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## Members of War Boards Honored At Rotary Meet

### Volunteer Workers for War Administration Guests of Wilson

Tribute to the unselfish service being rendered by volunteer members of the various local war emergency boards and panels, administering the complex rationing, price control and military draft laws of the government, was paid by Lee Wilson, president of the Ozona Rotary Club, when all members of these local boards, with their secretaries, were his lunch-guests at the club meeting Tuesday.

These workers included the following: War Price and Rationing Board, John R. Bailey, Early Baggett and Clay Montgomery; Gasoline Panel, Tom Harris, Ira Carson and J. M. Baggett; Price Panel, Alvin Harrell, Lee Childress and Wayne West; Selective Service board, Bryan McDonald, Madden Read and Evert White, George Russell and Miss Leta Powell, for the rationing boards, and Mrs. Coralie Meinecke for the draft board were the secretaries and clerks who were also guests.

The day's program was featured by an explanation of the organization and work of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration given by Miss Betty Bratcher, administrative officer of the AAA in Crockett county. Miss Bratcher described the AAA set up from the central administration under the Department of Agriculture in Washington, to the state AAA office and to the local administration in the various counties of the state. In addition to administering crop control and soil conservation work, the agency has been greatly expanded as a result of the war, taking on functions of local War boards, salvage drives, and serving as contact for the government with agriculture in all phases of the war effort.

Lowell Littleton, cashier of the Ozona National Bank was formally inducted as a new member of the club, Ralph Cabanes, club secretary, instructing him in a brief talk on the history, aims and objects of Rotary. Rev. M. C. Stearns, pastor of the Methodist Church, was a visitor.

## Mrs. J. H. Meredith Wife of Former Ozona Pastor, Dies

### Ozonans Attend Services Held in Kerrville Wednesday Afternoon

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon from the Kerrville Methodist Church for Mrs. Dora B. Meredith, 74, wife of Rev. J. H. Meredith, for seven years pastor of the Ozona Methodist Church, and now manager of the Kerrville Methodist Assembly and pastor of the church at Harper.

Mrs. Meredith died at her home in Kerrville Saturday after an illness lasting many years.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Harold S. Goodenough, district superintendent of the Kerrville district, assisted by the Rev. S. L. Batchelor of San Antonio, district superintendent of the San Antonio district, and the Rev. Roy Hilliard, pastor of the First Methodist Church at Kerrville.

Attending the services were many people from Rev. Meredith's former charges. Attending from Ozona were Rev. M. C. Stearns, pastor of the Ozona Methodist Church, Scott Peters, Mrs. Joe Davidson, Mrs. S. M. Harvick, Mrs. John R. Bailey and Mrs. R. A. Harrell.

Mrs. Meredith was born in Decatur county, Indiana, but had lived in Texas 32 years. She is survived by the husband, two daughters, Misses Ruth and Mary Meredith of San Antonio, and one son, Ray Meredith of Louisville, Ky. All three of the children were present for the funeral services.



**BEGINS 17TH YEAR**—C. S. Denham, above, was re-elected for the seventeenth consecutive year with the Ozona Public School system, his 11th as its superintendent, at a regular meeting of the school board last week. Mr. Denham came to Ozona schools as high school principal in 1928 and ascended to the superintendency in 1934, which post he has held continuously since. Despite war-time difficulties, teacher shortages, etc. the Ozona school system, under his guidance, is among the most efficient in the state.

## Paralysis Fund Drive Committee Plans Campaign

### Voluntary Contributions Sought for National, Local Fund

Organization of a local committee to direct the 1944 infantile paralysis fund drive through celebration of the President's birthday, January 31, was completed during the past week, and plans are to be discussed at a meeting of the committee, to be held soon, for carrying on the campaign in this county.

Lee Wilson is county chairman of the local Infantile Paralysis Foundation chapter and of the campaign committee. Pleas Childress, Jr., and Mrs. Alvin Harrell are vice chairmen and Mrs. Gertrude Perry is secretary-treasurer. Other committee member are C. S. Denham, Evert White, J. C. Montgomery, Tom Harris, Mrs. Carl Colwick and Mrs. Roy Henderson.

Whether or not there will be some kind of public entertainment for the benefit of the drive fund or a solicitation of funds for the purpose will be made locally will be decided by this committee. A liberal response to the drive was made by Ozona people last year, through admissions to a Birthday Ball and voluntary contributions to the fund. With the experience of the past year, when infantile paralysis in almost epidemic form occurred in Texas and other states, the drive this year takes on added significance, and an even greater response is expected to this year's appeal for funds to carry on the work of combatting this dread crippling and killer.

Half of the funds contributed here are retained in the treasury of the local chapter, the other half being turned over to the National Foundation to help carry on research work to combat the disease. Although no definite plans have been worked out, various uses might be found for a local infantile paralysis fund, including the training of some local person in the Kenney method of treatment or possibly the purchase of an "iron lung" for community use sometime in the future, leaders of the drive point out.

In order to assure a considerable showing in the local campaign, Chairman Wilson has issued an appeal for voluntary contributions to the fund in advance of the campaign opening. Any person interested in the work of the foundation and desiring to contribute to the local chapter fund and to the national research are invited to hand or mail a check to any member of the local committee.

Back The Attack! Buy Bonds!

## Twin Basketball Bill, Volleyball Friday Night Menu

### Barnhart, Mertzon Coming for Exhibition Games Here

Two basketball games, between Ozona High School Lions and teams from Barnhart and Mertzon, plus a volleyball game between girls' teams from Ozona and Barnhart, will make a complete evening of entertainment for fans in the high school gymnasium Friday evening of this week, Supt. C. S. Denham announced yesterday.

