

From The Editor's Window

By MRS. J. S. YEAGER

According to reports Texas may find Great Britain a ready purchaser of our cotton, petroleum, meat, citrus fruits and other products. There are said to be 47,000,000 people in Great Britain and prior to the war they had to import 65 per cent of their food-stuff.

The War Food Administration has announced that we have recently sold Russia eleven carloads of Texas creole onions and they were already enroute to the Pacific Coast for immediate shipment to Russia. They were purchased at a cost of \$20,000 which, when we come to think of it, is a very neat little sum of money.

Ceiling prices on Texas cantaloupes has been advanced to \$7.70 a crate. Consumers will have to pay about four cents a pound more at retail for a period beginning May 28 and ending June 5 according to the announcement. It is said the increase applies only to Texas cantaloupes since practically all cantaloupes marketed during this period come from Texas. Blight and weather conditions have been unfavorable to our cantaloupe crop in the Lone Star State this year.

It seems that in most peach producing areas there will be a bumper crop but since the OPA has set the ceiling price at \$7.20 per bushel for retail sales some of us will have to do without. This price will apply to peaches marketed up to July 17. After this date the country shipping point ceiling will decline to only \$4.00 per bushel.

Minister—"Do you promise to love, honor and obey this man whom you now take to be your lawfully wedded husband?"

Bride—"Do you think I am crazy?"

Groom (dizzily).—"I do."

The British barmaid was a flirt, and when the corporal went out to buy a paper she pursed her lips and leaned over the bar toward a shy young private.

Putting her face against his, she whispered: "Now's your chance, darling."

The private looked around the empty room.

"So it is," he remarked; and promptly drank the corporal's glass of beer and walked hastily out.

Harry—"Do you know the only time a fisherman tells the truth?"

Jerry—"Go on, I'm listening."

Harry—"When he tells another fisherman he's a liar!"

It is said the food situation in the little country of Holland is much improved since there has been a speed-up in distribution. The little country was flooded and the land ruined by the Germans when they invaded the country.

The residents were consequently reduced to starvation status. They are now industriously trying to bring their land back to where it will produce. The hardest thing that now confronts them is to obtain fuel for cooking the food that is now coming in to them from other nations—principally the United States.

It is said the price for two pounds of wood—about enough to cook one meal—is five guilders, or \$2.00 in United States money.

Adolph Hitler's only sister, Paula, in an interview with American occupation authorities was quoted as saying that it was too bad her brother had not tried to be an architect. He might have been good, bad or indifferent, but he could not have made as big a mess as he did in politics, she said.

A representative of the News was informed by Mrs. Paul Shanks Monday that their wheat crop west of Clyde was destroyed by hail Sunday afternoon, but said they had it pretty well covered by insurance. Mr. and Mrs. Shanks own and operate the Star Hatchery at Baird.

New Draft Deferment Regulations for Men Between 30-37 Years

Liberalized draft deferment regulations for registrants above 30 years of age have been dispatched to all local draft boards. The Selective Service System notified these agencies that revised requirements provide that to be eligible for occupational deferment a registrant 30 through 33, as well as registrants 34 through 37, need merely be regularly employed in an activity in support of the national health, safety and interest or useful to the community, or in an active war production or in an agricultural occupation endeavor essential to the war effort. It was previously required that registrants 30 through 33 be found "necessary to" as well as "regularly engaged in" in the occupations described in the order to be eligible for occupational deferment.

Newspaper employees list as revised March 3, 1943 and subsequently reaffirmed still stands as a classification to essential occupation. The list include several printing jobs and "managing editor," "news editor" and War correspondents on the editorial side of newspaper operations. Selective Service report on May 22, explained: The War Man-Power Commission's lists of essential activities is to be used as a guide, but local boards were instructed that they are not in anyway restricted or limited by the list.

The cases of all registrants 30 through 37 who are in Class I-A or in the conscientious objector class, are to be reviewed by the local boards and those registrants found to be qualified occupational deferment under the new more liberal policies will be reclassified even though an order to report for induction has been issued.

Workers' Conference Program

The following program is announced for the Baptist Workers' Conference meeting with First Baptist church, Cross Plains, Thursday, June 14:

Theme: "Preach the Word." 2 Timothy 4:2.

10:00 a. m.—Devotional, Rev. U. S. Lucky.

10:15 a. m.—"It Is Profitable and Powerful," Rev. J. D. Holt.

10:35 a. m.—"It Is Piercing and Persuasive," Rev. J. B. Leverette.

10:55 a. m.—"It Is Permanent and Prevailing," Rev. M. F. Richardson.

11:15 a. m.—"In Season and Out of Season," Rev. E. T. Powers.

11:35 a. m.—Announcements.

11:40 a. m.—Sermon, Dr. W. H. Horton, Mayfield, Ky.

12:15—Noon hour.

1:30 p. m.—Board meetings.

2:00 p. m.—District Missionary, J. Henry Littleton.

2:30 p. m.—Inspirational address, Rev. John T. Allen, Eastrop, Texas.

3:00 p. m.—Adjournment.

Cross Plains extends to all an invitation to attend this conference. Don't forget the date—Thursday, June 14, 1945.

Deep Tests Leading In Oil Operations

West Shackelford deep tests of Eltex, Ltd. on the Merrick Davis ranch have been making progress with No. 1 on section 30, block 12, T&PR, drilling in the Caddo lime at 4600 feet, having water and oil show. No. 1-B in section 16, block 12, T&P., is past 3500 feet, landing casing.

Hickok & Reynolds No. 1 Merrick Davis, is a new location for a 1600 foot Hope sand test near center west half section 21, block 12, T&P., between the two Eltex tests.

East Shackelford has one lone drilling operation, Mass-Tex Oil & Gas Co., Inc. No. 1, Eliza Brazell is drilling ahead at 1,000 feet in northwest of northeast quarter TE&L Co. survey No. 1554, destined for the Ellenberger lime, which showed in the DeLafosse discovery a half mile north for 300 barrels initial flow daily before it was junked by explosion eight years ago.

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2,000,000 TIRES TO BE RELEASED JUNE BUSINESS

June to have more passenger tires than any month since 1942. The OPA announced the past week, June ration quota would be 2,000,000 passenger tires, up 25 per cent for May.

The increase of 500,000 will help a great deal, but falls considerably short of meeting the needs of all motorists eligible for new tires. But 2,000,000 tires will come nearer filling all needs than 1,500,000 will. OPA officials have estimated that a 2,000,000 allocation will have to be maintained for several consecutive months before any new tires will be available for A card tires.

