLISHED.'



THOSE BORN THIS WEEK ARE ENDOWED WITH A FIRM WILL, A SUPERIOR MIND; ARE QUICK, BRILLIANT, AND COURAGEOUS.



"BUT, ZEKE, THE PITCHER IN THE CATALOGUE HAD A PRETTY GAL SITTING IN IT!"



APR. 9... SURRENDER OF ROBERT E. LEE, APPOMATOX COURT HOUSE, VA. ---1865  
APR. 10... CONGRESS PASSED FIRST U.S. PATENT LAW--ESTABLISHING THE PATENT OFFICE.....1790

**HOUSEHOLD HINT**

WHEN BEATING EGG WHITES, BE SURE THE BEATER IS FREE OF OIL AND THE WHITES FREE OF ANY STRAY BITS OF EGG YOLK--BECAUSE FAT WILL KEEP EGG WHITES FROM BEING BEATEN TO THEIR ULTIMOST STIFFNESS.

"A LIE HAS SHORT LEGS--TRUTH WILL ALWAYS OVERTAKE IT!" HERBERT

number of acres. Or, if you wish, multiply the product by 177 and cut off the decimal and the remainder will be the number of acres."

"All this is Greek to me," said the young rancher. "I see now where I was shortpotted at school. They made me think that I was learning to calculate Texas land areas, but I would have to move to Arkansas to use what they taught me."

Now, this young rancher's teachers are not to blame. They were ignorant themselves of this matter and could not impart knowledge which they did not possess. They had studied only text books by authors who were ignorant themselves of this important matter.

No, the schools and the faculties

are not to blame. It is the careless system of selecting textbooks, and the ignorant and indifferent men and women who administer the school system.

This is not meant as a reflection on any teacher, School Board or any other public school official, but I challenge Supt. L. A. Wood, all his staff, every college professor as well as every teacher in Texas, including the student bodies to show as many as ten per cent of the whole who can go to the deed, surveyors records of his county, select a survey given in terms of varas and cast up the acreage without resorting to outside help, or by formula learned at the common school. Can you do it?

Now you go right on following the calf's tracks in the snow.—Uncle Bill

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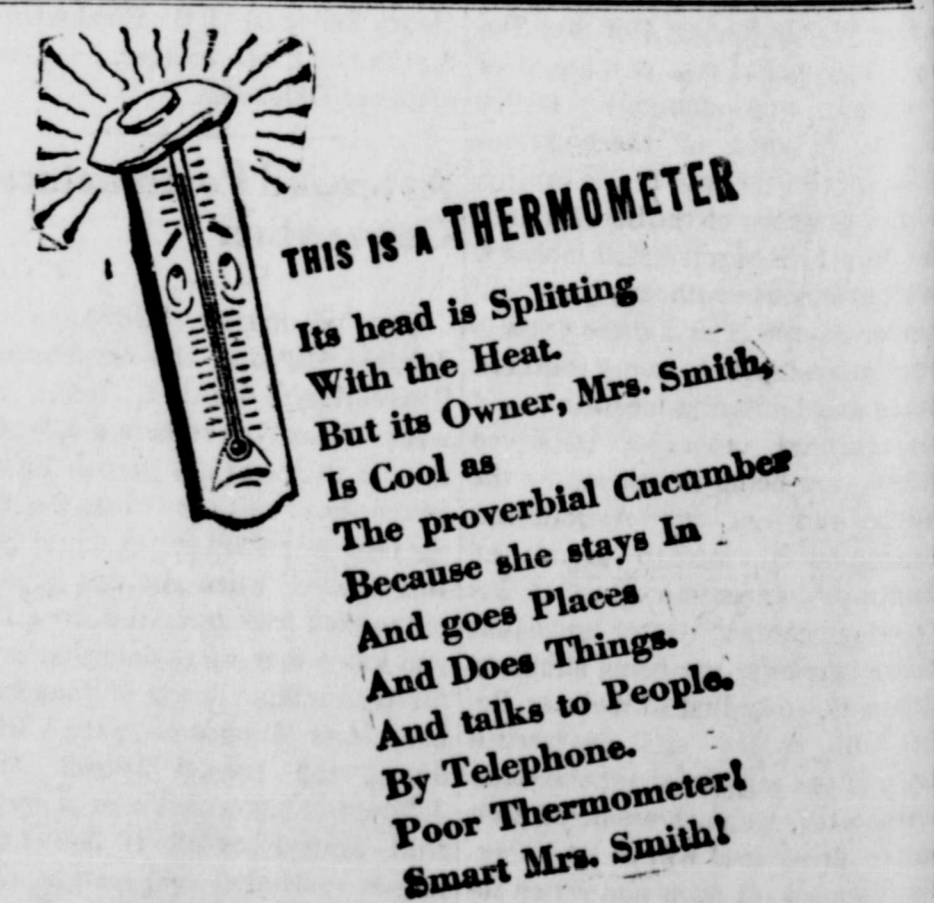
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Local Items

