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Box Supper Will Boost War Bond-Stamp Sales

Plans have been completed for the old-fashioned box supper to be held in city park next Tuesday night starting at 7 o'clock. A large number of women were in a meeting Tuesday afternoon at the Ballinger Board of Community Development office to arrange telephoning lists and began calling people in regard to preparing boxes and attending the affair Wednesday morning.

The box supper is being held for the purpose of increasing war bond and stamp sales and also to provide a social gathering for members of the B. C. D. and their families and friends. The party is open to everyone and the entire county is invited to attend. J. A. Killough, B. C. D. secretary, said today that any person interested in the war effort, was urged to prepare a box and be present.

Boxes will be sold at auction to the highest bidder and the purchaser will be given war stamps for the amount he bids. In other words the box, filled with a complete meal for two, will cost nothing and all that is bid will be invested in war stamps and bonds. A committee will be on hand to receive the money and issue bonds or stamps as soon as the purchase is made.

A number of auctioneers will be named to take over the work and boxes will be sold fast. This will be necessary in order to sell the large number expected and get through in time for the supper hour. Bidders will be asked to start the bidding fast and not to continue raising by small sums. Those in charge of the sales have been told not to prolong the sale of any box but to get a quick bid and make sales speedily. The man buying the box will have supper with the lady who prepared it.

A committee of more than 20 women are calling and inviting citizens to participate in the program. Another committee will be at the park early to greet the first arrivals, take charge of their boxes and help with the sale.

Drinks will be provided by the B. C. D. and a serving committee will assist during the meal.

In case of bad weather the affair will be moved from the park to some indoor place that will accommodate the crowd. Every resident of this area is urged to take part and help put Runnels county over the top in the sale of bonds and stamps for September.

25 RUNNELS COUNTY MEN VOLUNTEER FOR NAVY

Runnels county has provided 25 volunteers on a quota of 20 set by the U. S. navy for September. Figures were released the first of the week in connection with the special two weeks "Lexington Volunteers" drive now underway. All men recruited during the special campaign will receive certificates which they may keep as mementoes. To Monday of this week about 2,500 enlistments had been handled at the Dallas recruiting station.

Douglas Cox and Dillard Adair, students of McMurry College, Abilene, were here Friday night to attend the Ballinger-San Angelo football game.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Simpson, of Coleman, spent the past week-end here, visiting relatives and friends.

Paved Road to Airfield Will be Discussed Here

L. Sloan, regional engineer of federal works agency, will be in Ballinger tomorrow to confer with County Judge E. C. Grindstaff, Mayor C. P. Shepherd and City Secretary K. V. Northington relative to making a work application for road improvement from Ballinger to the Harman Training Center, Bruce Field.

A letter informing local officials of the arrival of Mr. Sloan stated that representatives of other agencies would be with him and an emergency work order would be discussed after an inspection of the proposed road.

Several weeks ago army officers inspected a road from Bruce Field to a point on the San Angelo highway a short distance west of Ballinger. This was an airline route from the field and proposals at that time was to build a hard surface road from the field to a connecting point with the San

Blast at Coleman Airfield Kills Two, Injures Nineteen

Aid was rushed from Ballinger to Coleman Monday to care for victims of an explosion that ripped into splinters the administration building of the Coleman Flying School. Seven planes with doctors and nurses were sent from the Harman Training Center here and Dr. C. F. Bailey, Dr. Oren Chandler, as well as doctors at the local airfield and ambulances rushed there to give assistance after a call for help was broadcast.

The explosion occurred about 10 a. m. Monday and is believed to have been caused by an accumulation of gas under the building. George Kneip, of Austin, superintendent for the J. M. Odom construction company, was killed instantly, and Mrs. Arch R. Yarbro, adjutant at the airfield, died two hours later on the operating table at the Overall Hospital. A number of others, including Harry Hammil, operator of the school; Major Roger M. Crow, field commander; and one lieutenant were in dangerous condition and only slight hope was held for their recovery.

A check-up revealed 19 persons injured in the blast, some only slightly and not requiring hospitalization. Parts of the building broke into flames following the explosion but aviation cadets with fire extinguishers quickly put out the flames.

Ballinger men who rushed to Coleman to give aid stated that there was nothing left of the building but splinters and one room on a wing of the structure.

First aid students who had completed courses in the civilian defense program were called to report at once and worked like veterans in giving aid until doctors and nurses arrived from nearby cities and Camp Bowie, Brownwood.

METAL WORKING CLASS WILL START MONDAY

The class in metal working will start at 7 o'clock Monday evening of next week at the D. J. Patterson shop on Ninth Street. J. M. Williams, vocational agriculture teacher in the Ballinger high school, stated today that there was still room in the class for several and requested that anyone interested see Mr. Patterson before time for the first session Monday.

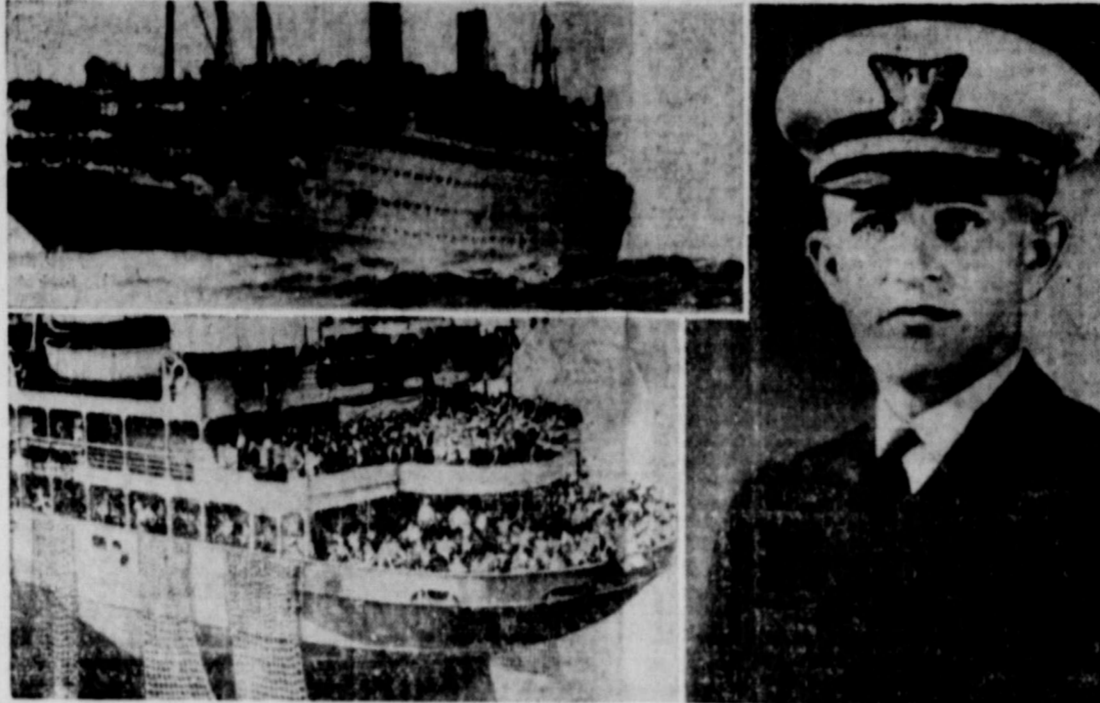
Courses will be conducted five nights a week with each session three hours long. Mr. Patterson will have charge of the metal work and J. E. Wallace will be in charge of vulcanizing.

