

The Spearman Reporter

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FOUR PAGES THIS WEEK

Moisture Saves Crops

Rainfall amounting to .82 in. in Spearman was recorded by U. S. Weather Observer, F. W. Brandt, Monday and Tuesday of this week. This brings the total rainfall for 1940 to 5.96 in., which is above the average for the first quarter of the year, but it falls below the amount of moisture received up to this date last year. The rain for the first quarter in 1939 amounted to 6.43, while the 1940 rainfall for the first 4 months amounted only to 5.14.

Rainfall by months in 1939 was as follows: Jan. 1.47; Feb. .67; March 1.42; Apr. 1.59. Last year the rainfall for May was short of the average for May, the total being 1.59 inches. The rainfall so far this year is as follows: Jan. 1.88; Feb. .91; Mar. .62; April 1.73, with the total for May to date amounting to .82.

The rainfall this week was scattered and according to estimates was much heavier in some sections of the county, while other sections barely received enough to settle the dust. Monday night rainfall missed much of the West part of the county, but the Tuesday night rain was heavier in the North West part of the county, according to reports coming to Spearman.

Many locations in the county have a chance to produce some wheat under favorable weather conditions from here out this year. Several sections that appeared to have been in the loss column have revived since the rain promises to make some production. The west and north W. part of the county is considered virtually hopeless so far as wheat production this year is concerned.

GONE WITH THE WIND AT LYRIC; STARTS SUN. MAY 12

Wright Hale, owner of the Lyric Theatre here stated this week that the picture *Gone With The Wind* would be shown here beginning Sunday May 12 and would continue the 13th and 14.

All seats will be reserved for evening shows. Price schedule evening shows \$1.20, matinees 75c, including tax.

In the last few months several changes have been made in the projection equipment, insuring that the picture will be here just as perfect as on any screen in the Panhandle of Texas.

As conditions grow better Mr Hale said that changes would be made in the seating arrangement of the theatre.

OIL LEASE PLAY

Several representatives of independent oil companies and at least one major oil company have been leasing land in Hansford County the past weeks. Large blocks in the NE part of the county have been reported as leased during the recent play.

Why Do We Have Sewing Rooms

The Sewing Room of Hansford County under the supervision of Mayme L. Shieldknight has been in operation five months. During that time it has furnished employment for 15 local citizens. However, at the present time only 10 are working.

Three questions may substantiate reasons for having sewing projects: Why do we have sewing projects? What is done on the sewing projects? and How do sewing projects function?

There is a two-fold reason for this type of project, first to give employment to needy people, SEE NO. 6 Page 4

COMING ATTRACTIONS ELLIS THEATRE PERRYTON, TEXAS

May 12-13 — "Twenty Mule Team" with Wallace Beery, Leo Carrilo and Anne Baxter.
May 14-15 — "Opened by Mistake" with Charlie Ruggles and Janice Logan.
May 16-17 — "Buck Benny Rides Again" with Jack Benny, Andy Devine and Rochester.
May 18 — Gene Autry in *Rancho Grande*.

REVIVAL AT BAPTIST CHURCH DRAWING LARGE CROWDS

The revival at the Baptist church is drawing big crowds and creating a great deal of interest and excitement. The preaching is plain and straight from the shoulder. Rev. Godsoe has taken off his gloves and rolled up his sleeves and declares he is out to whip the devil with God's help.

He believes in an old fashion Hell, old fashion Sin, old fashion Devil and believes the only hope of the world is an old fashion Salvation by the blood of calvary. Bro. Godsoe announces the following subjects to be discussed during the remainder of the meeting: "The Devils Mission of Amusement," "A More Excellent Way," "No Harm Things," "Why Doesn't God Kill The Devil?" "Watching Jesus on The Cross," "Regeneration," "The Way, The Certainty, and The Joy of Salvation," "The Plain Way of Salvation," "The Road to Hell Blocked," "The Easiest Way To Hell," "The Sinner at The Judgment," "The Greatest Sinner in HANSFORD County."

A change in schedule calls for the morning services to be held in the afternoon.

Prospects for Hansford County Ball Club

Spearman's Chamber of Commerce baseball committee is working this week on a prospective Hansford county team with all the members of Spearman and Gruver teams combined into one good team that can hold its own with such teams as Liberal and Guyton independent clubs.

Coy Holt of the Gruver team and Manager Schnell of the local team favor the combined organization, and the sentiment among ball fans in the two towns favor such a team. Expenses would be smaller, crowds larger and the possibilities of winning more pronounced. Should such a team be organized the home games would be played at Spearman and Gruver alternately.