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For Sale—Good and clean  
see W. B Welch

B. B. Heatir of Sanatorium  
visiting friends last Mon-

Rutherford who has been ill  
last week is reported to be  
ing.

ing of all kinds at reasonable  
See or call Mrs. W. L. Emery  
173. Sterling City.

and Mrs. C. A. Bell, of San  
were pleasant and welcomed  
at the News Record office last

Butler who has been down  
his head under him is now able  
to get up to the store most every  
day. His gitalongs are still a little  
loose, yet, he is a long way from  
down and out.

Le Roy Pearce with the  
cavalry stationed at Fort Bliss  
visited his uncle, Homer  
and other relatives here last  
week. He was on his way to visit  
his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Le Roy  
at Talpa.

F. Thompson of Clifton, Ari-  
zona is visiting his mother, Mrs. J.  
Thompson and other relatives  
here. Mr. Thompson says range con-  
ditions in his part of Arizona are  
the best in many years. He says  
stock of all kinds are in fine  
condition.

Davis returned last Tuesday  
on a business trip to Waco. Mr.  
Davis says that owing to continued  
delay in the planting of crops in that  
area is later than usual. He says  
Gatesville to Waco, crystal  
springs of water are crossed on  
hand as in the days when the  
area was first settled.

fellow citizen, Prof. D. C.  
Smith, is all elated this morning.  
He is seventy five years old today,  
April 4, A. D. 1941. He says he has  
a long time set his heart on  
living this age, and now he is set  
in his desire at making it five or  
six years longer. From April 4, A. D.  
in Holmes County, Mississippi,  
April 4, A. D. 1941 in Sterling  
City, Texas is seventy five years.

**Church of Christ**  
R. D. Smith, minister  
is invited to attend the  
services at the Church of Christ.  
He will always be welcome and  
his presence will be appreciated.  
Bible class at 10:00 a. m.  
Teaching at 11:00 a. m.,  
Communion Services at 11:45  
Teaching at 7:30, p. m.  
Prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednes-  
day evening.  
Very cordial welcome.

**Baptist Church**  
Sunday

Teaching service  
Devotional in song  
Sermon

B. T. U. Training service  
Evening worship  
Monday  
P. m. W. M. U.  
Wednesday

Evening devotion  
Choir practice  
Very welcome you,  
Claude Stovall, pastor

Suit Yourself for  
Summer



Ann Sothern wears a three-piece  
suit in black and white. The skirt,  
in deep black bengaline is topped  
with a snow-white, high-necked  
blouse in silk jersey. Black and  
white stripes accent the tailored  
jacket that fits snugly and fastens  
with three buttons at the front. Miss  
Sothern selects rough straw in  
black for her bretton with its strip  
of grosgrain reaching across the  
brim.

March went out like a lamb and  
April came like a June bride, all  
smiles and sunshine. The range is  
green and lush with the old range  
cow looking like a stuffed toad while  
her owner is feeling like a million  
dollars.

