

Health Officer Orders City Clean Up
Former Hansford County Girl Drowned In Colo.

Joan Mizar Of McPhee, Colo., Drowned Mon.

Funeral Arrangements Had Not Been Made Up To Tuesday Noon

Funeral arrangements for the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mizar, who was drowned in McPhee, Colo., were not made up to Tuesday noon.

Rue Sanders Is Here On Visit With Parents

Staff Sgt. Rue Sanders is here on a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Sanders. Rue looks like a million dollars despite the fact that he has been a hospital patient for the past seven months.

Worley Visits Voters Of The County July 26

Rep. Eugene Worley, better known to most of Hansford voters as "Gene," spent Wednesday, July 26, in Spearman visiting his constituents and the voters of the county.

Anxiety Etched On Every Face



Listen! Are they coming back? You can sense the nerve-racking tenseness in every face. This group of fliers, who have returned to their aircraft carrier after engaging Jap fighters over Saipan, wait anxiously for their buddies to come back.

Staff Sgt. John T. Utley, Jr. Of Gruver Killed In Action

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Utley last Wednesday received a War Department message announcing that their son, Staff Sgt. John T. Utley, Jr., had been killed in action.

Bond Quota Is Oversubscribed In This County

Chairman Art Turner of the Fifth War Loan drive for Hansford county reported this county had over subscribed the E Bond quota some six thousand dollars.

Report Made On Memorial Tablet

Clay Gibner, Bruce Sheets and Fred Hiskins, a committee from the Spearman Lion Club to select a memorial for Hansford service men, report some progress.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Andrews and children of Gruver were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Andrews Sunday.

R. L. McClellan Is Elected Democratic County Chairman

R. L. McClellan was reelected county Democratic chairman, according to the canvas of the Democratic committee held Saturday, July 29th.

Mr. And Mrs. Heydon Hensley Moving Back To Spearman To Make This Their Future Home

Mr. and Mrs. Heydon Hensley, formerly of Forney, Texas, have moved back to Spearman to make this city their home in the future.

Mrs. Hensley is the former Miss Sybil Graham, one of the most popular teachers of the Spearman high school.

Big Heat Wave Skips Hansford County Citizens

While the entire state of Texas sweated in past 100 degree weather last week, Hansford county blandly completed the wheat harvest with good spring weather that did not go higher than 94 degrees.

Table with 4 columns: Date, hi, low, rain. Shows weather data for July 25-31.

A. N. Went attended the funeral of a friend at Temple this week end.

70 Subscribers Are Recorded For 1944 High

New Subscribers: Lee Hilburn, Stinnett, Texas. Vernie Caldwell, Spearman, Texas. E. H. Tabor, Gruver, Texas.

Hansford County Hero Killed In Action On Saipan July 6

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roper received a War Department telegram last Saturday informing them that their son, Cpl. Harland Roper, had been killed in action on Saipan on July 6th.

Train Wreck Delays Wheat Shipments

Everything happens this bumper harvest. Last week when the Santa Fe had really begun sending cars to Spearman in blocks of 30 per day, a train wreck on the Canadian river near Woodward, Okla., limited the empties for this area to a trickle.

Captain Close Has New Duty In England



CAPT. FLOYD CLOSE First word received about Capt. Floyd Close who spent a 30-day leave of absence in the States was received this week.

Joe Douglas Womble is here visiting his parents and other relatives for a short time.

Court Asks For Pavement To Oklahoma Line

Hansford county's Commissioners' court is in Austin this week petitioning the state highway department for an emergency paved highway from near Stinnett to the Oklahoma line north of Gruver.

Man Wanted By FBI For Murder



For the first time in fifteen years this newspaper has been under the present management, we have received a request for assistance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

While all the information in this case would take up more space than this paper could spare we do print the picture of the wanted criminal and a brief description of the man wanted.

Vernie Caldwell Jr. Is Wounded In Invasion Action In Normandy

Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Caldwell of Spearman received word this week that their son, Vernie Caldwell, Jr., had been wounded in action in France.

Mrs. E. D. Bowman and Eddie have returned to their home at El Centro, Calif., after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey and other relatives here the past month.

