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7 New Oil And Gas Leases

Seven new oil and gas leases were filed in the County records this week. Part of the leases filed were those which were bought during the latter part of April following the first Haliburton Drill Stem test made at the ITIO Bryan No. 1.

O. E. Cobb and wife sold an oil and gas lease on the East 1-2 of section 148, and the South 312½ acres of the West 1-2 of section 147, Block 1-T, to Frank Parkes.

A. W. Allen and wife sold Frank Parkes an oil and gas lease on the West 1-2 of section 130 in Block 1-T.

Frank Parkes bought an oil and gas lease on the North 1-2 of section 161, Block 1-T, from Mr. and Mrs. H. G. King.

J. C. O'Brien sold an oil and gas lease on the West 1-2 of section 171, Block 1-T, to Frank Parkes.

Mrs. N. J. Green and others sold an oil and gas lease on section 138, Block 1-T, to Frank Parkes. Parkes also bought an oil and gas lease on the North 1-2 of section 170, Block 1-T, from Mrs. N. J. Green and others.

F. L. Blake, Trustee, sold an oil and gas lease on sections 46, 47, 48, and 74, Block 3-T, to the Panhandle Eastern Pipeline Company.

One Mineral Deed

H. B. Sears sold a 1 acre interest in the mineral rights on section 389 and the West 1-2 of section 370, Block 3-T, to W. C. Hallom.

Silent Leasing Reported

A silent leasing campaign is reported to be in progress West, Northwest and Northeast of Stratford.

ITIO TEST REPORTED IN FINAL STAGE

The ITIO Bryan No. 1 was reported to be nearing its completion this week by Col. C. O. Rison, ITIO production engineer. A string of cable tools were removed from the well Tuesday. Wednesday the hole had been cleaned down to approximately 3,900 feet and the removal of an 80-foot bailer from the hole was expected at any time.

The production engineer described the hole as bottomed at 5,135 feet in a granite formation and plugged back to 4,120 feet. Seven inch casing will be set after the hole is cleaned. The work planned by the company for the future was described as checking formations, shutting off salt water in the hole, and preservation of the gas flow.

21 First Graders Receive Reading Pins

Mrs. A. W. Allen, first grade teacher, gives the following report of the work completed by the first grade students.

There were 21 little people who received reading pins. They were supposed to read 15 library books, 10 pre-primers, primers, and first readers. Most of them read 20 of these little readers and all read an old second reader. I am sure 20 read 15 library books and eight read as many as 40 books in all.

Reading is not all they did exceedingly good work in. Eleven made 100 on a final examination in spelling in fact, I gave all the words we had, which was 78, and they did not miss one. Eight made a perfect record in combinations, all they have had this year. Three made 99 in music. Sixteen of the 20 made 90 to 93¼ on the year's average.

I have been surprised beyond words. I have one regret. I lost Judith Ann Bailey and Jean Harrison the first semester. Judith Ann, the first week and Jean left Christmas. Those who received pins were Mary Isabel Arnold, Roberta Jeanne Bird, Alton Blades, Mildred Bennett, Marion Brannan, Ila Fern Brannan, Patsy Joan Chambers, Mary Nan Davis, Howard Hart, Bryan Jacobs, Jr., Anita Kelp, Donald McWilliams, Gene Marshall, Guy Merry, Dean Quinn, Darlene Palmer, Gaynelle Pleyer, Gene Ross, Stephen Wolfrum, Georgana Skillin, Bennie Earle Du Vall.

I am sure the second grade teacher will enjoy these little folks as I have. I thank you room mothers and parents for your cooperation.

CURRENT PROGRAM AT THE ROXY

Tonight, Penny Singleton, Arthur Lake and Larry Sims in "Blondie on a Budget."

Friday and Saturday, "Road to Singapore," with Bing Crosby, Bob Hope and Dorothy Lamour.

Sunday and Monday, "The Man from Dakota," with Wallace Beery.

Tuesday, "Money to Burn," with the Higgins family.

May 29-30, "3 Cheers for the Irish," with Priscilla Lane, Thomas Mitchell and Dennis Morgan.

Twelve Seniors Receive Diplomas From Stratford High School

Twelve of the original class of 1940 Stratford High School seniors received their diplomas from the school at the commencement exercises conducted in the school auditorium Friday night. The class lost Miss Joyce Coffman by marriage and Miss Jimmie Lee Landrum moved with her parents to Perryton.