Classes are limited to 15 members and to date nine have registered leaving a place for six others.

This class and others which may be formed are sponsored by the Ballinger schools and a large amount of equipment has been secured with which to give complete instruction.

Misses Mary Ruth Duke, Billy Weldon Howell and Mary Simpson, all students of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, spent the week-end here with their parents.

U. S. Transport 'Wakefield' Burns at Sea



The former luxury liner, Manhattan, now a naval transport ship and renamed the Wakefield, caught fire and was severely damaged at sea. More than 1,600 passengers and crew members were removed without loss of life by U. S. warships in the convoy. In the upper left the Wakefield is shown at sea, and at right is its commander, H. G. Bradbury. In lower left, passengers and crewmen are shown jammed on rear decks awaiting rescue. Notice the rope nets which were used to climb to the deck of rescue vessel. (Official U. S. navy photos.)

Formal Opening Saturday For Army and Navy Club

4 Negroes to Leave For Army October 2; Several Men Enlist

The Runnels county draft board has been asked to furnish four negroes in a quota for the army on October 2. The four men notified to be ready are James Lee Ryons, Ballinger; Willie Stewart, Ballinger; G. W. Williams, Bronte; and Donnie Holmes, Winters.

Several men registered in Runnels county volunteered for service last week and the board was notified this week that they had been accepted. Reports were received on Jess Byrd Cousins, Jr., Ballinger, who was accepted by navy recruiters; William Royce Carruth, Ballinger, enlisted in the naval reserve; Darance Bowers Vick, Wingate, who volunteered for the regular army; and Ervin Wayne Compton, Winters, navy.

The county board will begin shortly to classify married men with wives only. This action has become necessary because practically all the list of single men has been exhausted and future quotas will have to come from the first group of married men.

No quotas have been received for the balance of the year but will be forthcoming within a short time and are expected to be large. The army is rushing men into camps as fast as there is room to begin training and the armed forces are being increased as fast as possible.

COLEMAN PRODUCTION CREDIT ASSOCIATION FORMS 'VICTORY CLUB' TO AID WAR EFFORT

Farmers and ranchmen are called on for unstinting cooperation and sacrifice in furnishing necessary food and fibre for the war and helping to finance it," said M. B. Wardlaw, president of the Coleman Production Credit Association, today in announcing organization plans for doing a bigger job of buying war bonds.

A "victory club" has been started by the association to enlist its members in a drive to set aside certain calves, pigs, production from milk cows, laying hens, cotton acreage or other agricultural production to be invested in war bonds. There are no other requirements, Mr. Wardlaw said.

"Farmers and stockmen, their wives and children can enroll if they agree to designate part of their farm production to go into war bonds," he said. "Those who sign up will be given a membership card and will have their names posted on the PCA roll of honor."

Although sponsored by the PCA, membership in the club is open to all farmers and ranchmen in this territory. More than one member of a family may join. Enrollment blanks were sent this week to the 537 members, Mr. Wardlaw said, but any person interested who did not receive one may obtain a blank from the production credit association office in Ballinger.

Price Maddox, Maryneal ranchman, attended to business in Ballinger Monday.

Red Cross Field Representative Visits County Unit

Mrs. Estelle Penry, field representative of the American Red Cross, was in Ballinger the first of the week to attend to business with the Runnels county chapter. A meeting of officers and committee chairman in Ballinger and Winters was held here Tuesday afternoon to discuss a more perfect organization and to make reports on activities for part of the year's work.

Mrs. Penry suggested an executive committee be formed for the purpose of holding monthly meetings and to hear committee reports on progress made by the various groups.

Reports were asked on production, surgical dressing units, nurses' aid courses, first aid classes, and all other work done by the organization during the first part of 1942. The reports from the Runnels county chapter were excellent and disclosed that all quotas asked of the organization had been met and many exceeded. Home nursing and first aid classes are moving along fine in every section of the county and many members have already received certificates.

Most urgent in the organization at this time is a home service secretary. This work was recently turned back to the chapter by D. G. Posey when it became too heavy for him to attend to along with other work he is doing. The duties of the secretary is a go-between of the man in service and his home. It requires many quick reports when illness occurs, when furloughs are requested because of sickness or death and numerous other reasons.

An effort is being made this week by County Chairman Ernest Caskey to secure men or women for the places needed to be filled. These places include several officers and a number of members for the executive committee.

Mrs. Penry stated that there would be no roll this fall and the next money campaign for the Red Cross would be held next March. A financial audit of the chapter's books was requested by the field representative.

Numerous Agencies Join Drive for Scrap Metals

H. J. Zappe, county chairman for the scrap metal collection campaign, stated today that the intensive drive would be continued one more week and would not end until the first part of October. An extension was decided to make it possible for all agencies to get to work in the drive for junk in this county and to meet expectations in the final amount to be salvaged.