Callahan County \$20,000 Over Quota In 7th Loan Drive

Callahan county had a quota of \$295,000 in the 7th War Loan drive. B. H. Freeland, former county judge of Callahan county and county bond chairman, reported the sales of the county up to Saturday night had been \$315,000, but the Series E quota still lacked about \$20,000.

Last rally in Callahan county was conducted in Oplin by Major David Evans of Camp Bowie. Saturday resulted in the sale of 238,000 Series E, which is past the \$27,500 over all in that community.

Grand Jury Adjourns Thursday Afternoon Four Bills Returned

The Callahan County grand jury adjourned Thursday afternoon after interrogating a number of witnesses and returning four bills of indictment for theft, burglary and child desertion. Three felonies and one misdemeanor. The grand jury adjourned Monday to convene again Thursday.

Four divorce cases were filed before the court this week. Only two more weeks of the regular term of court to remain in session.



Winner of the Silver Star for "gallantry and intrepidity in action" aboard the aircraft carrier Franklin when she was bombed off Kyushu, Chaplain G. Weidon Gatlin of Fort Worth, Tex., told Methodist church officials in New York, recently, that he stayed with the ship, although injured, to keep men "in touch with God." A member of the Methodist Central Texas Conference, Chaplain Gatlin served the church at Grandview, Tex., before entering the Navy chaplaincy two years ago.

Railroads Proposing Observation, Dancing And Movies on Cars

The railroads are now proposing movies while you travel, will be common place in tomorrow's railroads, reported Charles W. Wright, vice president of the Pullman Standard Car Manufacturing Company.

He says, "we have a new recreation car that is conventional observation-lounge car by day, but at night it can be converted into a miniature theater and club, so that you can see movies, or dance while you travel," he said. "It includes refreshment bar, as well as tables and seats that fold back to provide dancing space. Observation chairs can be shifted to face the movie screen. In the dining cars traditional rectangular tables have given away to diagonally placed tables with deep cushioned chairs and alcove divans.

Capitalists Are Necessary to Have Private Industry

What is a capitalist? Some of us think of capital as a big wicked dragon. That's foolish as we are all capitalists in a way.

Capital is the five dollars you earn some week above what you spend. If you save five dollars, you're a capitalist.

If you save five dollars a week for a year, you're a \$260 capitalist. If you have an idea for a new kind of a patent of some kind and get 100 similar savers to pitch in \$260 a piece to buy a factory, you have a \$26,000 corporation; if you make a net profit of \$1300 a year, you can buy a 5 per cent dividend. Your share will be \$13. And you have given jobs to 50 people.

This is capitalism and it doesn't sound wicked to the writer.

42nd Grand Jury Convened Monday Morning, June 4th

The 42nd district grand jury convened Monday with Judge J. R. Black, presiding and the grand jury was empanelled and the court read the regular charge to the jury on law violations and appointed T. O. Dulaney, Clyde, W. L. Bowls, Baird, A. E. Dyer, Baird, Hugh McDermott, Cross Plains, W. A. Strickland, Putnam, U. L. Lowry, Putnam, S. S. Nichols, E. U. H. P. Foster, Atwell and Ray Willbank, route 2, Moran.

BUREAU DISCLOSES WOMEN MARRY YOUNGER THAN MEN

According to the Census Bureau, Washington, D. C., Texas girls who intend to marry, the chances are that she will do so, if at all, before she is 20 years and six months old. That is the average age of first marriages of Texas girls.

For Texas men who marry at all, the medium age is about 23 years and seven months, the bureau reports. According to this report there is a difference of about three years between the ages girls and boys marry. The boy averaging about three years older when married.

The Putnam School Suit Set for Hearing Wednesday, June 20

In the case of Dick Ames and others vs. The Putnam Independent School District, they had a preliminary hearing in the 42nd district court Thursday in which a number of legal questions were ruled on by Judge J. R. Black and the case was set for Wednesday, June 20, for final hearing in the district court.

The school was represented before the court by Judge O. C. Funderburk and J. Frank Sparks of Eastland. The plaintiffs being represented by Forest D. Wright and R. E. Grantham of Cisco.

MRS. ART NOLAN HONORED WITH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Honoring and surprising Mrs. Art Nolan on her birthday Thursday, May 31, at the home of Mrs. E. E. Sunderman, friends gathered with well-filled baskets for a six o'clock dinner. The table was decorated in red, white and blue and loaded down with good things to eat. After recovering from the surprise, Mrs. Nolan was able to partake of the good eats and open the many pretty and useful gifts she received.

After dinner the evening was spent in games and conversation. At a reasonable hour they all departed to their homes after wishing Mrs. Nolan many more happy birthdays.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Golson, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Art Nolan and children, Donald and Jo Ann, Mrs. Mattie Gunn, Mr. Dale Wirt, Mrs. Ila May Cunningham, Mr. Bud Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sunderman.

1945 Wheat Loans Fixed Nationally At \$1.38 Per Bushel

The War Food Administration announced Thursday that it will offer growers loans on 1945 wheat crop at rates averaging \$1.38 bushel nationally. Rates under a similar loan program on the 1944 crop was fixed at an average of \$1.35.

The rates are an average on those applicable to wheat stored on farms. As in the past, the loans will be made on wheat stored in suitable facilities and in terminal markets.

The loan rates at terminal markets are, number one hard winter at Kansas City \$1.54, at Omaha \$1.54, at Galveston \$1.62, at Chicago \$1.59 and at St. Louis \$1.59.

The WFA said the rates reflect 90 per cent of the National parity price for wheat. The loan program is designed to place a floor under growers wheat prices.

H. D. CLUB TO BE ORGANIZED IN HOME OF MRS. JACK MERCER JUNE 21st.

June 21, Miss Dorothy Wilkerson, demonstration agent, will give a demonstration on how to make dress forms, at the home of Mrs. Jack Mercer. At this meeting a demonstration club will be organized for the Putnam community. Everybody is invited to attend this meeting. The time of meeting is at 2 p. m. Don't forget the date and time.

Election Judges To Receive \$5.00 Per Ten Hour Day

Under a new law passed by the Texas Legislature at the present session, fixes pay of election judges and assistants under the new law that went into effect June 1, at \$5.00 per day instead of \$3 as has been heretofore. They will receive \$5.00 for ten hours work instead of \$3.00 for twelve hours. In addition each one will receive 50 cents an hour for overtime.

