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## 35 Gas Well Drilling Program Possible

### Accept 17 Men For Army And Navy March 30

Official Report Gives 12 Men To Army And Four To Navy

Among the number of men of Hansford county who took their induction physical examination March 30th 1944, the following were accepted and reserved for a branch of service as indicated in the report printed below. The report is official having been prepared by the local draft board. The report is as follows:

Paul Vernon — Volunteer — accepted for Army.

A. J. Curtis — Volunteer — accepted for Army, Limited Service.

Harbert Allen Clark — accepted for Army, limited service.

Carl Rhodes Gower — accepted for Army.

Charles Patten Archer — accepted for Army.

Ernest William Wilmet — accepted for Army.

Billy Keith Jackson — accepted for Army.

Roscoe Sparks — accepted for Army.

Leon Howard Bowling — accepted for Army.

Mallie Hoyt Boyd — accepted for Army.

Chester Rufus Hughes — accepted for Army.

Francis Lynn Rogers — accepted for Army.

Lewis Robert Mitts — accepted for Army.

Glynn B. Weant — accepted for Army.

Ralph Adam Frederick Mayer — accepted for Army.

Robert Jessie Tuggle — accepted for Army.

James Lorenzo Dowell Pierce — accepted for Army, limited service.

### Sgt. Glen Hiller In Base Hospital



Recent picture of Sgt. Glen Hiller, who is now in a base hospital in Italy recuperating from a second wound received during this war. Sgt. Hiller was awarded the distinguished service cross for heroism in action with the fifth army in Italy. Very little is known at this time regarding the second wound received by this Hansford county hero.

### 31st District Had 57,257 To Pay Poll Tax

The 31st senatorial district of 26 Panhandle counties has 57,257 poll taxes compared with 48,634 two years ago. Only Hemphill, Hall and Wheeler counties had decreases in voting strength.

Texas has a voting strength of 1,362,733 compared with 1,141,775 in 1942. Adding 15 per cent to the over and under age exemptions, it is estimated there will be 1,567,143 eligible to vote.

Bexar county has 67,492 polls, Dallas 99,452, Harris 129,455 and Tarrant 55,569.

The 18th congressional district has two more counties, Cottle with 1,837 polls and King with 302, making a total of 59,396. Cottle county lost 20 votes and King county 51 votes.

Following are the poll tax payments by counties:

County	1942	1944 Change
Armstrong	829	879
Briscoe	1,273	1,312
Carson	1,760	1,899
Castro	1,282	1,383
Childress	3,000	3,236
Collingsworth	2,369	2,434
Dallam	1,576	1,652
Deaf Smith	1,524	1,957
Donley	1,691	1,809
Gray	4,836	5,334
Hall	2,564	2,484
Hansford	730	957
Hartley	597	650
Hemphill	1,347	1,341
Hutchinson	3,122	4,236
Lipscomb	1,089	1,217
Moore	1,059	1,797
Ochiltree	1,351	1,544
Oldham	441	492
Parmer	1,540	1,637
Potter	6,455	10,138
Randall	2,093	2,394
Roberts	447	474
Sherman	602	667
Swisher	1,816	2,069
Wheeler	3,241	3,085
Totals	48,634	57,257

\* Denotes decrease.

Frank Wallin, for the past 3 years a member of the Triple A committee and for the past three years chairman of this important county committee has resigned.

Wallin resigned because he feared the county commissioner was seeking the office to represent Precinct No. 3.

The resignation has been accepted and Ed Close was elected to fill the vacancy.

At the meeting of the Lions Club at the Methodist Church on Tuesday noon, the young trio were accompanied at the piano by Misses Barbara Jean Daily and Jean Hill, and Wilson McEllan, were guest artists at the musical meeting of the Lions Club at the Methodist Church on Tuesday noon. The young trio were accompanied at the piano by Misses Barbara Jean Daily and Jean Hill, and Wilson McEllan, were guest artists at the musical meeting of the Lions Club at the Methodist Church on Tuesday noon.

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First Week Jury Service Dismissed

After reading the docket of the judicial court for the spring term, which met at the court house in Spearman Monday, April 3, Judge Jack Allen instructed the jury empaneled for service Tuesday, April 4 be notified their names would not be needed. The judge, Judge Allen, effected a ruling of \$120 for Hansford County when it was learned that there would not be a jury case before court the first week. Judge Allen instructed the district clerk to dismiss the jury scheduled for service for the first week of the spring term of court. The jury for second week which is empaneled to report for service Monday, April 10 will be used next week. It was learned that there would be at least one case demanding a jury when it is tried.

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### Short Snorter Bill In Hand Of Local Man

Those of you who have had a curiosity to see a "Short Snorter" bill, can do so if you talk to R. L. McClellan, Jr. R. L. has one of the bills, that the Army and navy fliers have made famous. The bill is a five franc note and bears the signature of several army and navy personnel. R. L. rated his bill when he made quite an extensive trip via airplane during his foreign service tour.

R. L. has another bill, a two dollar bill with a lot of signature, including the signature of the originator of the now famous Rendova Racket club. Members of this club are required to carry along the papers of charter, or rather a list of by-laws that explain the organization. It was started by a navy man after a passel of the gobs had learned to dig fox holes and hide when the Japs took over Rendova island in the Pacific. No bill or papers for this club are genuine without the grand seal of the organization, which is a sort of a cross between a double horse shoe and a rough edge of a piece of cut glass. The original seal was fashioned from the rubber heel of the navy man who started the organization. Get R. L. to show you these trophies.

### Roscoe Sparks Sells Laundry To Local Folk

Announcement was made this week that J. R. Richardson and Mrs. Walter Goode had purchased the Helpy-Selfy Laundry from Roscoe Sparks, who plans to enter the army in the near future. The new owners have redecoreated the interior of the building, and plan to continue the same efficient service on Helpy Selfy, wet wash and rough dry laundry service.

### New Spearman Citizen Named Charles Mausel

Charles Mausel Wilbanks, who may be classified I-A by now so far as we know, and so far as his worthless father is concerned in the matter of reporting such a newsy event, is one of the more or less new citizens of Spearman. Charles Mausel is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilbanks, and was born at Amarillo hospital some three weeks ago. He weighed seven and a fourth pounds at birth. If his father was not so modest we would have been able to report this event while it was news, and not have to wait until it is history.

### State Officials Making Test Of Cows In County

Dr. L. D. Chester, from the extension department at College Station, Texas, representing the bureau of animal industry, is in Hansford county making a spot check of cows for indication of T.B. infection. This check is made one time each three years, and in the past this county has always been declared free of tubercular infection. The check was started April 3rd. It will likely take several weeks to complete the work.

### Daddy W. D. Cooke 79 Years Young

Daddy W. D. Cooke was 79 years young April 5th of this year. Daddy Cooke was up and about and looked mighty well. He has lived in Spearman just about as long as there has been a Spearman, and has served longer as Mayor of this city than any other man.

### Farm Work Sheets For 1944 AAA Program Are Completed

Work on completing the farm planning sheets of the Triple A program for 1944 is almost completed, according to a statement from county Agent Joe Hutton made Monday of this week. Hutton stated that most all land owners of this county had entered the program, and that no form of coercion was used to gain farmers for this program. For the first time payments will not be made on wheat. All payments made under the terms of the program are for soil building practices. It is possible to earn up to 75c per acre on these designated practices, which are proving beneficial to land and crop production. Additional sums may be earned under special arrangements. Mr. Hutton stated Monday that the program plans for this year indicated that approximately 340,000 acres of the land of the county would be planted to crop production. The vast majority of this land will be planted to wheat, oats, barley and small grain. The remainder will be planted to feed crops, with special emphasis on Martin Maize, a combine type of maize that can be harvested economically with wheat combines.

In the past the acreage normally left out of production in the summer fallow amounted to approximately 100,000 acres. This year most of this land will be in production.

Largely speaking the program will carry as much income to farmers as in the past. When wheat was sold below parity, the government payments made up the difference, and as high as 20c per bushel was paid farmers. At the present time wheat brings near \$1.50 a bushel, or 100 per cent parity, and there is no occasion to pay farmers parity payments. The direct payment on wheat base was made on the basis of a normal production for 10 years. This part of the program has been abandoned, and soil building practice earnings has been liberalized to the extent that farmers may earn as much as in the past with the exception of parity payments.

### Judge Barkley Seeks Office County Judge

Judge A. F. Barkley has announced his candidacy for reelection to the office of county judge and ex officio county superintendent of Hansford County subject to the action of the Democratic primaries to be held in Texas July 22, 1944.

In presenting his appeal to the voters for the office he seeks, Judge Barkley declares he appreciates the support he has been given in the past, not only in electing him to the office he holds, but in the splendid cooperation given the commissioners' court during the years he has been in office. He states that he bases his appeal for your vote and influence on the manner in which he has conducted the duties in the past. He feels that the voters of the county know his record, and know that he will do all in his power to present the citizens of this county with an efficient economical administration.

Due to war emergency conditions, Judge Barkley will not make an active campaign, other than greeting the voters from time to time as he meets them in the conduct of his official business.

### Showing At The Ellis Theatre, Perryton

April 4-5 Merle Oberon, George Sanders, Laird Cregar in "The Lodger"

April 6-7 Ray Milland, Ruth Hussey, Donald Crisp, Cornelia Otis Skinner in "The Uninvited"

April 8 William Boyd, Andy Clyde in "Bar 20"

April 9-10 George Murphy, Joan Leslie, Men of the Armed Forces in "This Is The Army"

April 11-12 Jane Frazee, Frank Albertson, Vera Vague in "Rosie the Riveter"

### Red Cross War Fund Reaches \$5550. Total

Spearman's Red Cross war fund climbed to a total above \$5550.00 this week according to chairman Bruce Sheets, who is still receiving checks from out of county property owners.

So far as is known this is the largest percentage in the state and perhaps in the nation. The drive netted about 123 per cent above the quota. The nearest to this record in the Panhandle was in Carson county where about 70 per cent above the quota was recorded.

### Happy Birthday

April 6 Betty Jean Hill, Margaret Reed.

April 7 Mrs. Thelma Blivens, Edra Ranson.

April 8 John Longley, Harry Roscoe, C. A. Davis, Jr., Max Church.

April 9 Mrs. C. F. Baston, Joan Latham.

April 10 T. R. Shirley, Mary Lou Davis, Lewis Harbour.

April 12 Mrs. F. E. Mitts.

April 13 Mrs. J. E. Gunn, A. N. Meadows, Mrs. Jewel May, Jack Dacus.

Past Birthday, April 5 D. W. Cooke.

### J. R. Buck Keim Expected Home In Near Future

Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Keim received a telegram Monday afternoon stating that their son, J. R. (Buck) Keim had landed back in the U. S. A. and was expecting a furlough in the near future. Buck is one of the truly rough and tumble fighters of Hansford county who has gone thru p-l-e-n-t-y since he went into the army. He has not received a furlough, and has been overseas nearly 18 months. He was one of the fighters who did such splendid service at Attu and Dillard learned that Buck lost 20 pounds in 30 days during those trying days.