The evening's games will start at 7 o'clock with a game between the Ozona and Barnhart girls' volleyball teams. At 7:30, Coach L. B. T. Sikes' cagers, mostly the second string, with the entire squad available for play, will engage the Mertzon lads in the first basketball game of the evening. Following this, the first string, with the second team as substitutes, will engage the strong Barnhart quint.

These teams met in Barnhart two weeks ago and the Ozonans took both engagements, over Mertzon by a wide margin but by a margin of only one point over the Barnhart crew.

Coach Sikes' lads last week blitzed the Eldorado Eagles for two games on the local court, the second strings tangling the first encounter, with the locals emerging with the top end of a 27 to 8 count in the second string game and 32 to 23 for the first team lads.

McWilliams was hot in the first string game to lead the scoring with 14 points, Sweeten nipping at his heels with a total of 12. Thompson of Eldorado, the troublesome Luke of the gridiron season, upped his team with 10 points, Carlton Smith and Earl Tillery were the heavy scorers in the second strings melee.

## Water Board Organized at Initial Meeting

### Pleas Childress President; Wilson Vice President

Three new members of the board of directors of the Crockett County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, elected last week by voters of the district, were installed in office at a meeting of the new board Tuesday afternoon.

The new members include Lee Wilson, Alvin Harrell and Joe North.

Organization of the board for the coming year was perfected at this first meeting. Pleas Childress, Jr., was re-elected president and Lee Wilson was named vice president. Tom Harris was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Plans for the year's operations were discussed, and routine business matters considered.

## Half Crockett Voters Have Paid Poll Tax to Date

### Citizens Reminded Jan. 31 Deadline to Earn Vote in 1944

Less than half of the estimated number of potential voters in Crockett county had paid their poll taxes, qualifying them to vote in the important war-time election year of 1944 up to the middle of this week, A. O. Fields, office deputy of the sheriff's department, reported yesterday.

A little more than 300 poll tax receipts have been issued to date, the deputy reported, and it is estimated that between 600 and 700 should pay the tax before the deadline.

County officials this week pointed out that the deadline is (Continued On Last Page)

## 10 Teams Accept Invitations to Ozona Tourney

### Ten More Rooms Needed to House Visiting Boys, Coaches

With a full schedule of ten teams lined up, the maximum number that could be accommodated in the time allowed, plans are about perfected for Ozona High School's 13th annual basketball tournament, scheduled for January 28 and 29.

Committees in charge of securing housing for some 70 visiting teams and coaches reported yesterday that rooms in Ozona homes had been secured for about fifty of the boys and that at least ten more rooms will be needed to take care of the visitors who will be here overnight Friday, January 28. Ozonans who will have a room and will be willing to keep boys or coaches for the night are asked to call either Miss Marian Gibson or Mr. Denham.

The nine school teams who, with Ozona's Lions of Coach L. B. T. Sikes, will constitute the competition in the 1944 tourney, include McCamey, Big Lake, Iraan, Fort Stockton, Barnhart, Mertzon, Eldorado, Sonora and Rocksprings. Two other teams indicated to local school officials a desire to participate, but the ten teams were all that could be accommodated in the time allowed for the meet and their applications had to be refused.

The tournament first-round games will start at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon, with three tourney games and a girls' volleyball game to be played in the afternoon and two more tournament cage games in the Friday night session. Beginning at 10 o'clock Saturday morning, three games will be reeled off before the noon hour, three more in the afternoon and the tournament and consolation finals Saturday night. Lefty Walker will act as the tournament referee.

Season tickets, good for the five sessions of the tournament, Friday afternoon, Friday night, Saturday morning, afternoon and night, are now on sale at the high school. Season tickets are priced at \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students. Admission prices for the single sessions, morning afternoon or night, will be 35 cents for adults and 20 cents for students.

Trophies for the tournament have already arrived and are on display at the high school. Mr. Denham announced, "We are well pleased with the appearance of the trophies for war-time creations," the superintendent declared. Eighteen-inch wood-mounted trophies are to be awarded the tournament winner and runner-up teams and slightly smaller ones are to be given the consolation and runner-up winners. Silver basketballs, properly engraved, are to be awarded the five players chosen by a secret committee for the all-tournament team. The custom of past years of choosing the tournament's best all-round player for a special award will be abandoned this year because of the difficulty of securing trophies.

## Thirteen Ozonans Attend Scout Meet In Sonora Tuesday

### Group from Ozona Included in Annual Dinner Meeting of the Ranch District, Concho Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America, Held Tuesday Evening in Sonora, with the Sonora Lions Club as Hosts.

The group from Ozona included Mr. and Mrs. Lee Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Madden Read, Rev. and Mrs. Clyde Childers, Mr. and Mrs. Frank James, Miss Mary Riddle, Sam Martinez and Ray Rodriguez.

E. C. Grindstaff of Ballinger was the principal speaker of the evening. H. C. Grafa of San Angelo, president of the Concho Valley Council and Don C. Baldwin, Scout executive for the council, were also present. Mr. Grafa brought greetings from the council and Mr. Baldwin installed new officers of the district.

Wayne West was re-elected district chairman and Lee Wilson, chairman of the Ozona Boy Scout Committee, was named to the district board. Reports of retiring officers were heard.