Presiding judges will be allowed \$2 returning of election supplies. In the past there has been no fee for this service allowed by law.

Abilene Territory To Get 225 Miles Farm Market Roads

Abilene territory to get 225 miles in roads. Under the designation of farm to market roads in Texas to cost \$60,000,000, announced last week by the State Highway Department, there will be 255 miles within district 8 in which Abilene is headquarters.

This means construction will be financed by the state and federal government on a basis of 50-50. Half of the funds will be from current operating income of the Texas Highway Department.

Roads that have been designated for surfacing in this district are from Cross Plains south to the county line, here it will connect with highway 36, 18 miles out of Brownwood.

Callahan county is to participate in this program. To the amount of 3.5 miles from Cross Plains to Brown county line; 5 miles from Eula to the Bankhead Highway north, and 9 miles from Oplin to connect with 36 near Denton, about 12 miles south of Clyde.

The Demonstration Agent Met With Putnam Ladies Fri.

On May 31, Miss Dorothy Wilkerson, the home demonstration agent, met with a number of ladies at the Mission Hotel of Putnam and gave an interesting demonstration on how to remodel hats.

The instructions she gave were fascinating as well as economical, with hats selling so high in these war times. Those present learned how to clean and press hats by steaming over a kettle of hot water. The brushing which gives them a look of newness. Hats that have lost their shape and are floppy, can be restored to their shape by steaming, shelzing and pressing over a bucket. There were seven or eight hats remodeled at this meeting. Some had wide brims, sailors cut down and made sissy sailors out of them, then others were retrimmed with new ribbons, flowers and feathers.

Those present were: Mesdames Earl Rutherford, J. A. Heyser, Mrs. Shields Heyser, Mary Forbes, Gladys Riggs, Mrs. Clough, Montie Gunn, Mary Guyton, C. T. Davis, Mrs. Henry Frye, Loren Everett, C. A. Dittmore, Vena Shackelford and Jack Mercer.

10.88 Inches Rain Since January 1st, 1945, This Year

In our rain report of May 24th, the total showed that the Putnam territory had 9.63 inches of rain since the first of January 1945. With the 1.22 inches falling the past week, it brings the total to Monday night, June 4th to 10.88 inches falling since the first of the year.

The rainfall was all that was needed as too much rain at the present time would be injurious to the grain crop, besides, retarding the harvesting. Wheat is just now beginning to get ripe enough to combine, very little ripe enough to harvest. Quite a lot of it could be cut with a binder, but most farmers are figuring on combining the wheat.

The rain the past week was slow and did not make much water in any of the lakes. However, water is plentiful at present.

MODEL JEEP TO BE GIVEN AWAY TO BOND BUYERS

The Callahan County family investing the most money on Series E War Bonds during the Seventh War Loan drive will receive a model jeep. The jeep model was built by a disabled veteran of World War II, and it is complete in every detail.

The model is now on display in the Baird Star show window. It will be given away after the drive is over and a committee determines which family has purchased the most bonds.

All Callahan County families are eligible to enter this contest. Begin today, and if every member of the family has not purchased a war bond, do so without delay. Your family might be the winner of this neat model of an Army jeep.

Judge B. H. Freeland, county chairman, reports that Callahan County is still below its quota in the Series E bond sales. Buy an E bond today and help Callahan County meet its obligation to the nation. It is desired that all bond purchases will be made by Saturday evening, but by all means you should buy them before June 30 for them to count in the 7th War Loan drive.

W. K. Henderson Shreveport Dies Tuesday, May 29

W. K. Henderson, the man who used to address the world as "This is old man Henderson, of Shreveport, 'Hello World' doggone your button this is old man Henderson talking to you" from station KWKH in Shreveport, died Tuesday at the age of 65. He was at that time one of the most colorful radio speakers on the air.

For many years Henderson was an outstanding figure in commercial and industrial life of Shreveport. He was the first Ford dealer in the city, and built what was claimed to be the largest garage in the United States. He entered the radio field in 1922 and became one of the most spectacular in the industry.

It will be well remembered by many radio listeners that when W. K. Henderson came on the air everyone else was shut out. At one time the Radio Commission threatened to cancel his permit and put him off the air, but there was never anything done about it.

FORMER PUTNAM GIRL WINS \$500 WAR BOND PRIZE

Mrs. Orville Taylor brought to the News office Monday afternoon the following taken from the Sunday edition of the Star-Telegram: Convaiv Saturday announced winners of the 18 and final monthly "Work to win" contest. The top six winners are \$1,000 war bonds, F. C. Lenne, Route 2, Paradise, \$750 war bond, C. V. Lawless, 259 Merrett Drive and Bessie R. Bruno, 1108 Benjamin, \$500 war bond, J. O. Angus, 1509 Irma, E. H. Ketchem, Itasca, and Alline T. Gillispie, Victory apartments.

A total of 80 employees won a total of \$8,000 in war bonds and stamps. Mrs. Bessie Bruno is the former Bessie Roberson who left Putnam and went to Fort Worth and married and secured a job in a defense plant where she has been since. She won a \$50 war bond a short time ago. Mrs. Bruno is a daughter of Mrs. Ira Roberson and a sister to Mrs. Orville Taylor.

Federal Revenue Stamp Must be on Cars by July 1st.

There is always something to take the joy out of life. The Federal Stamp Tax to go on that old jalloppy will be due July 1st to replace the old one on your windshield. The \$5.00 automobile federal tax go on sale June 9, it has been announced by the Internal Revenue Department. Beginning July 1st the stamp must be exhibited on all motor vehicles which are used on the highways.

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TO THE TAXPAYERS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY:

We, the Commissioners Court, of Callahan county, sitting as the Board of Equalization, have found it necessary for a thorough check of valuations in this County. In the past ten years the valuation has dwindled from \$10,000,000.00 to \$6,971,647.00, approximately \$3,000,000.00.

In an effort to equalize values each tax rendition has been examined, compared with every piece of property in the Block or Survey, and raised or lowered if found out of line. It has been the intention of the Board to forget names and value of the property for its true value. A minimum of \$4.00 per acre has been set on the poorest quality land.

All who receive a notice that the value of their property has been raised may feel free to appear before the Board and compare his values with those of his neighbors. We are sure that every person rendering property in the County wants to carry his part of the load and it has been our aim to equalize it.