DIRECTORS MEET

At a meeting of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce, directors held at the Consumers Sales office Tuesday evening, a contract was made between the organization and Wilson Buchanan and Hall Jones calling for the later partnership to handle the rodeo at the coming Adobe Walls Hansford county celebration and band festival to be held at Spearman the last week in April of 1941. The directors discussed the possibilities of eliminating bread wagons from Spearman. It was decided that the local bakery should have the wholehearted support of all business men and a committee from the Chamber of Commerce will discuss with local grocer firms the possibilities of handling only local bread.

It was decided that the general public should be urged to be loyal to the local firm so that needed improvements might be made as result of increase in business.

The C. of C. will sponsor an educational campaign to make Hansford people more conscious of the advantages that can be derived from eating Home Bakery bread.

MRS MAHAN LEAVES FOR MISSOURI HOME

About to leave Texas and return to Missouri, where Charles F. Mahan and I both were born and reared, and being unable to see all my friends personally, I use this method to thank them for their kindness during all our residence here and especially at the time of Mr Mahan's illness, death and funeral, in February of last year, and since then. If my health would permit me to remain here and carry on, I would not consider leaving.

Most sincerely I wish for all of you abundant health, happiness and prosperity.

Signed, Mrs Mahan.

XIT Roundup Aug. 5-6

Minutes Of Democratic Convention

Of county Democratic Convention held at Spearman, Tex. May 7, 1940.

The meeting was called to order by County Chairman R. L. McClellan, who was duly elected Convention chairman. Nominations were accepted for Convention secretary, J. E. Gerber being duly nominated and elected by acclamation.

The following delegates present were certified and duly seated; R. V. Converse, J. H. Buchanan, James N. Jackson, L. S. McLain, T. D. Sansing, J. E. Gerber, I. P. Baggerly, W. D. Spoke, B. F. Ooley, Vester Hill, and Floyd Cates.

The following were nominated as delegates to the State Democratic Convention: R. V. Converse, J. H. Buchanan and T. D. Sansing. A motion was made and seconded that nominations cease, and that the above be elected by acclamation—the motion carried. J. E. Gerber was nominated as an alternate delegate and elected by acclamation.

A resolution was presented and adopted commending the good work of Marvin Jones as Congressman from the 18th Congressional district and recommending R. V. Converse of Spearman, Texas, to fill the vacancy occasioned by Mr Jones' appointment to a Federal Judgeship.

A resolution was presented and adopted instructing our delegates to the State Convention to vote for the city of Amarillo, Texas, as the site for the next Democratic State Convention.

A resolution was presented and adopted instructing our State delegates to vote for delegates to the National Convention who would vote for John Nance Garner for the Democratic Nomination to the Presidency of the U. S., a copy of this resolution is attached.

R. L. McClellan, County Dem. Chairman, J. E. Gerber, County Convention Secy.

Resolved by the democrats of this County in convention assembled that we do hereby approve and endorse the accomplishments and achievements during the past seven years of the democratic administration in Washington under the splendid and outstanding leadership of our great democratic President, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and be it

Resolved further that we endorse and approve the administration of our great fellow Texan, John Nance Garner as Vice President, during said period of time, and acclaim to the nation the wise counsel and splendid cooperation which he has so cheerfully accorded President Roosevelt in forming and enacting into the Law the liberal program of our Democratic Administration, and

Resolved further that because of his long and distinguished career, his rich experience in our national congress as Democratic leader as speaker of the National House of Rep., and as Vice Pres. of the U. S., and his ever constant loyalty to the Democratic Party throughout the years, and to the Democratic administration during the past 7 years, we acclaim to the nation that our distinguished neighbor is the logical successor to President Roosevelt in the White House, and

Be It Further resolved that the delegates from this county be instructed as a unit to instruct our State delegates to the National convention to vote and work as a unit for the nomination of our fellow-Texan, John Nance Garner, for the democratic nomination for President of the U. S.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the democrats of this county, in convention assembled on May 7, 1940. R. L. McClellan County Convention Chairman, J. E. Gerber, County convention secretary.

Mr & Mrs James, Temple, are visiting in the home of Mr and Mrs A. F. Barkley this week. Mr James will be remembered by old timers of this city as one of the first Mayors of Spearman. At that time Mr James was cashier of the old First State Bank.

Brunk's Comedians Here May 16-17-18

Opening with a rip roaring 3-act comedy, "The Delayed Honeymoon" Glen Brunk brings his Brunk's Comedians here for 3 big days, starting Thursday May 16-17-18.

Brunk's Comedians need no introduction to Spearman folk. They have always played only the finest plays here. The plays are always clean and entertaining.