## Legion Rehabilitation Service Available for Service Men, Families

Rev. M. C. Stearns, pastor of the Ozona Methodist Church and Department Chaplain of the state of Texas, American Legion, has announced that the Legion's rehabilitation services are now available to local service men and their families through his offices as local representatives of the veteran's organization.

Rev. Stearns said that due to the fact that so many disabled men of World War I have already died and that employment is easier for disabled men to obtain under war conditions, nine-tenths of the Legion's problem with the disabled was now directed to World War 2 veterans. This falls into several different classes; the work with those going into the service and now in the service, the work with the families of men away in the service, and helping those who have returned from the service with disabilities.

The trained staff of the American Legion at Washington, working with the Veterans Administration Rating offices, have resulted in thousands of cases of service-connected disability, where the man's Army discharge has said that it was not due to service. The American Legion, with over 9000 trained Post Service Officers, is equipped to represent the veterans and bring about a fair adjudication of such matters.

Rev. Stearns declared that where a veteran's allotment has not come through, or due to sickness or childbirth, there is an unusual financial burden thrown on a family, the Army Relief Funds will be paid out to take care of the family emergencies on investigation made by the American Legion. Therefore, family matters should be taken up with him, as a representative of the American Legion in our community.

Rev. Stearns will be happy to explain family allowance rates to any one interested.

## Voluntary Bond Purchases Urged To Meet Quota

### Chairman Peters Calls For Cooperation in 4th War Loan

Under the guidance of Scott Peters, chairman of the Crockett County War Finance Committee, the Fourth War Loan Drive was officially launched here Tuesday, simultaneous with start of the campaign for war bond sales totalling 14 billion dollars throughout the nation.

Believing that Crockett county citizens are patriotic enough and believe in America's war effort sincerely enough themselves to put this county over the top in its Fourth War Loan Drive quota without "too much personal solicitation," Chairman Peters this week issued an appeal to citizens of this county to make voluntary purchases of War Bonds "to the limit of their ability."

The county's quota has been set at \$288,000, of which \$103,000 is earmarked for Series E bonds for individual purchasers. To the first of this year, Crockett county has piled up a splendid record of support for the government through war bond purchases, the county chairman pointed out in his statement, and urged that there be no let-down in this new and supreme effort expressed in the Fourth War Loan slogan—"Let's All Back The Attack."

"In a recent issue of the Ozona Stockman, there appeared a recapitulation of the total sales of war bonds, or rather, total purchases by citizens of Crockett county and the amount in total is very gratifying to all concerned," Mr. Peters said in his statement kicking off this county's drive to meet its quota.

"In the current Fourth War Loan, Crockett county is asked to purchase a grand total of \$288,000 in bonds. Of this amount, we are asked to buy \$103,000 of the Series E bonds. The purpose of this request is to secure as large a distribution of the bonds as possible. Everyone is asked to buy this particular bond to the limit of his ability and to the amount allotted to each individual purchaser. Let us all remember that we are not in the war until we 'own' some bonds."

"Series C, Tax Saving Bonds, are being offered in denominations of \$100 or multiples thereof and those people who anticipate large tax payments are offered a chance here to put aside their tax money and at the same time help out on our quota. Bonds of this type purchased during January can be used on March 15th income tax payments.

"We hope to attain our goal without too much personal solicitation, and ask every citizen to figure out for himself his own share of this quota and to make purchases accordingly."

## Mohair Being Contracted Here At 60-80 Cents

### Guy Burton Contracting Spring Clips of Crockett Growers

Contracting of the 1944 spring clip of mohair from the backs of Crockett county Angoras was under way here this week, at the prevailing high price of 60 cents for grown hair and 80 cents for kid, the prices being 59 cents and 79 cents net to the growers.

Guy Burton, buyer for the Boston firms of Forte, Dupee and Sawyer, tapped off local contracting with an offer of that figure through Melvin Brown of the Ozona Wool and Mohair Co. and Mr. Brown this week was contacting grower customers.

Although no definite figure on the number of fleeces contracted here were available, growers were reported generally willing to sell at the figure and most of the county's production was expected to be under contract before shearing.

## Marching Through Mud on Bougainville



Heavily laden marine infantrymen slog through deep mud of a jungle trail as they near the battle front. Continued American attacks on Japanese positions in the Pacific are steadily lengthening our striking power from the air. As the battle continued on Bougainville, American troops battled toward Rabaul which is considered a vital Japanese base.

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THE LOW-DOWN FROM HICKORY GROVE

I just busted into a hospital. For 2 weeks I have had the radio at my elbow, and brothers and sisters, I am now an authority on programs. It never before entered my head that there could be such a tremendous amount of nothing on the air—24 hours continuous.

But I did hear one thing that sorta intrigued me. It was the news that the big Medicine Men there on the Potomac have decided that a new label is needed to take the place of the old one on their old bottle of "snake oil and pain killer." I mean the New Deal Brand. They are thinking of naming the new elixir "Win the War." Sounds kinda foxy, but if sales drop off, you will scratch around for something that will help business. They don't say that what is in the bottle is going to be changed, so I guess it will be the same old stuff—taste and smell the same. The label will have to be mighty pretty.

Yours with the low down JO SERRA

38 Millions Paid To Texas Farmers For '43 AAA Work

195,000 Producers Participated in Last Year's Program

COLLEGE STATION—The New Year for thousands of Texas farmers will be brightened by the receipt of AAA payments which they have earned for building soil fertility and increasing food production for the war effort.