- Judge J. L. Farmer
- Precinct 1, H. A. Warren
- Precinct 2, Clyde T. Floyd
- Precinct 3, I. G. Mobley
- Precinct 4, J. M. McMillan

IN A SOLDIER'S PACK

The largest single order for the Scriptures received in the 129 years of the American Bible Society was recently shipped to Europe. The Army's Chief of Chaplains there asked for and received 350,000 copies. More than 8,000,000 volumes of the Scriptures consisting of whole Bibles, New Testaments, and individual books have been distributed by the Society during the war period.

American soldiers abroad are carrying more than guns and equipment. They take with them the character of their country. Its essence is found in the Bible, of which the Nation's democracy and freedom were born. The American Bible Society is doing indispensable service in reinforcing the "things of the Spirit." Its innumerable bales and boxes of the Book of Life will leave fresh impress on this and other lands.—Christian Science Monitor.



H. J. R. NO. 13

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, amending Sections 51a, 51b, 51c, and 51d of Article III so that the same shall consist of one section to be known as Section 51a, providing that the Legislature shall have the power to provide assistance to and provide for the payment of same to actual bona fide citizens of Texas who are needy aged persons over the age of sixty-five (65) years, needy blind persons over the age of twenty-one (21) years, and needy children under the age of sixteen (16) years; providing for the acceptance of financial aid from the Government of the United States for such assistance; providing that the payments of such assistance from State funds shall never exceed either the payments from Federal funds or a total of more than Thirty-five Million Dollars (\$35,000,000) per year; providing for the necessary election, form of ballot, proclamation, and publication, and making an appropriation to defray the necessary expenses of proclamation, publication, and holding the election.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Sections 51a, 51b, 51c, and 51d of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended and the same are hereby amended so that the same shall hereafter consist of one section to be numbered 51a, which shall read as follows:

"Sec. 51a. The Legislature shall have the power, by general laws to provide, subject to limitations and restrictions herein contained, and such other limitations, restrictions and regulations as may be by the Legislature be deemed expedient for assistance to, and for the payment of assistance to:

"(1) Needy aged persons who are actual bona fide citizens of Texas and who are over the age of sixty-five (65) years; provided that no such assistance shall be paid to any inmate of any State supported institution, while such inmate, or to any person who shall not have actually resided in Texas for at least five (5) years during the nine (9) years immediately preceding the application for such assistance and continuously for one (1) year immediately preceding such application; provided that the maximum payment per month from State funds shall not be more than Twenty Dollars (\$20) per month.

"(2) Needy blind persons who are actual bona fide citizens of Texas and are over the age of twenty-one (21) years; provided that no such assistance shall be paid to any inmate of any State supported institution, while such inmate, or to any person who shall not have actually resided in Texas at least five (5) years during the nine (9) years immediately preceding the application for such assistance and continuously for one (1) year immediately preceding such application.

"(3) Needy children who are actual bona fide citizens of Texas and are under the age of sixteen (16) years; provided that no such assistance shall be paid on account of any child over One (1) year old who has not continuously resided in Texas for one (1) year immediately preceding the application for such assistance, or on account of any child under the age of one (1) year whose mother has not continuously resided in Texas for one (1) year immediately preceding such application.

"The Legislature shall have the authority to accept from the Federal Government of the United States such financial aid for the assistance of the needy aged, needy blind, and needy children as such Government may offer not inconsistent with restrictions herein set forth; provided however that the amount of such assistance out of State funds to each person assisted shall never exceed the amount so expended out of Federal Funds; and, provided further that the total amount of money to be expended out of State funds for such assistance to the needy aged, needy blind, and needy children shall never exceed the sum of Thirty-five Million Dollars (\$35,000,000) per year."

Should the Legislature enact enabling laws and provide an additional appropriation hereto in anticipation of the adoption of this amendment, such Acts shall not be invalid by reason of their anticipatory character.

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors of Texas at a special election to be held throughout the State of Texas on the 25th day of August, 1945, at

which election there shall be printed on such ballot the following clause:

"For the amendment to the Constitution giving the Legislature the power to set up a system of payments of old age assistance to those above sixty-five (65) years of age; provided that monthly payments from State funds to any one person may be in valid amounts based on need, that the maximum payment per month per person from State funds shall not be more than Twenty Dollars (\$20) per month; giving the Legislature the power to set up a system of payments for the needy blind persons over twenty-one (21) years of age; giving the Legislature the power to set up a system of payments to needy children under sixteen (16) years of age; providing for the expenditure of funds from the Federal Government; limiting the total amount which may be expended for such assistance out of State funds; and providing conditions as to residence within the State in order to become eligible to receive assistance."

"Against the amendment to the Constitution giving the Legislature the power to set up a system of payments of old age assistance to those above sixty-five (65) years of age; provided that monthly payments from State funds to any one person may be in valid amounts based on need, that the maximum payment per month per person from State funds shall not be more than Twenty Dollars (\$20) per month; giving the Legislature the power to set up a system of payments for the needy blind persons over twenty-one (21) years of age; giving the Legislature the power to set up a system of payments to needy children under sixteen (16) years of age; providing for the expenditure of funds from the Federal Government; limiting the total amount which may be expended for such assistance out of State funds; and providing conditions as to residence within the State in order to become eligible to receive assistance."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published and held as required by the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Texas.

Sec. 4. The sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of the funds of the Treasury of the State, not otherwise appropriated, to pay expenses of such publication and election.

Annual Meeting of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Mass., June 4, 1945

Christian Scientists heartily concur in the purpose of peace conference representatives in California to find ways and means to prevent war, the Directors stated. They saw these efforts as making practical the Sermon on the Mount.

"The manifestation of God's law can never fail to quiet the turbulent waters, but we must assiduously strive to rule out of our thoughts any qualities which would work against, rather than for the peace of the individual, and therefore of the world." In this way, the Directors indicated that world peace stems from the individual overcoming of human faults.

"In order to keep one's spiritual understanding clear there must be deep consecration in thought and deed to the government of divine Principle. There can be no lasting peace where selfishness reigns. Therefore, it is by those who base their thoughts upon God's laws that the present global problems can be solved and a lasting peace attained."

The Directors stated that membership in The Mother Church was now four times greater than it was 35 years ago. There is a growing awareness, they said, of the need for unselfish service to God and His law. Without frankness and honesty in the world, they added, "we have a whirlpool in which there is no steadiness and no rest."

In tribute to the courageous struggle of Great Britain against the rising tide of Nazism, and after the time when she stood alone in her armed resistance, and to those who held on in other lands, the Directors stated: "Their consecrated prayers and unceasing efforts have been rewarded with a glorious victory."