None of us wants war with the  
Axis, but if it comes to a showdown  
and nothing will do Hitler and his  
gang but a fight, we will try to ac-  
commodate them to the best of our  
ability. We have nothing to trade  
for peace except honest and fair  
treatment.

**Methodist Church**

Lowell O. Ryan Pastor  
Church school 10 a. m.  
Morning worship, 11 o'clock  
Young People's Service 6:30 p. m.  
Evening worship, 7:00 o'clock

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Germany and Italy are kicking  
like trapped coyotes because Uncle  
Sam took over those ships which  
had been hiding behind his guns in  
U. S. harbors. As long as the officers  
and crews of these ships behaved  
themselves, they and their ships  
were safe, but when they began  
wrecking their ships, Uncle Sam laid  
a heavy hand on the wreckers and  
put them in jail and put the U. S. tars  
in charge of the ships. What will be  
done with those ships is another  
question, but Americans hope that  
they will be turned over to England  
for present use.

This is one of the years that the  
farmer should raise all of the food-  
stuff possible. Every family, where  
possible, should raise a vegetable  
garden so there will be no dearth of  
food in the land. The fact that we  
have a huge army to feed, and the  
further fact that we have under-  
taken to furnish Great Britain with  
food, it is well to bear in mind the  
importance of having plenty of food  
on hand.

Easter Sunday this year falls on  
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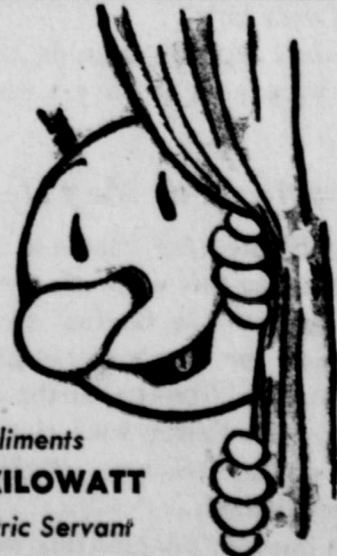
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## EAGLE OUTLOOK

By Kno Nothing, Jr

Monday morning all High School was called to study hall. Mr. Burnett called all the second string basket ball boys up front and gave them a gold basket ball. These boys helped the first string team and played nearly every time the first string did.

The boys who received these gold basket balls were: Jr Thiers, Dan Dearen, Fred Mitchell, Johnny Dawson, and Jack Mitchell. All these boys have a chance to make the team next year except Jr. Thiers who is a senior.

The big moment was at hand for C. J. Copeland, Richard Abernathy, Claude Broome, Lloyd Sharp, Ira Lee Langford, and Winston Churchill. These boys received letters on reversible jackets whose colors were purple and gold, the school colors.

This team played twenty four games and won seventeen of them.

## LEST WE FORGET

Stock shows are over; most of the boys are glad. (Some of the girls are too.) Miss Smith urges all boys, especially senior boys to get their book reports and back work in.

There are only seven more weeks until school will be out. So we all had better study hard if we don't want to stay in this same old grade.

The Seniors had Kid Day April 1. Of all the cute little girls and boys, the seniors put on a short assembly program. The first thing was a study hall scene of some of the kids who are getting into trouble. The teachers were Mr. Jones, Durwood Rhoden; Mr. Carter, Joe Mathis; Mr. Burnett, Jim Bob Clark.

There were hillbillies and quartets, one of boys and one of girls. The program ended with the seniors leading the entire group in "God Bless America"

The seniors were allowed to eat candy and chew gum all day. They all report a good time.

## THRILLS AFTER THREE

By Gadabout

Making main Friday night were: Louise, Durwood, Fred, and Dan, in our group, Garland, Big John, Fred Curry, Maudine, Mozelle King, and Winston in another. Jerry, Freda Mae, still another; Joe Allen and Charlene, a new twosome, and Arlene and Mary Lou, the usuals.