Fishermen



Two prominent Hansford county business men who used to hop freight trains and smoke grapes together, selected the busiest part of the harvest season to qualify for rating as Hansford county fishermen.

When wheat producers were crying for repairs to combine their wheat, Walter hung up an "in Conference" sign, loaded John in his car and slipped out to Palo Duro where he waters a thousand head of cattle.

Mrs. Bill Pattison and Phyllis and Mrs. James Blensgame and Jerry of Perryton were Spearman visitors Thursday.

Democratic County Convention Held At Spearman July 29th

W. J. Miller was elected as a delegate to attend the state Democratic convention to be held at Dallas, Texas, in September, at the county Democratic convention held at Spearman Saturday July 29th.

Discuss New OPA Rules At Meet Monday

The three lumbermen of Hansford county, Frank Fleck of Gruver, Ed Hutton and Roy Jones of Spearman met with the local AAA ration board Monday of this week to discuss the future distribution of lumber in Hansford county.

Wheat Growers Must Remove All Wheat From Lots

Fear Spread Of Disease Was Cause For This Drastic Order

As a health measure to protect Spearman citizens from possibility of contracting and spreading disease, Dr. J. E. Gower, health officer has published official notice to wheat producers of this county.

Dr. Gower also calls attention to cleaning of grounds behind stores so that sanitary conditions may be maintained.

Demonstrations To Be Held At Spearman Aug 8th

Information from Charlie Tompkins, Home Demonstration agent of Hansford county calls attention to a program to be held in this county August 8th and 9th.

Jackson Asks Name Be Kept From Ballot

A resolution of the Democratic committee will certify Albert Jacobs as the Democratic nominee for Commissioner Precinct No. 1. This came at the regular meeting of the committee held Saturday, July 29th.

Showing At The Ellis Theatre, Perryton

July 3-4—George Murphy, Ginny Sims, Charles Winninger, Lena Horne, Eddie "Rochester" Anderson in "Broadway Rhythm" (Technicolor).

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THE HORROR EDITORIALS . . .

The writer greatly sympathizes with Genial Gene Howe, the Tactless Texan, of the Amarillo regional newspaper in enduring a touch of arthritis, but for one reader we welcome the relief from the constant denunciation of the new deal government. Gene warns the public that as soon as he recovers from his rheumatics or lumbago, the final article on his investigation during his trip to the East is forthcoming. Of course, all of the readers who know from enduring his previous articles predicting dire disaster for the nation as a result of the new deal government, just about the type of the concluding article. We could of course, skip over the column, and read the remaining excellent portion of the paper, and let Tack have his fun without knowing what he has to say. That is not the normal course. It is a typically American custom to reserve the right to ache at everything that meets with the least bit of disapproval . . . in fact we are reminded constantly that we are fighting the war for the old American custom of balling out the umpire.

That's exactly what this writer is doing here and now. Gene Howe has a right to pan the new deal government to his heart's content. By the same American custom this writer has a right to pan Gene Howe.

Knowing that our good friend Howe has feathered his nest during the New Deal administration, and knowing that he will continue to prosper, we cannot for the life understand why he is taking such a dramatic stand against the New Deal . . . and basing his argument on mythical horrible events that will result from the future election of a democratic ticket.

Perhaps the last of the series of horror articles written by the Tactless Texan will have appeared before this editorial is published. However, this writer is predicting that our Amarillo friend will tone down this last article. He is smart. He knows that the future holds a certainty that the New Deal government will win the war, and win the peace. It will be good policy for him and his friends to forget the possibility of electing a Republican president and throw in with the majority of Texans in electing Roosevelt and a democratic ticket.

Personals

Mrs. Floyd Cline and son, Larry Lee, of Gruver and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hilburn and Woodville Jarvis of North Hutchinson Co. were all on business in Spearman Monday.

Mrs. Wright of Pampa has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. William Seitz, and returned to her home last week.

Ann Dodson has been absent from her duties at the Spearman Hardware for several days due to illness.

Myron Schuyler of Buffalo, Ok-

lahoma, is employed at the Spearman Hardware as a mechanic.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Boykins and Mary Lou Higgs of Amarillo were lunch guests of Mrs. Walter Wilmeth Friday. They also visited relatives in Gruver. M. Boykin was recently given a discharge from the Army.