The county victory council will put its "human chain" system of communication into service next week to help get in every piece of iron, brass, aluminum, rubber and steel lying idle in this county.

Every newspaper in the United States has been asked to help in the campaign and The Ledger is printing today a page appeal for

15,000 Bales Estimated Ginned in This County

SERVING UNCLE SAM
L. J. Lambert, utility man with the Community Gas Co. here for some time, has enlisted in the U. S. air force as a navigator and will begin training at once.

William Hartman Penn, son of Mrs. Ona Penn of this city, has reported for duty at Denver, Colorado, in the army air force. He left here last week after receiving the call. A brother, Bobby Penn, is now a junior flight instructor for the navy.

Pvt. Roy Jacob, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Jacob of Ballinger, has received his diploma designating him as a qualified radio operator. He has been in school at Ft. Knox for several weeks. Jacob enlisted last March.

Three Ballinger boys enlisted in the navy at the San Angelo sub-station last week and completed their papers there. They are Lester D. Cape, Douglas W. Culp and Billy Joe Walden.

Sidney Rogge, of Rowena, who is a graduate of the Ballinger high school, recently enlisted in the army air corps, communications division at San Angelo, and probably will be assigned to Carr Field.

Finnis E. Gibson, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gibson, has been promoted from private to sergeant and transferred from the 51st general hospital to the 67th hospital, Ft. Bliss.

John Mack and wife, one of Ballinger's best known negro couples, are interested in the war because their three sons are now in the service. They buy war stamps from their earnings to help provide for these boys.

Leonidus Mack enlisted in the navy during World War No. 1 and has served continuously as a cook since then. At present he is cook on a ship doing patrol duty in the North Atlantic. Recently the Ballinger parents were listening to a radio program and a singer dedicated a song to their son for his long service with the navy.

Phillip Mack entered the army at San Antonio and is now studying railroad engineering and will soon complete his work with a high grade.

Edward Mack is also in the army and the parents received a card last week announcing that he had arrived safely in a foreign country.

Sergeant Roy Frank Allamon has been promoted to the rank of staff sergeant. For more than a year he was a mess sergeant at Camp Roberts, California, and for the past two months has been on army maneuvers in the California desert, where he underwent intensive training. He will leave shortly for Mississippi, where he will train mess sergeants. In a letter home he stated that he enjoyed every copy of The Ledger and especially the column "Serving Uncle Sam." He extended best wishes to the Ballinger Bearcats.

Ernest McAulay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Garland McAulay, of Weslaco, formerly of the Maverick community, is now a seaman, second class, in the navy, and is stationed at Kingsville.

Chester and Lester Cape, 17-year-old twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cape of Ballinger, were enlisted in the U. S. navy at Dallas the first of the week and left at once for a training center.

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Whose Boy Will Die Because You Failed?

Think about it as revenge—a way to get back at the scum who have attacked us. Or think about it as a little more protection for our fighting men—something you, yourself, can do to bring as many as possible home alive.

But think about it now—for the scrap in

homes, farms and factories has got to be moving to stock piles within the next few weeks or it may be too late!

Maybe you don't know what it means to have production fall off. Maybe you can't imagine how it feels to be hunkered down in a foxhole for just one more clip of cart-

ridges. Or to see the enemy rolling through your lines because you didn't have just a few more tanks.

Or maybe you don't care!

We think you do. We feel that our whole community is ready to rise up and bring in the scrap as soon as you get a chance. So you're going to get that chance!

This week we're in the middle of the biggest drive you've ever seen, to get in this precious material. And you're going to pitch in, too, because this situation is serious.

Start looking around your place for scrap today. If you've got a son in the service, do it for him. Do it for the neighbor's boy—for those fine young chaps you just passed, out on the street.

Above all do it for your country . . . and do it now!

Newspapers' United Metal Scrap Drive

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Ohio Woman Thanks City for Hospitable Treatment of Cadets

Mayor C. P. Shepherd received a letter this morning from a Bedford, Ohio, woman relative to the treatment of cadets at the Harman Training Center by Ballinger people. The writer also sent a clipping from a Cleveland paper on information taken from a letter by a cadet to relatives in Ohio.

The letter to the mayor follows: "I happened to run across this little article in the Cleveland Plain Dealer and just felt that I had to send it to you, to let you know that all the boys appreciate what you and all the people of Ballinger are doing for them. If only more cities and towns would do for the boys like you are doing, they would feel that they are appreciated. God bless all of you. Yours truly,

"Miss Mary Holuska
Bedford, Ohio."

The clipping enclosed follows: "I think you'll all be interested in this extract from a letter written home by Aviation Cadet Kenneth Williams of Cleveland Heights, who is now in training at Harman Flying School, Ballinger, Texas:

"Tomorrow afternoon we get out of classes to go to Ballinger. The townspeople are making a nice gesture. The ranchmen have donated 300 sheep to be auctioned off and all the merchants have given cash. They are going to recondition and furnish a building for a cadet club for us. Isn't that swell?

"You have never met such swell people, and heaven help the cadet who doesn't conduct himself as a perfect gentleman in town. The other cadets would murder him."

GARAGE AND CONTENTS DESTROYED BY FIRE


Fire Sunday morning destroyed the garage at the Ben Denny home on Broadway. The fire was discovered by Mrs. Denny, the rest of the family being at church, and the entire garage was in flames when the alarm was turned in at the station.

The building was also used to store various items from the home including a washing machine, fruit and other canned foods, books, heaters and other items. Nothing was saved and the loss to Mr. and Mrs. Denny will run high.

An automobile belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Van Cise was in the garage and was a mass of flames when the fire was discovered.

The garage was the property of W. O. Wallace and was his former home. Firemen responded promptly to the alarm and soon had the blaze under control, preventing spread to nearby buildings.

Mrs. Johnnie Ivy, who was Miss Willie Mae Doherty before her marriage August 28, left last Friday for Seminole to join her husband where they will spend a few days with Mr. Ivy's parents. After the visit they will go to Roswell, New Mexico, where they will make home.