### Many Readers Paying To Get Home Newspaper

Records Show Four New Subscribers Added This Week

W. A. Shapley, new, Gruver, Texas.

Darrell, Cooper, new, Gruver, Texas.

P. M. Chesser, Gruver, Texas.

Robert Alexander, Gruver, Texas.

V. H. Ogle, Gruver, Texas.

B. C. Holt, Spearman, Texas.

Frank Allen, Spearman, Texas.

H. J. Hart, Spearman, Texas.

F. W. Maize, Spearman, Texas.

Mrs. I. R. Tompkins, Spearman, Texas.

Mrs. F. E. Shirley, Amarillo, Texas.

Oscar Reimer, present from his wife, San Francisco, California.

Mrs. Chester Martin, Amarillo, Texas.

Someone missed the opportunity of getting the Spearman Reporter at a bargain price the last two hours before press time. The usual last minute check revealed that we enter the week with only thirteen renewals and new subscribers. Maybe it's a luck number, but the manager of this paper would have sold one more subscription for a song.

In the county race between Gruver and Spearman for renewals and new subscribers the records show a tie. Five for Gruver and five for Spearman.

Last year records show the Reporter had 14 renewals and subscribers for the first week in April. This is the first time since the first of the year that the 1944 record was below the 1943. However, many people have formed the habit of renewing their papers a little in advance, and the subscription report checked at the first of April revealed that only 19 readers were entitled to a notice for subscription due. Since the weeks renewals included 9 subscribers and four new readers it only leaves 10 other subscribers whose paper comes due the month of April. A check of this record showed that only 4 of those that were originally due in April were renewed this week. The other five renewals were paid in advance of due date from 2 to 5 months. Seems folk just get in a habit of paying when they happen to think of the paper, or when they are talking to a member of the staff on the streets, or when they make a social or business visit to the office of the Reporter.

Mrs. Fins Maize came in last week to pay up to Eddie Faye. She said in part, "Now, you know Bill would not cut my name off the list if I had not paid up." Well, I guess she is right, but I sure don't want to have to keep the names of 938 people in my mind.

Seriously speaking, it is old fashioned small town style to neglect records in the office and let people forget to pay their subscription to the local paper. You expect to pay the regional daily paper or be cut off. The same business methods have been adopted by this newspaper, and we find it is appreciated by all the people, even those friends of the manager, who get a kick out of teasing him because we do follow the latest approved method of newspaper records.

### Grand Jury In Short Session

For the fourth time since Judge Jack Allen has served as District Judge of the 84th Judicial District the grand jury of this county met, and adjourned without returning an indictment. In charging the grand jury, Judge Allen took occasion to compliment the citizenship of this county and the law enforcement officers. He stated that he remembered a similar situation in Ochiltree county one time during his tenure of office and stated Hemphill county had one time empaneled a grand jury without returning an indictment. He reviewed the situation in Hutchinson county where between 20 and 30 indictments were returned, but attributed this condition to the influx of new population necessary to construct war emergency plants. Judge Allen warned the members of the jury that it was their duty to investigate any crime they knew about, even though such crime might not have been detected by the efficient sheriff and deputies of this county. District Attorney W. L. McConnel stated he did not have any cases carried over from previous terms of court.

### Another Hansford County Aviator

Harlin Wilson Parsons, 21, son of Mrs. Hattie O. Windom of Spearman, won his Navy "Wings of Gold" and was commissioned an Ensign in the Naval Reserve last week following completion of the prescribed flight training course at the Naval Air Training Center, Pensacola, Fla., the "Annapolis of the Air."

Having been designated a Naval Aviator, Ensign Parsons will go on active duty at one of the Navy's air operational training centers before being assigned to a combat zone.

Harlan (Curley) Parson spent the past week visiting relatives and friends here in Spearman. He returned to duty Monday of this week.

### Vic Ogle Asks Reelection To Commissioner

Vic Ogle, present commissioner of Precinct No. 2, has authorized the Reporter to carry his announcement for reelection to that office, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries on July 22nd.

Mr. Ogle, who has had considerable experience in the office he now holds, stated that he has attempted to administer his duties with economy to tax payers, and at the same time he believes he has taken care of the needs of his precinct as they have accrued.

Vic states that he greatly appreciates the confidence placed in him by the voters in the past, and if they see fit to reelect him again this year, that he will continue to serve them impartially and with fairness to all.

Mr. Ogle states that he is running on his own accord, and submitting the record he has made. There will be no go-betweens, in his candidacy, he stated.

### Spring Weather Is In Offing Says Brandt

U. S. Weather observer Fred Brandt classified the weather for the week as bad cold weather. In this statement, Fred means that the temperature is low one day and high the next with lots of opportunity to get bad colds, and he has taken advantage of the weather to wear a severe cold himself. Mr. Brandt reports .38 inches of moisture the past week with 0.15 recorded March 28th in a blowing snow and 23 recorded April 1st in the showers that spoke of Spring weather.

Cattle and wheat men are asking for a spell of continued warm weather, and the past two days indicate they will get their wishes. The high of around 70 degrees for three days and low of 30 degrees is real wheat growing weather, and with the moisture that is in the ground at this time, we may expect a rapid growth this month.

The weather as recorded by Mr. Brandt follows:

Date	Hi	Low
March 22	32	19
March 23	32	19
March 24	32	19
March 25	32	19
March 26	32	19
March 27	32	19
March 28	32	19
March 29	57	11
March 30	72	15
March 31	70	25
April 1	70	30
April 2	60	35
April 3	75	30
April 4	75	32

Mrs. Minnie Moore of Ida Grove, Iowa, sister of Frank Dressen is her visiting this week, she also visited with her brother, John Dressen of Abilene, who was a resident of Hansford county for several years.

### May Locate Compressor Plant Here

May Pipe Gas To Large Hansford County

While no information can be given officially, the rumor is current on the streets of Spearman to the effect that a large independent oil company plans a drilling campaign that will take care of 25 to 35 gas wells in the North West part of Hansford county during 1944. Also rumor has it that this company will build a large stripping plant for treatment of the gas, removing the gasoline contents before it is turned into pipe lines. The current talk is to the effect the new plant will be located in Hansford county about six miles North of Gruver.

Below is printed a clipping from the Guymon, Oklahoma newspaper, telling of expected activities in Texas county, Oklahoma.

GRIST

The feeling of expectancy of development of their large holdings in Texas County by the Phillips Petroleum Company has been enhanced this week by the presence of a number of the Right of Way men and land men of the Company. It is reported that options on sites for a big compressor plant and other improvements have already been made, and that the Right of Way men are getting the lay of the land, and some Guymon properties are under purchase consideration. Those great piles of well casing, hundreds of thousands of feet piled in the south part of Guymon are assurance that gas development, and possibly drilling for oil will soon start in the southern area of the county. The men on the ground refer all inquiries to the Bartlesville headquarters, but that more news regarding their operations will probably be available within the next few days. It appears that the pipeline to connect with the big Panhandle Eastern pipeline in the eastern part of the county will about parallel the state line between Oklahoma and Texas.

### Frank Wallin In Commissioners' Precinct 3 Race

The Spearman Reporter is authorized to announce the candidacy of Frank Wallin for Commissioner, Precinct No. 3, Hansford county. Mr. Wallin, who has been a resident of Precinct No. 3 in this county for the past 30 years, believes he is in a position to serve his friends and neighbors. He declares he will conduct his business for his home area with favor to none and fairness to all. He believes he understands the problems of his home section as well as anyone in the county, and feels that he can stay in step with the march of progress throughout the county.

Mr. Wallin has been a member of the Triple A committee of this county for the past eight years and has served as chairman of the important committee for the last three years. His experience in this work places him in position to know the needs of individuals as well as communities of this county.

The candidacy of Mr. Wallin is subject to the action of the Democratic Primary to be held in Hansford county July 22nd, 1944.

### Food Stamp Made Valid Indefinitely

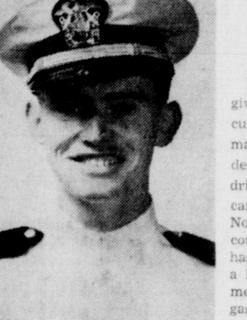
WASHINGTON.—The office of price administration is eliminating the expiration dates on both red and blue food rationing stamps from now on.

A spokesman said the plan was in line with the policy already adopted on shoes and sugar to prevent buying rushes before the coupons expired.

Another factor, it was stated, was the tendency of consumers to cash in their spent ration stamps for tokens—which do not have expiration dates — thus creating a heavy drain on the supply on the new plastic ration currency.

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Mr. Ogle, who has had considerable experience in the office he now holds, stated that he has attempted to administer his duties with economy to tax payers, and at the same time he believes he has taken care of the needs of his precinct as they have accrued.

Vic states that he greatly appreciates the confidence placed in him by the voters in the past, and if they see fit to reelect him again this year, that he will continue to serve them impartially and with fairness to all.

Mr. Ogle states that he is running on his own accord, and submitting the record he has made. There will be no go-betweens, in his candidacy, he stated.

### Spring Weather Is In Offing Says Brandt

U. S. Weather observer Fred Brandt classified the weather for the week as bad cold weather. In this statement, Fred means that the temperature is low one day and high the next with lots of opportunity to get bad colds, and he has taken advantage of the weather to wear a severe cold himself. Mr. Brandt reports .38 inches of moisture the past week with 0.15 recorded March 28th in a blowing snow and 23 recorded April 1st in the showers that spoke of Spring weather.

Cattle and wheat men are asking for a spell of continued warm weather, and the past two days indicate they will get their wishes. The high of around 70 degrees for three days and low of 30 degrees is real wheat growing weather, and with the moisture that is in the ground at this time, we may expect a rapid growth this month.

The weather as recorded by Mr. Brandt follows:

Date	Hi	Low
March 22	32	19
March 23	32	19
March 24	32	19
March 25	32	19

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A STOLEN EDITORIAL

A real newspaper man seldom steals an editorial. This week your country editor has stolen a newspaper article written by his older brother for the Sherman, Texas Daily Democrat. Of course the editorial has a bit more appeal to this editor, because I know Sgt. Leon Hutton... and because the article was written by my brother. However the thought-provoking ideas might as well apply to the soldiers or marines of Spearman. Read it. Think it over.

Marine in Far Pacific Allots \$20 a Month to Welfare Work—By C. C. Miller

COLLINSVILLE—As the late Will Rogers would say, "this true story is a rare bird." Between the lines it has in it all sobs from real people, the sighs of dying men. There is in it a lesson, a warning to America.

It is the story of a marine sergeant, Leon T. Hutton, who is fighting the Japs in the Southwest Pacific. His mother is a widow. She lives in Collinsville, Mrs. Vilena Hutton. In 1940 Leon Hutton left home to join the marines. He was just a high school graduate, a boy of 20. Today he is a man—with a capital M.