Dr. and Mrs. F. J. Daily, Elaine and Barbara Jean, Mr. and Mrs. Vester Hill, Jean and Joe Mack, Floyd and Sweetpea Crawford, Kathleen Fisher and Naomi Fernin spent Sunday afternoon at Lake Fryer.

Buy War Bonds

OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE



Bill Fleck, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Frank Fleck of Gruver, who has been stationed at the Amarillo Air Port the past few months, phoned his parents Saturday night to tell them good-bye for 30 days. Bill will attend a specialists school as an engine specialist for 30 days. The school is located in New Jersey, just 22 minutes from downtown New York City.

Clay Gibner received a couple of letters this week from two old Hansford county boys. The first was from Captain Lester Boykin, now with the Military government in France. Lester says the going is anything but tender in the invasion, but seems encouraged with the progress that is being made. The second letter was from Roy Reed somewhere in the Pacific, and Roy says he is getting rusty from lack of Japs to shoot at. He seemed in fine spirits and sends his best regards to all Hansford folk.

As we go to press we learn that Gene Schnell, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Schnell is here on a few days' furlough. Gene has been in the navy taking boot training the past 3 months and completed his training at Camp Wallace on the Florida coast. He returned to his duties Monday of this week.

GREAT LAKES, Ill., July 24.—Melvin P. Crewford, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Crawford, Spearman, Tex., was commissioned an Ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve when he graduated recently from the Naval Training School for midshipmen at Abbott Hall, Northwestern University, Chicago, Ill.

He completed three 1 month courses consisted of navigation, seamanship and gunnery. The newly commissioned Ensign will now see action with the fleet as a deck officer.

Melvin spent five days with home folk enroute to his new duties, and reported Monday of this week to his assignment at Miami, Florida.

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE LIBERATOR STATION, England—Sergeant Marion A. De Armond, of Spearman, Texas, is a radio operator and mechanic in this group, noted for distinguished and outstanding service in 100 combat missions over Europe. The group, commanded by Col. Irving A. Renette, of Rawlins, Wyo., made its 100th mission in support of the initial landings by Allied forces in France. The citation, issued by Maj. Gen. James P. Hodges, Division commanding general, covered missions to Berlin, Friedrich-

shaven, Poland, Norway, Holland, Belgium, Gotha and France.

Ensign Chester McCarty who has been visiting his wife and children in Spearman the past ten days, left Wednesday for officers' training in Schuyler, N. Y.

Our old friend, Bill Burran, has been a Captain for two months, and Uncle Bob and Aunt Emma never let me know about it. Just happened to find it out when the mailing address was changed. Bill, I want you to write your Dad and tell him to give me more consideration. He won't even loan me that automatic fishing reel of yours, I kept for eight years—and now he picks Albert Jacobs to go fishing with instead of picking me up.

Word was received here this week that Lieut. Ruth Caldwell, Army Nurse Corps, was confined to the hospital at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas.

Lt. Robert W. Skinner has arrived in England according to letters received by his parents. Skinner writes that England is a beautiful country at this time of the year. He says that he is experiencing some difficulty in making money change in England, and that he will never get used to the idea of driving on the left side of the road.

Cpl. Boyce Pruitt and his sister, Miss Docie Pruitt, from Enid, Okla., are visiting relatives here this week.

H. J. R. No. 8.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing an amendment to Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, by adding thereto Sections 51-e and 51-f; Section 51-e providing that cities and towns in this State shall have the power and authority to provide a system of retirement and disability pensions for their employees, provided, however, that no pension system shall be set up in any city until it has been approved at an election by qualified voters entitled to vote at an election on the question of the issuance of tax supported bonds; Section 51-f providing that the Legislature shall have authority to provide a system of retirement and disability pensions for appointive officers and employees of cities and towns to operate State-wide or by districts under such plan or program as the Legislature shall direct and shall provide that participation therein by cities and towns shall be voluntary; provided that the Legislature shall never make an appropriation to pay any of the cost of any system authorized by this Section; providing for an election on the question of the adoption or rejection of such an amendment and making an appro-

priation therefor; providing for the proclamation and publication therefor and prescribing the form of ballot.