Dixie, Lloyd and Ira Lee attended the track meet Saturday and ? Saturday night.

Everyone enjoyed the Kid Day Program very much. The seniors looked very cute.

Football spring training has begun. We expect to have a winning team.

## Preparing For May Day

The Elementary School is beginning practice this week on the May Day Pageant "The Golden Whistle." There will be one hundred fifty in the cast. It will be under the direction of Miss Faires, with the assistance of the teachers of the Elementary School.

Iris Dorrett brought this week a pretty pot plant for the seventh grade room.

## WE WONDER

If Louise is interested in Joe Allen's cousin. Why she didn't go with him Sunday afternoon.

If Baby wants to marry a 'Rich' man.

If Joe Allen and Charlene don't have it bad. Friday and Saturday nights and Sunday afternoon seems to be enough proof.

Why the above persons go about in a daze. Could it be spring and love???

Why a senior girl was blushing so the other day in civics class.

Why Oink is so happy. P. S. Claude has returned to school.

Who Dunker's company was Sunday night.

Where the following persons were Sunday night: Peggy and Durwood, L. B. and Jamie Sue, and Winston and Nan E.

What out-of-town girl Clyde and Billy J. were so interested in Sun

If Mozelle K. likes "In a Little Dutch Garden."

Whom George has on his string. Who would like to be on it.

What girl expressed the wish to go with "Chicken."

Why Sue Mc. always stares when driving down the street. Maybe Billy C. can tell us.

Whom Maudine and Mozelle were riding to school with Mon. at noon.

## Senior Kid Day

The Seniors enjoyed Kid-day, April 1, very much. They put on their kid day program the very first thing. It consisted of some scenes from the High School Study hall and several musical numbers.

The Seniors dressed as kids and rode bicycles, ate candy, and chewed gum all day.

## Fourth Grade

We enjoyed the program the Seniors gave in assembly this morning.

This is April Fool's Day and our class has enjoyed the day very much.

Our class plans to give two Fire Prevention Programs this week.

## Juniors

The Junior class had their first night play practice on "Mr. Cook Takes Over" last Thursday night and from what was seen then it looks like it will be really good by April 25.

Among the students making the honor roll at John Tarleton Agricultural College for the first preliminary was Lucille Hodges of Sterling City.

## PRESCRIPTION FOR SUCCESS

As Thomas Edison's birthday rolls around again on February 11, we recall the analysis of the great inventor's genius by his friend, Henry Ford, who said, "All his life Mr. Edison had imagination. He knew all things were possible once we amassed the knowledge to build the power to overcome the impossible. But the thing about him that stands out in my mind above everything else was his capacity for the hard working and hard thinking necessary to turn his visions into realities."

For Sale—High grade used piano. Call at this office.

## A Recruit For Safety



Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., director of the Texas Department of Public Safety and an enthusiastic crusader for safety, is shown enrolling Elizabeth Durham in the Ford Good Drivers League, which was organized by Edsel Ford to promote safe driving by the nation's youth. Miss Durham, 16 years old, is an Austin High School senior and plans to study commercial art. She has been driving for a year. By enrolling in the league, she becomes eligible to compete for one of the 98 university scholarships—49 for girls and 49 for boys—offered by Mr. Ford to winners of safe driving tests to be held in each state, with national finals at Dearborn, Michigan, in August.

## NO TREES ARE CUT UNDER 12 INCHES



IRON MOUNTAIN, MICH.—When Henry Ford began lumbering in northern Michigan he made this "foot rule," thus leaving more space for younger trees to grow and provide the future supply. On the half-million acres of timber which he has been scientifically cutting he has practically eliminated waste. His theory in lumbering, as in his other activities, is that waste makes high prices and low wages; that reducing waste makes lower costs, lower prices and higher wages. So first of all his lumbermen cut close to the ground and clear

up the brush that makes forest fires.

In addition to saw mills and the body-building plant for station wagons, he has built a wood distillation plant that converts cuttings, edgings, slabs, sawdust, shavings and chips back into charcoal.