B. F. Vance, State AAA administrator, announced today that payments covering 138,804 applications have already been made to over 195,000 producers, and the pay off program is just getting under full headway.

Under the 1943 AAA agricultural Conservation Program payments totaling \$38,644,000 will be made to Texas' farmers who cooperated in the program, the Administrator said.

Payments for 1943 will include \$16,854,000 for cotton; \$2,622,000 for wheat; \$100,000 for Irish potatoes; \$250,000 for fresh vegetables; and \$14,547,000 for soil-building practices.

Increases in small payments will total about \$4,271,000. Payments of less than \$200 are automatically increased by a designated amount. The smaller the payment, the higher the proportionate increase.

Special dairy feed payments totaling \$480,280 have been made to 34,745 dairy farmers in Texas through December, Vance said. These payments covering production for market in October were made to dairymen to help them meet the increased cost of feed. Similar payments for November and December will be made this month.

94,758,400 pounds of milk and 1,094,850 pounds of butterfat sold. Payments have gone to nearly every county in the State. Counties receiving the highest total dairy feed payments include Bexar, Dallas, Harris and Tarrant.

Sgt. Fred Parker, one of the four Parker brothers from Ozona who are in the armed services, was here this week for a visit with friends. Sgt. Parker is stationed with a veterinary detachment at Fort Reno, Okla.

Leaders of New European Invasion Team



These are the men who will lead the long awaited Allied "second front" invasion of Europe. Left to right: Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, supreme commander of Allied invasion armies; Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder, deputy to Eisenhower; Lieut. Gen. Carl Spaatz, chief of all the American strategic air forces that will hit Germany from west and south; and Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, chief of the British land armies. Appointment of Tedder as Eisenhower's deputy indicated that air power was to be a major weapon in the battle to crush the fortress of Europe. Eisenhower, who had never before made a prediction in 13 months of warfare, announced as he left Algiers to assume his new post that "we will win the European war in 1944."

SELECTIVE SERVICE CHANGES

Occupational deferments generally will be denied to 18 to 22-year-old registrants, other than those in agriculture, fathers and

non-fathers alike, unless they are engaged in activities in which deferment is specifically authorized, according to Selective Service. Furthermore, all registrants will be given pre-induction physical examination at least 21 days

before being inducted. Therefore, the period of three weeks in the enlisted reserve now granted by the army and the one-week period granted by the navy will be eliminated. These changes become effective February 1.

Madame Chiang Is Program Topic for Woman's Club Meet

The Ozona Woman's Club held its regular meeting Tuesday, January 11, at the home of Mrs. John Bailey. Mrs. Stephen Perner, president, was the leader for the program on Madame Chiang Kai-Shek. The program was divided into two parts as follows: Her Biography by Mrs. Lee Childress and Her Faith by Mrs. Joe Pierce.

Following the program Mrs. Carl Colwick gave a report of the convention held in Austin.

After a short business meeting the club was adjourned.

Those present were Mrs. John Bailey and Mrs. L. B. Cox, hostesses, Mesdames Lowell Littleton, Hillary Phillips, George Bean, Vic Pierce, Lee Childress, Carl Col-

wick, Stephen Perner, Will Baggett, Hugh Childress, P. T. Robinson, W. E. West, Ira Carson, Joe Pierce, Morris Dudley, Clyde Childers, N. W. Graham, Clay Montgomery and A. C. Hoover.

The next meeting will be on January 25th at the home of Mrs. A. C. Hoover. Miss Elizabeth Fussell will give a book review at that meeting.

Tom Piner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Piner, underwent an emergency appendectomy in a San Angelo hospital Saturday. The lad is reported doing well.

Lt. Alfred Dallinger, formerly employed at the Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber Co. here, and now stationed at the Carlisle, N. M. Army Air School, was a visitor here last week. Lt. Dallinger is a navigator instructor at Carlisle.

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The very least that you can do is to buy an extra \$100 War Bond...above and beyond the Bonds you are now buying or had planned to buy. In fact, if you take stock of your resources, you will probably find that you can buy an extra \$200...or \$300...or even \$500 worth of War Bonds.

Sounds like more than you "can afford"? Well, young soldiers can't afford to die, either...yet they do it when called upon. So is it too much to ask of us that we invest more of our money in War Bonds...the best investment in the world today? Is that too much to ask?



Let's all BACK THE ATTACK!

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# THE LION'S ROAR

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## From the Mail Box—

I wonder if there would be more letters in the box if we wrote more? I really had never thought of that angle. Jack Sawant at Fort Sill, has made the suggestion that all English classes be a unit on "Letter Writing." The first assignment should be to write to one boy in the service. It seemed like a good idea until I read on and the catch is that I expect all letters to be addressed to him. Both Jack and Bill regretted that it was somewhat "cool" that district around Lawton.

Doris Haire has been seeing me country since he was transferred from Amarillo, Texas to Danube Field, Illinois. He is going to an airplane engine special school and it's the hope of both Army and Doris that he will know everything about engines when he has finished.

Roselle Pharr is home between semesters and is looking prettier than ever. In Bud's last letter he expressed the hope of getting to see home soon for a day or so. He also mentioned having seen Bill C. several times. These college really should arrange their semester holidays to correspond with our tournament dates. Speaking of dates, Billy Hanish celebrated his birthday on Tuesday of this week.

"The Skiff," T.C.U. paper, carries headlines of the carnival shows, Leap Week, and Ranch Week set for Feb. 4 and 5. That means plenty of fun for Sug and me.