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

Section 1. That Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto Sections 51-e and 51-f, which shall read as follows: "Section 51-e. Each incorporated city and town in this State shall have the power and authority to provide a system of retirement and disability pensions of its appointive officers and employees who have become disabled as a direct and proximate result of the performance of their duties, or have passed their sixty-fifth birthday, or have been employed by such city or town for more than twenty-five (25) years and have passed their sixtieth birthday, when and if, but only when and if, such system has been approved at an election by the qualified voters of such city or town entitled to vote on the question of issuance of tax supported bonds; provided that no city or town shall contribute more than the equivalent of seven and one-half (7 1/2) per centum of salaries and wages of the officers and employees entitled to participate in its pension, and that said officers and employees shall contribute a like amount; and this Amendment shall not reduce the authority nor duty of any city or town otherwise existing.

"Section 51-f. The Legislature of this State shall have the authority to provide for a system of retirement and disability pensions for appointive officers and employees of cities and towns to operate State-wide or by district under such a plan and program as the Legislature shall direct and shall provide that participation therein by cities and towns shall be voluntary; provided that the Legislature shall never make an appropriation to pay any of the cost of any system authorized by this Section."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendments shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held throughout the State in November, 1944, at which all ballots shall have printed thereon, "For the Constitutional Amendment providing that the cities and towns in this State shall have the power and authority to provide a system of pensions for their appointive officers and employees," and "Against the Constitutional Amendment providing that all cities and towns in this State shall

have the power and authority to provide a system of pensions for their appointive officers and employees." All ballots at such election shall also have printed thereon, "For the Constitutional Amendment giving authority to the legislature to provide for a system of retirement and disability pensions for appointive officers and employees of the cities and towns" and "Against the Constitutional Amendment giving authority to the Legislature to provide for a system of retirement and disability pensions for appointive officers and employees of cities and towns." Each voter shall scratch out two (2) of said clauses on the ballot, leaving the two (2) expressing his vote on the proposed Amendments.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and shall have the same published as required by the Constitution for Amendments thereto.

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

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There are 2,500 species of sponges.

Gruver News

Mrs. Clarence Winder and Mrs. Ted McClellan spent Monday in Amarillo on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Winder and their daughter, Miss Cecille have been visiting in the home of Mrs. Winder's mother, Mrs. Mary Fletcher.

Rev. Biggs and a number of young people from the Gruver Methodist church have returned from the encampment at Ceta Glen.

MM 3-c Felix Greene, son of Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Greene is visiting in the home of his parents. He is on furlough from his base in Oakland, Calif.

Seaman Harold Orman who has just finished boot camp at Camp Wallace was visiting with his wife and children in the home of Mrs. Orman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Gross. Harold expects to go to school some more on his return to base.

Two War Department telegrams brought deep sorrow to two of our Gruver families this past week. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Uttley, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reper, both received word that their sons were killed in action in the Pacific. The sincere sympathy of the whole Gruver community goes out to them in their hour of sorrow.

Just talked with "Rusty" Ogle this morning. He was hauling

wheat and is looking some. We remember when "Rusty" we all call him was one of our football players. He will be returning to Naval Hospital a few weeks for further treatment. Sgt. Harvey Smith who has been Gruver and worked for the farmers over a period of years then went into the army in the U. S. He is in the hospital at Fort Sam Houston. In a letter he said that he would no more use as a farmer. He is a member of the Gruver Baptist church.

Two of our boys stationed in Hawaii have finally got together. They are Don Sayre and Fletcher. They were fast friends here at home, and graduated high school together. Another of their buddies is over there too so far they have not contacted him. He is James Biggs, Rev. and Mrs. Biggs.

The last word we received from Eugene Weber who is in the home artillery is that he is in England for a rest. He is among the first boys to fly over France on "D" Day.

Mrs. Bill Lawson Brings In Odd Egg

Mrs. Bill Lawson is responsible for bringing in a very odd specimen hen egg. The egg is on display in the show window of The Spearman Reporter.

Cafe Owners And Operators

Official notice is given cafe owners and operators that the outside grounds beyond the back doors must be cleaned and all open sewers cleaned and repaired. This is a necessary health measure for the protection of the PUBLIC.

