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Ozona Warehouse Approved As Wool Handler For CCC

Appraisal of 550,000 Pounds Now Stored Expected Soon

Ozona Wool and Mohair Co. warehouse in Ozona has been approved as wool handlers for the Commodity Credit Corporation, government agency which will take over the domestic wool clip this year under the government purchase plan, according to advice received by Melvin Brown, manager of the local warehouse, this week.

The Ozona warehouse has approximately 550,000 pounds of wool in storage, most of it 12-months length except for around 12,000 pounds of spring clip which remained unsold under contract purchases.

Under the government purchase program through the CCC, wools in approved warehouses may be appraised by government appraisers and growers will be paid for their clips at the appraised values immediately.

An appraisal of wools in storage here may be made soon, Mr. Brown said, if growers desire such appraisal. The warehouse must first secure the grower's consent to the appraisal. Under the government contract terms, the growers may refuse the first appraisal and ask a second, at a fee of \$50 for the lot. The value set on the second appraisal must be final and must be accepted by the grower, the contract specifies.

After the appraisal and payment to the grower, the warehouse must continue to hold the wool for the CCC and must resell it for that government agency. This stipulation may put warehouses on the spot in future months in the matter of storing their customers' wools. The government-owned wool may be sold only to mills, since the wool dealer is forced out of the picture by the appraisal at ceiling price method. Some of this wool may be held in the warehouses for a year or more, it is believed, and warehouse men are wondering where they will put the new clips as they come in.

Ozonans Use Over 5 Million Gallons Of Water In June

126 Victory Gardeners Get 252,000 Gallons Free For Effort

Victory gardens, lawns and flower beds suffered from the effects of the few days of extremely high temperatures of June, and Ozona residents poured more than five million gallons of water from the city mains in an effort to counteract the burning heat—less, of course, the amount that went to bathing, washing and cooking in the everyday household operation. Although partly an estimate because many small users are not yet metered, June records of the Crockett County Water Control and Improvement District office show the summer demand for water at full throttle, with more than five million gallons used during the month, despite the fact that the month brought several good showers.

M. C. Couch, who operates a small truck farm in connection with his other business enterprises here, was the month's largest user, a little over 261,000 gallons. Several homes owners with large yards used well in excess of 100,000 gallons.

As a stimulus to Victory gardening, the water district made a concession of 2,000 gallons of water free each month to householders who are supporting victory gardens. The water company's records show a total of 126 Victory gardeners now battling the worms and bugs for existence in Ozona, to which effort the water company donated 252,000 gallons of water.



Scott Peters



Lee Wilson

ROTARY HEADS, PAST AND PRESENT—Ozona's Rotary Club was two years and a few months old this week and the milestone was marked by the installation of a new group of officers of the civic group at its luncheon Tuesday. Scott Peters, who nursed the infant organization into lustrous being and has served as its president since organization in April, 1941, retired as active head of the club this week, passing the gavel to the new prexy, Lee Wilson.

Ozona Postoffice Now Rates Second Class Standing

New Office Hours In Effect With Change Made Today

Today, July 1, Ozona's postoffice changes from a third to a second class office and with the change in rating will come several changes in office hours and shifts in personnel, but none in the mail schedules.

Under the second class rating, the postoffice will open each morning at 8 o'clock and close each evening at 6. No window service will be permitted before or after these hours, and no window service at all on Sundays or holidays. Postmaster J. R. Kersey said, employees will be on hand earlier to dispatch the mail at the usual hour, leaving here at 7:15 each morning for Barnhart, but windows will not be opened until 8 a.m.

Under the former system, windows were closed each day while the mail was being sorted, but under second class rules, one window will remain open, but only for sale of stamps and money orders. There can be no service such as delivering general delivery mail, mailing of parcels or delivery of parcels while the mail is being sorted. (Continued On Last Page)

New Officers Of Rotary Club Take Seats Tuesday

Plans For New Club Year Laid At Round-Table Discussion

Ozona Rotary Club began its third year of existence in Ozona Tuesday when new officers of the civic organization took their seats to direct the club's activities and programs during the coming twelve months.

The day's program following the luncheon was devoted to the business of installing a new set of officers and discussing plans for the coming year.

Lee Wilson was installed as president succeeding Scott Peters, who has served as head of the club since its organization in April of 1941. Other officers who will serve the next year are Pleas Childress, vice president; W. R. Cabaness, secretary-treasurer; Scott Peters, C. S. Denham and Evert White, directors.

The new president announced that committee appointments would be read at the next club meeting and urged the cooperation of all members in furthering the organization's program during the next year. Following the business session, the meeting was turned into a round-table discussion of aims for the coming year.