Charles sent a calendar with the picture of the House of Representatives, D. C. on it to be hung in the English room. However, the picture still says, "Miss Kirbie, what is the date?"

It still seems odd that people expect to receive an answer to their letter before they write another.

## O-H-S

### BUCKLE DOWN, WINSOCKI

Note: Students, as long as you insist on singing it, you might as well learn the words.

Buckle down, Winssocki, buckle down.

You can win, Winssocki, if you buckle down.

If you break their necks, if you make them wrecks, if you can break the hex, so buckle down.

Make 'em yell, Winssocki, make 'em yell.

You can win, Winssocki, if you give 'em hell.

If you don't give in, take it on the chin.

You are bound to win if you will only buckle down.

If you fight, you'll chuckle at defeat.

If you fight, your luck'll not retreat.

Buckle down, Winssocki, buckle down.

You can win, Winssocki, if you knuckle down.

If you mow them, if you go to town.

You can wear the crown if you only buckle down.

## O-H-S

### IT'S ABOUT TIME

Nan Tandy

It's about time we had another dance for O.H.S.

Bill Wilkins started dating Doris again.

We had a basketball team that wins a tournament.

We had volleyball practice with nooning hours.

For the sun to shine again.

For the Spanish class to give an assembly program.

We had some more new people in high school.

All of us started studying to be exempt or pass, whichever the case may be.

For Rosalyn and Calvin to be seen at church again—or just seen, period.

For more people to buy War Bonds and Stamps.

To write more articles for the Lion's Roar.

Jimmy Read thawed out.

For new books in the library.

Dilly and Joyce started playing tennis with that old new year's cap.

Bill McWilliams got another crush on Ruth.

For the Freshmen to learn a little Spanish.

For Byrd to start bickering with Gussie again.

The Juniors started raising money for the banquet.

For Susie to start writing another service man.

For the bell to ring and me to go.

## COGITATIONS

By Joyce West

Mid-term exams are over, at last, everybody has a relieved expression on his face, and looks as if he has caught up with at least some of his sleep. "Dead Week" wasn't as dead for some O.H.S. students as it should have been, that "added attraction" in town seemed to be more important than exams!!!—Ada, who was that G. I. you were with at the basketball game Saturday night?—Barbara, Doris, Muggins and Rosalyn were doing all right with Paul Page and those other Eldorado boys in Doris car after the game.

—Le Roy seems to be positive that he will make a good grade on the Personality Test he is going to take!—Everybody is singing "Buckle Down Winssocki" after seeing "Best Foot Forward" Sunday.

—Louise is sighing over that certain sailor that came to see her Saturday. Rosalyn says she definitely approves of the way Louise greeted him.—Daphne and Baby are dreaming of a BIG time in San Angelo Saturday.—We didn't realize that Byrd, Billy, Larry and Duane had such glamorous gams until they stood out in the middle of the highway trying to get a ride!!!—Louise Arledge says she doesn't understand Miss Heaton's language; she speaks with gestures.—The first Study Hall has decided that Bill Wilkins is a little "off," he wants to be a watch maker when he grows up a Fuddy Duddy one at that!!!

## O-H-S

### DUMB BUT HAPPY

The latest news here you will find, if reading this corn you won't mind.

Billy asks Miss Moore

How in Spanish to say Grable

And poor Miss Moore

Feels like crawling under the table.

Miss Kirbie nearly faints

When the boys say they'll write an article.

They say to write about the out of town girls

They won't mind a particle.

Press Club Monday night

Was just like football season.

All the boys had broken bones

But FOOTBALL wasn't the reason!!

When someone suggests tennis playing

We all say, "Let's."

But how in the world can we play tennis

Without the tennis nets?

When league was over Sunday night,

"Scram," Jimmy said

But Jimmy didn't want 'em to leave

Because he was going to bed!!

We wonder what price the boys pay

Muggins to drive by

When the boys have their dates

And Muggins, her cock-eye?

Last week during the snow

No one thought of starvation.

What every one was scared of

Was that of freezation!

"What will become of us?"

Says Miss Moore with agitation

## When all the volley ball girls

Wear slacks with an abbreviation.

## Lions Trim Eagles In Double Header Bill

The Lions picked the Eagles to a 32-23 victory Saturday night in Ozona. The Lions had the Eagles in the bag and the game in the sack for four quarters. At the end of the first quarter the score was 14 to 3, at the half 18 to 8, and the third quarter 30 to 15. McWilliams was high point man with fourteen points. Sweeten was running a close second with twelve points, followed by Thompson of Eldorado with ten.

Coach Sutherland's second stringers couldn't hit enough baskets, either, and the Ozona second team came out on the long end of the 27 to 8 score. Carlton Smith and Earl Tillery were the hotshots.

Next Friday there will be a double header with Barnhart and Merton. The volleyball team will clash with Barnhart at 7:00.