Failure to comply with this notice will necessitate official action.

Dr. J. E. Gower

City Health Officer

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SOCIETY

PIST CAMP FOR YOUTHS AUGUST 7-8

The Canadian Baptist Association in District Ten will hold a camp at Lake Marvin in Pampa county, Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 7-8. This camp will be for the youth of this region, including Hansford, Ochiltree, Combs, Roberts and Hemphill counties.

Mrs. Stunly D. Key, Association, W. M. U. President, and E. D. Key, Associate pastor of the First Baptist Church of Perryton, state they expect to register from 150 to 175 boys and girls from the five counties. The camp meetings will be devoted to study classes, evangelistic and recreational services and supervised recreation.

C. L. Culpepper, who is in charge of the camp, is a member of the Southern Baptist Convention in China and has been a missionary for 19 years, will be the speaker. After the outbreak of hostilities in 1941, he was interned as a prisoner of war by the Japanese, and was sent to America in 1943 on the Gripsholm.

Boys desiring information on the camp should contact Rev. O. Curtis, Rev. Holt, or Mrs. Key.

PERYTON WOMAN PROMOTED TO LT. IN WAC

PAMPA ARMY AIR FIELD, Pampa, Texas, July 26.—(Special) According to a War Department announcement received at this office, Miss Jean Hill, instructor in the AAF Central Flying Training Command, Lt. Kathryn A. Hill, Master of Perryton, Texas, has been promoted from the rank of second lieutenant to first lieutenant, Col.

STOP HERE for THE BEST in farm equipment service!



SPEARMAN HARDWARE

Charles B. Harvin, Pampa Air Field's commanding officer, said today.

Lt. LaMaster's parents are Mr. and Mrs. W. B. LaMaster of Perryton.

Born at Ochiltree and a graduate of Perryton High School, she studied at Christian College, Columbia, Mo., and Oklahoma College for Women, Chickasha, Okla., where she earned her bachelor of arts degree in 1936. In civilian life she was a teacher six years at Horace Mann School, Pampa, Texas, before entering the Women's Army Corps on Jan. 16, 1943. She was commissioned a second lieutenant at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, on May 31, 1943, after officers training. She reported at this station on Sept. 15, 1943, and is assigned to duty here as assistant personnel officer.

KATHLEEN FISHER HONORED

Miss Kathleen Fisher, visiting here from Marshallville, Ohio, was honor guest at a supper-dance Saturday night, at the H. D. Club room. The dance was given by Helen Fisher assisted by Betty Jean Hill.

The hall was beautifully decorated with vari-colored crepe paper forming a canopy under which vases of brilliantly colored cut flowers placed on the linen-covered tables added to the contrast of color. The lights were covered with various colors of paper and the lamps on the tables gave to the room a softened effect.

Miss Jean Hill introduced the honoree to the guests as they arrived, introducing also Miss Naomi Ferrin, a guest from Bucklin, Kansas. Miss Ferrin is spending

the summer with her sister, Mrs. J. M. Buchanan.

The guests danced to music from records. Music furnished by Wilma Mahaffey, Bobbie Heard, Pat Becker and Miss Alexander from Gruver, and light from an oil lamp continued the festivities when the lights went off for some length of time.

At midnight refreshments were served to about 50 guests.

UNION CHURCH NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Rees, former pastors of the Union Church, are spending a few days visiting in the community. Mr. Rees brought the messages at both services Sunday.

A building has been purchased for a parsonage. Plans are being made to move the house to town and remodel it.

The attendance has been splendid and the work progressing nicely. Mr. and Mrs. John Nodrick, pastors.

GRUVER W.S.C.S.

The Women's Society of Christian Service met with Mrs. D. L. McClellan, July 27. Mrs. W. A. Shapley had charge of the program, which was the World Outlook. Mrs. C. H. Winder, Mrs. Biggs and Mrs. Williams each had a part in the program. Those present were: Mesdames C. H. Winder, Cal Williams, W. A. Shapley, J. E. Biggs, Floyd Cline, Ernest Sluder, L. H. Gruver, Mart Hart, Curtis Lowe, Noble Watson, Bill Edling, and one guest, Mrs. Hagen from Missouri, and the hostess, Mrs. D. L. McClellan.