Mrs. Montgomery Funeral Services Here Wednesday

Member Of Pioneer Crockett Family Died Mon. In Houston

Funeral services were held here at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon for Mrs. Eula Montgomery, 57, widow of the late Beecher Montgomery, former Crockett county ranchman, who died Monday in Houston after suffering a heart attack more than a month ago.

Services were from the home of a brother, Hugh Childress, with the Rev. Lawrence K. Brown, pastor of Ozona Methodist Church, in charge. Burial followed in Cedar Hill Cemetery beside the body of Mr. Montgomery, who died here in 1918 during the first World War epidemic.

Nephews of Mrs. Montgomery served as pallbearers. They were Hugh Childress, Jr., Philip Lee Childress, Bill Childress, James Childress, Vic Montgomery, Beecher Montgomery, Tom Ed Montgomery, Pleas Childress, John Childress, Marshall Montgomery and Ele Hagelstein.

The body arrived here from Houston Wednesday morning, coming by train to Del Rio and from there in a Joe Oberkampff funeral car to Ozona.

Mrs. Montgomery was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Billy Childress, pioneer Crockett county ranch couple. She is survived by two children, W. C. Montgomery of Houston, with the Humble Oil & Refining Co. in that city, and Mrs. Embree Hunt of Midland, whose husband is a major in the Army Air Corps, stationed at the Midland bombardier school. Mrs. Hunt was at her mother's bedside when death came Monday.

Also surviving are three brothers, Walter Childress of El Paso, and Hugh and Lee Childress of Ozona, and two grand children, W. C. Montgomery, Jr., and Robert Beecher of Houston. A brother and sister, the late P. L. Childress and Mrs. Pearl Henderson, preceded her in death.

Bomber Crews Again Maneuver On Local Airport

Vanguard Of New Class From SAAAF Arrived Tuesday

Ozona's airport, 5 miles west of town, will be the scene for tactical maneuvers by student bombardiers from the San Angelo Army Air Force school during the next two weeks.

A vanguard of the new class, which will simulate actual combat conditions while operating from an advanced bomber base in the two weeks of maneuvers, arrived here Tuesday and a full force of ground crews and bombardier cadets was expected to arrive by the end of the week.

The local airport is now operated under Army control, this county having recently released its lease on the land so that the Army could take over from the owner, Mrs. S. E. Couch of San Angelo. It is being used as an auxiliary field by pilot and bombardier cadets from San Angelo air fields and other fields in this area.

Each succeeding class from the bombardier school will make use of the local port as an advanced base, giving the men practice in carrying out bombing mission under the handicap of operations from inadequately manned and equipped bases, defending themselves and equipment from bombings and living under as nearly combat conditions as is possible to create in maneuvers.

Mrs. Arthur Phillips and daughters, Corinne and Dianne, visited last week with Mrs. Phillips' parents in Asherton, Texas, Dianne remaining for a further visit with her grandparents.

Ride, Bar-Fly, Ride!—Decorative Spurs Made Here Sought By Atlantic City Bar

News does get around!

A pair of decorative spurs, with six-inch rowels, made several years ago for a cowboy to use in rodeos, and too large for any utilitarian need, have at last become valuable merchandise for their owner, the Ozona Boot and Saddlery.

The demand comes not from the cattle country where spurs are a bit of the badge of the working cowboy, but from the effete East, where they will serve as "atmosphere" as a back-bar decoration in one of those elaborately "western" entertainment centers in Atlantic City, on the famous Boardwalk.

The huge spurs were made several years ago for Gaston C. Boykin, former Ozona cowboy, and are elaborately engraved with his initials, G. C. B. The spurs are so large that Boykin could not navigate while they were in place and he traded them back to the boot and saddle shop where they have been on display since.

A letter this week came to the firm from the Dude Ranch Trading Post, Tom Endicott, owner, at Boardwalk and Connecticut Avenue, Atlantic City, N. J., to ask the price of the unusual pair of spurs. The letter was addressed to the saddle shop here with the following notation on the front of the envelope: "To Postal Authorities: This town is known as the richest little town in Texas. (Returned before for correct address.)" Mr. Endicott wrote that he wanted the spurs to use as decoration on his back-bar.

Motor Use Tax Stickers Must Be In Place Today

Postoffice Experiences Last-Minute Run On Stamps Yesterday

Five-dollar automobile tax stamps were outselling one-cent or three-cent postage stamps at the Ozona postoffice yesterday afternoon as motorists rushed to beat the deadline of July 1 for affixing the new stamp, according to Postmaster J. R. Kersey.

However, it seemed highly probable that several hundred motor vehicles here would be without the necessary little yellow sticker this morning. Thirty minutes before closing time for the postoffice yesterday, only 401 stickers had been sold.