Platoon Sergeant Hutton led his men into battle at Guadalcanal, Bougainville and in recent fighting in the Bismarck Sea. He still lives—many Japs do not. After the marines pushed back the Japs on Guadalcanal, Sergeant Hutton escaped with only light injuries. But many of his buddies died of Jap bullets. From that day his letters to his mother changed a spirit—as one who speaks softly in the presence of death, his cheerfulness was more subdued; the quaint touch of humor was gone.

Sergeant Hutton wrote: "Mother, all brave men have fear, somehow, we just keep going in spite of it... We have been fighting now nearly two years... Sometimes we fight needep in mud for 48 hours without sleep, food or water. There are no eight-hour work days here, no overtime pay out in this wilderness. We fight not only Japs but flies, fleas, snakes, malaria, disease...."

"We are close to God and in the midst of death. When we drove the Japs back on Guadalcanal my men fell about me, like stricken flies but we kept going. It seemed to me, mother, could see your face right ahead of me during that awful affair. I believe firmly that only your prayers saved me from death... I would give my right arm to be home but my country needs both my arms. Out here we come to think more of God and home than we used to, and the good we could do if we were home. I have made an allowance to you of \$95 a month instead of \$75. I want you to use the extra \$20 for some charitable purpose in my beloved home town."

That's the story, America! Now read it again—and read between the lines.

Cut out this simple story of a Texas boy—who can think of the needy at home while he himself is on sacrificial altar—and mail it to your senator, your congressman. They may be playing politics while young America dies.

Oh, yes! And hand a copy to the woman who buys a new fur coat.

Enlarge in bold type the vibrant heart throbs of this lonely boy who still fights; hand the message to those who gripe about paying taxes, about buying bonds; who feel smug because they contributed one pitiful dollar to the Red Cross.

Emblazon in fiery red this story of sacrifice, of loneliness, of pure Texas grit, and hand the message to each organized worker who strikes against God and country during a total war.

Then pray with me this prayer: "God help me to so live that my religion, my devotion may some day meet the high standard set by our fighting Marines!"

Criminals Edge Into Black Market, In Circulation Of Illegal Gas Coupons

By BARROW LYONS  
NWNS Washington Correspondent

With a suddenness that has taken federal officials by surprise, the black market in counterfeit gasoline coupons has expanded so rapidly in the last few weeks that it may soon become the biggest illegal racket ever known in this country.

Even now it is approaching in dollar volume the liquor bootlegging of prohibition days. Like bootlegging it has involved a large proportion of the honest citizens of America, although the worst criminal elements of the underworld are in this racket's brains and administrative core.

A recent checkup by the Office of Price Administration revealed that 15 per cent of all the C coupons accepted by filling stations throughout the country were counterfeit. This is the issue in which most of the counterfeiting is being done at present, although fake coupons have been discovered in all classes of coupons.

In a number of cities where a spot check of stations under suspicion was made, evidence was brought to light which indicated that the trade of many filling stations was based on more than 50 per cent of counterfeit coupons. These are the spots where criminal rings are getting most cooperation.

Unless this traffic in illicit gas coupons is checked, and rapidly, it is obvious that there will not be enough gasoline for all the coupons offered, and the value of all coupons must be cut drastically. This would be printing press "currency" inflation of a very dangerous character—with no end to the reprecipitation of coupons in sight.

The result would be a serious blow to all essential transportation, to war production, to farming.

RATION CALENDAR

Table showing ration calendar for April 1944, with columns for various ration categories and their respective dates.

CORRECTION TO RATION CALENDAR FOR APRIL 1 TO APRIL 15

MEATS and FATS: Book IV, red stamps A8, B8, C8, D8, E8, F8, G8, H8, and J8, good for 10 points each, valid indefinitely.

PROCESSED FOODS: Book IV, blue stamps A8, B8, C8, D8, and E8 are good for 10 points each, valid indefinitely. F8, G8, H8, J8, and K8, good for 10 points each, valid April 1, good indefinitely.

Church Of The Brethren

10:30 a. m., Sunday School, Marvin Groves, superintendent.  
11:30 a. m., Morning Worship.  
8:30 p. m., Bible Study Class, B. Y. P. D., Officers.  
9:20 p. m., Evening Worship, Rev. P. E. Rhine.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Steele, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Archer, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Ogle and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cline were shopping and transacting business in Spearman Saturday.

Miss Orene McCellan, Home Demonstration agent of Dallas County returned to Dallas Sunday after several days visit with her father, L. S. McCellan and other relatives.

Mrs. Jake Shapley of Gruver returned home from the Shattuck hospital Friday where she underwent a major operation three weeks ago.

CONTRACTOR'S NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for constructing 53,613 miles of Leveling-Up Course from Oklahoma State Line to Perryton; From Spearman to Gruver and Gruver Loop; From Hansford County Line to Perryton; From Hutchinson County Line to Ochiltree County Line; From 8 miles North of Stinnett to Hansford Highway No. US 83, Spur 84, St. 282 and St. 117, covered by M 30-1-7, M 308-243-8 & 4; M 355-4-12, M 355-5-9; M 355-6-9, in Ochiltree, Hansford and Hutchinson County, will be received at the Highway Department, Austin, until 10:00 A. M., April 11, 1944, and then publicly opened and read. The wage rates generally prevailing in this locality, which are listed below, shall apply as minimum wage rates for those employees employed and paid by the Contractor, on this project.

Table listing various job titles and their corresponding prevailing minimum per diem wage rates based on eight-hour working days.

Legal holiday work shall be paid for at the regular governing rates. Plans and specifications available at the office of J. G. Lott, District Engineer, Amarillo, Texas, and Highway Department, Austin. Usual rights reserved.

R. V. Converse Says...

In the March 23 issue of the Reporter I called attention to the division of Europe after the war was over, and I wish to state here that from the information I had at hand it would be a logical ending and settlement of the territorial boundary question between the three big countries. Today as this item is being written I have at hand information to the effect that there is much strain between the allies, and that Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin, each are jealous of the interests of his own country. This condition in its self shows that the boundary question in central Europe was not settled by the Atlantic Charter as we were led to believe after the Churchill, Roosevelt meeting in mid-Atlantic.

There is a fairly good prospect that price control will be extended for another year after June 30, and the chances are that civilians will have to contend with about the same amount of purchasable goods as are now available for there will not be much if any increase in material for civilian goods manufacture. This is not so much because there is a scarcity of material as from the fear of inflation, and the manpower shortage.

There is a great deal of time on the radio being devoted to the subject of labor shortage, and the necessity of the women taking the jobs left open by the men who are being taken to the army. There are many places that a woman can fill with about just as much if not more efficiency, than the fellow has that is now filling the place, but when it comes to a woman getting cut on a tractor and doing a man's work on the farm there are few indeed who can stand the strain, as we really have not raised our women to be accustomed to that kind of labor and it will be real hard sacrifice if it is demanded of them.

Jim Farley may emerge as the master-mind behind Sec. of War Woodring's anti-fourth-term group. It looks as if the United States and England were commencing to try to grab all of the oil concessions worth having in North Africa, which goes to show that regardless of who is president big interests are ever after favors and concessions from our government.

In the Presidential Race Roosevelt seems to be unopposed for the nomination on the Democratic ticket while Dewey is coming up towards the lead for the Republican nomination, my information at the moment is that betting in N. Y. is even money for Roosevelt to win in the fall election, but nearly every one conceals the outcome of the fall election depends to a great extent on what is doing in the war as election time draws near.

Yours,  
R. V. Converse

NOTICE

Commodity Credit Corporation is offering for sale to farmers some of the wooden bins, which are located at the bin sites at Spearman and Gruver, on a bid basis.

All bids must be received in the County AAA office by 2 p. m., on April 17, 1944. A list of bins to be offered for sale and instructions to bidders can be obtained from this office.

Bids will be opened at 2 p. m. on April 17, 1944, and awards made not later than 10 days thereafter.

Don't Name It

By 'HONEST' BILL MILLER

Since this is my personal column, I feel free to print some letters received this week. The first is from my old Colonel at Ft. Custer, Michigan, and it is printed primarily because I want my people to begin to think about our obligation to the returning soldiers. I will have a great deal more to say about this in the future, but right now it will give Hansford folk food for thought. Here is the letter.

The Provost Marshal General  
Replacement Pool  
Fort Custer, Michigan  
30 March 1944

Captain W. J. Miller,  
Spearman, Texas  
Dear Captain:

I was delighted to receive your letter dated 25 March 1944, and agreeably surprised to learn that the good people of the State of Texas are in midst of prosperity which far exceeded your expectations. It is a pleasure to hear from any officer who has served with me during this emergency and although you are now on an inactive status I still have a personal interest in your welfare and delight to know that your business is good and that you are gradually becoming acclimated to civil life.

From your letter you indicated that you are disappointed because you did not get overseas and enter this "hardware throwing contest" in an active manner. However, I read your newspaper each week and from your articles and other columns in your publication it is my personal opinion that you are in a position as editor of your paper to do more towards maintaining a high moral among the citizens of your county than you could as an individual in the army. Because of your service in the army during this emergency and of your acquaintanceship throughout your county you are now in a position to enlighten many families with reference to their sons who are scattered to the four points of the compass. I know that you have already answered hundreds of questions and have probably assisted many men in securing employment who have returned to civil life because of physical disability and other causes. It seems to me that the people at home have a big job on their hands with respect to assisting the ex-service men in their rehabilitation. As you know many officers and men are now returning from overseas and being released from general hospitals because of wounds, disease and shattered nerves. I now have in this pool several pitiful cases and it will take time for many officers and men to settle down and be in a physical and mental state of mind to pursue a civilian occupation. You are in a position to assist the good people of your community in organizing the people of your county to be prepared for this present and future emergency.

I wish to congratulate you upon your editorial published 23 March 1944 with reference to the preparation of your income tax report. The entire staff at this Headquarters got a big kick out of it and we have all agreed that it is a master-piece. Keep this good work up and we will probably have a more simplified form in the future.

With best personal wishes to you and your family, I am,  
Sincerely,  
L. B. Harris,  
Lieut. Colonel, CMP

A second letter comes to Eddie Faye from Capt. Forest Ely, one of the best Dam Yankee's I have ever met. He is the only officer with me old organization the 260th M. P. Co., that served while I was commander of the company.  
My Dear Mrs. Miller:  
I wrote to the Captain and was unsuccessful in getting any response tho my letter may never have caught up with him, so I shall try his better half... we are getting along well, and I am sure the Captain would be pleased with the degree of efficiency with which the men are performing. Todate three of the men have received letters of commendation and a fourth is being recommended for recognition by the War Department. We have a nice camp area, have built it entirely ourselves from crates, every man has a built-up tent, floored, screened.

and we have our own electric plant, with lights for each tent. We have a shower room and a mess hall with concrete floors and are quite comfortably situated. We are doing much the same kind of duty that we did in Philadelphia. We have changed personnel very greatly, probably only have about half the men that were with the Captain. The replacements have added much to the efficiency of the organization, and I know the Captain would be proud of them.