Thursday May 16, ladies will be admitted free with one paid 25c ticket.

The Spearman Band will receive 10 percent of all tickets sold, both at the door and reserved seats.

Big tent across street from the local phone office.

BASEBALL GAME AT GRUVER MAY 12

Gruver's fast stepping baseball team, augmented by a few of the Spearman players will contest the Black Aces, Negro team of Borger for a thrilling ball game that begins promptly at 2 p. m. at Gruver, Sunday afternoon May 12. The public is invited.

NOTICE—After Saturday May 11 there will be no more Trades Days!

Football Starts In City With Game Last Friday Evening

Coach O'Dell Washington put his Lynx through scrimmage test Friday afternoon against graduates and senior boys. Score Seniors 24, Lynx 0.

Many of the new players showed promise of having football sense. The new team will be light, but will be heavier than the team last year. The summer months should put a lot of left on the youngsters of the squad.

Washington does not think that he has the best team in the Panhandle, but he says the boys will learn the fundamentals of football and that the entire squad will see service in next years battles. Several of the larger schools of this conference have lost many of their outstanding players and we have a slight gain.

Music Treat For Lions At Luncheon

J. E. Gerber Jr., who does things with a saxophone, and Miss Beuna Vernon, who paves the way for young Gerber by playing his accompaniments on the piano were guest entertainers at the Lions club Tuesday noon.

Following the musical program C. A. Gibner, acting president appointed a committee to raise finances for the Boy Scouts of Spearman. F. J. Hoskins and William E. McClellan will serve on the committee.

Since 1922, prices of oil field equipment has advanced 51 percent.

Animal Circus Here Monday

Free rides on the elephants for the children will be one of the featured attractions of the featured attractions of the Honest Bill's Shows coming to Spearman, Monday May 13, for one day only, under the big top.

Two performances will be given one at 2 p. m. and one at 8 p. m. This organization which was here in 1928 will be remembered by many of the folks of this section.

Manager William Newon is a native Texan, having been born and reared near Eagle Lake, Texas, and is the son of Lucky Bill, government scout and buffalo hunter with Buffalo Bill. The Spearman Band will receive 15 percent of the gross of the general admission to the big show.

DANCE REVIEW TO BE PRESENTED MAY 20TH

Miss Katherine Coons, will present dancing pupils in a dance review at the school auditorium Monday evening May 20th. Pupils from Texoma, Guyton and Spearman will be presented in the dancing and singing numbers. Admission prices will be 10 and 15c with half the proceeds going to the Spearman school.

Local Citizens Attend Ellzey Rally

Several people from Hansford county attended the Tom Ellzey rally held at the court house in Perryton Friday evening of last week. According to R. L. McClellan, the response to the candidate of Mr Ellzey was outstanding.

Practically every county north of the Canadian river was represented at the meeting. Mr Ellzey made a short talk outlining his purpose and the issues of the congressional campaign. Due to lack of space we are unable to print the talk made by Mr Ellzey in this weeks paper, but the address in full will be carried next week.

PEKOE CAFE REMODELS

Walter Good, owner of the Pekoe Cafe, staged a thorough clean-up last week. He repainted the entire place and redecorated the inside of the cafe.

Walter prides himself in his kitchen and says that everybody is invited to inspect it at any time. Local civic clubs use the back part of the cafe for their meeting place.

NEW GARAGE IN SPEARMAN

Clarence Pettitt, local mechanic, has finished work on a new frame garage. The building is located south east of the City Hall. Mr. Pettitt assures his friends that all work will be guaranteed and that he will have equipment to handle any work that is brought him.

Lion Family Picnic Tues. May 28th

Members of the Spearman Lions club and their families were invited to a famous White House Lumber Co., picnic and feed to be held at the White House Country club near Canadian Tuesday May 28th.

Mrs Bob Baley and daughter Mrs Sibyl Underwood are visiting relatives at Capaital Hill, Texas, this week.

Have You Been Counted In the 1940 Census

"The 1940 Census for Spearman and Hansford County has been completed according to the routine methods prescribed by the United States Bureau of the Census," Carroll Smyers, supervisor informed us today.

However it is possible that some person or persons have been overlooked and we are taking this means of contacting the ones who have been omitted. If you have not been enumerated, please fill out the blank below.

Local civic leaders urge that everybody fill out the blank that has not been counted. Just a little civic pride would be a big help to Spearman and Hansford county.

HAVE YOU BEEN ENUMERATED

DON'T BE COUNTED OUT!