It is estimated that nearly 700 of the new tax stickers will be sold in this county. Postmaster Kersey said that the department had supplied him with 600 stamps and he anticipated that an order for additional stamps would have to be made to fill the demand.

The stamp represents the federal use tax on all motor vehicles and must be in place on all cars by July 1 or it becomes unlawful for the owner to drive the vehicle.

June Bond Quota Is Subscribed With Small Margin

\$18,400 Assigned Quota Barely Reached by County Investors

Crockett county reached, with but a slim margin to spare, its June war bond quota, Scott Peters, war bond sales chairman for this county, reported yesterday.

The month's quota was set by the treasury department at \$18,400 and final reports of sales for the month yesterday indicated that that quota had been oversubscribed by a bare margin of \$150.

Sales for the month through the Ozona National Bank totaled \$18,000 while \$550 in bonds passed through the windows at the postoffice.

Reorganize Fair Assn. At Meeting Set For July 10

New Stockholders Enlisted And Plant To Be Retained Intact

Reorganization of the Crockett County Fair Association, with a number of new stockholders in the organization and all debts wiped off, against the day when conditions will merit a revival of Ozona's annual summer show, is in prospect at a meeting called for Saturday, July 10, at the Hotel Ozona.

Successful in their efforts to enlist new stockholders sufficient to pay off the existing indebtedness against the fair plant, resulting from losses suffered the last four years in which the show was presented, a group of younger men, anxious to save the fair park for show purposes, Saturday laid their proposition before the directors of the Fair Association in a meeting at the Hotel Ozona.

Directors of the association had been empowered at a meeting of stockholders the previous week to handle the problems of the association as best they could, either to close out the affairs of the corporation and dispose of the property or decide on the reorganization through refinancing. Most of the old stockholders and directors favored the latter course and the citizenship generally favored retaining the property as a fair park and eventual revival of Ozona's annual shows.

Success in their campaign to secure pledges of enough investors in new stock issues to put the association on a cash basis was indicated in a report to the directors made by Vic Montgomery and James Childress. Interested citizens are responding liberally, they reported, indicating an overwhelming sentiment in favor of maintaining the fair plant for the purpose for which it was built.

The fair association, a corporation, has been inactive for the past four years, since the last show was held in 1939, and for that reason its charter had lapsed. The corporation will be revived at the July 10 meeting, application made for new charter and for permission to increase the capital stock to the amount necessary to admit the new stockholders enlisted by the campaign workers.

Organization of the association will also be completed at that election, new officers to be named and policies outlined.

Possibility of some form of strictly local rodeo entertainment this summer was seen as the first use of the fair park under the new set-up. Definite plans have not been made for this affair but an afternoon of matched roping may be arranged sometime in August if possible.

Bombing Olympics Open To Public In San Angelo July 4

Bombardiers From 7 Schools To Participate In Spectacular Show

SAN ANGELO—For the first time since the war began the veil of secrecy surrounding the efficiency of American bombardiers will be lifted here July 4 to give Texans their first look at the pick of American bombardiers in action.

Colonel George M. Palmer, commanding officer of San Angelo Army Air Field and host that day to seven other bombardier schools for the III All-American Bombing Olympics announced today that the spectacular event will be open to the public.

Twenty-four cadet bombardiers selected as the best in their school will drop bombs from low and high altitude at a target only thirty feet wide.

It is anticipated that thousands (Continued from Page One)

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Notices of church entertainments where admission is charged, cards of thanks, resolutions of respect and all matter not news, will be charged for at regular advertising rates.

Any erroneous reflection upon the character of any person or firm appearing in these columns will be gladly and promptly corrected if called to the attention of the management.

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A WARTIME PLAGUE

Into the picture of America at war, on the battlefield, in the factory, and on the home front, has crept a new practice, the very name of which has been foreign to our vocabulary.

Blackmarkets are a disgraceful adjunct to America's wartime economy. The buying and selling of foodstuffs and other rationed goods for higher than ceiling prices, and the securing of these products through illegal means, are all part of this vicious game.

Every storekeeper who sells his goods without demanding ration points, who sells "special" things which he could not himself buy through regular channels, is patronizing the black market, and putting the customer who buys from him in the same class.

It is the duty of every patriotic American with friends and relatives at the front, to stamp out black markets by refusing to patronize them directly or indirectly. Blackmarkets are the manifestation of individual selfishness, and refusal to make the necessary sacrifices.

If the armed forces can do without comforts, if industry can work night and day, the rest of us can do with a little less now, so everyone will have more later.