The Directors also paid tribute to the faithful chaplains and wartime ministers who are "bringing comfort, healing, and spiritual strength" to thousands of men and women in the armed forces.

Stating that the greatest catastrophe to overtake the human race was the loss of the true import of



This column usually tells the stories of many Texans each week. Today, however, it will be devoted to just one man—a lanky, homespun hero from Farmersville whose courage has won him every existing American medal for valor.

He is 1st. Lt. Audie L. Murphy, who won his last decoration—the Congressional Medal of Honor—by beating off 250 attacking Nazi infantrymen and six tanks, almost single-handedly, during the battle of the Colmar pocket.

Murphy, a boyish-looking 20-year-old, is one of only two Americans who holds every battle honor given by his country. Only five feet three inches tall, the Texas fighting lad who is described by his sister, Mrs. Corrine Burns, as a boy who "always got things done."

"I guess it's because he's so small that he gets around so fast," Mrs. Burns said this week. "He just weighs 135 pounds."

Audie, born on a farm in Hunt county, enlisted in the Army at Greenville, where he attended high school. He went overseas 30 months ago and served in heavy fighting in Africa, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany.

The action that brought the young Texan the nation's highest honor began in a foxhole where Murphy was directing artillery fire.

A tank destroyer 10 yards to his rear was hit and abandoned. Murphy clambered onto the machine while it was still burning, took hold of the 50 caliber machine guns, and started spraying German tanks and infantry.

Enemy fire began to center on the Texan silhouetted against the skyline. But Murphy continued to swing his guns until the enemy infantry began to withdraw. The German tanks then started lumbering back.

Murphy was wounded, but refused medical aid, organized his company and pursued the retreating Nazis.

Murphy's sister told a lot about the Texas hero when she said: "Before he left, Audie promised he would do his part in winning the war. I think he kept his word."

Those on the home-front could learn a lot from Audie Murphy's determination to "do his part." If they follow his example, the National War Fund drive in October will go over with a bang. County war chest leaders are now organizing and enrolling workers for their local drives. If citizens all over Texas will quietly determine to "do their part," every county war chest will reach its goal with ease!

Now that V-E Day in Europe is a reality, let's rush through with the Japs by buying more bonds.

All the money you put in war bonds is both saved and invested to earn for you.

EDITOR CLEM By Ralph Kemp



"It's powerful nice to edit this copy without havin' to clear with Tojo, and ifa you folks buy 'nough War Bonds we won't ever have to. Remember there are 35 million of 'em to beat."

Jesus' life and teaching, the incoming President attributed that loss to Jesus' followers reverting to their old way of thinking and living, or "trying to graft the new onto the old." She cautioned against the human race losing its spiritual gains of more recent years for the same reasons.

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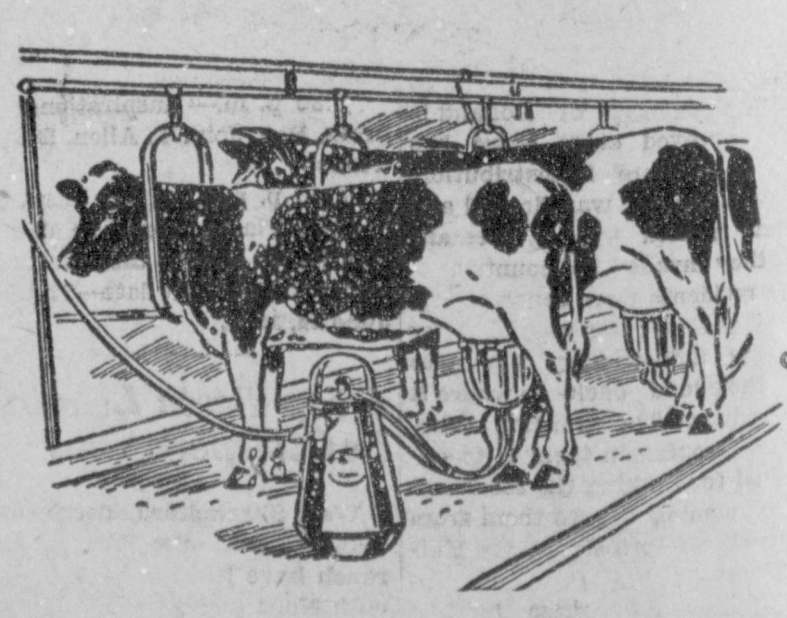
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LAW OF GRAVITY

Sir Isaac Newton was unquestionably a great scientist, but he must have left something to be desired as an economist. He believed, as you remember, that everything—without exception—was subject to his law of gravitation. He'd be surprised and chagrined to see how prices are behaving today. They certainly are one notable exception to his theory. It's much easier to let prices go up than it is to hold 'em down.

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MORAN NEWS

Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Grace had as their guests the past week-end their children, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Foster and children of Slaton, Albert Grace Jr., wife and children from Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls. Mrs. Albert Grace has been living there the past two weeks, where he is stationed. Arlyne and Reba Grace and sister, Mrs. Willard Gaskins and baby, Norma Carol of San Diego, are visiting for three weeks in Moran. The Grace girls will return to San Diego with Mrs. Gaskins after their visit.

Mrs. Eva Nolan left Wednesday to spend her vacation with her children at Waco, Houston and Longview. Mrs. Nolan requests her paper sent to her at Tomball, Texas for three months.

The annual poppy sale, sponsored by the American Legion, Earnest Pettit Post No. 343, had a grand sale in Moran. The Women's Auxiliary took in every one on the street. The poppies were well made of the red variety and much prettier than former years, and while we have had no report on the amount, it was more than \$50.00 to Moran's credit, due to the ladies auxiliary and their excellent team work. Mrs. C. A. Edwards was chairman of the one day drive.

Misses Marie English and Mildred Montgomery will be home from the University of Texas for their summer vacation June 20.

Mrs. Fay McCannies and little grandson, Mack Dean Kyles of Fort Worth, are spending a few weeks at home in Moran.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Weber are the parents of a baby girl weighing seven pounds. She has been named Gayle and both mother and baby are doing nicely in the Gorman hospital.

Miss Dorris Pettit of Eastland spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Pettit. Miss Dorris is now employed at the court house with the Bender Abstract Co.

Misses Sue and Nancy Hamilton are visiting in Lueders with relatives.

Mrs. Cy Smart and little daughter of Temple visited in the home of Mrs. Pearl Smart.

Mrs. Eula Bullard, Mrs. Jerry Bullard and little daughter, Sammie Kay of Fort Worth, visited Saturday with the R. N. Adair family.