If you have any doubt that you, or members of your household have not been enumerated in the 1940 Census, Fill out this blank and mail to: Carroll Smyers, Census Supervisor, Pampa, or to the Spearman Chamber of Commerce.

On April 1, 1940 I was living at the address given below, but to the best of my knowledge I have not been enumerated.

Name _____
I live in Spearman () Morse () Gruver ()
Richland () or Rural Residence ()

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AGE EIGHT

R. V. Converse Says:

Trust in the Lord, and do good so shalt thou dwell in the land, and varily thou shalt be fed.

I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread. Psa. 37:3-25.

A five man committee, headed by John Tolan (Dem. Calif.) is to be appointed by the speaker of the House in Washington to investigate the roadside population of the country. It is estimated that every year 2 million

citizens cross state lines in search of employment. The writer is wondering if this is the beginning of tying a man or family to a certain locality. In Europe it is common practice to make a man secure a permit before he can move. This investigation is the outgrowth of State Administered Old Age Security and should be displaced by a Federal program exclusively.

It was remarked in the writers presence today that the reason France and England have not paid their debt to us, created in the last war is they feel like they helped the U. S. whip Germany and that the money loaned to them was only fair compensation

for their service. The turn of events in Europe makes it look like the Allies would be compelled to help the U. S. stop Hitler that is, if Hitler is stopped. And again history may repeat itself.

Justice A. G. Burr of North Dakota Supreme court in a decision handed down in the case of a relief client named Hulms wrote The case is an illustration of the extent to which a man's inhumanity to man may be carried. Human being are shifted around like so much cargo. Somewhere and somehow the well springs of humanity and brotherhood appear to be dried up. It seems that the Hulm family was supported by a \$30 a month job

from South Dakota and Perkins county funds and \$30 a month from the FSA. Hulm received the promise of a job in N. Dak., and with his family went there for work. The job did not materialize and he made application to the Burleigh county N. D. welfare board for aid when the S. Dakota grants were stopped. The application was made in August and N. D. county deported the Hulms sending them back to Perkins county in South Dakota but S. Dakota did not want them. It sent the family back to N. D. Then the N. Dakota court gave an order directing the removal of the Hulms to S. Dakota, and again Burleigh county transported them, but this time to the South Dakota border only. So they were moved from place to place until the counties were drawn into litigation and the above remarks were part of the decision handed down by the judge.

The shooting of an airplane is rapidly displacing the sport of shooting wild ducks and geese. The only difference is the ducks and geese don't shoot back. Yours, R. V. C.

Chief St. John, Cannibal Here With Circus May 13



Brought over here as an attraction at the Century of Progress in the Darkest Africa Production. Chief St. John was a guide for Martin Johnson, Teddy Roosevelt and other great explorers in their jungle tours and big game hunting in the deepest jungles of Africa. He will appear in person at each performance of Honest Bill's Shows, coming here May 13th, giving lectures on his native country.

Chief St. John is well educated and speaks several languages. This show is for the band, you can enjoy this show and help the band easily.

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at the dominance of Amarillo influence. This year it appears that the big brother of the Panhandle is allowing nature to take its course in the matter of politics. Neither of the great regional papers are taking a part in the senatorial or congressional race. Both papers have been liberal with their news space to all candidates for office. It appears that the Amarillo vote will go to the man who can get it, rather than for Amarillo to set up a favorite and pull every string possible to place their man in power.

eral education in politics this year in that he has assumed some responsibility in the organized effort to promote our Rep. to the State senate. From all appearances Max Boyer is headed for the deserved promotion. However this writer has accepted the advice of a friend who has had much experience in the political game. He said in substance "discount the promises of your voters 80 percent and divide it by four." Even then this writer is highly impressed with the race our own Max Boyer is making for the State Senate. The fact that people over his representative district are so anxious to help—and are planning such emphatic support, encourages this writer. The past week end this writer presented a list of all the post office addresses in the 16 counties out side the present representative district to a number of friends and asked that each friend write their acquaintances about Max Boyer. The postal cards were gathered up by this writer and placed in the post office—and 750 cards left Spearman the past week end.

Miss Pauline Spencer is on the sick list this week. She is at the home of her parents in Perryton.

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LOST—Near residence of R. L. McClellan on Wednesday, Car Keys, and other keys in leather holder. Reward. Return to R. E. Meek.

Miss Pauline Spencer is on the sick list this week. She is at the home of her parents in Perryton.

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INTERSCHOLASTIC

On Saturday afternoon the last events of the Hansford County Interscholastic League Meet for this year were held at Morse when the finals in the Playground Ball for both boys and girls were played.