SURPRISE COKE PARTY

Miss Pusey Baggett surprised her mother, Mrs. J. M. Baggett, with a coke party at the Baggett home Tuesday morning. About twenty-five guests enjoyed the affair. Mrs. Baggett returned last week after a six-weeks stay with her son-in-law and daughter, Lt. and Mrs. Hiram Brown and their infant daughter, Susan, in Boston, Mass.

17-Year-Olds To Get Special Pass To Bombing Show

Youngsters To Get Close-Up View Of Air Show Sunday

SAN ANGELO—Every 17-year-oldster from the Ozona area is especially invited to the greatest air show ever to be seen in West Texas, Colonel George M. Palmer, commanding officer of San Angelo Army Air Field, announced today.

At the III Bombing Olympics on July 4th at San Angelo, in which the best bombardiers from eight training schools in Texas, New Mexico and California will be selected during a four-hour bombing duel, flights of Flying Fortresses, B-26 Marauders and Kansas bombers will demonstrate bombing battle attacks that are daily blasting the French coast, the Ruhr industries and the Italian defenses.

Any West Texas man who is past 16 years but has not reached the age of 18 will be privileged to witness the spectacle with bombardier cadets in training here. Each 17-year-old man will be personally conducted to bombing ships on the flight line where he'll be shown where the bombs are loaded and how they are dropped on enemy targets.

Purpose of the special invitations and place of honor for the teen-agers, Colonel Palmer said, is to give them a taste of what it's like to fight with the army air forces.

Nine Flying Fortresses bombing in formation from the Rattlesnake Bomber Base at Pyote and a flight of B-26 Marauders on an actual tactical mission from Del Rio will give visitors their first eye-witness comparison of the high-level and low-level attack methods used by U. S. bombers in Europe, the Mediterranean and the Pacific.

Open to the public, the III Bombing Olympics will begin Sunday morning at 8 a.m. Surprise demonstrations of air forces powers are promised visitors by bombardier school officials.

For their special passes to the Olympics, the 17-year-old men have been requested to write Colonel Palmer, giving name, age, and address. Those who find it too late to receive a reply may request a pass at the bombardier school gate Sunday morning.

UNDERGOES EYE OPERATION

Roy Alvin Harrell, seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Harrell of Ozona, underwent an operation on his eye at Mayo Bros. clinic in Rochester, Minn., Monday of this week. Reports reaching here indicated that doctors felt the operation a success and that the child's vision will be improved considerably.

PROSECUTE GAS RATION VIOLATORS

Criminal prosecutions for violation of gasoline rationing regulations instituted by OPA through April 30, 1943, totaled 509. Ninety-three cases involved operations of gasoline stations. The remaining 416 were actions against individuals ranging from private automobile owners and filling station attendants to criminal "rings" engaged in systematic theft and sale of stolen gasoline ration books and coupons.

Ele Bright Baggett, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Baggett, Jr., of Ozona, underwent an operation in a Fort Worth hospital Friday to repair a knee joint damaged by a gun shot wound suffered while on a hunting trip two years ago. Reports from the attending physi-

cians indicate that the operation was successful and they are hopeful that a considerable degree of flexibility can be restored to the stiffened joint.