Miss Lois Killough of Cisco spent the week-end in Moran visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Killough. Her father is recovering from a long illness and was able to be down town one day last week.

Miss Dora Blackburn, teacher in Moran public school the past year has returned to Cisco to spend the summer. Miss Anna Kate Blackburn, teacher in Stamford public school, is also at home in Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Hamilton are in Fort Worth where their son, Bob is seriously ill at Harris hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Murray and granddaughter of Lubbock are visiting in the Roy Murray and Alfred Agnew homes.

Mrs. R. L. Martin of Phoenix, Arizona, spent 10 days with Mrs. John Pritchard. Other guests in her home were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ivey of Lubbock, her two granddaughters, Misses Winnie and Jane Gresham of San Marcus who will spend their vacation here with Mrs. Pritchard.

P. F. Castleberry and N. E. Sherrard of Albany paid this office a friendly visit last Sunday. They were on their way home from Cisco, where they had attended the singing at the East Side Baptist church. We enjoyed their visit. Call again.

Mrs. Leo Jeanis returned Saturday from a month spent in visiting her daughter, Mrs. D. W. Michael at Cora, W. Va., and to get acquainted with her new granddaughter, Miss Jeanis Marlene Michael.

Miss Betty Willis of Strawn visited the past week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McCollum.

Edward Hudman and wife, Henry Grisham and Reba were visiting in Abilene Sunday. Henry's grandson, Robert, returned home with them for a two weeks visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Willis of Strawn spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McCollum. Their daughter, Betty, returned home with them.

Miss Nadine Cutler is visiting her grandmother in Frankell.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Bailey of Durant, Okla., are taking their vacation in Moran and Putnam. They were the house guests of Jim Yarbrough and many other friends and neighbors. The Baileys were farmers south of town for a number of years and the Moran housewives surely do miss their fine Kentucky Wonder beans, melons and potatoes they brought to town. They have been away 3 years and return every year and call these parts home.

Mrs. Charlie Mashburn returned Sunday from a two weeks visit at Midland with Mrs. Charlie June Sheppard and Gilbert.

Miss Myra Nell Willis is visiting Miss Betty Willis of Strawn. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nunn have purchased a home at Brownfield, Texas, where they are now located.

Jim Terry who has been in California doing defense work in the dry docks at Hunters Point, San Francisco, is home taking a rest. For 2 1/2 years he has held this job. Three brothers joined him there and all have fine positions. His son, Douglas, and daughter, Mrs. Rogene Marshall, live there also. Jim states if he can purchase the lumber he will rebuild his home in Moran. His brothers are Steve, Zed and Emri in California.

Mrs. Harold Stokes and little daughter, Sharon Sue of Abilene spent a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Williams.

Bobbie Hamilton was taken to Harris hospital in Fort Worth last Friday for treatment. We hope Bobbie will soon recover.

W. H. Brewster left Tuesday for Santa Anna for medical treatment.

Mrs. Emma Jean Oyler, proprietor of Moran Beauty Shop, returned on Sunday from a visit of 10 days with her sister at Post, Texas. She reports the country is very drouthy, no rain to speak of all season.

Mrs. Birdie Charminsky, Mrs. A. J. Wise and Mrs. Lean Andrews, spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Smith of Cross Plains.

W. G. Campbell of Odessa spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. A. J. Wise. He met Mrs. Campbell in Cisco Sunday morning and came up to Moran and enjoyed a fried chicken dinner with his mother, then on to Odessa. Mrs. Campbell was on her way home after a two weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cadenhead of Houston. Mrs. Campbell seems to be doing nicely after her major surgery recently and six weeks in Baylor hospital, Dallas.

Dorothy Freeland, our local telephone operator, returned this week after spending two weeks in East Texas visiting her grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. King spent last Sunday with his mother who is critically ill in Norwood hospital, Mineral Wells.

Paul Keith of Houston is visiting in Moran with his sisters, Fannie Womack and Ester Mhohon.

Kathleen Martin has returned home after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Hughes, her uncle and aunt, in Breckenridge.

Mrs. Hyman Charminsky of Dallas spent the week here with her mother, Mrs. M. E. Andrews and her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lean Andrews, returning to Dallas last Tuesday.

Mrs. J. W. Bankston of Abilene is visiting her son, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gay.

Mrs. Ray Martin was a visitor in Breckenridge Tuesday.

The Purple Heart which was awarded T/Sgt. Bob Montgomery on March 10, at Nancy, France, for wounds received in Germany February 27, has been received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Montgomery Sr. Bob is still in the O'Reilly general hospital at Springfield, Mo., where he will receive treatment for a wound in his leg and where he is also to have plastic surgery on his face.

H. J. Locke received a telegram from Raymond H. Baughman, stating that he had arrived back in the states. He landed in New Jersey.

Bring us more pictures of our Moran boys. We have only one-third of them. Make it a business to bring them now.

J. B. Montgomery Jr. was promoted to first lieutenant at the Fort Benning Infantry school May 26. J. B. is an instructor in the Officers Candidate school at that place.

Cpl. Bryant Edwards is being sent to the air base at Victoria, Texas. He has been in the Post Engineers division at the Pampa Air Base, at Pampa, Texas.

That money you invest in war bonds will come in fine after the war.



Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pinnell received word this week that their son, Sgt. Earnest W. Pinnell had arrived in the states at Staten Island, N. Y., and was admitted to Halloran General Hospital there. Sgt. Pinnell will remain there for a short time and then be sent to another hospital nearer home for treatment. He was a member of the First Army in Europe and attached to a combat engineering division. Sergeant Pinnell also has three bronze stars won in Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Spence of Brownwood visited their daughter, Mrs. F. R. Raymond and family Sunday. They were accompanied by Miss Pearl Gann of Alamogordo, N. M. and Lt. Nana L. Cathey, Lt. Cathey, a sister of Mrs. Raymond, has just returned from the Philippine Islands, where she was a member of the first unit of nurses to land on Leyte. She will report to Miami Beach, Fla., June 16, for reassignment. She enlisted July, 1942, and has been overseas since October, 1943.

Pfc. Charles B. Smoot was killed in action April 23, 1945, in Italy, serving in a medical division attached to Infantry. He entered the army in 1942 and had been overseas since August 1943.