Dr. L. F. Sheffy, who began his career as a teacher in Stratford and now heads the history department of WTSC at Canyon, delivered the commencement address. He warned the class of the dangers which might threaten the nation as a result of present wars, and advised them to continue their studies in institutions of higher education to better prepare themselves for that school of after life which he termed the "col- of hard knocks and disappointments."

Supt. Guy B. Tabor presented a valedictorian medal to Miss Betty Rhea Lee and a salutatorian medal to Delmer Schafer.

Miss Betty Rhea Lee won the senior scholarship with an average of 94. Eugene Harrison received the Junior scholarship, Ernestine Thompson the Sophomore scholarship, and Geneva Cartrite the Freshman scholarship for making the highest scholastic records in their respective classes.

Pat Haynes was awarded a medal as the school's best all-around boy, and Mary Woodford Kidwell won the award as the best all-around girl.

The class left Monday for a visit to Carlsbad and Santa Fe, New Mexico, and El Paso, Texas. They expect to return home Friday. Mrs. L. V. Schafer, Mrs. Walter Lasley, Mrs. J. T. Cartrite, and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Cleavinger are making the trip with the graduates.



Russel Boney



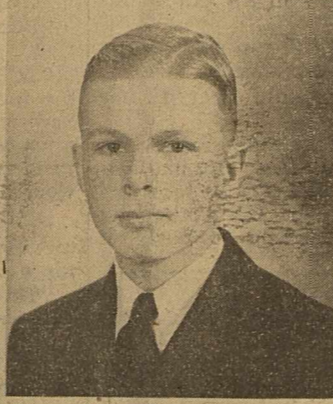
Margaret Ritchie



Allan Cartrite



Verne Foreman



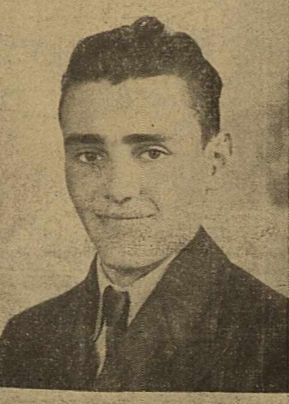
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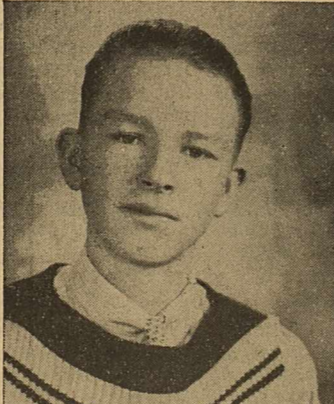
Owen Hudson



Mary Woodford Kidwell



Orland Lasley



James Robert Kirkwood



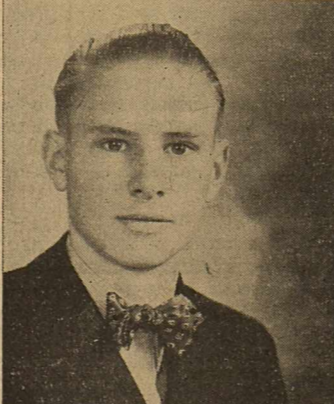
Joyce Coffman



Betty Rhea Lee



Sam Lasley



Delmer Schafer



Jimmie Lee Landrum

Hopes For Wheat Crop Mounts With Local Daily Rains

Rains ranging from showers to small floods have been falling almost daily in some parts of the territory since Friday. The vicinity of Kerrick received the heaviest rain Friday when an estimated 2 inch rain fell there. The rain extended from the Oklahoma Panhandle and 83 was recorded in Stratford. To the South and West local showers have been reported, some ranging up to 1-4 of an inch. Only showers were reported in the East part of the county.

A total of .89 of an inch has been gauged at Stratford. Farmers in favored sections predict that they have sufficient moisture to produce some wheat regardless of the future season.

17 Students In Seventh Grade Graduating Class

Seventeen seventh grade students received their grammar school diplomas at the graduating exercises held in the school auditorium Thursday night. Wanda Jean Bryant, Elmer O'Quinn, Vondell Guthrie, Billie Frank Trainham, Frank Trainham, William Allen, Vernon Palmer, Walter Sandifer, Harvey Coffman, R. M. Trainham, Leon Wilson, Billie Claude Arnold, Billie Merle McWilliams, Leta Faye Taylor, Halbert Cooper, Virgil Roberts, and June Palmer were the grammar school graduates who will take their place as Freshmen in the high school next September.