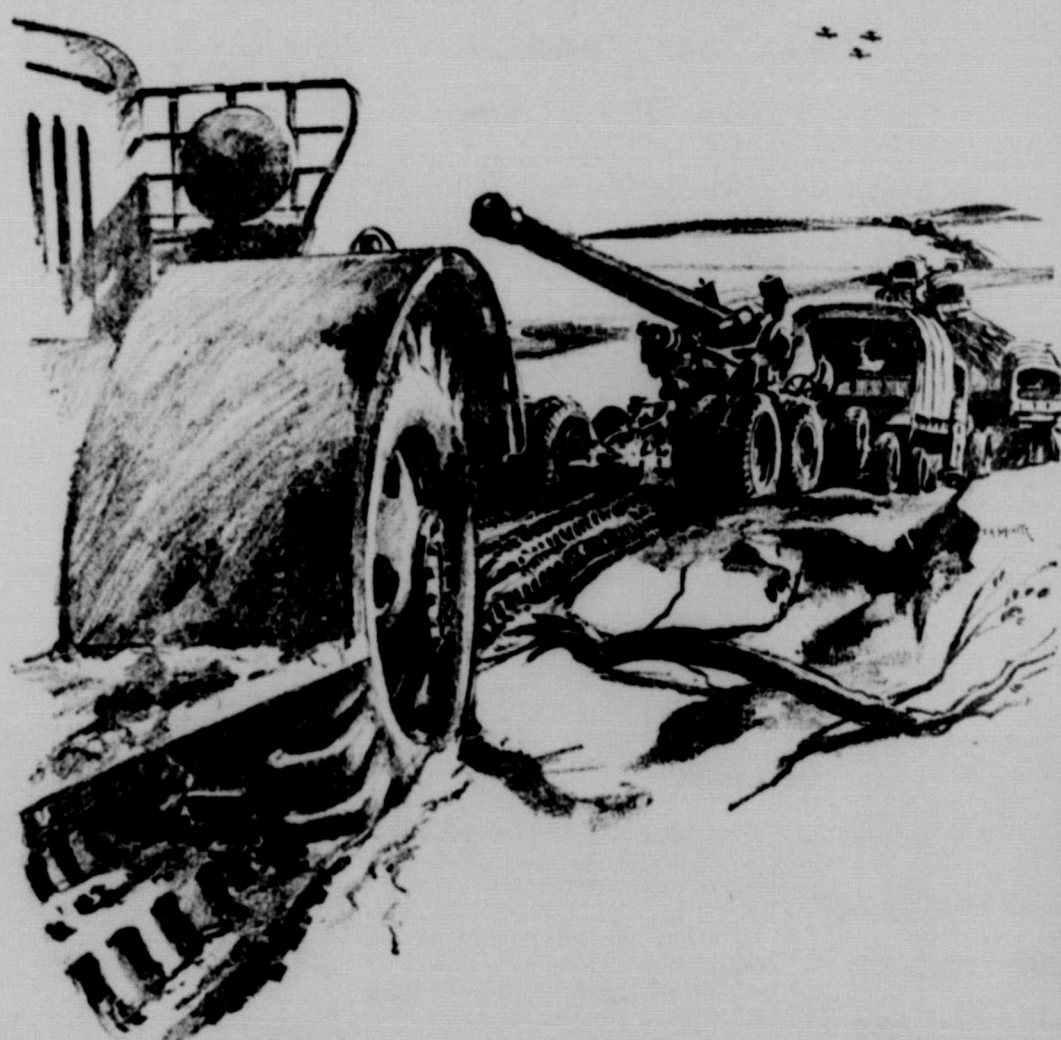
Mr. and Mrs. Baggett were with him at the time of the operation.

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MRS. BOEHME'S BREAD advertisement featuring an image of a Butter-Nut loaf and a building. Text includes: 'West Texas' Most Popular Loaf For Over 30 Years!', 'Baked In West Texas' Most Modern Bakery', and 'Our New Plant, Built in 1941'.



Oil Cuts a New Pattern

Deeply impressed in the sand and mud of distant battle fields soon will be seen the pattern cut by oil's newest weapon — tracks of rugged, heavy-lugged military tires made from rubber synthetically produced from petroleum.

RUBBER made from oil is now a reality; and appropriately, the Governor proclaimed June 28, 1943, as American-Made-Rubber Day in Texas.

When the source of native rubber was denied the Allies by the Japanese the petroleum industry was ready with plans already drawn for making synthetic rubber from oil. Tests prove it to be as good as, and in some instances better than, rubber made from native stock.

The same Humble refineries which for more than a year have been producing vast quantities of toluene for explosives,

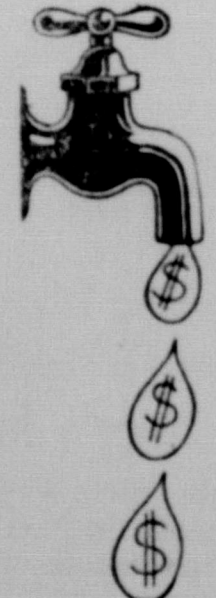
high octane aviation gasoline, and hundreds of other vital war products, will soon be ready to make Butyl rubber for many special military uses and Butadiene, basic material for military tires.

Production of this newest weapon from oil will be an added obligation. Humble will continue to meet established quotas of other petroleum war products as heretofore. Rubber simply will be added to an already long list of essentials—a list which reflects the vital part Humble men and women have in the battle of production.

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STOP THE LEAKS!

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Crockett County Water Control & Improvement Dist. No. 1

THURSDAY JULY 1, 1943 ODT Refers Gas Ration Requests To Local Ration Board John W. Reed, district manager of Defense Transportation in San Angelo, said today that numerous operators of commercial vehicles were coming to the ODT office under the impression that they would be issued new certificates of War Necessity for their quarter and that many of operators were of the opinion that transport rations could be secured at the ODT office at 805 San Angelo National Bank Building. Mr. Reed pointed out that this is a mistaken idea and that transport rations will be issued by the local War Price and Rationing Board in the respective counties as has been done in the past, and that Certificate of War Necessity titles now in the hands of the operator are valid and will not be reissued. THE CHURCH OF CHRIST Warren E. Starnes, Minister The Bible Classes meet at 10 o'clock. The morning sermon is at 11 o'clock. The Communion Service is 11:45. The evening service is 8:45. The ladies Bible class meets 4 p. m. Wednesday. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8:45. ROBERT MASSIE COMPAN Superior Ambulance Service Phone 4444 Day or Night San Angelo, Texas OZONA LODGE NO. 747 A. F. & A. M. Regular meetings first Monday night in each month. Next Meeting July 5