After this came a bit of personal remarks in the letter, all of which is of no public interest.

Morse School

The primary department is working on an Easter decoration for the party to which they are all looking forward. The first grade has started a new first grade reader and are also learning to write.

The first, second and third grades wish to thank Mrs. Henry Reid and Mrs. Pete Cator for the nice party given them last Friday.

The fourth and fifth grades have been drawing animals in art and like the primary grades, have started their Easter decorations. Several of the class members have been absent last week because of illness and this week the snow had some effect. They enjoyed the picnic and baseball game last Friday.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of thanking our many friends and neighbors for their kindness, words of encouragement, and the flowers received during my recent illness. I am mighty glad to be back home from the hospital.  
Mrs. Ed Wilbanks.

Mrs. Eldred Sheets was a visitor in Perryton several days this week.

Political Announcements

The following announcements for public office are made subject to the action of the Democratic primary, July 22, 1944.  
For District-County Clerk  
FRED J. HOSKINS  
For Commissioner Precinct No. 2  
HAROLD J. COLLIER  
ROY C. CHASE  
Sheriff, Tax Assessor & Collector:  
H. L. WILBANKS (reelection)

Classified Ads

FOR SALE: 1939 12-foot Oliver combine on rubber. Hiram Wilbanks, Spearman. 17-p-3t

FOR SALE: 10 foot John Deere Binder. On rubber, power take off. W. U. Cook, 10 miles west of Gruver. 17-p-2t

FOR SALE — Three houses in Spearman. 3 room modern house. 6 room modern house, 9 room mod-

ern apartment house. Write Mrs. J. A. Sanders, General Delivery, Clovis, New Mexico.

FOR SALE: One 16 ft. Avery combine, one Ben Bentley, 9 miles northwest of Morse, Texas. P. 3 t.

FOR SALE OR TRADE: One 8ft. Tandem disc. Phone 900F04. 16-p-2-t.

ESTRAY NOTICE

Have whitefaced heifer, wt. about 200 lbs. Come to my place about November 10, 1943. Owner can have this heifer by identifying same and paying feed bill.  
I. W. Ayres, Jr.,  
10 miles southwest of Gruver. P. 3 T.

FOR SALE: One May Tag motor in good shape. One folding day bed. See G. C. Mitts six blocks south of court house, Spearman, Texas. No. 16Tt.chg

ESTRAY — Three steers branded with Spear on left thigh. Weight about 600 pounds. Strayed from my home on or about March 1st, this year. Please notify me if you have these steers. I will pay feed bill and come after them. Perry Hawkins, Spearman, Texas. 16-3tpd.

FOR SALE: The best 160 acre farm in Hansford county. Good house, barns, sheds, windmill and orchard. This farm is offered at a bargain. See E. C. Greene or Mrs. Martha Robinson. Also some excellent milk cows for sale. 15-4tc

PERMANENT WAVE 59c. Do your own permanent with Charm-Kurl Kit. Complete equipment, including 40 curlers and shampoo. Easy to do, absolutely harmless. Praised by thousands including Fay McKenzie, glamorous movie star. Money refunded if not satisfied. Spearman Drug Co. 8-11tp

NOTICE: Classified, display advertising and news columns close about noon every Tuesday. Please arrange for advertising early; also bring in your news items promptly. 33-4fb

SPIRELLA CORSETIERE: Announcing to the women of Spearman and Hansford county my appointment as your Spirella corsetiere. I have had six years of previous experience in fitting garments. Let me help you with your figure problem. Look trim and keep fit with a Spirella. Individually designed figure support. Phone 49 for free demonstration or come to my home second block west of high school, Mrs. Lottie B. Bastion, Spearman, Texas.

JOB PRINTING—place your order as far in advance as possible. It takes time to produce printing; it's a manufacturing job. Spearman Reporter, Phone 10. 33-4fb

225,000 Acres  
STATE SCHOOL LAND  
FOR SALE  
May 2, 1944  
Information, description and location of this land, together with application blank, will be furnished FREE!  
Write  
BASCOM GILES  
Commissioner of the  
GENERAL LAND OFFICE  
Austin, Texas

LOST: Small white male brown ears, spot on back, reward Dick Tice.

ESTRAY NOTICE, 600 lb. cow been at my place 16 months, brand or marking. Owner can have steer by identifying same and paying feed bill. A. L. Jackson, 10 miles west of Gruver. No. 17 P-3t

FOR SALE—Three combines, 20-foot Avery, one 20-foot Buley, one 20-foot Caterpillar. See V-belts. J. H. Rea, Minner Kansas. No. 17 P-3t

FOR SALE — Two longhaired Trucks, recently overhauled, Dodge, one Ford, will sell trade one for pick-up. E. L. Vanderbury, Spearman, Texas. No. 17 P-3t

FOR SALE—Gas cook stove, burner with oven—\$20. See E. Wilbanks. No. 17 P-3t

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Until Noon Only  
Office Dr. Gower.

Townsend Drug  
PHONE 123  
ALBERT TOWNSEND, Owner  
Spearman

SEE ME  
The deadline for the 1944 income tax estimate that applies to most citizens of Hansford county is  
APRIL 15TH  
I am prepared to give clients aid in preparing these government forms.  
QUARTERLY REPORTS  
Covering withholding tax and social security tax due March 31st with April 30th deadline. I have had considerable experience in preparing these records.  
KEEP FARM RECORDS  
I am in a position to assist a few more farm clients in keeping their permanent records.  
ALL KINDS OF CLERICAL WORK  
MATTIE RUTH RICHARDSON  
Court House Spearman, Texas

Daley Glass Shop  
Headquarters For  
Picture Framing  
•  
Paints—Varnishes  
•  
Wallpaper  
New 1944 Patterns  
•  
Glass for Your  
House or Car  
Daley Glass  
Shop  
Perryton

PUBLIC SALE  
I have been authorized by the Commissioners Court of Hansford County to sell to the highest bidder  
8 (Eight) Singer Sewing Machines  
Sale will be held in front of the home demonstration building main street of Spearman, Texas at 2 p. m.  
SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 1944  
They are the machines that were purchased by Hansford County a few years ago and were used on the WPA sewing project. In recent years they have been stored. At the time they were purchased they represented the best on the market.  
Come Prepared To Purchase This Scarce Merchandise  
At Your Own Price  
ARCHA MORSE, AUCTIONEER  
HANSFORD COUNTY, OWNER

# SOCIETY

**SCIENCE DEPARTMENT**  
The Home Science Department of the Twentieth Century Club met Thursday, March 30th. The program was given by Mrs. Marvin Chambers, during the business session, Mrs. Rex Sanders resigned as chairman for the new year and Mrs. Ray Phelps was elected to her place, also delegates for district convention were discussed. Mrs. O. C. Holt and Mrs. Marvin Chambers had charge of the program on "Art." Each giving an interesting talk on modern art and the old Masters.

**LOTTIE MOON**  
Lottie Moon circle met in home of Mrs. Ira Pearson Tuesday, March 29, Mrs. W. Glover presiding. Mrs. C. A. Egan had charge of the program and gave a review of the of Ecclesiastes. Mrs. L. T. Egan after a long illness, was unable to attend the circle, other members present were Mesdames Patterson, D. W. Hazelwood, Patton, Dennis Jones, Mat-Dowel and David. Report for the Lottie Moon was late last week. It met Mrs. W. M. Glover as hostess and the lesson lead by Mrs. Baley was from Proverbs to 22 Chapters. Thirteen members were present.

**TEACHERS MEETING**  
The Parent-Teacher Association held their regular monthly meeting Tuesday, April 11 at 3:30

Music will be furnished by the Club directed by Mrs. John W. There will also be some instrumental numbers by some of the students. The program topic is "Our Need, Youth, So Urgent" by local

and Mrs. Bill Russell, jr., daughter of Temple are visitatives and friends in Spearman this week.

and Mrs. Arthur Wallin of were on business in Spearman Friday.

**THE DAHLIA FLOWER CLUB**  
The Dahlia Flower Club met Monday, March 27 in the home of Mrs. H. H. Crooks.

Mrs. C. F. Bastion was welcomed as a member. Mrs. F. W. Maize led a discussion on "Panhandle Gardens." Roll call was answered by plans of My Victory Garden. Refreshments were served to Mrs. She-deck, Bastion, Gibner, Maize, Daily, Allen and the hostess. The club will meet April 10 with Mrs. F. J. Daily.

**FINE ARTS CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. WILMETH**  
Mrs. Roy Wilmeth was hostess to the Fine Arts department of the Twentieth Century Club Thursday, March 30th. The program theme was "Modern Paintings and Artists." Mrs. Paul Roach and Mrs. T. D. Sansing had charge of the program and showed a complete display of paintings of a number of artists. The roll call was a round table discussion by the members, of paintings from the old masters and the modern artists.

Mrs. Gandy, chairman, conducted a short business session, and Mrs. Roy Wilmeth, chairman of the Fine Arts department for the coming year, was elected as one of the delegates to the district convention at Plainview. Mrs. T. D. Sansing, general club president, will also attend the convention. Refreshments were served the following members:

Mesdames Delon Kirk, Matthew Doyle, F. J. Hoskins, P. A. Lyon, Hall Jones, George Buzzard, T. D. Sansing, F. J. Daily, R. V. Converse, W. H. Gandy, Paul Roach, Roy Russell and Roy Wilmeth. The next meeting will be Thursday, April 13th with Mrs. Paul Roach.

**Society**  
The Blanche Rose Walker Circle of the Baptist Church met in the church auditorium Wednesday, March 29 with Mrs. Rex Sanders, chairman conducting the business session. Mrs. W. D. Cooke had charge of the Bible study, giving a review of the Book of Hosea and Joel. Members present were Mesdames: Jess Edwards, Wm. Wallis, F. W. Brandt, W. D. Coke and Rex Sanders.

The Medlin Home Demonstration Club "42" party was well attended Friday night, March 31, at the club room. Refreshments were served to 40 people.

Mrs. S. W. Robertson left Tuesday to visit her son, Cadet Lowell Robertson stationed at Ryan Field, Hemmitt, California.

## RUSSELL-BURDETT

Vows are Read in Double Ring Ceremony at Lubbock.

Miss Marjorie Ellen Russell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Russell, Sr., Spearman, Texas, and J. Y. Burdett of O'Donnell, Texas, were married in the chapel of the First Baptist church at 5:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon April 2nd.

The double ring vows were read by Rev. C. E. Hereford, before an improvised altar decorated with baskets of pink and white gladiolas and potted plants, flanked by candelabras holding white tapers.

Bill Russell, Jr., brother of the bride lighted the candles. Music provided by Mrs. J. G. Shelton, Soprano, and Mrs. C. E. Hereford, pianist, included "I Love You" and "Because." Traditional wedding marches were played for the ceremony.