The chaplain writes his parents: I knew your son personally. He went to the aid of the wounded men and was hit by a burst of machine gunfire, but C. B. refused to take cover but kept on dressing the wounded men. The enemy fired again and this time C. B. Smoot was killed instantly.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Smoot of Moran have received news of the death of his nephew, a former Moran boy, killed in action. Pfc. Charles B. Smoot, age 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Smoot, formerly of Moran, now living in Bakersfield, was one of the best liked aid men in his company. The men knew that if they got wounded that C. B. would be there and care for them to the end. He was buried with full military honors in a beautiful well kept American military cemetery. A white cross with his name and home address marks his grave over which the flag of his country waves. C. B. was a first aid man of the 5th Army in Italy.

Sent in by J. F. Smoot, Moran, route 2.

TEXAS STATE GUARD NEWS, COMPANY C—MORAN

A CALL TO SERVICE

Its ranks have been depleted by the federal draft, officers of Company C of the Texas State Guard are seeking recruits to bring the unit up to its authorized strength. The number of men required is small in comparison with the male population of Moran. This fact, with the wide range of acceptable ages (12 to 60) and the lenient physical requirements, should make the recruiting campaign one of short duration. Men above military age or in deferred classification particularly are being sought. Honorably discharged veterans are also welcomed and make valuable additions to the guard.

There are many things about the Texas State Guard which make it appealing to red-blooded Americans. Its purposes commend it to the profound respect of all law abiding citizens. It has a definite legal status, but it is not subject to federalization as was its predecessor, the Texas National Guard, and membership in it does not exempt one from provisions of the Selective Service Act.

The guard is not a marching society, nor is it a group of men playing soldier. It is a deadly earnest army staffed by competent officers and equipped with weapons that shoot real bullets. It is dedicated to the protection of the lives and property of the citizens of Texas, and to the preservation of American liberties and ideals.

Guard units drill one night each week at its armory, at American Legion hall, and prospective recruits should report there on the night of their choice. Come on men, let's go! See Captain McCargo at the armory at the American Legion hall next Tuesday night, and do the thing that will always make you proud you did it. Sign the application blank, get your uniform, grab your gun, and brother, let's be off! It may not be "ten,

two and fur," but we sure will march to One, Two, Three, Four, One, Two, Three, Four, One, Two, Three, Four, and Halt! About Face! Port Arms, Inspection Arms. Dismissed!

Don't forget the price some of our boys paid in this war, and go buy more war bonds.

True or False

Test your knowledge of your Government's War Bond Financing program. The answers to these questions, given at the end, should be known by every American. How good are you?

1. 85 million Americans have purchased Series E War Bonds.
2. 84% of all the money ever invested in E Bonds is still invested in them.
3. If a Bond is lost, stolen or destroyed, it is just the same as if the owner had lost the money he invested.
4. E Bonds may be cashed at any qualified bank for their full cost any time after 60 days from date of issue.
5. The U. S. Government's promise to redeem War Bonds any time after 60 days from date of issue is just as strong as its promise to stand back of a dollar bill.
6. You have to hold a Bond the full ten years to get any interest.
7. The lowest-priced War Bond costs \$25.
8. War Bonds are better than cash.
9. Two persons cannot own a War Bond jointly.
10. The only reason we should buy War Bonds is to help pay for food, ammunition, etc., for the armed forces.

ANSWERS

1. True.
2. True.
3. False. War Bonds are registered in the names of their owners, and lost Bonds can be replaced.
4. True.
5. True. Compare wording on a Bond and a bill.
6. False. Your Bond increases in value after one year. See the values on the back of the Bond. But you get a greater increase in value the longer you hold a Bond, up to \$1 at the end of 10 years for every \$3 you paid.
7. False. A \$25 Bond costs \$18.75.
8. True. They can be replaced if lost, they increase in value and they can be converted into cash in case of need.
9. False. War Bonds can be owned by two people as co-owners or as owner and beneficiary.
10. False. Your savings invested in War Bonds will also help to stabilize prices now and to provide for your own security in the future.

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Directed by ROBERT FLOREY Screen Play by Peter Milne and John Finkel - Music by Franz Waxman

THURSDAY-FRIDAY THIS WEEK

"Bring on the Girls"

A Paramount Picture starring
VERONICA LAKE
SONNY TUFTS
EDDIE BRACKEN
MARJORIE REYNOLDS

Moran's wheat crop is moving along in its first week with four cars already shipped. It is expected that two cars per day will be shipped out during the next two weeks with an estimate for the season set at 40 cars. The wheat is of a very fine quality and is selling at \$1.44 per bushel. The combines are running until around midnight every night to try to get the crop harvested. Clarence Gay, is buying grain here again this year, as usual.

Your investment in War Bonds is the best investment you can make.

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LOCALS

The editor of the News had a letter from Bill Gaskins this week from Germany. Bill is now in Germany and writes a very interesting letter about different things in Germany. He had visited many noted places there, including Hitler's palace. Bill says he enjoys the Putnam News very much when he gets one and says tell all the Putnam people hello for me, and that I am trying to count up my discharge points to come home, but they fall short by about 40 and we still have the Japs to kill.

Editor: Would liked to have printed the entire letter, but on account of space and the shortage of labor, it was impossible to do it.

NOTICE

Plenty of 6x16 auto tires in stock. Bring us your certificate. Why not buy a Good-year, they cost no more. Shackelford Implement Co. Putnam, Texas

Norris Weeks had a narrow escape from being burned to death Saturday. He was driving a gravel truck for Holland Page, who has the contract for topping the Bankhead, and about six miles out of town the truck got out of control and went to the ditch, striking a West Texas Utilities line pole, breaking it down and pulling the high line down on the truck. The truck was burned, but Weeks escaped without injury.

Mrs. Ray Battle of Scranton was in Putnam Wednesday to meet one of her nephews who was coming in on the bus. Mrs. Battle is one of the teachers in the Scranton school.

FLY TIME

We have plenty of Screen Doors in stock. Shackelford Implement Co. Putnam, Texas

Mrs. E. H. Gilmore was in Baird for several days over the past week with her husband who has been confined at the hospital with a case of pneumonia, but he is reported to be recovering nicely at present.

Miss Ellen Earl Elzey of Fort Worth spent the week-end visiting with Miss Mary Alice Brown and other friends. Miss Elzey was a former resident of Putnam until her parents died a few years ago, when she went to Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Conlin of Baird were visiting with Mrs. Conlin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Strickland over the week-end. They were recently married.

NOTICE

FOR RENT—One hundred and thirty acres sheep or goat land near Atwell, with a new tank on place. Will rent for a term of years to some one moving their own home on place. Some peanut land, good fence.—M. GUYTON, Putnam.