The first game was between the Gruver grade school boys and the Spearman boys. The game was a hotly contested affair, being tied at 16 all at the end of the regular play. An extra inning was played and Spearman pushed across one score to go ahead. With two men out and a lad on first base a Gruver player knocked a home run and the ball game was over. Gruver won 18-17.

In the girls game the Spearman girls were never headed. Score 31-22.

Boys representing Spearman were D. Schell, Williams, Gatlin Sheets, Robertson, Burke, Becker, Cooke, Hilton, B. Schell, Dixon, Smith and R. Crawford.

Girls: Womble, Tucker, Porter, Harbour, Burleson, Jones, Crawford, Halsey, Hester, Prustman, Mitchell, and Forbes.

TALE LIGHTS

With only two more weeks or so of school, the seniors are dashing about trying to appear dignified even with the worried

frowns which crease so many of our brows. The Juniors are feeling quite smug with the success of their banquet and happy with the thought of becoming seniors in about two weeks. The sophs are still trying to devise ways of getting out of work especially with only two more weeks of school. The fish are looking a little bewildered but are already planning surprises for the frosh of '41.

If you heard those sighs Monday the reason is quite plain—the Y club is 5 miles from town! Somebody inquires about Corrigan 'Wrong Way'. He got married, that's all.

Young man (entering jewelry store) I er um say ah. Jeweler (to clerk) Bring me that tray of rings.

Several of the girls blushed quite well Monday when Rev. Godsoe mentioned "In the Spring a young man's fancy—yes, isn't he?"

Mother (teaching the alphabet) Now what comes after 'O'? Child—Yeah!

Could the old adage 'while the cat's away the mice will play' have anything to do with Jackson's reluctant farewell as he prepares for Waco?

SENIOR NEWS

The Seniors had a swell time at the banquet last Saturday night given to us by the Juniors. We again wish to thank the juniors for such a nice banquet.

We have only one more week of school and we are going to make every day count. We are studying hard preparing for the final exams. The English 4 classes have been giving poetry and making book reports.

Several of the Seniors were among the band members that went to Waco Wednesday.

PLAYGROUND BALL GAMES

On Friday afternoon the grade school boys and girls met the Gruver boys and girls in playground ball on the Spearman grounds. Both games were interesting affairs with the Spearman girls winning 12 to 4 and the Gruver boys winning 8 to 6.

Both contests were short due to the fact that the Gruver team had to return in time to catch their four o'clock busses. We enjoyed having Gruver as our guests and hope to return the games soon.

JUNIOR NEWS

The Juniors are feeling very good this week because the banquet is all over. We as the hostess of the Junior-Senior banquet of 1940 had much fun decorating the gym for the banquet. We prepared the gym as a night club with crepe paper of all colors hanging on the sides and ends of the gym. Dark blue crepe paper with a few white stripes gathered across the top toward the center. Ballons were hanging down the center of the gym also. Tables were scattered out on the gym floor.

The menu: Fruit Cocktail, Baked Chicken, Giblet Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, G. Peas, Spring Salad, Hot Rolls, Butter, Iced Tea, Grape Ice Cream, Angel Food Cake.

Between each course of the meal we listened to the following program:

Invocation, Betty Morton; Toastmaster, P. D. Brockus, Welcome, Harlan Parsons, Response A. L. Jackson, Jr.; Tap Dance O. H. Johnnie; Saxophone Solo, J. E. Gerber Jr.; Music, Orchestra Song, Chorus Group, "Ah Sweet Mystery of Life"; Extra Curricular Activities, Ledru Jacobs, Talk, Supt Finley; Song Group.

Guests of the Juniors were the room mothers Mrs Ed Uptergrove, Mrs Will Miller, and Mrs Buchanan, the Senior mothers, Mrs Jess Womble, Mrs Garret Allen and the high school faculty and their wives or husbands.

FIRST GRADE NEWS

This week, we are devoting all of our language period to Mother Day symbols and stories. We have read a number of the stories and poems and learned a few songs. We have been making some little Mother's day cards which are very lovely.

All of us have enjoyed this week of Mother's Day studies very much.

SOUR NOTES FROM THE BAND

—J. E. Gerber

We're off to Waco to bring back the highest prizes available to a high school band and to have the most enjoyable trip ever. Besides winning the contest, which naturally is first in the eyes of the band, plans are being made to visit Baylor University, swim, picnic, and visit other places of interest. I sincerely believe that all things being equal, anyone who doesn't get Four dollars worth of good time on this trip should have their head examined. Just exactly what will be done and when is not known, but you can bet there will be lots of it.