## O-H-S

## JUST SUPPOSE

Mid-term exams weren't over—could we stand another week of them?—The males of O.H.S. did not get such a big kick out of throwing snow-balls at the females.—Two new-comers, Louise Arledge and Bennie Gail Phillips, hadn't had such a good time at the G. I. dance last Saturday.—Joe Nell Coose wasn't asked so frequently, "Why are you standing in a hole?" just because she's a little short.—Juana Gay wasn't so tempted to drop her Sgt. for a certain Pvt.—The O.H.S. basketball team wasn't well on its way to the top after beating Eldorado Saturday night.—The girls weren't so elated over the fact that ten basketball teams and the soldiers will be in Ozona at the very same time!!! Men, men, and still more men!!!—Billie Rose hadn't rated such a cute G. I. (or was it a cadet) last Thursday.—Billy McWilliams wasn't noted for his great speed—we haven't decided whether it's basketball or???—Nan Tandy's little brother didn't come in so handy at times.—Larry Arledge wasn't so careless about where he aims his knife.—Corinne Phillips and Bill Hoover didn't carry on such interesting conversations in the hall.—This Billy Mc and Joyce West affair wasn't getting to be such a "common occurrence"—Ruth Townsend wasn't so good at "getting acquainted with red-headed cadets"—he even took her home.—Louise Arledge didn't lose her nerve when on a date with Jimmy Read.—Bill Wilkins wasn't such a nosey ole boy and would stay out of Nan Tandy's address book???

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At least one commercial airline now plans to operate a non-stop schedule between the USA and Europe with huge transport ships carrying 150 passengers at a cost of \$100 each way. Dr. John H. Frederick, University of Texas air transportation authority, reports.

## SNOW IN O.H.S.

A little snow is a wonderful thing . . . if it would just melt and go away. Of course, snow has its advantages. It is (1) pretty (for details read Melville Cane's poem "Snow toward Evening"); (2) fun to play with (for a while); and (3) it offers a chance for revenge on various wrong-doers with a heretofore practically untried weapon, the snowball (if they don't get you first.)

However, there are also disadvantages to be dealt with. For instance snow is (1) cold (ask the front man on any sled); (2) wet (they called it "dry" snow but it didn't take it long to be converted) and; (3) dangerous (take a gander at the limps caused by slippery sidewalks and the bruises caused by hardpacked snowballs and you'll understand what I'm driving at.)

But all in all it relieved that haggard, tortured glaze from the eyes of those just staggering out of the dungeon of Mid-Term Exams.

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### CLASSIFIED

BUY A TEXAS PEAR BURNER. Welded steel tank, 150 lb. pressure gauge, long hot flame, gasoline or kerosene. With straight pipe \$17.00; with 2 foot hose \$18.75 F.O.B. Pearsall, 18 years. Catalogue "B". Texas Pear Burner Company, Pearsall, Texas. 34-13c

LOST—Man's 15-jewel Bulova wrist watch. Rose gold, leather wrist band. \$5 reward for return to Joe Patrick. 1c

FOR SALE

9 section well improved ranch, abundance of water, cut into 5 pastures, good improvements. Will lease for 50¢ per acre. If bought at \$9.50 will make 5% on investment.

C.E. Schauer, Del Rio, Texas 1c

## WHERE DID THEY GET THOSE HATS?

Washington D. C.—What ever became of those millions of three-cornered pants that the babies of the U.S. have been crying for?

More than 200,000 of them have been Lend-Leased to North Africa—and Senator Styles Bridges announces reports from returning Army officers that the Arabs are wearing diapers as turbans!

## MERCHANTS SUPPORT FOURTH WAR LOAN DRIVE

Attention of Stockman readers is called to the first of a series of advertisements appearing in this issue over the signatures of business firms of Ozona who are sponsoring the series in behalf of the Fourth War Loan Drive. These ads were prepared by the U. S. Treasury department, carrying the government's appeal for support of the War Loan drive, and were submitted with the request that community sponsorship be obtained for the series. Ozona business houses have entered wholeheartedly in sponsoring the series of messages in behalf of the drive, and readers are urged to read each message as the series is published.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR FRIENDS

If you don't see good, or you have eyestrain, nervousness, or headaches, a nice pair of Baker's corrective glasses will relieve the trouble and make you happy. And buying War Bonds to help win the war will make you still happier.

See DR. FRED R. BAKER, Optometrist, at Hotel Ozona, Monday, Jan. 24th.

## "SEE BAKER & SEE BETTER"

Ozona Chapter No. 287  
ORDER OF  
EASTERN STAR  
Regular meetings on  
third Tuesday night  
in each month.  
Next Meeting Jan 17

OZONA LODGE NO. 747  
A. F. & A. M.  
Regular meetings first  
Monday night in each  
month.  
Next Meeting Feb. 7

## Most of your friends away?

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

Why not get in the midst of this war? Join the WAC!

You can see new places, make new friends, learn interesting things—while you are doing vital work to speed victory.

The Army needs your help urgently. This is your chance!

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

ROBERT MASSIE COMPANY  
Superior Ambulance Service  
Phone 4444 Day or Night  
San Angelo, Texas

## NOTICE OF REWARD

I am offering  
**\$500 Reward**  
for apprehension and conviction of guilty parties to every theft of livestock in Crockett County—except that no officer of Crockett County may claim the reward.

**FRANK JAMES**  
Sheriff, Crockett County

## PYORRHEA MAY FOLLOW NEGLECT

Are your gums unsightly? Do they itch? Do they burn? Druggists return money if first bottle of "LETO'S" fails to satisfy.

SMITH DRUG CO. 4-14

# Pay Your Poll Tax


Just to remind you that it's poll tax paying time and that the

**Deadline Is January 31st**

This is election year, when voters choose their representatives in government from President of The United States to county and precinct officers. To qualify yourself to vote in the coming elections, it will be necessary for you to pay your poll tax before Feb. 1. You won't want to be without a poll tax receipt when the campaign gets under way. Every citizen is urged to pay his poll tax now to qualify for voting in 1944's important elections.

## FRANK JAMES

Crockett County Sheriff,  
Assessor and Collector of Taxes



**MRS. BOEHME'S BREAD**

West Texas' Most Popular Loaf For Over 30 Years!