The meeting was closed with Mrs. McClellan reading the following poem:

"The camel at the close of the day
Kneels down upon the sandy plain
To have his burden lifted off, and
rest to gain.
Then rises up anew to take the
desert road.
So thou shouldst kneel at morning's
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That God may give thee daily
care,
Assured that He no load to great
will make thee bear."
The next meeting will be with
Mrs. L. H. Gruver, on Aug. 10th.

"A DOG OWNER SPEAKS"

There is just one question I want answered, Honorable? Dog Poisoner, do you have a little boy? Something tells me you do not, never did, and never will!

I wish you had been with me Saturday morning when my neighbor's little boy came running across to meet me. I don't believe that even you could have been happy over his little red,

tear-filled eyes and his voice choking with sobs. My heart ached when he asked: "Mrs. Buckner, do you know what happened? Some one poisoned little Fido last night?" Something suddenly choked me. The death of a pet dog is a real tragedy in a child's life. Did you ever notice how a little boy's dog starts watching for him an hour or more before school is out? I have, and in my opinion that is real devotion, and the loss of such a dog is a real loss that can never be wholly replaced.

With this little boy, was his playmate. Those two boys were sharing each other's grief on common ground. The other boy had lost his dog the same way a few days before. He, too, was my neighbor boy.

Then last Wednesday morning, the day my little son Don was 12 years old, this person put poison in my front yard. Skipper, Don's Cocker spaniel, ate it. He fell at my feet, so we were fortunate enough to give him proper care at once, saving his life, and one more heart break for another boy. Our neighbors helped till he recovered, determined that this fiend would fail in one of the most shameful deeds being practiced in Spearman. How could any human being poison a child's pet dog? Isn't there trouble enough in our hearts?

Is this what my boy and my neighbors' boys are giving their all to preserve?

Mrs. L. M. Buckner.

July Moisture Record For More Than 50 Years

Only one July since 1890 brought as much moisture to Hansford county as has fallen during the month just closed, according to the records available at the office of weather observer Fred Brandt. In July of 1941, 5.26 inches of moisture was recorded.

This July the records show 5.25 inches of moisture.

Moisture of recorded 13 of the 31 days of July. The rainfall has made it difficult to harvest the bumper wheat crop. The record of the moisture is as follows: July 4, .10 inches; July 5, 1.19 inches; July 10, .48 inches; July 11, .05 inches; July 13, .43 inches; July 18, .10 inches; July 19, .52 inches; July 20, .92 inches; July 21, trace of moisture; July 24, .06 inches; July 25, 1.20 inches; July 29, .03 inches; July 30, .17 inches.

Don't Name It By 'HONEST' BILL MILLER

Preach Loftin, former editor and manager of the Spearman Reporter, will not allow us to hold any sort of a celebration until 1945 when he plans to come back to Spearman and spark the victory celebration.

Preach writes his old pal Bill Miller as follows:

"Have been enjoying the Reporter. About the rodeo. Please hold up on the rodeo until April,

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tear-filled eyes and his voice choking with sobs. My heart ached when he asked: "Mrs. Buckner, do you know what happened? Some one poisoned little Fido last night?" Something suddenly choked me. The death of a pet dog is a real tragedy in a child's life. Did you ever notice how a little boy's dog starts watching for him an hour or more before school is out? I have, and in my opinion that is real devotion, and the loss of such a dog is a real loss that can never be wholly replaced.

With this little boy, was his playmate. Those two boys were sharing each other's grief on common ground. The other boy had lost his dog the same way a few days before. He, too, was my neighbor boy.

Then last Wednesday morning, the day my little son Don was 12 years old, this person put poison in my front yard. Skipper, Don's Cocker spaniel, ate it. He fell at my feet, so we were fortunate enough to give him proper care at once, saving his life, and one more heart break for another boy. Our neighbors helped till he recovered, determined that this fiend would fail in one of the most shameful deeds being practiced in Spearman. How could any human being poison a child's pet dog? Isn't there trouble enough in our hearts?

Is this what my boy and my neighbors' boys are giving their all to preserve?

Mrs. L. M. Buckner.

rodeo that can be heard around the world. We will set up a canteen and latrine in the Reporter for the GI Joes from overseas, and the rest of us will wait on them."