Rehearsals both day and night have been some of the important factors in the preparation for the Waco trip. Mr Wm Deck has been very active in helping the band to find places to stay and in making general arrangements while in Waco. We take this opportunity to thank him for his cooperation.

Roses to Joy Close. She has been critically ill for the past week but she is now 'ready, willing and able' for the contest. Several of the other band members have been handicapped by ill health and accidents.

FRESHMAN NEWS

We are having tests in most of our subjects; I suppose the teachers are trying to toughen us up for the finals. And speaking of finals, we are studying night and day (as usual, who said that?) in high hopes of becoming upper classmen next year.

Many of us have been visiting Faye Womble, and we are all happy that she is getting along so well. We hope that she can be with us next year.

The best wishes of all the frosh are going with the band to Waco this week. Freshmen making the trip are Peter Vernon, Bobby Morton, Sada Ruth Hoskins, Pat Hutton, Ella Mae and Margaret Hull, Dickie Kiker Jimmie Linn, Thadine Deck, Robert Schnell, Paul Hazlewood, Irvin Davis and Howard Kelly.

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GRADE SCHOOL CHAPEL

The Grade school department had its chapel program on Friday afternoon at 1:45. The following program was given:

Piano solo, Nancy Ann Platt, piano solo, Jo Ann Hoskins; Reading, Eula Marie Meers; piano duet, Lois Buzzard and Gwendolyn Shirley; Play, 6th grade pupils; reading, Bobby Jean Lackey; reading, Wilma Mahaffey; piano solo, Patsy Howell; reading, Thelma Jo Mitchell; vocal solo, Nadine Hardin; reading, Billy Jeff Hawkins, selections, 5th grade Tonette band.

Chapel will be held again this week on Friday at the 11:15 hour. We would appreciate having a large number of visitors at this time.

CHAPEL HI SCHOOL

Last Monday morning the entire school was called to chapel in the auditorium. The program was turned over to Bro. Doyel and he had the assembly sing "Everyday With Jesus". Bro. Doyel gave the prayer. Then Bro. Doyel introduced Bro. Godsoe of Oklahoma City. He is now holding a meeting at the Baptist church. Bro. Godsoe spoke on the oldest order in the world, "The Ancient Order of Self-Kidders." His talk was very inspiring and gave us a great deal to think about. The whole school wishes to thank Bro Godsoe for his excellent address.

ROOMERS WANTED: See Grandma Wilbanks. Rates Reasonable.

FOR SALE: A sectional book case and sewing cabinet. See Mrs Tad Platt.

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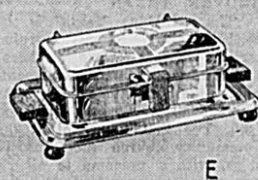
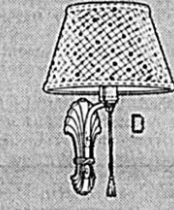
Among the people of Spearman who gave outstanding service to the recent successful celebration were John Bannister, who constructed the tables for the barbecue free of charge, and R. W. Morton who gave the Morton building for the dance that proved a financial success and helped greatly in paying part of the expenses of the celebration.

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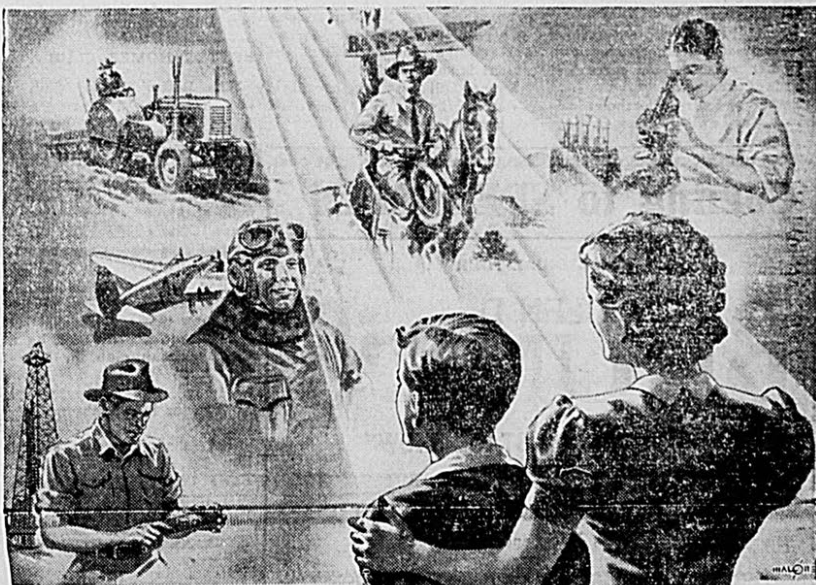
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MARY MARTHAS

The Mary Martha Missionary society met at the home of Mrs Ben Beck for the Wednesday May 8th meeting. Mrs Beck was leader of the study lesson "Prophecies of Israel" and was assisted by Mrs Gibner, and Mrs R. B. Archer Jr.