Baked In West Texas' Most Modern Bakery

Our New Plant, Built in 1941

**MRS. BOEHME'S BAKERY**

## Ration Token Plan Goes Into Effect Feb. 27

### Point Values to Be Adjusted Slightly When Plan Effective

The nation's retail grocers will begin the use of the new ration tokens on February 27, when housewives will begin to receive them as change in the purchase of rationed food for points. The new token plan will enable the housewife to buy about the same amount of rationed processed foods and meats-fats as she now buys, according to J. K. Black, district OPA rationing executive.

Ration buying power will be kept on an even keel by adjusting point values slightly at the time the token plan goes into effect. The result will be that housewife's monthly allotment of about 60 points of ration stamps to each member of the family for buying meats and fats will buy about the same amount that she gets with her present approximate 64 points a month. Likewise, the 50 points she will receive monthly for processed foods purchases will buy an amount equal to the 48 points she has had to spend.

Through lowering slightly the value of meats-fats stamps and adjusting upward point values of processed food, ration buying power will be kept stable. There will be neither a loss in red stamp buying power nor a gain in blue stamp power. Under the present rationing program, a strip of ration stamps is worth 16 points on a weekly basis. When stamps are used in War Ration Book Four under the ration token plan, stamps will have a value of 10 points each regardless of the number printed upon them, Black explained.

The present 16 points for meats and fats becoming valid at the beginning of each week roughly total 64 points a month. Under the token plan 30 points (three stamps) will become valid at the beginning of each two-months period, a total of approximately 60 points each month.

For processed foods, 48 points become valid each month. Under the token plan 50 points will become valid the first of each month, Black stated.

The tokens are red and blue in color. The red ones will be used for meats-fats and the blues will be used for processed foods. They are about the size of a dime and have a point value of one each.

Tokens were introduced into the food rationing programs for several reasons. Probably the first one was to save retail grocers time

and energy during this critical manpower period. The use of tokens will cut down the work of counting and sorting stamps about 60 per cent.

A secondary reason was the attempt to eliminate buying rushes at the expiration dates of stamps, and to facilitate the spreading out of shopping periods. Tokens will have no expiration dates, and stamps, beginning February 27, will have a validation period of 12 weeks, nearly twice as long as before. This longer validation period will permit the housewife to make full use of all of her points, and will discourage the practice of giving away points, which in turn has encouraged black markets.

Still another reason for the use of tokens is that they will permit any member of the family to shop without the necessity of carrying ration books on their persons.

Tokens will be issued only as change in bona fide purchases, and only enough tokens will be issued as change to reach the value of the number of stamps nearest the point purchase. The supply of tokens will not permit the grocer to exchange them for more stamps than are needed for the purchase, and grocers will not be permitted to change stamps for tokens where no bona fide purchase is made.

The attention of housewives is called to the fact that it will still be necessary to present their war ration books to the grocers, and to tear the stamps out of the books in the presence of the grocer. Consumers' war ration books should be carefully safe-guarded, as War Ration Book Four will probably have to last for the duration, and will be difficult to replace if lost.

### Pledge Service Held by Woman's Society Wednesday

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. V. I. Pierce for the first meeting of the year.

Mrs. L. B. Cox, Jr., was the leader of the Pledge Service and two numbers were sung by Mrs. Joe Pierce with Mrs. V. I. Pierce at the piano. Pledge cards were signed and turned in to Mrs. Cox.

A short business meeting followed. Two yearly reports were heard and committees were named for the year.

Members present were Mrs. Alvin Scheel, Mrs. Paul Perner, Mrs. Hugh Childress, Sr., Mrs. Hillery Phillips, Mrs. Early Baggett, Mrs. E. B. Baggett, Jr., Mrs. W. R. Baggett, Mrs. Lee Childress, Mrs. M. C. Stearns, Mrs. Charles Williams, Mrs. Scott Peters, Mrs. Bill Cooper, Mrs. L. B. Cox, Jr., Mrs. Joe Pierce and Mrs. V. I. Pierce.

The meeting next Wednesday afternoon will be held at the home of Mrs. John Bailey at 3:00 o'clock.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Clyde Childers, Pastor

Schedule of Services:  
10:00 Sunday School  
11:00 Morning Worship  
3:30 G. A.'s and Sunbeams Meet  
7:45 Evening Worship  
Wednesday:  
3:00 3:00 W.M.S. Meeting  
7:30 Teacher-Officer Meeting  
8:00 Prayer Meeting

Through the Sunday School classes and personal gifts from the membership, our church will fill at least 25 Russian Relief Kits this next week. It is our purpose to fill the kits at the prayer meeting hour next Wednesday and dedicate them with a season of prayer. Let each member of the Sunday School contact his teacher before next Sunday and find out what he is supposed to bring if such information has not been obtained before this time.

Our members and interested friends are invited to hear the Baptist Hour each Sunday morning at 7:30 over station WFAA. These are inspiring programs and it is to be hoped that the radio audience this year will be larger than ever before.

The splendid attendance on our services last Sunday was very gratifying. We trust that we will have even more, if possible, on next Lord's Day. Come with us and endeavor to bring someone else with you.

### CHURCH OF CHRIST Warren E. Starnes, Minister

Bible classes meet at 10 o'clock. The sermon is at 11 o'clock. The evening service is at 8 o'clock. Prayer meeting is at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening. Ladies Bible class meets Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to all services.