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and we are sure you do---what--- WILL COME AFTER THE WAR? What will it be like? We can only say--- may the peace that comes---

BUILD A BETTER WORLD

May it in some measure---pay for what it shall cost and we all know the Cost will be Tremendous--- We do not know what changes and conditions will come---may they be the best---that a Real---Democratic

VICTORY CAN MAKE

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JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL DRAMATIC CLUB FORMED

The dramatic club of the junior high school was organized the first of the week. Two one-act plays were selected for production at once and try-outs will be begun the last of this week.

Officers elected are: June Wright, president; Joanne Glover, secretary; Carolyn Cheatham, publicity; Charlotte Miller, assistant publicity.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McNutt have returned home after spending several days in Kenney and Brennan.



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RURAL NEWS

HERRING

Bro. Earl Allen, of Brownwood, filled his regular appointment at the church here Sunday morning and night. Due to the cool spell attendance was small. He was accompanied by Mrs. Allen and Miss Dorothy Rosford. They were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Allcorn and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Kerby.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mullanax, of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Lindeman and Kenneth, of Ballinger, were Sunday guests of Mrs. Bragg and Jack.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Kerby and Mrs. Jim Brevard returned Tuesday from Abilene, where he had been receiving medical treatment and Mrs. Brevard underwent a minor eye operation.

Miss Myrtle Ruth Hale, of Ballinger, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hale, Sr. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wood,

of Crews, called on Mr. and Mrs. Hale Sunday afternoon.

Sunday guests in the home of Mrs. Kate Fuller were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Odell, of Talpa; Mr. and Mrs. Berry Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Fuller, of Crews; Mr. and Mrs. Welby Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fuller and family. Mr. and Mrs. White, of Content, visited Charlie Stephens and family Sunday.

Norma Sue Fuller spent Sunday with Billie Ruth Whitley. Several from this community enjoyed a theatre party in Ballinger Saturday.

Mrs. Fannie Powe received word from her son, Pvt. August F. Powe, that he was stationed at Tampa, Florida. August left September 4.

Odie Matthews reported for his physical examination last Tuesday. J. C. Fuller is to go this Thursday for his examination. Miss Louise Stephens spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. A. E. Fuller.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Belcher and Carolyn returned Wednesday from San Angelo where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Belcher, of Abilene, who were taken to Shannon hospital to receive treatment for injuries received in a car wreck Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Welby Fuller spent Saturday night with Mr. Brevard and Lexie. Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Whitley, Billie Ruth and Lois, and Norma Sue Fuller were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kerby.

Gene Fenton, of Coleman, spent the week-end in the W. L. White home.

Pvt. Ewing A. Fuller stated in a recent letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Fuller, that he liked school and his grades on the only two tests that he had taken were above the student body's average. He is a student in the gunners' school at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Mrs. R. L. Todd, of Coleman, is ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Thurman.

Mrs. Telitha Ray and G. W. visited Mr. and Mrs. Lem Ray and family, of Shep, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. White were in Coleman on business Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Allcorn and sons called on Mr. and Mrs. John Rosford, of South Ballinger, Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Welby Fuller were Coleman business visitors Monday. A. E. Fuller spent Monday in San Angelo, calling on several old friends. Mr. Fuller made home in San Angelo for a number of years.

Miss Mercedes Faltisek, daughter of Mrs. E. R. Faltisek, has returned to San Angelo, where she will be a sophomore in the San Angelo junior college.

Read the ads and SAVE!

West Coast Ship Builder Explains Program



Henry J. Kaiser, West coast ship builder, is pictured here (center) as he spoke with reporters after his meeting with Donald M. Nelson, chairman of the War Production board. It was indicated that the most that Kaiser could get out of his visit to Washington was a contract for two or three sample cargo planes of the type he seeks to produce in quantities.

NORTON SCHOOL NEWS

By Doris Stewart

Pep Squad Organizes

Leaders for the 1942 football season were elected last week by the members of the pep squad at their first meeting. Evelyn Scoggins was elected head yell leader with Bonnie Wayne Lee and Ouida Merle Sharpes as assistants. Drum girls are Pansy Setser and Johnanna Kown. Ima Lee Scarbrough and Nita Taylor are majorettes; Betty Jo Fletcher and Tommy Jane Bryson, banner carriers; Doris Mary Allan, secretary-treasurer and reporter; and Miss Marguerite Mathis, sponsor.

Others in the pep squad besides those mentioned above are: Ouida Hambright, Eleanor Bryan, Lewis Mozelle Hensley, Nelda Faye Lee, Geraldine McDorman, Bonnie B. Turner, Charlene Carlton, Juanita Lee, Lavanda Forbes, Dorothy Lee, Mattie Landers, Dorothy Powers, Martha Eunice Sparkman, Billie Jean Burleson, Marva Jean Underwood, Grace Ann Burleson, Wilma Faye Mitchell, Dorothy Mae Lacy, Guynell Morgan, Lederal Lee, Maxine Matchell, Annie Raye Briggs, Willie Mae Ellis, and Ruby McKenzie.

Senior News

The members of the senior class met Wednesday, September 17, to organize for the coming year. James Leonard was elected president; Niel Stewart, vice-president; Marva Jean Underwood, secretary; Pansy Setser, treasurer; and Doris Stewart, reporter. The sponsor has not been selected.

There are sixteen members this year. Others besides those named above are: Eleanor Bryan, Ouida Hambright, Diminga Duran, Scott Barrett, O'Brien Lee, Magdalene Moreland, Norman Roper, Evelyn Scoggins, Jack Herring, Anna Jean Morgan, and Billie Jean Burleson.

Texas' Resources Favor Expansion Of Dairy Industry

AUSTIN, Sept. 23.—Natural resources of Texas favor a substantial expansion of the dairy industry of the state, and could make the industry a major factor in increasing farm income, declared Dr. F. A. Buechel, assistant director of the University of Texas bureau of business research, in a bulletin, just off the press.

Natural factors favoring a large dairy industry are the capacity of Texas land to produce an abundance of forage crops at low prices, ample supplies of water, and mild weather making winter grazing possible, Dr. Buechel reported. Unfortunately, development of this potential source of farm income has been hampered by the traditional one-crop system of Texas, he wrote.

"The fact that Texas consumes more dairy products than are produced within the state is also significant," Dr. Buechel asserted. "It means that a substantial local market for dairy products already exists—a market that Texas farmers could supply if they would develop dairy resources."