NOTICE OF REWARD I am offering \$500 Reward for apprehension and conviction of guilty parties in every theft of livestock Crockett County — except that no officer of Crockett County may claim the reward. FRANK JAMES Sheriff, Crockett County

Home HOMES, too must be over (Can YOUR home fight or survive the wear and tear family... FOR THE D Better hurry with those what's necessary at once income, can be arranged. FOXWORTH Lumb Full Line FE Purina Chows Grains — SOLD IN ANY QUAN Phenothiazine W C. C. Ozona, Texas

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John W. Reed, district manager, Office of Defense Transportation, San Angelo, said today that numerous operators of commercial vehicles were coming to the ODT office under the impression that they would be issued new certificates of War Necessity for the third quarter and that many operators were of the opinion that transport rations could be secured at the ODT office at 805 San Angelo National Bank Building.

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Is There Anybody Home?



American soldiers, engaged in mopping up operations on Attu island, peek into a Japanese dugout in search of snipers. The dugout has a tent roof to keep out the bitter wind and cold of the bleak island that became a cemetery for the enemy. Most of the Japanese were killed in battle or committed suicide. Few were captured. The end of Japanese resistance on Attu was marked by a final suicidal enemy attack, early in the morning. The resulting battle was a slaughter in which it has been estimated that 50 Japanese were killed for every American. Some of the Japs struck their hand grenades against their helmets to start the detonation mechanism, then held the grenades to their chests until the explosion ended their lives. The final attack occurred in American positions above Cories Lake. One American colonel and other officers were surrounded in a tent from which they fought off Japs for seven hours. An example of the accuracy of the American's shooting was shown when the body of an Alaskan scout was found with twelve dead Japs lying in a half circle around him.

Texas Farmers Sold 74 Millions Worth Products In May

AUSTIN—Texas farmers sold \$74,000,000 worth of agricultural products during May, as compared with \$54,000,000 in May, 1942, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reports.

This 37 per cent gain was due to higher prices rather than to increased marketings, however, points out Dr. F. A. Buechel, bureau statistician.

He cited that total cattle marketings, for example, dropped 23 per cent, but prices were 17 per cent higher than a year ago, helping to offset the drop in numbers.

Shipments of calves, however, were 148 per cent higher than in May, 1942, while income from sales was 180 per cent above last year. The number of hogs shipped increased by 50 per cent, while cash income from hogs gained 70 per cent.

Marketings of milk and milk products increased only 4 per cent, but income rose 40 per cent.

Egg marketings increased 28 per cent, income 60 per cent.

The most startling increase in both marketings and cash income, he said, occurred in the case of fruits and vegetables where shipments were up 72 per cent over May, last year, and cash income increased 138 per cent.

Helen and Ethel Mayes, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Hudson Mayes, left Monday for Georgetown, where they entered Southwestern University for the summer session.

RATIONING AT A GLANCE

SUGAR—Stamp No. 13 valid for five pounds until midnight August 15.

CANNING SUGAR—Stamps 15 and 16 in Ration Book valid for 5 pounds of sugar each through Oct. 31, 1943. Those needing additional sugar for canning may apply to local rationing boards.

COFFEE—Stamp No. 21 valid for 1 pound from July 1 through July 21. Stamp No. 22 valid for 1 pound from July 22 through August 11.

SHOES—Stamp No. 18 in Book 1 good for 1 pair of shoes through Oct. 31.

MEATS, EDIBLE FATS AND OIL, (including butter), **CHEESES, CANNED FISH**—Each holder of Book 2 allowed 16 points per week. Red stamps J, K, L, M and N expire June 30. Red stamps P, Q, R and S (16 points each) expire July 31 and become valid as follows: P, June 27; Q, July 4; R, July 11; and S, July 18.

PROCESSED FOODS—Blue K, L and M stamps (48 points) valid through July 7. Blue stamps N, P, and Q valid from July 1 through August 7.

GASOLINE—Value of each coupon in A, B and C books is 4 gallons. A-6 coupons expire midnight July 21.

TIRE INSPECTION—All "A" holders must have second official tire inspections by September 30, 1943. Subsequent inspections for A book holders will be once every six months. "B" book holders must have second official tire inspection by June 30, 1943. "C" book holders must have third official tire inspection by August 31, 1943. Next official tire inspection for "T" book holders must be made within 5,000 miles of last inspection or within six months, whichever occur first.