Also into such products as tar, pitch, creosote, methyl alcohol, calcium acetate and fuel gas—all of which are used in Ford industries.

The results of this elimination of waste in lumbering are high wages and neat, up-to-date homes for workers.

# RURAL TRENDS



## FOOD TURNS THE TIDE OF WAR

Some months ago this column ushered in the thought that food is the first line of defense in war. A nation with food is the most powerful factor in the present world conflict.

Despite the credit which will be given to arms and munitions, the trump card in the game of war will be the food resources of the United States, providing this country realizes this advantage and bends every effort to organize rural America to the task of feeding the world.

Lack of food is taking its toll on other lands. Nazi Germany, finding, to its consternation, that no nation or nationality can successfully rule whose stomachs are empty. There are an increasing number of news dispatches indicating the rumblings of discontent among the conquered, spurred to rebellion by hunger and starvation.

Mussolini learned in Africa that "an army marches on its stomach." He reviewed many well-fed soldiers in Rome and bragged about his army; but when he sent it to Africa, loaded down with guns and ammunition, he learned again the great lesson often repeated in history: no army is greater than its food supply. Much of the failure of the Italian effort in Africa was due to poor and inadequate food.

France has been forced to struggle for food. The heavy population shift from occupied to unoccupied France has intensified the food difficulties of that country. Both Britain and the United States should give the French situation a serious study, for the attitude of the people of unoccupied France is extremely important to future strategy.

The ability to keep Spain from joining the Axis has been predicted largely on the fact that Spain is poor and hungry. The knowledge that food and financial aid can be best secured from the United States has kept Spain in a neutral corner.

Germany is short of food despite taking a million pigs and a hundred thousand cattle from occupied France. The Swiss paper "Volksrecht" stated that 800,000 tons of wheat were removed from Germany. Still Germany is short of food. It should be remembered in this connection that the German people were on a sub-marginal diet when the war began. It was not a well fed people that took the fight against Britain. It was people that had already felt the ravages of food shortages. The fact is important because here lies the great weakness of the Hitler effort—a poorly fed nation trying to support an army which is finding it increasingly difficult to secure adequate diet.

Germany has looked to Italy for food, but the thin soil of Italy makes it difficult to produce enough food for its own requirements, let alone attempt to help Germany in the present dilemma.

Due to lack of foresight in providing adequate food production within its own borders, the British food situation is grim. So long that country has neglected to grow its own food. Some 200,000,000 bushels of wheat are needed. Only 12,000,000 acres were under cultivation at the outbreak of the war. About 5,000,000 more would be cultivated by 1942.

Already the lack of vitamin in fruits and vegetables is taking its toll. The diseases of food deficiency are creating great concern in England and though information is difficult to get, the same is probably true throughout Europe.

The more acute the food problem becomes in Europe, the greater becomes the strategic strength of the United States. The power of our nation will be a greater factor in the final outcome of the world conflict than land power, sea power or air power. Moreover, food is a power equally effective in war or peace. Therefore, food produced by the American farmer is the beacon that will guide the world through peace and reconstruction—the final triumph of democracy for the peoples throughout the world.

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## WOOL BAGS

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## He "Hung" Me

When I got up last Tuesday morning, (All Fools Day) I resolved that I would allow no one to "April Fool" me. No sir, no one would be smart enough to do that.

Just as I was teetering down the steps and looking for a soft place to fall, Sam, one of the young men with whom I reside and a constant pal, bawled out: "Granddaddy, cow's in the garden." Then I began looking around for a rock or a stout club, and at the same time remembering the trusty old shotgun and the long

bow with its wicked arrows resting in their places, I resolved that no man's cow could eat my garden sass and get by with it without punishment.

As I stooped to seize a piece of suckrood with which to belabor that cow, Sam bawled out: "April Fool, Granddaddy."

April fool, did you say. Anybody can "April Fool me."—Uncle Bill

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