Lovely refreshments were served Mesdames R. E. Lee, John Berry, W. B. Swim, Van Earl Steed, R. B. Archer Jr., Robt. Douglas, O. C. Holt, Will Miller, C. A. Gibner and Mrs Barclay. Mrs Archer led the devotional.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs W. B. Swim.

NEW BOOKS AT CITY LIBRARY

Latest book lists from the City Library indicate that the following books are now ready for rental service:

"The Nazarene" by Sholen Asch; How Green Was My Valley, by Richard Lewellyn; April Was When It Began, by Barry Benefield; Doctor Hudson's Journal, by Lloyd C. Douglas; Kitty Foyle, by Christopher Morley; The Ownly Inn, by Joseph C. Lincoln; Stranger Within The Gate, by Grace L. Hill; and It Takes All Kinds, by Louis Bromfield.

New books are purchased nearly every month from funds derived from civic organizations of the city.

OSLO NEWS

Morning worship at the Oslo church next Sunday May 12 Pentecost Sunday, will begin at 11 a. m. Sermon theme: The Relation between the Coming of the Holy Spirit and the Continued Presence of Christ. John 14: 15-21.

The Sunday school at 10 a. m. The Bible Class is now studying the methods of the Neighborhood Missionary. Everyone is welcome.

The confirmation class will meet at the parsonage at 9:30 on Saturday.

NEWS ITEM

Oslo community was practically deserted on Wed. and Thursday of last week. The Pioneer Day at Guymon lured nearly everyone from their homes.

The Lars Hill family visited with the P. A. Dahl family last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs Stedje and Miss Voigt Saturday evening.

Leona Knutson entertained her classmates from Gruver with a wiener roast at her home last Tuesday evening.

Pastor and Mrs Hjortholm called on Mrs Lewis Johnson in Guy-

HOME IMPROVEMENT CLUB

The whole family will enjoy playing in the yard if the homemaker will expend some time in planning and preparing the equipment for playing.

It can be inexpensive and added to or changed from year to year as the children grow older.

The club met at the home of Mrs Wm. Deck with Mrs Martin leading the lesson discussion.

If the yard can be lighted the men and boys will enjoy many games after the work is done such as box hockey, horse shoe pitching, tennis, and croquet. They will also enjoy a fire place or barbecue stove and a table and benches and chairs.

Barbecue steak was prepared and enjoyed by Mrs Martin, Mrs C. U. Pope, Mrs W. A. Schubert, Mrs Dolph Daniels, Mrs Edward Kline, Mrs E. D. Clement, Mrs W. B. Barnes and the hostess.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs Barnes on May 16th at 2:30.



JUNE BRUNK . . . who will appear here May 16th with her father's show Brunk's Comedians, is one of the most talented young actresses that has ever graced the footlights. June is a fine young lady and her school attendance in some 200 schools last year caused much comment.

MOTHERS' DAY

On Friday May 3 in the home of Mrs Delon Kirk, members of the Medlin HDC held their Mother's Day meeting.

Mrs Kirk read a brief article on the origin of Mother's Day also several of her poems, The Birth of a Child, Gold Star Mothers, and Mothers Hands.

Mrs Frank Davis read a story about the little every day things every Mother does for her children.

The following members answered roll call with a fond memory of her mother, Mesdames T. Allen, Homer Allen, Virgil Hull, W. Q. Thorne, Frank Davis, E. W. McJunkin, Delon Kirk, and two visitors Mrs Adair and Mrs Myers.

The next meeting will be with Mrs Van Cleave at 3 p. m.

METHODIST CHURCH OF GRUVER, TEXAS

"The Hidden Years" is the Mother's Day Sunday morning sermon subject. "Two Mothers" a religious play, will be presented at the Sunday evening service at 8:15. League meet at 7:30. The Sunday school at the Community church meets at 10 a. m. with a welcome to all.

mon last Thursday afternoon. Mr and Mrs Clarence Johnson and their daughter, Amelia, were guests of Mrs Johnson at the same time.

Pastor Hjortholm returned from Norge, Okla. last Sunday evening. That part of the country has had rain and the crop outlook at the present is very good.

Emma Hill was an overnight visitor at the K. Hill home last Sunday.