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Bailey of Duncan, Oklahoma are here this week visiting with Mrs. Bailey's brother, Mark Burnam and other relatives and friends in Putnam and the Union community. Mrs. Bailey stated she did not know how long they would remain in Putnam, as she was taking her vacation. Among other things she said, she enjoyed the Putnam News very much and if her time expired, do not stop the paper, just notify her and she would mail in a check.

Received the following letter from Mrs. M. B. Emmett of Stephenville who has been employed in the Putnam school for the past two years and re-employed for the 1945-46 term: I received the copy of the Putnam News. Thanks so much. Enjoyed reading the News. I am sending a dollar, please send me the Putnam News this summer.

IN STOCK

Plenty of barb wire and Binder Twine.—SHACKELFORD IMPLEMENT CO., Putnam, Texas.

First Lieut. Henry Mundt came in from New Guinea the past week where he has been engaged in war service. He came by way of San Antonio, where he was met by Mrs. Mundt and small son, Jerry. They arrived in Putnam Thursday.

V. O. Craft of Leesville, Louisiana is here this week visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Brown.

M. E. Frye of Cisco was in town a few days ago and stated they had begun harvesting oats and was using a combine and did not know what they were making, but probably around 50 bushels per acre. He and his sons own large ranch holdings in the Putnam vicinity.

Robert Burkett of Eastland, the new game warden for the Abilene district, was in Putnam Thursday afternoon. Robert is a son of O. H. Burkett, a former resident of Putnam and representative from Eastland and Callahan counties. He served two terms.

DAVIS TIRES

650x16.....\$18.25
600x16..... 15.13
550x17..... 13.89
450x21..... 11.27
(Tax included)

WESTERN AUTO ASSOCIATE STORE, Cisco

Mr. and Mrs. Osborne Little are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Little the past week. Mrs. Little expects to be here several weeks. Mr. Little has been selected as head coach at Donna for the next school term.

Mrs. D. A. Abernathy of the Atwell community was in Putnam Thursday and while here visited the News office for a few minutes and subscribed for the Reporter-News.

IN STOCK

Plenty of Tractor lights. Shackelford Implement Co. Putnam, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Shields Heyser of Wichita Falls, spent several days the past week visiting with his mother, Mrs. J. A. Heyser and brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heyser.

Mrs. G. W. Sills of Franklin is here this week visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Jack Ramsay. She will be here several days before returning to her home at Franklin.

Miss Dorothy Tedley of Stephenville is here visiting with her grandmother, Mrs. R. Lee Snider. She will be here several days before returning to her home at Stephenville.

FOR SALE

Garden hose, fruit jars and lids; one rebuilt separator, 2 office desks, flat top and roller top. Jack Rawson Used Furniture Cisco, Texas

"It is easy to take a day off, but impossible to put it back," a slogan posted by Westinghouse management of the Naval Ordnance Plant at Louisville, Kentucky, to remind employees.

Hamilton Wright of Tuscola was in Putnam Wednesday afternoon and while here made the News office a short visit. He edits the Road Runner column in the Abilene Reporter.

Pvt. Loren Everett of El Paso spent several days visiting with Mrs. Everett and children the past week.

Cpl. Edward and Mrs. Sunderman have been moved from San Angelo to New York where they will be stationed for a while.

Putnam is represented on the Callahan county grand jury by W. A. Strickland and U. L. Lowry this week.

Hart school district is represented on the grand jury by Ray Wilbanks.

Mrs. Earl Jobe was visiting friends and shopping in Baird Saturday afternoon.

Miss Dorris Coleman is assisting the commissioners court this week in getting out notices to people whose property valuation has been raised.

Bud Booth of the Pueblo community was in Putnam a few days ago looking after business.

Mr. and Mrs. Crayton Sandlin of Abilene were visiting with Crayton's sister, Miss Vella Sandlin the past week.

Mrs. Orville Taylor and daughter were visiting with her mother, Mrs. Ira Roberson in Baird Monday and meeting with old friends.

Miss Faye Coleman is spending a few days visiting with her father, Joe Coleman at Odessa.

George Weeks had business in Baird Monday morning.

COMMISSIONERS COURT APPOINTS DR. STUBBLEFIELD AS COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER

The Callahan County commissioners court at a recent meeting appointed Dr. M. L. Stubblefield as county health officer, succeeding Dr. R. L. Griggs, who has held the post continuously for about 25 years.

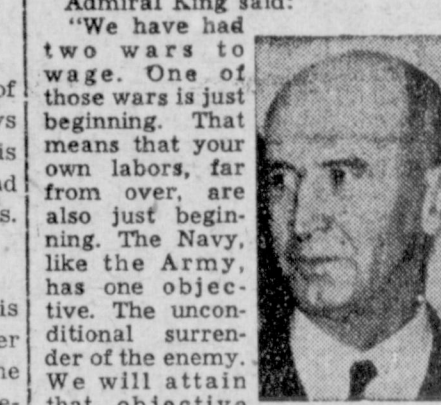
Dr. Stubblefield recently moved from Gorman to Baird and has an office in the county hospital.

Marshall, King Pledge Victory to 'Bond Front'

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Army has overcome what in the past would have seemed to have been insurmountable obstacles and the Navy has promised full unconditional surrender, Chief of Staff General George C. Marshall and Fleet Admiral Ernest J. King said today, in commenting on the Mighty Seventh War Loan.

General Marshall said: "We in the Army have overcome what in the past would have seemed to have been insurmountable obstacles. So you see that is where the enemy miscalculated—for to Americans, nothing has ever been impossible. Yours is a hard task—a heavy responsibility. But we of the Army have confidence that you will again achieve the impossible."

Admiral King said: "We have had two wars to wage. One of those wars is just beginning. That means that your own labors, far from over, are also just beginning. The Navy, like the Army, has one objective. The unconditional surrender of the enemy. We will attain that objective because of people of good faith. People who have demonstrated their patriotism and their willingness to undertake the most gigantic financial task ever undertaken by a free people."



KING

Pete the Paper Puppet

THIS CALL FOR HELP MEANS THAT IT'S THE TIME OF THE MONTH FOR BILLS TO BE PAID—TO THE BUTCHER, THE BAKER AND OUR NEWSPAPER OFFICE.



FEDERAL STAMPS ON SALE AT POST OFFICE

Postmaster P. H. Williams authorizes the announcement that the 1945 motor vehicle federal stamps are now on sale at the post office at the usual price, \$5.00 each, and must be on all motor vehicles by July 1, 1945.

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