High-hat
Working in a munitions factory a man got his coat caught in a revolving wheel.

He was whisked up and whirled round and round till the foreman managed to switch off the current from the machine. The workman fell to the ground and up rushed the foreman.

"Speak to me, speak to me!" he said.

"Why should I?" said the workman. "I passed you six times just now, and you didn't speak to me!"

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Clyde Childers, Pastor
Schedule of Services:
9:45 Sunday School
10:50 Morning Worship
8:15 Evening Worship
Wednesday
8:15 Mid-Week Worship

Since next Sunday is such an important day in the history of our nation we urge our people to observe it in the most appropriate way possible by being in God's house and thanking him for our previous national blessings. As it reminds us of the things we are fighting for it should bring us to prayer for the men at the front. You are invited to be present, to bring a friend and hear the pas-

tor in the two worship services.

Let us remind you again that it is only 22 days until the annual meeting of Paisano Encampment and we trust that you are planning to attend. Write Mr. S. M. Swearingen, Marfa, Texas, for accommodations.

All of our members and friends of our church are invited to be present next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Beecher Montgomery are here for a visit with Mr. Montgomery's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Montgomery, Beecher, who recently was graduated from T.C.U. in Fort Worth, is in the Marine Corps reserve and expect to be called to active duty within the next month.

SOLDIERS' DEPENDENTS GET CHECKS

Family allowances and voluntary allotments-of-pay are now in force for about four and a half million soldiers who have more than seven and one-half million dependents, the War Department announces. More than 20 million family allowance and allotment-of-pay checks have been mailed to the wives, children, and other dependents, relatives of Army men in one year.

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FOR SALE—Small fan-type evaporative cooler. Water circulating motor. In good condition. Phone 46 or see M. C. Graham. 1p



What Does It Mean to You—

The Constitution of the United States?

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Do you impart the truth to the printed page—or do you seek it there? It will profit you that the presses will not be shattered in the night.

Do you talk with your neighbors on

the street corner—or meet on the steps of the City Hall? It will profit you that no bludgeon can drive you into secret meetings.

Our Constitution assures us these things. And these we fight for.

In many ways we fight. Some in small, silent ways—when sons have gone. Some in large, heroic ways—in the roaring of wings, the firing of guns, the sailing of ships. Farmers fight in their fields; ministers from the pulpit's height. Others are making the weapons of war... and some are supplying the power with which to run the machines.

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And we join with the freedom-loving people of West Texas in asking that Washington's bureaucrats forego their political activities for the duration and concentrate on the fight... and that they cease their endeavors to permanently change our Constitution—a threat to the freedom for which we are fighting.



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Bombing Olympics

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of West Texans will celebrate Independence Day watching the explosion of practice bombs and judging for themselves as to how well Hitler's industry is standing up to blasting from American heavy bombers.

"This is probably the most appropriate war-time Fourth of July celebration ever arranged," Col. Palmer said. "This is no time for firecrackers. It is a time for bombs. Few people will be content with sparklers and skyrockets when they can watch our bombers in action."

The bombs which will be used are 100 pound practice bombs, duplicates of demolition combat bombs, with a charge of several pounds of black powder added. On impact the powder explodes with a vivid flash and a great billow of smoke, enabling observers to determine where the bomb has struck.

The Bombing Olympics, which bring teams from schools at San Angelo, Childress, Big Spring, and Midland in Texas; Albuquerque, Roswell and Deming in New Mexico and Victorville in California, are designed to introduce the competitive spirit into a training program which will turn out 12,000 pin-point bombardiers during the next twelve months.

The bombing will begin at 8 a.m. and continue for four hours with special events interspersed so that spectators will be able to see aircraft in action at all times, Col. Palmer announced. A special loud speaker system will keep the public closely informed of events and a large scoreboard is being erected.

Officers of the San Angelo bombardier school said yesterday that the public should bring sun glasses in order to watch the planes more readily in the sky. It is possible, they said, to see the bombs leave the plane and to follow their course from the bomber to the target. After watching a few drops and gauging their accuracy, alert observers will be able to

judge whether a bomb will probably hit on the target or whether it will be over or short.

The target will be placed near intersection of two runways and the public will view the event from the bomber flight line. As the bomb hits the target area, spotting planes radio the location of the hit to the ground and this is immediately announced over the loudspeaker and entered on the scoreboard. A running average of these scores, which are officially checked by photographs made of each bomb dropped, is kept.

Ozona Postoffice

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sorted, such service being available only when all windows are open. The cooperation of the public is sought by the postmaster and his staff in observing the new rules, dictated by the postoffice department governing operation of second class offices.