Statistics on the Texas dairy industry today show the state lags behind the rest of the dairy states and is far below its own potentialities.

Figures quoted in the bulletin show Texas to rank fifth in the nation in the number of milk cows, but forty-fourth in volume of milk production per cow. The state ranks first in the nation in the making of "farm butter," that is, butter made on the farm and sold in nearby towns in small quantities. In the manufacture of higher-priced creamery butter, however, it ranks fifteenth.

The result, Dr. Buechel explained, is a lower income, since better prices can be secured by developing commercial dairying on a large scale.

Status of the industry is also shown by the part dairy products play in making up farm income. In the United States as a whole, income from dairy products is almost 20 per cent of the total farm income. In Texas, it is less than 15 per cent, Dr. Buechel reported.

"The main hope for the future development of the dairy industry in Texas—and such development would be highly profitable—lies in an extensive educational program," Dr. Buechel declared. "It is especially necessary to train the rural youth of the state in a rounded-out system of farming, particularly in those areas mainly dependent upon a single crop."

TUNNELL GROCERY STOCK BOUGHT BY G. A. LADWIG

A deal was closed the past week-end in which G. A. Ladwig purchased the entire stock of the Tunnell Grocery and Market and will move it to his store on Strong Avenue. Joe Faxton, in charge of the stock for Mrs. R. P. Tunnell, announced the transaction.

Dee Bollier has returned from Uvalde, where he had been several weeks, working on an airfield.

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Ballinger merchants experienced their first real fall day last Saturday and a number reported it the biggest day in the past twelve years. The early morning norther sent shivers down the backs of thousands of cotton pickers in this section and practically all of them were in town Saturday for week-end shopping. Stores were crowded all day, many clerks eating their noon lunches in the stores and all hands busy. Extra coats and sweaters were selling fast until a late hour at night.

The old-fashioned box supper to be staged next Tuesday by the Ballinger Board of Community Development will serve a double purpose—as the annual fall social usually held by the organization, and at the same time to promote the purchase of war bonds and stamps. Each purchaser of a box will receive the amount he bids in stamps or bonds and the box will really cost nothing. The other features of a box supper will be carried out with the purchaser eating with the lady who prepares the box.

October 4 is the date for beginning of the annual fire prevention and clean-up drive in Ballinger. The entire nation joins this year in stressing no loss by fire during war. Local leaders declare there is much work to be done in Ballinger. Weeds and grass are high on many lots; and these are unsightly as well as serious fire hazards. It is also pointed out that the clean-up drive will uncover much scrap metal which the government is calling for in the national salvage campaign. The usual educational features are to be presented in the schools to stress the need of saving property by preventing fire.

Defense Guard Officers Attend School at Bullis

K. V. Northington and O. C. Sykes returned Saturday night from Camp Bullis, where they attended the eighth command state guard school for one week. Captain Northington, commander of the Ballinger unit of the Texas Defense Guard, stated that it was a fine meeting with a six weeks' course crowded into one week.

There were about 300 officers from 225 units of the guard present to receive instruction that will govern future training of the state defense units. Capt. Northington was in command of company D at the school, and Lieut. Sykes was made acting first sergeant of company A. Work started at 6 a. m. daily and ended at 10 p. m. Sessions consisted of lectures, drills, demonstrations and pictures in the evening showing what had been given in lectures and other work during the day.

Many of the pictures shown were captured German war films of the blitz in the Low Countries and some of the sneak attacks on Poland and Russia. Others showed British in action in various war theatres.

The purpose of the school is to create a unity of drill and other work in the Texas Defense Guard. The work was divided into five separate phases as follows:

1. For guard organizations to unite in organization to study local areas and form protection for defense plants, utilities and other sectors of importance.
2. To organize for conducting the evacuation of the civilian population.
3. For the defense of an area against an enemy until arrival of regular troops.
4. To conduct guerilla warfare after arrival of regular troops.
5. To train defense guard units for the above four types of cooperation in the war effort.

COSMETICS FOUND IN GRAVE ESTIMATED 5,000 YEARS OLD

BAGHDAD, Iraq, Sept. 23.—Cosmetics date back at least 5,000 years, according to discoveries at the grave of a Sumerian woman buried in Baghdad. Entombed with all her finery, the former lady of fashion took with her to the grave cosmetic shells containing eye black as well as copper hairpins, necklaces and a belt of beads.

Miss Mary Talbot, USO program director at Camp Bowie, was in Ballinger Tuesday, visiting friends and attending to business.

Unsung Heroes of Medical Corps Play Vital Role



One of the most ticklish jobs which men of the U. S. Army medical corps are called upon to undertake is the removal of wounded men from the inside of tanks. The method of this removal may mean life or death in the casualty. At the left you see trainees from the medical corps field service school at Carlisle, Pa., engaged in the task. The man has been successfully removed through the tank turret and is being placed on a stretcher atop the tank. At right you see a demonstration of a method of transforming a pair of skis into a smooth-running litter for transporting a wounded man over the snow.

WEST TEXAS NOTES

Cotton gins at Rowena up to last Thursday had turned out 1,335 bales and were operating practically every night on a 24-hour basis. Pickers are plentiful on most farms and cotton is being gathered at a rapid rate. Three gins are being operated at Rowena this fall and all are being rushed to handle the business.

Winters citizens gathered a total of 40 tons of junk in one day last week and leaders are continuing the drive with the intention of getting in all the scrap materials available within the next few weeks. J. S. Bourn, chairman, is being assisted by a number of people in adjoining communities.

Eastland county peanut growers held a mass meeting at Gorman Monday afternoon. The meeting, called by the president of the growers' association, was to consider prices. Buyers were present to assist members and the marketing committee in every way possible.

An employment bureau was opened at the Junction high school last week and pupils who want odd jobs are registering. People who need boys or girls after school or on Saturdays also are registering and teachers are acting as employment agents. In this way it is hoped to relieve the labor shortage and at the same time help students earn extra money.

Two contracts, for \$700,000 worth of construction, were let at Camp Bowie last week in the program to turn the camp into a site for armored divisions. To date contracts for \$1,600,000 have been awarded. In addition, many laborers are employed in building paved runways for an airport to serve the army post.