ATTEND CONFERENCE

Rev and Mrs W. B. Swim headed a delegation of local Methodists to the district convention of the organization held at Borger.

Among other delegates attending were Mrs Robt. Douglas, Mrs R. E. Lee, Mrs Finley and Mr and Mrs J. H. Nichols.

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chiefly women, and second to produce garments and articles needed by the welfare agencies. On a sewing project various articles, chiefly clothing for men, women and children and layettes for infants are made. The articles produced are then turned over to the welfare agencies for free distribution to needy families.

For the past 5 months the Sewing Room of the county has used 3,857 yards of material, furnished by Federal Government. A total of 1,594 garments have been processed. The payroll for labor paid from Federal funds amounted to \$2,089.77. Sponsors contribution about 1-10 that of the government.

Families employed on this project have, through wages earned have not only been provided with adequate food, clothing and shelter, but have been able to provide their children with a fair education.

BETTER HOMES CLUB

The Better Homes Club met with Mrs R. V. Converse May 7.

The TAA meeting was reported on by Mrs Converse and the finance committee reported the results of the food sale in Spearman at \$10.06. The motion was made that a librarian located centrally in the community be elected. This motion was tabled until a later date.

Mrs Ike Klutts was welcomed as a new member.

The next meeting will be with the Spearman club on May 21. Mrs J. O. Williams was appointed to take Mrs Converse place as reporter in the absence of the later.

Refreshments were served to Mrs Ed Uptergrove, Bill Moore Earle Church, Hix Wilbanks, L. Wilbanks, Jean Converse, Ike Klutts and R. V. Converse.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS

You are notified hereby that ad valorem taxes, levied and assessed for the year 1939 by the City of Spearman, Texas, against your property, taxable in said city, now are due and payable at the office of the tax collector in the City Hall in said city.

You are requested to call at said collector's office and make payment.

All taxes, assessed on said 1939 tax roll, not paid on or before June 30, 1940, by ordinance provision will become delinquent on July 1, 1940, subject to such penalty as is, or then may be, prescribed by law. Dated Spearman, Texas, May 6, 1940.

Robt. Douglas, City Clerk and ex-officio Tax Collector.

GRUVER PTA MET MAY 6TH FOR LAST MEETING

The Gruver PTA held its last meeting this year May 6th at 8 p. m. The meeting was conducted in order with Mrs Lowe presiding.

Miss Hodge presented Annie Ruth McClellan, Ramona Reynolds Emory Roper and Thomas Lee Spivey in a one act play.

Dr Daily of Spearman gave a very interesting talk on Teeth. He showed several slides on the screen explaining all the details of these. It was very interesting and educational.

Installation of officers was postponed until next fall.

PTA WILL MEET

The Spearman PTA will meet Tuesday May 14th at 3 o'clock in the school auditorium. This will be the last meeting of the year. A very interesting program has been arranged. The topic for discussion will be "Play Relaxation and Good Health"

New officers for next year will be installed.

A social hour will follow. Every parent is cordially invited.

BID A BIT CLUB

Mrs Will Hutton was hostess to the Bid a Bit Bridge Club members, and two tables of invited guests for a sunrise breakfast meeting at her home Friday May 3.

Playing were Mesdames Gwenfred Lackey, R. E. Lee, W. L. Russell, R. B. Archer, Bruce Sheets, Joe Hatton, members and Mesdames, S. B. Hale Jr, Fred Rattan, Bill Gandy, O. C. Holt, Roy Russell, Bill McClellan, Roy Wilmeth, Rupert Vaught, Robt. Douglas, guests.

High score went to Mrs Lackey and Mrs Rattan for guests. Because of the Baptist meeting the club will not hold a regular meeting next week.

BELLE BENNETT SOCIETY

Members of the Belle Bennett Missionary society met at the home of Mrs R. L. McClellan Wednesday afternoon May 8th for the regular meeting. Mrs Sid Clark was in charge of the Bible lesson, from the book "The Radian Heart." The opening song was "Bless Be The Tie."

Mrs W. R. Finley led the devotional. Members present were Mesdames R. Jones, H. Jones, W. R. Finley, P. A. Lyon, Sid Clark, French Lawrence, R. E. Meek, John Bishop and the hostess, Mrs McClellan.

Next week the organization will observe the day of prayer program at the church May 15.

SNAPDRAGON CLUB

The Snapdragon Flower Club met May 6 in the home of Mrs Bill Jones. Roll call was answered by "Care of Garden Tools". Mrs Jones led a very interesting lesson on 'Lupines', assisted by Mrs Crooks and Mrs Gerber. At the close of the lesson a guessing



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