Mrs. Ernest Wilmeth sister of the bride was Matron of Honor. She wore a brown suit with pink and brown accessories. Her corsage was of pink rose buds.

Bill Letter served as best man. The bride who was given in marriage by her father wore a flight blue suit, pink blouse, with black accessories. Her corsage was of orchids.

Mrs. Russell, mother of the bride wore a black dress with black and white accessories and corsage of gardenias. Mrs. Burdett mother of the groom wore a navy blue dress with blue and white accessories and corsage of gardenias.

A reception given by Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Fuller, was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rim Thompson. In the dining room the table was covered with a linen cloth of cut work embroidery and centered with a bouquet of pink larkspur and white rosebuds. The two tiered wedding cake with lime ice was served by Mrs. Bill Russell, Jr., sister-in-law of the bride and Mrs. W. P. Hutton, Miss Pat Hulton presided at the guest book.

The bride is a graduate of Spearman High school and attended Texas Tech. where she was a member of the D.F.D. club. Mr. Burdett Jr. is a graduate of the High school at O'Donnell. He attended Texas Tech where he was a member of the "Wranglers." The couple will be at home in O'Donnell, Texas, following their honeymoon.

W. L. Mackie was able to be out again Monday and was greeting old friends from his car, as he is unable to get around alone.

Mrs. Wm. Hutton is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Campbell this week in Madison, Kan., and will also visit friends and relatives in Oklahoma.

## Christian Church

Please make note of entire change of program for next Sunday morning. The Christian Youth Fellowship will be in charge of the program.

Church services will begin promptly at 10:15, with only 15 minutes for the classes. Let each of us resolve to be on time. Bring a friend and make this 'Easter' a banner day.

10:15, Orchestra—Miss Beuna Vernon at piano.

10:30, Hymn—Praise Him: Praise Him—3.

Prayer by minister. Response, remain standing—306.

Birthdays. 10:45 to 11, Classes.

11:05, Hymn, "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth"—159.

Vocal solo by Miss Mary Margaret McLain.

Special reading by Patricia Morse.

Easter Lilies, dialogue by five girls.

C. Y. F. Choir, "Hallelujah, Hallelujah."

Violin solo by Jean Hill.

C. Y. F. Choir, "We Sing With Joy."

Instrumental duet, Rosanne Porter and Pat Becker.

Communion hymn, first, second, third verses—185.

Offering. Sermonet, "The Resurrection" by minister.

Invocation hymn—175. Doxology, orchestra—309.

6 p. m., C. Y. F. buffet supper at Jean Hill's.

7 p. m., Special meeting of C. Y. F. at church annex.

8 p. m., Church services featuring "Experiences at World Fellowship Meet," by Arlys Womble.

Good Friday, April 5, C. Y. F. at 8 p. m., will hold a rally at the home of the minister. Second house west of school house.

C. F. Bastion, minister.

## What The Folks

In Service Are Doing



Part of a letter written by Lt. Edna A. Bassel, 91st Eva. Hosp. in England to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Buchanan:

"Dearest Mother, Dad and Family:

This in my opinion is the most beautiful part of England. It is hilly and plenty of trees and shrubs, lakes and of course rock fences. There is a number of old castles near; one where Edward II was beheaded quite a few years ago, tho'.

I'll try to explain what an evacuation hospital is, even though I know that it will give you something more to worry about and I don't want you to worry at all.

These hospitals are stationed back some 30 miles behind the front and move behind the troops. They take care of the casualties and then evacuate the patients to the rear or to a station or general hospital. We are set up in tents when in operation and are moved by truck. There is long periods of inactivity (like now) then very busy for a time. That is as near as I can explain; we do quite a bit of surgery, which is one reason I like it.

I can walk 10 to 14 miles without getting the least bit tired and really do feel fine. Fact is, we walk somewhere every day. Of course the road marches and night hikes are a little harder. I've got some lovely new clothes, boots up to my shins, field jacket, combat jacket, etc. You really wouldn't know the old kid except that I still laugh as loud as always.

Mother, I'll try to remember all the things that I've seen to tell you as I can't tell them on paper and I haven't a camera (not I don't need one).

I received the soap but not the candy; it must have been lost somewhere. Thanks anyway also don't bother about the watch as I think I can get one from one of the men. Hate to have you send me these things as there is so little you can send safely. All I want is plenty of letters and for you all to forgive my not writing more often.

Love to everyone, EDNA.

Sgt. and Mrs. Melvin Schell of of Dalhart were guests in the home of their grandparents, K. F. and Mrs. Albert Jacobs Sunday.

Pvt. Ozzie Gross, Army Air Field, Garden City, Kansas, visited friends and relatives in Gruver and Spearman over the week-end.

Sgt. Ralph Latham of Camp Howze, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Latham, writes his parents after several weeks delay that he had just returned from a long trip by plane, boat and train to helping 800 war prisoners to the U. S. He was very sea sick on the boat.

Omar C. Cotter, R. M. 2c for 20 months in the Southwest Pacific, writes his mother, Mrs. Carrie Cotter, that he has orders to return to the U. S., and has received a commission and will write details soon.

Word was received from Pfc. Jewel Ward by his parents this week that he is now in New Caladonia, for nearly two years he has been in Guadalcanal, Hawaii and New Caladonia, and is wishing for a trip home and a rest.

PFC. and Mrs. Robert Stewart of Dalhart Army Air Base are happy over the arrival of a baby daughter born March 25th.

T/Sgt. Murl Bacon, left this week for Santa Monica, Calif., after a two weeks visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bacon of Gruver, Murl has been 18 months in actual combat service and says that he would be real glad to stay in the states for a while.

Here is a poem written by Sgt. John Dahl, who lives in the north-west part of the county. He mailed the poem to his sister, Selma Dahl, one of the secretaries of the county agent's office.

Some where in India where the sun is like a curse And each long day is followed by another slightly worse Where the brick red dust is thicker than shifting desert sand, And all the men dream and wish for a fair and greener land.

Some where in India where a woman's face is never seen, Where the sky is never cloudy, and the grass is never green. Where the jackals natural howling robs a man of blessed sleep. Where there isn't any whiskey and the beer is never cheap.

Some where in India where the nights were meant for love Where the moon is like a searchlight and the southern cross above Sparkles like a diamond cluster in

the balmy tropic night It's the shameless waste of beauty, for there's not a girl in sight.

Somewhere in India where the mail is always late And the Christmas card in April is considered up-to-date Where we never have a pay day and we never have a cent. But we never miss the money, cause we never get it spent.

Somewhere in India where the ants and lizards play. And a hundred fresh mosquitoes replace everyone you slay. So take me back to Texas which I know and love so well, For this God forsaken outpost is a substitute for hell.

It's CAPT. FLOYD CLOSE now. Word was received here this week that Lieut. Floyd Close, one of the ace aviators of Uncle Sam's army from Hansford county had been promoted from his former rank, to the grade of Captain. Congratulations are extended Floyd. We also learn that Floyd has completed his flying missions over enemy territory, and has been pulled out of this class of service, at least temporarily, and is an instructor in England.

About half the men down town were thrilled with Roy Jones Monday of this week when he received the Air Medal earned by his son. Roy Lee sent the medal home to his parents soon after he had earned this coveted recognition. He also sent a group of new pictures, including pictures of Roy in his basketball suit. I'm telling you that lad is a husky, and he shows evidence of eating plenty. Incidentally he is a good looking boy, and I can prove it by Minnie. Roy Lee has been writing letters to Bruce Sheets and Jesse Davis and a couple other business men, in addition to keeping his parents well informed. Minnie has a scrap book that is sure interesting. Among all the pictures, are newspaper clippings about bombing over enemy territory. Of course there has not been an understanding, but the fact that Roy Lee sends them at regular intervals indicates that he was among those present when the bombs were released. Roy and Minnie have 18 such newspaper clippings in the scrap book, indicating that Roy Lee has made 18 missions to date. His Air Medal came after making five missions across enemy territory.

The editor and Eddie Faye heard from Will Jr. this week after three weeks time. The letter explained that this marine had moved from his former location to another.

"Hi Bill," Thus starts a letter from Lewis Stringer, from somewhere in the

Pacific. Lewis had learned that the country editor was back in harness here in Spearman. He stated "I am glad to hear that you are back and feel sure that everyone feels the same way. How are the boys treating you in the games? Show them a few of the army tricks." Lewis then asked for the address of Will Jr., in the South Pacific and promised to look up our boy. He made a few remarks about the yellow — and ended by "Well Bill tell all the gang hello, and let me hear from you." Lewis is a Battalion Sgt. Major with some organization in the South Pacific.

Pfc. Horace L. Hays, son of Horace Hays of Gruver, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fox of Spearman is reported in the base hospital Goldsborow, N. C. Pfc. Hays underwent a minor operation, and is reported doing fine.

Arthur M. Adair A. M. M. 3c son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Adair of Spearman, visited the past five days with parents and friends. He is on his way to Lake City, Florida to take combat training.

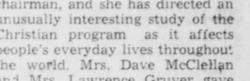
GRUVER W. S. C. S. Twelve members of the Gruver Women's Society of Christian Service met with Mrs. Mart Hart last Thursday afternoon and completed the study "For All of Life." Mrs. Clarence Winder is study chairman, and she has directed an unusually interesting study of the Christian program as it affects people's everyday lives throughout the world. Mrs. Dave McClellan and Mrs. Lawrence Gruver gave the devotional, using the subject, "Let Your Light Shine."

Miss Lora Ann Dodson, student in OWC College at Chickasha, Okla., is home for the Easter holidays visiting her aunt, Mrs. Rupert Vaught.

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**CAMPBELL TAILOR SHOP**  
John Berry

**Gruver News**  
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kingsley have just returned from a three weeks visit to their home in Oklahoma. Mr. Kingsley works at the Gruver elevators.

Cpl. Lyle Irby Harmon of the Army Tanks Corps was a visitor in Gruver over the week-end. Lyle Irby is a graduate of the Gruver High School. His outfit has recently been on maneuvers somewhere in America. He says the Army is not so tough.

Mrs. Frank Shapley, recently returned home from the hospital in Shattuck, Okla. She had been there undergoing treatment.

Mr. Jake Shapley is home from the hospital in Shattuck. Mrs. Shapley recently underwent an operation, but is now making a good recovery.

Miss Annie Ruth McClellan recently passed her state board examination in Austin, Texas. She is now a registered cosmetologist. (Beauty operator to you.) Miss McClellan is now in Borger where she is to take a position in one of the Borger shops.

Last Friday night high school boys and girls from Perryton invaded Gruver. After two thrilling basketball games, and three volley ball games, Gruver was declared the winner in all games. But the Perryton heroes put up a whale of a fight.

The Red Cross campaign in the Gruver schools closed last Friday. The pupils gave one hundred per cent to the drive, and raised a total of \$156.29. This is a fine contribution. This brings the Gruver total to \$2,634.29. Well done Gruver.