The Howell Theatre at Coleman announced last Thursday that its total sales of war stamps and bonds was \$27,340. The theatre is cooperating in the nationwide sale by the amusement industry and every purchaser will have his name inscribed in an army bomber. All employees of the Coleman playhouse are engaged in a contest to see who can sell the most in September.

Gins in the Melvin area have been operated day and night for the past two weeks and to Wednesday of last week had turned out a total of 1,434 bales. This included reports from Pasche, Salt Gap, Marco, Whiteland and Melvin.

The Brady Rotary Club will be host November 9 to eight other clubs in this section of the state for a huge inter-city gathering. More than 200 Rotarians are

expected from Ballinger, Brownwood, San Saba, Menard, Ozona, Kerrville, San Angelo and Junction. Roscoe C. Pryor, of Harlingen, district governor, will be the principal speaker.

All Menard county cooperated in the scrap metal drive last week and a half millions pounds were collected. A pep rally was held at the Menard athletic field to launch the campaign and the next day loaded trucks brought in the junk.

Boys who are willing to work on farms Saturdays and after school hours are being registered at the Stephenville high school. A shortage of farm labor in the area was back of the plan, and as a result many high school boys will help in harvesting crops.

More than fifty Comanche boys and girls are attending sixteen colleges this fall. Texas A. & M. College was the choice of fourteen who recently graduated from the Comanche high school. High school enrollment was heavy this year, and many extra-curricula activities are being carried on, including football, the team opening the season last week with the Stephenville eleven.

Twenty-six boys have signed up for the Paint Rock Future Farmers of America chapter and will take vocational agriculture. H. B. Edmondson, the new V. A. instructor, is happy over the large enrollment and plans an extensive program of work.

Defense housing construction started at Fort Stockton last week and twenty new residences are to be built. The houses are in the \$3,500-\$4,000 class and construction will be speeded as much as possible to provide living quarters for families moving to the city to be connected with the government flying school recently established.

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100 PER CENT MEETING FOR LIONS CLUB FRIDAY

The Ballinger Lions Club held a 100 per cent attendance meeting Friday noon, every member being present. Attendance is being stressed by all Lions clubs this month and the Ballinger group has maintained a good average.

The club voted to have seats built at the junction of the Abilene and Coleman highways on Broadway where soldiers may wait for rides either north or east. Car drivers will be advised to go by the station when they are going either to Brownwood or Abilene to see if service men are waiting for rides and to take them if they have room. The seats will be built as soon as possible and are expected to be full on week-ends when soldiers are on pass from nearby camps.

A large committee from the club cooperated in the work at the Army and Navy Club last week, moving old furniture, scrubbing floors, washing windows and doing other work.

PRESBYTERIAN ROLL CALL TO BE HELD OCTOBER 4

At the morning worship at the First Presbyterian Church October 4, the roll of the congregation will be called. Every member present will answer to his name. The pastor will answer for all non-resident members who communicate with him before that Sunday. It is the desire of the officers to have a large percentage of the congregation present that everyone might know other members of the church both by name and in person. Following the calling of the roll those present will observe Universal Communion Sunday by partaking of the Lord's Supper. As ever in Presbyterian churches all Christian people are cordially invited to partake of the sacrament.

Jack Bandy and Alexander McGregor, sons of Mr. and Mrs. A. McGregor, are at home for a short visit between semesters at A. & M. College.

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Commissioners Fred Bedford and Ralph Burns, County Judge E. C. Grindstaff, J. D. Motley and a Mr. Shaw left Monday afternoon for Austin to meet with the state highway commission Tuesday relative to road improvements and maintenance west of Winters.

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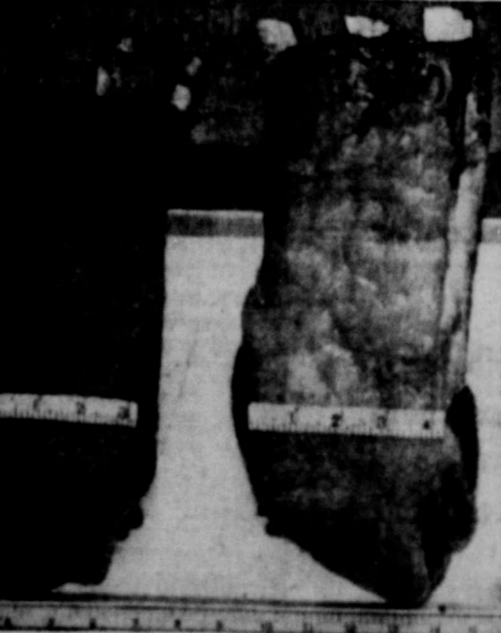
If you have a good Gas Range, take care of it and profit by it. Use the thermostat-control, for instance, to roast beef and lamb at 250 or 300 degrees. (Pork requires 350 degrees). Laboratory tests show that the lower heat gives 21.4 per cent less meat-shrinkage than a high heat gives. And that's where the \$30 comes in: Actual money saving on this basis, to the family consuming 571.2 pounds of oven-cooked meats per year, is \$30.55 (at average prices).



These paired roasts were exactly alike in weight and measurement before roasting.

Too hot (Left)
Look at the shrinkage! This roast came out dry and hard-fibered; it spattered the oven; and it used more gas than the other one.

Just right (Right)
Notice the larger number of servings. (Restaurants found it out, you may be sure, because of the money it saves them). This roast came out tender, juicy and good-looking, with very little shrinkage.



Community Natural Gas Co.

Bearcats to Open Season Friday

Bobcat Running Attack Too Much for Bearcats

Ballinger football fans continued to stay behind the Bearcats as the season opened in San Angelo Friday evening and a large crowd of people followed the team there where they met the class AA Bobcats and were defeated 30 to 14. The loss to the class AA team did not mar the spirit of fans who saw eleven men fight the heavier and more experienced team until the last whistle and score twice in the final quarter of the game.

A heavy, fast charging line prevented the Bearcats from getting anywhere with their running attack but the Bobcat pass defense crumbled as Striplin shot passes to Harville, Routh, Wilson and Batts. Two of the overhead shots were to Harville behind the San Angelo safety for touchdowns.