### SUPERVISOR VISITS

S. M. Melton, deputy State Superintendent of Education, with headquarters in Alpine, high school supervisor for this district, was in Ozona yesterday making a routine inspection of the local system for the state department. Mr. Melton will report on operation of the local schools to the State Superintendent.

Lt. and Mrs. Robert M. Neal and Bobby were here last week for a visit with friends and relatives. Lt. Neal, who recently received his wings and commission as a second lieutenant in the Army Air Corps, is stationed at Tucson, Ariz., where he is to be a flight instructor after four-weeks special training course.

Sgt. Martin Harvick, stationed at Camp Barkely in Abilene, has been spending a ten day furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Harvick.

Sgt. Lee Dudley is here on a furlough for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Dudley.

### School Children of Texas Exceed Goals in Jeep Selling Campaign

"Again setting a pace for the entire United States in the participation of school children and teaching staffs in the sale of War Bonds, Texas students and faculties have just completed a Jeep-Selling-Campaign which has already exceeded its goal by 200 per cent even though only 77 out of the 254 counties in Texas have reported their Jeep campaign sales through today." Mrs. J. W. Walker, State Director of the Schools-at-War Program of the Texas wide War Finance Committee made this startling statement today.

With 760 amphibian "Duck Jeeps" set as the goal for a campaign which started October 1st and ended December 17th, the boys and girls of Texas with their instructors already know of \$4,700,974.41 worth of War Stamps and Bonds which purchased 2350 Jeeps listed at \$2,090; thus already purchasing three times as many Jeeps as national officials set as a high Texas goal—and with 177 counties yet to report.

### RATION REMINDER

SUGAR—Stamp No. 30 in book 4 is good for 5 pounds through Mar. 31.

SHOES—Stamp No. 18 in book 1 is good for 1 pair, Stamp No. 1 on the Airplane sheet in book one is good for one pair.

MEATS, FATS—Brown stamps R, S, T, and U are good through January 29. Brown stamp V becomes good January 23 and remains good through February 26.

PROCESSED FOODS — Green stamps D, E, and F in book four are good through January 20. Green stamps G, H, and J in book four are good through February 20.

Miss Rozelle Pharr, a student at Texas Tech in Lubbock, arrived Monday for a between-semester visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Pharr. Rozelle is a 1943 graduate of Ozona High School.

Mrs. Johnie Henderson left this week for a visit with her son, A. C. John Henderson, III, who is taking his flight training at an Army air base in Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Montgomery were in San Antonio last week where Mr. Montgomery was under the care of physicians.



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### Keep Well . . .

There Is No Substitute for Health

Now that winter is here you must be absolutely sure that you keep in top-notch physical condition.

#### Observe the Following Rules

- Fight winter colds with vitamins
- See your doctor when you are ill
- See us when you want your prescriptions filled
- See us for all your Drug needs

Your doctor is a busy man these days and we advise you to aid him in every way. Don't call him unless the trip is absolutely necessary—BUT see him before serious illness has a chance to develop.

### Ozona Drug and Gift Store

"Just A Little BETTER Service"

### EXIDE BATTERIES

Accessories - - - - Gulf Products  
Recapped Tires  
Service

**GULF SERVICE STATION**  
Shorty Pridemore, Prop.

### Half Crockett-

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ed out that the deadline for payment of poll taxes to qualify as an elector is January 31. Unless the tax is paid on or before that date, the voter will be disqualified from taking part in the primary and general elections of this year when officials from the president down to the lowest precinct office are to be nominated and elected.

An appeal from the sheriff's department for prompt payment of poll taxes to avoid a last minute jam at the office was issued this week. Taxpayers are reminded of the importance of political activities during the coming year and are urged to pay poll taxes now to avoid the chance of failing to get under the wire before the deadline date.

Mrs. Bryan McDonald left yesterday for Washington, D.C. where she will visit her son, Charles, who is attending George Washington

University and working as a clerk in the House postoffice in the capitol city. Mr. McDonald and Mrs. Chas. E. McDonald, Hemfysprig Chas. E. Davidson, Jr., took Mrs. McDonald as far as San Antonio where she will board a train for Washington.

It is easier to keep good eyes good with proper glasses than to make bad eyes better!

**OTIS L. PARRIS**  
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When not convenient to shop in person, use our mail service. Mail orders given personal, prompt attention.

**Cox-Rushing-Greer Co.**

"Serving West Texas Since 1913"  
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WE CARRY A FULL STOCK OF . . .

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STOMACHWORM—TAPEWORM DRENCH

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STOMACH WORM DRENCH FOR SHEEP AND GOATS

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THE FINEST FLY REPELLENT AND HEALER MADE

SALT - BRANDING PAINT - CHALK  
SHEARING SUPPLIES

### OZONA WOOL & MOHAIR CO.

OZONA, TEXAS

MELVIN BROWN, Manager

PHONE 60

YOUR USE OF THE TELEPHONE IN WARTIME

### When Placing A Call Be Sure Of The Number

If you call from memory, you may get the wrong number. This irritates you and the person you have called by mistake. If you are not sure, it will save time and irritation to look up the telephone number in the directory. Please don't make your calls by name, look the number up in the directory and only when you can't find the number there, you place your calls by name.

### SAN ANGELO TELEPHONE Co.



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HOMES, too must be overhauled . . . kept fit for "action." Can YOUR home fight off wind and rain, sun and snow . . . survive the wear and tear of daily living . . . and protect your family . . . FOR THE DURATION?

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