Saturday was election day in Gruver. Usually very few take time to vote in a school election. This year there were twenty-three votes cast. Those elected were H. B. Hart, P. H. Westerfield re-elected and Tom Dozier elected.

Sgt. and Mrs. Warren Jeffries were week-end visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rafferty. Mrs. Jeffries is the former Coleen Rafferty.

Sgt. and Mrs. J. B. Edwards are visiting in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Biggs, the Methodist pastor. Mrs. Edwards is the daughter of Bro. Biggs. He is at present stationed somewhere in Georgia.

Mrs. James Biggs, the former Miss Doris Ruth Dozier, was honored with a bridal shower in the home of Mrs. J. C. Harris last week. A large number of guests were present, and many who could not be present sent gifts. Mrs. Biggs was very happy over the affair, as she received a wonderful shower.

**WAKA CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN**  
10:30 a. m. Sunday School, Marvin Groves, superintendent.  
11:30 a. m. Morning worship.  
8:30 p. m. Adult Bible Study Class, B. Y. P. D., Pioneers.  
9:20 a. m. Evening worship.

The theme for the Easter morning message is the "Power of the Resurrection." The Sunday School and Morning worship periods will be shortened so that there will be time for the Easter numbers sponsored by the different Sunday School classes. Everyone needs to be on time so that services can begin promptly.

There is to be an Easter Pageant given during the evening worship period. Everyone is invited to attend services with us each Sunday. P. E. Rhine, pastor.

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# SPEARMAN LYNX

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 Sophomore News — Geneva Ford  
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### SNOOPER

It has been said that Sammie May has made THAT promise again. What's this one like and will a ring act as proof for these unbelieving people? Well???

A. L. can't make everyone believe he was just in the crowd when she came around and decided to take him with her. Oh, these old heart-throbs!!

Doris H. he was just a little young, but maybe he really was afraid to walk home alone. What would that sailor say???

Perryton must have been pretty exciting week-end-before-last. But you should take the girls off alone to tell them the secrets, Rosemary and Thelma Jo.

Bill K. seemed pretty well contented at the senior play. We might add, she didn't look bored! Just who was Geneva Ford sporting at the show a week ago last Sunday afternoon?

Don't tell us these Navy letters are from a brother, Kathleen A. We've heard that before.

Some are in doubt as to what happened to Jack's neck last week. We heard Betty Lee could be blamed, but could she???

Floyd can C. did you have a good time last Friday night, March 24? He wasn't seen in town after that night, or did he really go home???

These Freshmen romances are getting to be a habit. For information, ask Dick B., Kenneth M., or Joan H.

Betty Jean C., just where did you get that ankle bracelet?

Bodil B. looked rather blue Friday night. Any special reason?

We wonder what certain Senior boy could have taken Jean H. to the show!! Girls!!!!

Billy Bob L., would you really have taken her home Friday night??

Dick B., how do you like Gruver's red-heads? Hmmm!!!

Are Betty Jean C. and a certain black-headed boy ever getting thick, or which one of them should we ask about it?

### EXCHANGE

Revised Scott  
 Breathes there a man with soul so dead

Who never once has turned his head and said,  
 "Hm, hm, hm, not bad!"

Nature Lover  
 Arlan: "Don't you like to listen to the honk of a wild goose?"

Arlys: "Not when he's driving an automobile!"

A Definition  
 Mr. Cheves: "Can you tell me what a hypocrite is?"

A. L. Wilson: "Yes, sir. It's a boy that comes to school with a smile on his face."

The Modern Stitch  
 A stitch in time may save nine, but that great American gadget, the safety pin, will easily save them all.

### SENIOR NEWS

Grace L. Lawson

The Seniors want to say that our play was a great success. We hadn't realized just how much fun and enjoyment we were getting out of play practice until the play ended, and we might add—sorrowfully! We regret that this is our last year here or we would attempt such a play again.

As was announced at the play, we want to publicly thank Womble Hardware for the use of their furniture, Miss Deakin and Mr. Cheves for their great help in producing and directing our play, and the high school faculty, students, and Spearman citizens for their help. And, last, but not least, our high school orchestra who did such a wonderful job of playing for us.

### SOPHOMORE NEWS

Geneva Ford

Last Friday afternoon the Sophomores that didn't play hooky went on a picnic. Everyone had a swell time. They played baseball and ate like they had never eaten before.

In English we are still writing our fire themes. Some of us are finished and others are pretty well underway. Our new homemaker teacher hasn't arrived yet but we are hoping she will arrive in the near future.

Miss Deakin announced last week that the most of us had our algebra papers all handed in so, maybe that means better grades in algebra this six-weeks. It's nearly time for tests you know, it's just four more days.

### SOPHOMORE F. H. T. NEWS

Geneva Ford

The Sophomore F. H. T. girls were a surprise farewell party for Geneva Ford. They had their former teacher, and they had a buffet con- sole. They had a real nice time.

Last Tuesday, March 28, 1944, the F. H. T. girls again had a meeting. A short program was given by the program committee.

It included a piano duet by Betty Kizzlar and Geneva Ford, a piano solo by Bonnie Thompson, a radio quiz by Betty Clements, a student who quiz on high school students by June Jackson, and a piano solo by Bodil Blackburn called "Barcarole." The program was enjoyed by all who attended.

### SEVENTH GRADE NEWS

Nancy McClellan

We have been practicing for our play, "The Pumpkin Hill Grammar School Graduation," for some time now and we hope when we give it that our audience will enjoy it.

It is nearly time for six-weeks tests again so we will have to study hard to make up some of our grades.

We have been making posters in health on the prevention and cure of tuberculosis. We also have been learning a poem, "The Children's Hour," by Longfellow in reading. Most of us recited it well.

Our history teacher, Mrs. Sheets, is reading us a very interesting book, "Texas Rangers," which we enjoy very much.

In reading we wrote paragraphs on hobbies and the following four persons were chosen to have the best paragraphs: Irene Scroggs, Nancy McClellan, Marvel Gibner, and Lee Marie Dacus.

Ola and Opal Scoggins moved to Oklahoma. We miss them very much.

### FIFTH GRADE NEWS

Tynelle Sansing

We had two arithmetic tests last week. The ones that made above 90 on both tests are: John Patterson, Edna Lou Ooley, and Tynelle Sansing.

The ones that made 90 on one test are: Sybil Dillow, Eugene Gaither, Patsy Howell, Doyle Jackson, Joel Lee Lackey, Joan Mackie, Carmen Martin, Joyce Scroggs, and Dwayne Stewart. We all made pretty good grades on both tests.

Mary Ellen Wilson is a new pupil in our room. She is from Erick, Oklahoma.

### FOURTH GRADE NEWS

Elsaine Daily and Mary F. Oakes

We are sorry to lose Jean Guess from our room, but we are glad to have Jerry Beth Harbour, Nell Ella Buschman, and Barbara Beck back from illness.

These are the ones that made a hundred in spelling this last week—Doyle Frasier, Frank Buzzard, Larry Overton, Barbara Beck, Barbara Jean Van Sant, Carol Hull, Elaine Daily, Jerry Beth Harbour, and Mary Faith Oakes.

Mrs. Roach gave us a number of books for our library which we appreciate very much.

We have just finished one of our dog books which is "Beautiful Joe." We enjoyed it very much.

### THIRD GRADE NEWS

Jimmy DeArmond

We enjoyed the assembly program Thursday afternoon very much. The eighth grade had a very good play.

For our physical education periods, Mrs. Womble is supervising the third and fourth grade girls and Miss Vernon supervises the boys. The boys are playing baseball this week and the girls are jumping the rope.

In language, we have been writing poems. We picked out some of the best ones to put in the paper. Here they are:

### RAIN

Billie Joanne Greever

Splash, splash, splash, see it rain, hitting on the window pane.

See the birdsies splash around taking baths there on the ground.

Raindrops falling from the sky, the rainstorm will soon go by.

### HELPING MOTHER

Dee Allen

I do not receive any pay for sweeping the rooms and washing the dishes.

Because in these ways I am helping my mother every day.

### ASH CANS

Joe Mack Hill

Ash Cans, Ash Cans, Nothing around but Ash cans.

Ash cans, Ash cans, I hate, I hate, Ash cans.

Ash cans, Ash cans, I'm cleaning up the Ash cans.

### THE CLOCK

Janelle Winkler

Tick tick, tick tick, Says the clock all day long, Tick tick, tick tick, I wonder if it could be wrong.

### GATHERING EGGS

Grace Sheets

I like to gather eggs, And nearly every day, When we gather eggs Around the barn we play.

Sometimes we find Twenty-five or more,

## It May Turn Out To Be A Sad Wedding Day



In the hay or on the floor.

### EIGHTH X NEWS

Mothers of the eighth grade met last Friday and decided that the eighth grade would have an informal banquet before school is out. A committee was appointed to arrange for time, etc.

### Oslo News

Good Friday Services with Holy Communion will be conducted by the pastor on Friday evening, April 7, at 8:30 o'clock at the church. Plans are being made to have the young people and the pupils of the Sunday School to participate in the Easter Services.

H. C. Hjortholm, pastor.

The Luther League of the Oslo Church met at the John Dahl home last Sunday afternoon. The program topic centered around the first three words of Jesus from the Cross. In the absence of the pastor, Hjortholm, Mrs. Jack Christofferson conducted the devotion. The president, Louise

Knutson, introduced the topic. The speakers were Ada Joyce Spivey, Ruth Bredeben, and Doris Dahl. Amelia Johnson played a piano solo. After the business meeting, a social hour, during which lunch was served, was enjoyed by all.

Services at the Oslo Church last Sunday morning had to be called off because of the illness of the pastor, Pastor Hjortholm had an attack of the flu last week which not only kept him from having services on Sunday but also kept him from teaching for a couple of days last week and a few days also of this week.

Miss Tompkins, the Hansford County Home Demonstration agent, gave a demonstration of how a well arranged farin kitchen is planned at a meeting at the Gordon Stedje home on Tuesday of last week. Quite a few were present. A delicious lunch was served by the hostess after the demonstration. Samples of the cheese made at a previous meeting were distributed. Mrs. A. F. Barkley, wife of Judge Barkley,

from Spearman was present.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Collier and their two sons and Loyal Olsen, who is employed by them, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stedje last Sunday afternoon. Ada Joyce Spivey, a sister of Mrs. Stedje, was also a guest at the Stedje home last Sunday.

Miss Marie Stedje, who now is Girl Scout Executive at Pampa, Tex., spent last Sunday at her home here. She returned to Pampa that same afternoon.

Miss Selma Dahl came home from Spearman last Sunday to spend the day with her parents and other members of the family.

Jodie Knutson went to Clifton, Texas a week ago last Sunday to visit his parents and bring back a trailer which the Carlson family used to transport some of the household goods to Clifton when they moved there from here recently. He returned on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Floyd Palmer who has been in St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo for several days is improving.