The Bobcats showed three "scat" backs that did plenty of damage during the game and turned in some fine broken field runs that resulted in scores for the opposition. Maddux turned in the longest run of the evening when he returned a Ballinger kick-off 75 yards for a touchdown. Rathburne and Taft, star backs of the Bobcats, were good yardage getters all during the evening and were too much for the Bearcats. The Bobcat line also turned in a fine game and paved the way for the ball carriers on practically every play.

The Bearcats were not in the best of condition with Striplin suffering with a leg injury and unable to do any kicking and only a little ball carrying. His passing was superb, however, and the old combination to Striplin to Harville was working just like it did at the close of the last season. Due to no reserves being ready for play, the starting eleven played the entire game with the exception of one play when Caffey was

substituted for Routh. The Bearcats will open the 1942 season at home with a conference tilt with Cross Plains this week. The Buffaloes have been greatly helped this year by the transfer of a number of boys from nearby schools and are rated as one of the best teams in the district.

Cadets to be Guests at Bearcat-Buffero Game

The entire cadet corps from the Harman Training Center, Bruce Field, will attend the opening football game of the 1942 season here Friday evening. The athletic committee of the Ballinger school announced this week that all men in service uniforms would be admitted to the game as guests of the school and arrangements were made at the local airfield for the cadets to attend in a body, provided nothing interfered to put

them behind in their work. A section of the Ballinger stands will be reserved for the cadets and a picked squad will perform drills between the halves. This will be an added feature in addition to the local stunt by the pep squad and band.

Any other service man in Ballinger Friday evening will be welcome to the game and will be passed through the gate as a guest.

Fred Harman stated that he would operate busses to transport the cadets to and from the game.

Miss Jerry Stanley, of Brady, has accepted a position with Walker-Smith Co. here and began work Tuesday morning. Miss Stanley formerly lived in Ballinger and attended the Ballinger high school several years.

Be wise—advertise.

Cross Plains Opposition In 1942 Football Opener

The Cross Plains Buffaloes will be in Ballinger tomorrow (Friday) night to open the 1942 football season for the Bearcats in district 9-A. Local coaches and fans are looking to this game with considerable interest since the Cross Plains crew has come back with a large number of lettermen and a

raft of new recruits received by a contract for high school work for another nearby district.

Last year the Buffaloes played the Bearcats one of their hardest conference games and scouts believe they are a much better club this year with a style of play that will tax the strength of the Bearcats.

All lights at the field were checked this week, stands swept and made ready and nothing has been left undone for the opening game of the season which is expected to attract a record crowd.

The Bearcat band and pep squad have been working hard this week to be ready for an appearance at the first home game. They will be ready to perform at the half as well as provide that necessary sideline color during the game. The presence of about 350 cadets in uniform will add to this color.

Tickets will be 30 cents for students and 55 cents for adults. Those desiring to take a car inside the field will have to secure a permit prior to the game from A. McGregor at the downtown school board office and all cars will be entered through the south gate.

The pep squad will have programs ready, school groups will operate drink stands and the Bearcats will show the fans a good football game with plenty of fight from the opening whistle to the final gun.

HUMBLE WILL BROADCAST MAJOR FOOTBALL GAMES

Humble Oil and Refining Company announces that for the eighth consecutive year it will sponsor the broadcasts of Southwest conference football. All conference games and a number of important inter-sectional games will be broadcast direct from the playing field, providing none of these broadcasts interfere with the war effort, the announcement said.

Although some of the familiar announcers, heard in past years, are now serving in the armed forces, the Humble company has gathered together a competent group of announcers, headed by two popular veterans of previous years—Kern Tipton and Ves Box. These old-timers are being augmented by several newcomers, who though new to the Humble staff, are well known to Texas sports fans.

Tying in with these broadcasts, Humble stations are distributing to football fans free copies of a handy pocket size 1942 Southwest conference football schedule, similar to those that have proved so popular in past years.

As a further service to football enthusiasts, a list of broadcasts for each week-end will be posted in Humble stations the preceding Wednesday. Lists will contain complete broadcast schedule, including stations, game time and announcers.

\$313 RAISED TO BUY UNIFORMS FOR BOYS

High school boys receiving military training as a part of the physical education course this year will be in full uniform when the new clothing arrives. Boys in the troop are furnishing their own shirts and trousers and a Ballinger Board of Community Development committee has raised money with which to purchase caps, belts, ties and insignia. W. B. May was chairman of the committee and reported after a canvass of the city that a total of \$312 had been contributed.

An order has been placed and each boy in the troop will be issued the articles to complete his uniform as soon as they arrive.

The military training course has proved popular with the high school boys and a large number have enlisted for the year.

GIRLS IN ALASKA CAN AFFORD TO BE CHOOSY

SITKA, Alaska, Sept. 23.—U. S. marines and other service men stationed at Sitka outnumber women by a colossal figure.

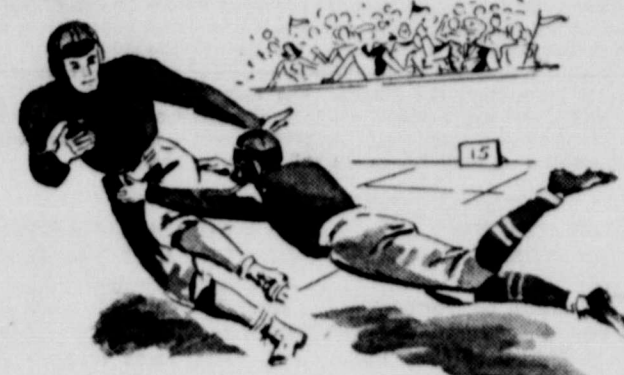
Young and old, the male population vies for female attention. The girls are mighty choosy—they can afford to be.

But don't put any clothes in your suitcase, girls, because most women and children have been evacuated from Alaska except for those engaged in vital defense work.

Mrs. A. E. Bozzell and son, of Weatherford, were here Monday to visit relatives and friends.



Touchdown BEARCATS



Football Opener Friday

Cross Plains Buffaloes

Vs.