Preach Loftin is largely responsible for the idea of the annual celebration held at Spearman. Back yonder in the Republican days when he did not know where the next meal was coming from, Loftin suggested the idea of holding a farm machinery, auction sale, band concert, barbecue and what have you. It sounded like a chance to sell a little more advertising and he and Bill Miller worked up the first attempt. From this first showing came forth the annual celebration that proved the most enjoyable affair ever held in Hansford county.

Loftin has served as secretary of Chamber of Commerce, and practically on all the committees working for the celebration. No man in Hansford county takes more interest in the celebration, or works harder than he has in the past.

It seems like he should have a voice in the proposed rodeo for this year. The writer does not believe he understands that we were not suggesting a celebration, but merely suggesting a relaxation for a day or so with a rodeo.

Of course we could not afford to call anything we might stage this year as a celebration. The annual celebration is too big to get it mixed up with a small home talent rodeo.

However, lining up with Loftin is another old reliable Celebration expert, Doc Joe E. Brown Jones. Doc came in Saturday with fire flashing from his eyes and smoke oozing from his nose. He said in substance that the writer and a few 4F's in this county would make a Hell of a mess of ourselves if we tried to stage a rodeo. He was quite caustic, and from the remarks we gathered that he had the same opinion as Preach Loftin, that we were trying to stage a full sized celebration.

The writer sympathizes with their point of view. We must not ever label any small fry entertainment that we might stage as a matter of relaxation, as the annual celebration. The celebration is the biggest thing in the Panhandle of Texas, and when we get back into peace time production, we are liable to include Oklahoma and Kansas in our celebration.

However, on the other hand, the writer believes that it would not be a bad idea to have a rodeo for entertainment. The people of this county have been and remain under a terrible strain. They seldom relax for a moment. The harvest has been the most terrific in history.

We note from reading other papers that the various cities of the Panhandle are trying to beat back to some sort of entertainment for relaxation. Over at Amarillo they had the largest crowds in history at the July 3-4-5 rodeo. In Dumas last week a two day rodeo proved a big event. At Dalhart the people are planning an XIT rodeo this year. At Wellington, Texas, the plans are under way

union yet started. So the story goes. Everywhere the leaders are recognizing the fact that the people are too serious and keep their minds on war and money making until they need a change of diet.

Along this line of thought we have noticed at least three newspapers on our exchange desk that plan missing one publication in August so that the over worked personnel of the papers can take a vacation. This is the only way most newspaper personnel can take a vacation. It is a fact that most newspaper men put in from 10 to 14 hours daily, and they are so under staffed that vacation is out of the question unless the newspapers close their doors for a week. Most newspaper owners are recognizing the fact that their employees must have a change of diet in order to function efficiently in the future.

Just from incidental observation the editor learns that many people of this area are planning some sort of a vacation this year, when and if they can get their wheat harvest behind them. At least a half dozen will go to health resorts for much needed rests. Others talk of going to the mountains and sleeping for ten days. Of course we do not know how they will arrange transportation to the mountains unless they have doctors' certificates that their health demands a temporary change of climate.

Naturally the people of this county have not sacrificed anything in comparison with the boys in uniform, but we will say this, that the boys have a constant change of diet in their activities, and occasionally do have periods of relaxation. It is part of the Army plan to send men back away from the front to rest camps. I believe that local people could profit by simply staying away from their business activities and working around their homes for a week or ten days.

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This is a necessary HEALTH MOVE, and will protect the health of the people of this city. Fermented or decayed wheat will breed bacteria and cause DISEASE. AS A HEALTH MEASURE this precaution must be taken.

Dr. J. E. Gower

City Health Officer

Preach Loftin, former editor and manager of the Spearman Reporter, will not allow us to hold any sort of a celebration until 1945 when he plans to come back to Spearman and spark the victory celebration.

Preach writes his old pal Bill Miller as follows:

"Have been enjoying the Reporter. About the rodeo. Please hold up on the rodeo until April,

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You won't get into a fix like this if you are wise. Bring in your clothes early for expert dry cleaning. Though we can't accept rush jobs these days, we can tell you when to expect them back. Phone 113.

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