## When The Battles Are Over And Our Victory Is Won

**Mrs. J. M. Nichols Is Submitting Article On Reaction After War**

On the day when the battles have all been fought and the arms of protection have been laid down, and God has given us VICTORY to last throughout the world, then it will be a time for all true Christians to rejoice, as we are beyond a doubt then, that God still lives and reigns, even though the devil has caused many sorrows and griefs untold this world over.

I think in all the churches, a heartfelt experience when VICTORY came, should be related from each individual. This would be an acknowledgement of the SPIRIT of GOD in our presence and our worthiness to stand before Him.

Then all persons should have a place to offer up a prayer of THANKSGIVING to the ALL Seeing Father that waits upon us. Also the family altar of prayer should be had in each home, and especially those that are unable to be present in the churches. This should be continued.

To those of my loved ones that are far away, who have had his service, I would want to send a message and write all the encouraging words of love that it would be possible for me to think of. Even though their sons had fallen in battle, we should be able to quote scripture that would make the burden lighter, "Not my will but thine be done."

We all know if their sons went out to fight in the battles right (as a soldier of the cross) they indeed died right (as a soldier on the battlefield). We are assured that when they died for our FREEDOM, the world was saved from sin and destruction and they will not have died in vain.

If we are broken financially, we should still celebrate, for God has said, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of Heaven and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you." We can celebrate then to know that God is with us, and with His help the new world because old things have passed away, and multitudes of sin are blotted out.

In my mind it would be a time of rejoicing, because religion will be more real the world over than it has ever had a cause to be before, because it will be a time when people will be more humble

## Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon McClanahan and Vermona of Morse were in Spearman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Pierce were Amarillo visitors Tuesday.

Noel Womble and Othar Bruce attended a tractor school at Liberal, Kan., Thursday.

Mrs. Johnnie Gill and son, Mr. and Mrs. James Sparks and children of Perryton and Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Closs and children were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Buchner.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson and son, Larry of Hartley, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cudd of Perryton, and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Sheets and children of Stinnett visited in the Claude Sheets home this week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Close and Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Tipton spent week end in Amarillo shopping and visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Alexander of Gruver transacted business

and Mrs. Lynn Rogers and Mrs. Phillips were in Spearman Thursday.

Rev. and Mrs. John Eldridge turned from Dallas Friday afternoon with their daughter. Their granddaughter returned with them.

Visitors in Spearman Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Green, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Converse, and Mrs. Claude Jackson, Mr. Mrs. Harry Shedeck, Mr. Mrs. Leonard Jamison and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ward of Frank Wallin.

Mrs. E. L. Latham and daughter, Sandra Lee, returned Spearman Friday after a week's visit in Amarillo and part.

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### Years Ago Spearman

in and Snow Insures Bump-Wheat Crop. The Spearman try is wet from center to circumference. It would be almost possible to over-estimate the worth of this wonderful fall. The oil play has made less good already. Landowners are picking up a little money on oil leases and royalties, and are finding good wages, the real wealth of the county. The genuine prosperity must come from the agriculture and raising.

pe Gibner, who has spent the week here with his parents, Wednesday to Lubbock, he is a student in Texas

lumber yards of Spearman a good business, now, and inquiries on estimates, etc., expect a record breaking business in the early spring.

crew of workmen are using bridge material in the Fe yards in Spearman this which will be used in the construction of new bridges across Horse creek and Palo Duro at Hansford.

deal was made through Roney Jackson last week by which Longley of Hollis, Okla., the owner of the Richardson ranch located west of the old site of Hansford, six miles of Spearman, on the Palo

and Mrs. Dick Kiker are going over the arrival of an young girl at their home day, April 5. She has been Billie Louise.

atiqua begins on July 29 this. Those in charge have concluded the very best talent in the of chataqua entertainment for season, and Spearman folks be well entertained during season.

ditch digging machine connected to the Gulf Pipe Line Co., unloaded in the Santa Fe here the first of this week. supposed that this machine be used in digging of a pipe from the Gulf's wells north of ver, where a connection will be made with the lines that run handle.

and Mrs. Edd Close and Zella Davis went to Amarillo this week to bring Leland home. Leland has been in hospital for several weeks recovering from an appendicitis operation.

Miller Drug Store installed a fountain this week, which is not only a beauty, but is up to date in minute in conveniences. election of school trustees place last Saturday. The on was held at the school.

Only 18 votes were polled being cast for Alvino Edson and E. C. Womble, incumbent.

carbon black plant to cost \$1,000 is being erected in the middle oil field by the West-Carbon Co., subsidiary of the Liba Carbon Co. It is being located on the Burk Burnett ranch in Spearman County.

Haun had their tonsils removed by Dr. Powell last Wednesday in his regular visit here, sons of the Royal Theatre finishing this week an epic air, the like of which has been recorded by a motion camera. It is the author's story of the Amundsen-Polar flight.

Powers, Geo. W. Faus, and Fox, will be the new mail carriers this July. Lyric Theatre building is overhauled this week, and tickets informed the Reporter he will open the house for on Saturday after which

### Deferrment Point System Abandoned

According to information from Chairman Fred Brandt of the Hansford county draft board, the recent ruling from the Federal government placing the decision governing farm deferrment back into the hands of local boards, means the point system will be abandoned. This is interpreted to mean that regardless of the so-called points, men engaged in farming will be classified as the local boards desire. It does not mean that appeal from the decision of the local board cannot be carried out as in the past.

It is a known fact that all local boards in the state are over their quota. However, such statements are current on the streets of Spearman to the effect that this board is 50 men behind their quota at this time, is beyond a doubt a misstatement. It is not the policy of the government to divulge the quotas at any time, and anyone who repeats wild statements are more-or-less aiding the enemy. It stands to reason that only a few are behind the requirements of the national program. For Hansford county to catch up with fifty men that should have been drafted for past months, and then keep up with the program that is evidently as heavy at this time as any time in the past, would soon deplete the male population of the county between the ages of 18 and 38 years old.

From comments made on the radio, and from a study of metropolitan newspaper stories, this writer has come to the conclusion that men between the ages of 18 and 26 years of age will all be given physical examinations, and will be drafted into the armed services when the requirements are met with the exception of the small number allowed by the manpower survey for industry and agriculture. It is very apparent that the number to remain in agriculture in the above mentioned age group, will be very small, and conditions governing their stay in civilian life, will have to be worked out on basis of extreme emergency cases.

#### NOTICE

This notice has been received by the Hansford County Rationing office from the district office at Lubbock, Texas.

We have been advised that quite a number of boards are at this time receiving applications in large quantities for home canning sugar. There are no fresh fruits available in the Lubbock district at this time and what little might be shipped in can certainly be taken care of with the sugar that the consumer can secure with Sugar Stamp 40 out of his War Ration Book.

We can see no justification for the issuance of home canning sugar at the present time on applications. In the event that sugar is issued now when no fruits are available, then when they become plentiful, this sugar will then have been dissipated for other purposes, and the Boards will certainly have a difficult problem to handle with the claims by the applicant that fruits were going to waste, etc.

Under these circumstances we can see little, if any, justification in the Lubbock district for issuing any home canning sugar on application at the present time.

Mrs. Russell Wingo and Mrs. J. B. Buchanan and son, Burl of Berger visited relatives in Spearman Saturday.

Mrs. Sylva Davis returned Thursday from Mexia, Texas, where she had been on a visit with her sister.

time Spearman will have two theatres.

### Rural Electrification Planed For All Farms Of County

Home owners and farm families of Hansford county are urged to go to the court house and sign up for rural electrification. It is the plan of the committee in charge to make this service available to every farm home in the county. However, the program cannot be carried out until the signed applications of the majority homes are secured. Go to Mattie Ruth Richardson at the court house and sign your application this week.

### Survey Is Ordered Canadian River

A survey to determine the advisability of constructing a dam at or in the vicinity of Sanford, Texas, on the South Canadian River, will soon be initiated by the U. S. engineer office, Tulsa, Okla., according to word received here from Col. F. J. Wilson of the engineers' corps, at Tulsa.

Congress authorized the survey January 21 of this year, Col. Wilson's statement says. Engineers are to review the report of the South Canadian River in New Mexico, Texas and Oklahoma.

The investigation requested is, among other things, an economic survey. Such survey will consist of the investigation of property located within the limits of the flood plain, to ascertain whether or not any changes have occurred in the interval since the preparation of the prior report, and to obtain sufficient data to make certain the probable benefits that might accrue from the protective works thoroughly reflect existing conditions within the flood plain limits, the engineer states.

### Old Type Gas Coupons Voided April First

Old type B, B-1, C, C-1 and E and R gasoline ration coupons were voided April 1 to combat the black market, district OPA officials announced Tuesday.

The invalidation order will apply also to T coupons which do not bear the designation "second quarter."

The move left in circulation after April 1 only two classes of gasoline coupons, B-2 and C-2, which do not bear serial numbers. These two types, of more recent issues, are expected to be invalidated at a later date, leaving only serially numbered coupons in use.

The use of serial numbers on the coupons, OPA officials pointed out, has greatly simplified the job of checking up on the origin of gasoline stamps used improperly.

In most cases, the OPA officials said, consumers rations of the type coupons being invalidated will have expired by April 1. They said motorists with rations of these types extending beyond April 1 may exchange the invalid coupons for new ones at local ration boards.

Dealers will have through April 10 to dispose of invalidated coupons on their distributors or at local ration boards. Distributors must deposit the coupons in ration banking account on or before April 20.

### HUSBAND'S NIGHT AT RUSSELL HOME

The Blue Monday Club entertained their husbands Monday April 3, with a dinner at 8 p. m. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Russell. Quartet tables were used, with cut-flowers, thru three rooms in the Russell home, and the spring theme was emphasized in detail in the dinner menu and decorations.

Five tables of guests were present including Messrs. and Mesdames Bill McClellan, F. J. Daily, Bill Miller, Guy Fuller, David Hester, Frank Allen, Vester Hill, H. L. Heard, Mesdames Delon Kirk, Hall Jones and D. C. Holt. High prize for men went to Guy Fuller. High for women to Mrs. Holt. Traveling prize to Mrs. David Hester and Guy Fuller and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Miller and Margaret Kirk.

### RETURNED MISSIONARY WILL SPEAK AT CHURCH

Rev. Guy McLain, a missionary, stationed at Ceara, Brazil, is now home on furlough and visiting his cousin, Lester McLain and family here.

Rev. McLain will speak Thursday evening 8:30 p. m., at the First Christian Church.

Rev. McLain has been a missionary to Brazil nine years for the "Regular" Baptist Church.

The public is invited to hear Brother McLain. You will enjoy and spend a profitable evening. Be sure and come.