Ballinger Bearcats

BEARCAT FIELD 8:30 p. m.

A CONFERENCE GAME WITH TWO LEADING TEAMS OF DISTRICT 9-A

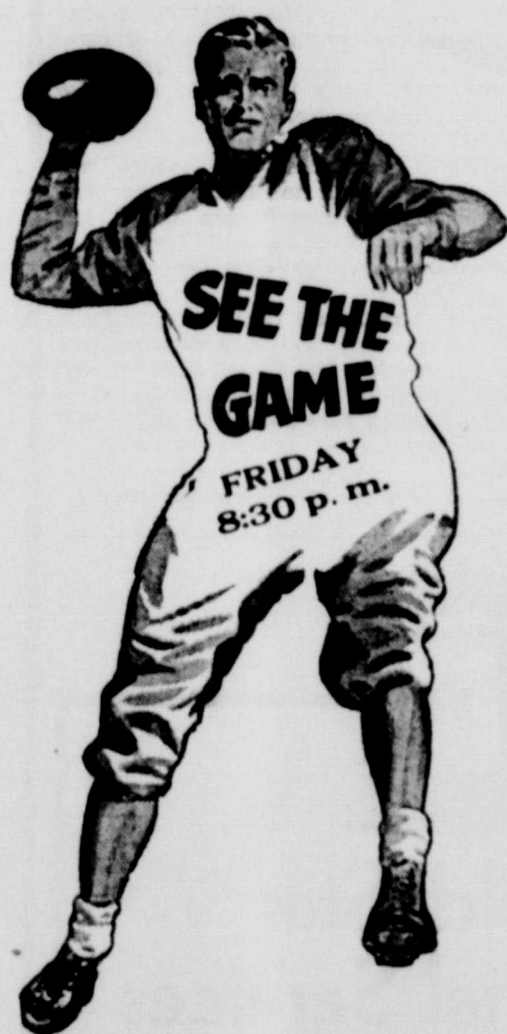
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BALLINGER BEARCATS NOW IN DISTRICT 9-A

The football district in which Ballinger is a member has been shifted by the state interscholastic league and is now known as 9-A instead of 8-A.

The change also affects the region in which teams of 9-A will play after the regular season is concluded. The new region will be No. 2 and will include 9-A with no change in teams formerly in 8-A; district 10-A with Comanche, DeLeon, Dublin, Eastland, Gorman, Hamilton and Hico.

District 11-A with Anson, Hamlin, Albany, Haskell, Rule, Seymour, Stamford, Throckmorton.

District 12-A with Archer City, Chilletoe, Crowell, Iowa Park, Holliday, and Munday.

MARINE OFFICER DECLARED AN AUTHORITY ON JAPAN

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 23.—First Lieutenant Harold J. Noble of the United States marine corps is one of this country's foremost authorities on Japan.

Lieut. Noble was born in Korea and has spent more than half his life in the Orient. He was a faculty member of the Japanese college at Kyoto and studied in Japan for several years, acquiring valuable knowledge of Japan's language, customs and traditions.

Prior to entering the marine corps, Lieut. Noble was an associate professor of history at the University of Oregon.

J. C. Sturges was back at the store Saturday for the first time in several weeks. He had been ill and in the Halley & Love Sanitarium for some time and later at his home on Seventh Street.

Bonds or bondage? Buy U. S. savings bonds.



SPORTS

Following the

The Ballinger Bearcats will open the conference football season at Bearcat Field Friday evening at 8:30. The opposition will be the Cross Plains Buffaloes, one of the best teams in the district. Soc Walker will bring his athletes here Friday afternoon for the opener and gates will be open at 7 o'clock with tickets selling for 30 cents to students and 55 cents to adults.

The Bearcats came through the San Angelo Bobcat game in good condition and all men will be ready to start the game Friday. The lads will be glad to get back to class A competition and are expected to start clicking this week. Coaches are putting the boys through hard work this week to get plays better timed and ready to use against the Buffaloes.

Cross Plains defeated Baird last

Friday night and showed a surprise offense that threw a scare into coaches in this district. The consolidation of schools in that area has given the team several experienced players to go with a large number of lettermen left over from last year and to make the Cross Plains team into a balanced team.

The color will be ready to help entertain the fans and the high school band and pep squad will be ready for their grand entry at about 8 o'clock. Both groups are working hard this week to get ready for their first stunt of the year and to provide the sideline color during the entire season.

The Ballinger team is looking for a number of additional games for the 1942 schedule. The withdrawal of Bangs, Lakeview and

Mozelle from the district has left three open dates on the schedule and to date no games have been booked officially.

Lights were tested at the field the past week-end and everything will be ready for the fans Friday evening. The two new sections of seats added to the Ballinger side will be ready for Friday night. Lumber seats are being placed on the steel and painted and the Ballinger side will accommodate approximately 2,000 people for the 1942 opener.

The Bearcats will likely take the field with Harville and Batts at ends, W. Buxkemper and Richards, tackles; J. Buxkemper and McWilliams, guards; Hembree, center; Wright, Routh, Striplin and Wilson, backs.

The B squad of the Ballinger schools is playing its first game of the season in Paint Rock this afternoon. The B squad is composed of a number of junior high boys and members of the high school squad not on the regular team.

No cars will be admitted to the field for football games unless a permit is secured from A. McGregor in advance of each game. Permits will be issued for cars to enter the south gate in cases of cripples, people who have been ill or for any other justifiable reason.

ANIMALS IN AUSTRALIA ARE ON SENTRY DUTY

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Sept. 23.—Animals may aid the armed forces considerably in case of an inva-

sion of Australia. The soldier birds are expected to be of great value. Staying in the treetops, where they get a good view of surroundings they utter warnings to every creature in the bush, and other birds immediately make for cover. Already the approach of enemy bombers has been signaled by soldier birds. Even kangaroos and wallabies heed the warnings.

Many of the bush animals are timid, and their actions give advance information to bushmen. Koalas are terrified by thunderstorms and demonstrate this by emitting a peculiar frightened cry. Most bush animals can be counted on to betray the approach of airplanes or troops.

Remember Pearl Harbor! Remember it every pay day! Buy U. S. defense savings bonds and stamps.