Working hours of employees are strictly regulated under the new classification, no employee being permitted to work more than eight hours a day. The present staff will be reduced by one employee, the new staff of clerks to include Helen Armentrout, Mary Faye Lucas and Carmen Castillo, the latter to work only 4 hours a day and the other two, eight hours. Mrs. Kersey will not be a paid clerk but will fill in for the other clerks when they are absent. Hours of the postoffice staff will be arranged so far as possible to have a maximum number of employees on hand at the peak hours, Mr. Kersey said.

Mail is dispatched north and east from Ozona twice daily, expansion of bus mail service leaving here at 11:30 each morning making it possible for mail to be posted up to 11 o'clock in the morning and delivered in Fort Worth, Dallas or San Antonio in time for delivery at the same time as mail leaving here for Barnhart at 7:15 in the morning. Bus mail going east from Ozona each morning is sorted in pouches for San Angelo for delivery there and points north, west and east. Another is dispatched to Roosevelt for delivery in that area and another for San Antonio for distribution in all directions from that city. Thus all mail that misses the early morning truck to Barnhart except that destined for delivery to towns west of San Angelo along the Santa Fe, is sent on the bus and reaches the principal distribution centers in time for next morning delivery.

Two and three times a week mail service is maintained by routes for Juno and Panhandle, the Juno mail leaving here at 8 a.m. each Monday, Wednesday and Friday and the Pandale route leaving at the same hour each Tuesday and Friday.

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Sonora, and F. T. Gunn and T. W. Johnson of Eldorado.

The Ozona National Farm Loan Association has been in existence since 1926, during which time it has made approximately 80 loans on Crockett county ranch lands, totaling approximately 2 million dollars, from the Federal Land Bank. The local association, which has never had a delinquency in its 17-year history, takes into the three-county merged association 66 outstanding loans for a total of \$1,088,400.

Women Learn Best Canning Methods In Two-Day School Here

An interested class of Ozona women learned the fine points of canning and preserving foods here last Thursday and Friday when Miss Louise Bryant, extension specialist in home management from the A & M College extension service, was presented in a two-day demonstration and lecture on home canning and preserving.

Miss Bryant conducted morning and afternoon classes in the home economics rooms of the high school building, and more than a dozen women attended the four class sessions.

Styled the "Save and Share" school on food conservation, the extensive service workers have carried the knowledge of experts to housewives all over the state in an effort to salvage as much as possible of the season's crop of fruits and vegetables through canning and preserving. Miss Bryant gave many valuable pointers to the Ozona classes on the proper and safe method for preserving.

ALFALFA HAY UNDER CONTROL

Alfalfa hay was brought under price control by OPA recently in Arizona, Nevada, Utah, Idaho, and New Mexico and in El Paso and Hudspeth counties in Texas at the levels established last February for California, Oregon, and Washington. This is intended to reduce the price to the farmer in the areas now brought under control for the first time. With few exceptions the maximum price is \$20 a ton, loose on the farm, ready to load.

County Contracts For New Roof On Courthouse, Jail

Fort Worth Firm To Begin Job Here In About A Month

Contract for a complete reconditioning job on roofs of the Crockett County courthouse and jail was let this week by the county to the Panther-Oil & Grease Manufacturing Co. of Fort Worth. Work on the project will begin in about a month, Lee S. Fox, representative of the Fort Worth company, who will supervise the work, told county officials.

The re-roofing job, which will consist of application of a plastic cement and fabric, followed by successive applications of Canadian short string asbestos, Gilsonite gum and asphalt, will cost the county \$1,083 for labor and mater-

ials. The new roof, applied on the old metal roof now on both buildings, carries a 7-year guarantee. The coating material is guaranteed not to melt under 260 degrees of temperature, the company representative said.

Ozona Scouts Back From Summer Camp

Five Boy Scouts from Troop 33 returned Sunday from Camp Fawcett, near Barksdale, where they had spent the week attending the summer Scout camp. Ozona boys attending Camp Fawcett were Sammy Perner, Joe Bean, Billy Joe McDonald, Scott Smith and Buddy Phillips. A large delegation from the local Latin-American troop, No. 63, also attended Camp Fawcett.

Lee Wilson, W. R. Cabaness and Frank James represented the Ozona Rotary Club at the district assembly held in Menard Sunday and Monday.

CADET IS GRADUATED

A. C. Ed Lewis of Abilene was graduated from basic training at Gardner Field, Taft, Colo., on June 20 and has been sent to Luke Field, Phoenix, Ariz., for advanced training. Mrs. Lewis, the former Dorothy Hannah, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Hannah, and her infant son are making their home here with her parents while Cadet Lewis is in training. He will receive a month of single engine advanced training and another month of training in piloting a twin-engine plane before receiving his wings about the middle of August.

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