C. F. Bastion, minister.

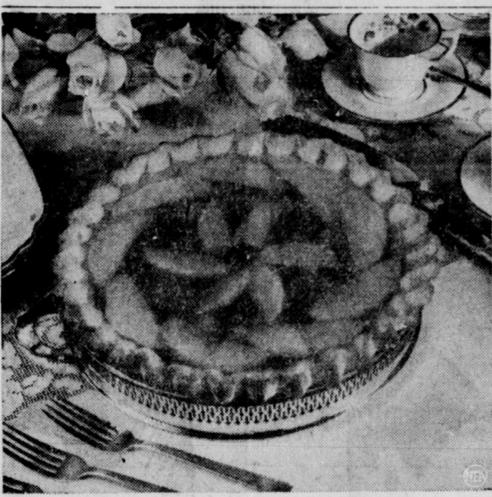
Mrs. Don Tipton was an Amarillo visitor over the week-end.

The smelt gets its name from its distinctive odor, which resembled that of the cucumber.

### THIS EASTER'S BRIGHT SUITS WILL SHINE IN NEXT WINTER'S WARDROBES



Leading the Easter parade and brightening wardrobes next winter will be colorful and striking dressmaker suits like the pinched-in cardigan model of Forstmann's spring wool, left, lined with pink and blue patterned silk to match the print blouse, and the dandy suit, right, of black and white striped celanese rayon surah.



Grapefruit and gelatin pie for the Easter season.

Cook's Nook logo featuring a woman holding a pie.

### TRY THESE NEW RECIPES FOR OPEN HOUSE SUPPER

By Gaynor Maddex NEA Staff Writer

With Easter just around the corner of the calendar and spring bringing the urge to entertain, you'll need new recipes for Sunday night open house suppers. These are novel and good.

#### Hush-Piggy Cakes (Serves 4)

One cup cream enriched farina, 1/4 cup enriched flour, 1 teaspoon grated onion, 2/3 cup milk or water, 1 pound bulk pork sausage.

Blend farina, flour, onion and milk. Mix lightly until dough is formed. Shape into 8 flat patties. Also shape sausage into 8 thin, flat patties, and press farina onto them. Sauté sausage side down in hot skillet. When brown, turn over and cook on farina side. Cover skillet and cook over medium flame until farina is brown and crisp. Remove to hot platter.

#### Ham and Sweet Potato Salad (Serves 4)

Three cups cooked sweet potatoes, 1 1/2 cups diced, cooked ham, 1/2 cup sliced celery, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon lemon juice, 1/3 cup real mayonnaise, 2 red apples, thinly sliced, lettuce or salad greens, watercress.

Dice potatoes or cut into balls with a ball cutter. Mix potatoes, ham, celery, salt and lemon juice. Add real mayonnaise and mix well. Heap on lettuce; garnish with apples and watercress.

#### Sunday's Menu

Breakfast: Orange and grapefruit juice, ready-to-eat cereal, scrambled eggs with crisp bacon, cracked wheat toast, butter or fortified margarine, coffee, milk.

Dinner: Black bean soup with lemon slices, braised oxtail, parsley potatoes, green beans with minced onion, tossed mixed green spring salad, French dressing en-

### Deferred Men Under 26 Will Be Given Physical

All young men 18 to 26 years who are now classified 2-A or 2-B will be given physical examinations at once under direction of Selective Service.

All local boards were instructed Monday to closely examine the deferments of all young men under 26 years of age with the view of sending them for physical examinations.

#### Ersatz Hunt

CHICAGO—There may be market surpluses of eggs, as the poultry men say, but apparently suburban Maywood doesn't intend to relieve the glutted condition.

An Easter egg hunt will be held in Maywood park for 2,000 children who may have to use their imagination when they find the hidden treasures — dyed cotton balls.

The date palm grows to a height of 60 to 100 feet.



"He always seems to be in the way when they lower the guns for polishing!"

### Rosenbaum Steer Wins In Argument With Car Of Santa Fe Railroad

has a short, scolloped jacket of gold, and a skirt of inky black. The jacket advertises its kinship to the skirt by means of black buttons, parading from an open-wide dandy collar to the scalloped hem line.

To vary the color picture of suits, there are plenty of chalk stripes and checks on background wools and "silks." Up and coming for spring and summer are "silk" faille, bengaline, polished alpaca, shantung and surah. White stripe on black rayon surah, for instance, makes a dandified suit which can lead a cheerful as well as a practical life. Goes gay with a crisp French gilet of handworked batiste and organdie. Looks sober and serviceable with one that hews to the tailored line.

This spring's coats — the short and full models far outnumber the dress-length and figured-fitting styles — often match the brightness of the suit beneath. On the bright side are coat colors such as lipstick red, grape green, bougainville pink, thundercloud blue, 14-karat gold, yellow and a high-powered purple. This last shade is going great guns, particularly in a lightweight fleece which makes

Spearman's Doodle Bug motor car and one of Ted Rosenbaum's steers had an argument over the right of way at the 92 mile post just west of Spearman, and the steer won the argument, but didn't live to tell the tale. The motor car was derailed and turned over, and Conductor W. T. Winslow was slight cut up and bruised. The accident happened Friday morning of last week. A wrecker picked up the motor car to take to the shops for repairs and a new motor car has been giving service. The rails were not torn up, but some 14 ties will have to be replaced.

The Medlin H. D. Club will meet Friday, April 7 at 2:30 with Mrs. Allen Pierce.

Mrs. Agnes Windom, Mrs. James Hicks, and R. L. McClellan, Jr. accompanied Miss Orene McClellan to Lubbock Sunday, where she will go to Dallas, and the others will visit in Lubbock and Stamford a few days.

an aviator-type coat. The latter can be worn belted or loose and is teamed with a matching weskit suit of the same eye-catching purple.



### EASTER FLOWERS

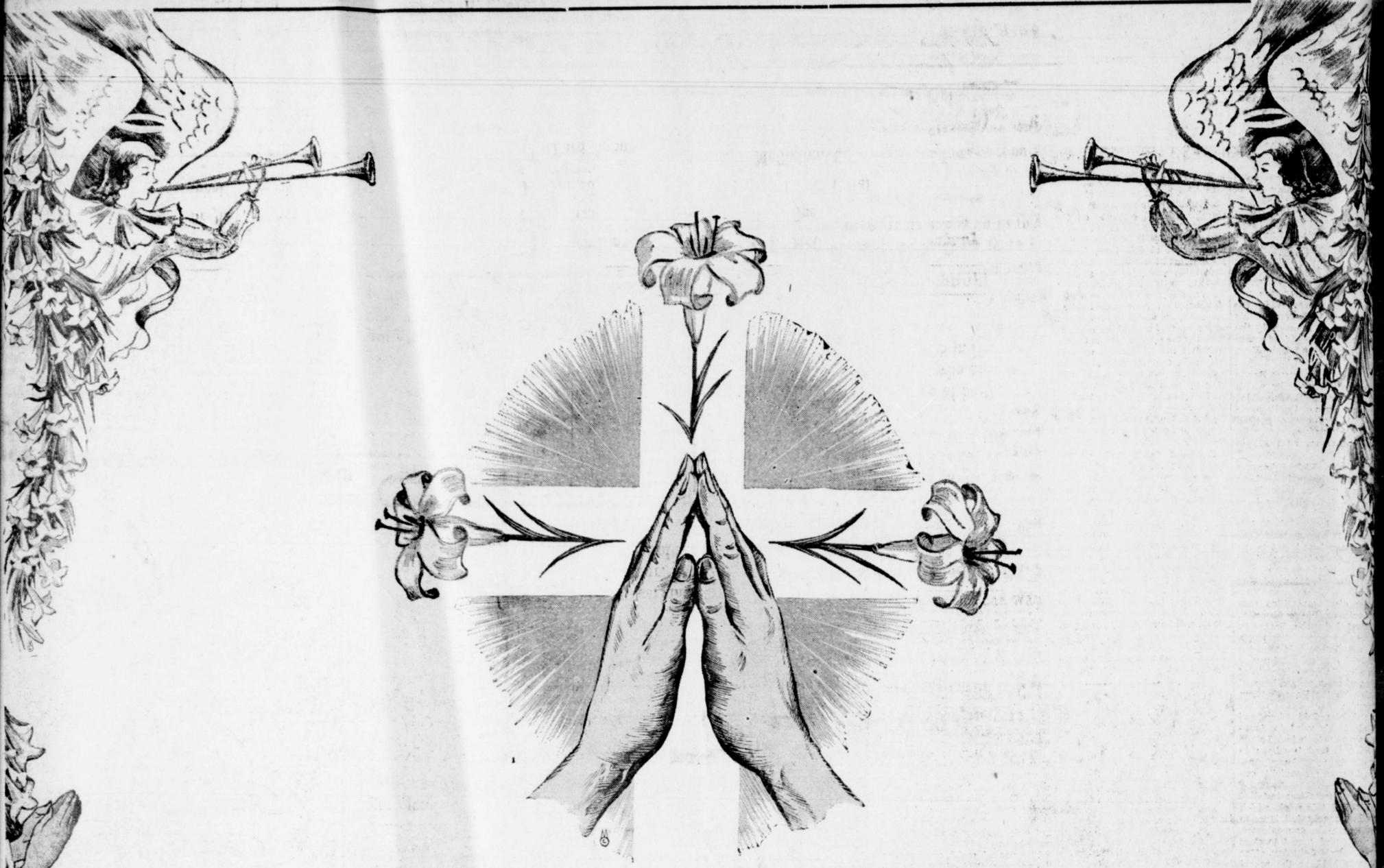
Choose the traditional way to send your greetings--in a bouquet, plant or corsage rich in natural beauty. We have exquisite lilies, colorful tulips, hyacinth, and all the other flowers of the season--which you may order now for Easter delivery.

### Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home & Flower Shop

Peryton, Texas Phone 139 Mrs. Hardin, Spearman, Texas



ANNOUNCEMENT I take this opportunity to notify the customers of the Helpy-Selfy laundry that I have sold the laundry to J. R. Richardson and Mrs. Walter Goode. The new owners are well known in this county, and I am sure will give you the best service possible. Roscoe Sparks TO THE PUBLIC... We take this means of informing the public that we have purchased the Helpy-Selfy Laundry, and will continue to give the people of this area the best service possible. We have redecorated the interior of the building, and plan to make this business place as comfortable as possible. J. R. RICHARDSON & MRS. WALTER GOODE



# ..Easter Prayers..

Though America has been spared from serving as a battleground, each one of us has in one way or another faced the stark realism of war. Pain and suffering have been inflicted upon us if only by the severance of family ties; the sight of returning men; and the memory of men never to return.

At such a time, more than at any other, we can best find solace in prayer. Trust and faith in God can alone soothe our souls and give us peace of mind. Regardless of race, color or creed there is a house of God for everyone in America. In Church this Easter, we shall all find the comfort and compassion, the spiritual guidance, so poignantly needed to carry us through these trying days—until one day our hearts are glad again—that will be the glorious day of Victory.

But Victory is not yet ours. On Easter Sunday, each one of our boys in the thick of battle shall have a prayer on his lips. Let us, then, offer up our Easter prayers for these men who are giving their lives to make our democracy safe . . . and for the resurrection of peace on earth in His name, whose blessed resurrection this day signifies.

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