Supt. Guy B. Tabor announced the program. Elmer O'Quinn gave the class salutation. Billie Frank Trainham read the class history. Wanda Jean Bryant spoke the valedictory address. Vondell Guthrie gave an amusing class prophecy and William Allen read the class will, leaving most of their bad habits and numerous odds and ends to the members of the sixth grade class.

Judge F. E. Mullins delivered the graduating address and advised the class to take every advantage of the courses of study offered in high school to prepare themselves for leadership and growth into a well balanced life. He described their fellowship, friendship, and obedience to natural and divine laws as the foundation for the success in future life.

Betty Lou O'Brien Will Receive Degree From WTSC

Miss Betty Lou O'Brien, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. O'Brien of Stratford, is a candidate for a bachelor's degree at West Texas State College in the commencement program to be held at the college May 30. There are 121 in the class this year.

Baccalaureate services will be conducted in the main auditorium May 26 by Rev. Robert Boshen of Pampa. R. B. Anderson, Vernon attorney, will make the commencement address at 10:00 A. M. May 30.

Al Hart Streamlines Building Front

Al Hart is streamlining the front of his jewelry store this week. He is making plans for construction of an attractive electric clock to place above his show window.

8 Receive Perfect Attendance Awards

James Koontz, Billy Penrose, Alice Lowe, William Glen Hart, Ila Fay Lowe, Oleta Kelp, Dorothy Walsh and Billy Claude Arnold students in the Stratford Grade School, were awarded perfect attendance certificates at the commencement program Friday night. These students were neither tardy nor absent during the school term. Certificates will be secured for high school students with a perfect attendance record and sent to them within a few weeks.

BAPTIST CHURCH

(J. H. Dean, Pastor)
Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Training Union 7:30 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:30 P. M.

We are having a fine Bible school. The attendance for Monday and Tuesday was 65 and Wednesday was 71.

There is a fine spirit in the school and we certainly appreciate the interest and cooperation of the parents. A cordial invitation is extended to those who have not yet attended.

B. Y. P. U.
Subject: The Southwide Quest for Souls.

Recent trends in Evangelism: Mrs. Lenning.

The Southwide Baptist Revival of 1939: Violet Chisum.

Participation in the Nation wide Baptist Evangelistic Crusade of 1940: Nellie Hogan.

Individual Christmas searching for souls: Ira Guthrie.

A Perennial soul-winning program for a church: Travis Blevins.

The Association co-operating in soul winning: Eugene Farris.

The Evangelistic Possibilities of the Baptist Training Union: Leon Guthrie.

Hopper Threat Grows

Grasshoppers are hatching in increasing numbers over many sections of the county and many are nearing the migratory stage, according to surveys completed by the County Agents staff. Government pickups are being used to scatter the poison along roads, over waste lands, and in pastures where farmers are unable to control the menace.

Approximately 32,900 pounds of the poison mash was spread Friday and Monday 16,900 pounds were issued from the Stratford mixing plant. Operations were shut down Tuesday because of high winds but were resumed Wednesday morning.

County Agent Goule is making an urgent appeal to farmers in infested areas to cooperate in the campaign to stamp out the menace.

Farmers needing assistance in spreading poison should apply to the county agents office. Another government field crew will be added this week to give assistance, but farmers must assume the complete responsibility of spreading poison bait over their fields.

REQUEST STATE ROAD HEARING

A request for a hearing before the State Highway Commission for State Designation of the Stratford-Gruver-Spearman road has been filed by the Sherman and Hansford County Commissioners' Courts. James G. Lott, District Engineer, who met with the road boosters Wednesday afternoon, promised to recommend the road for State designation.

Tent Theatre Showing Here Saturday Night

A program reported to be hailed with delight by lovers of stage entertainment is the famous play, "Down South of the Border," presented by the company of the same name, which will appear in Stratford Saturday, May 25, for one night only, in a brand new waterproof theatre, press agents state.

The actors appearing in this production are said to be some of the best in the amusement business, and the vaudeville numbers are said to be second to none. One of the many features carried by this tent show organization is Henry, world famous artist and magician, whose sand paintings are said to rival masterpieces of art. Henry created a sensation last season through Texas while appearing with Harley Sadler's tent theatre as a featured vaudeville attraction. A high class orchestra is carried under the direction of Robert Siler. "Down South of the Border," is a story of the romantic country across the Rio Grande, has a good love story, and abundance of comedy, with special scenery and lighting effects. This attraction will appear under the auspices of the American Legion.

Leslie Parker Buys Home

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Wheeler have sold Leslie Parker the 5-room residence just north of their home. The interior of the house is being redecorated and Mr. and Mrs. Parker plan to move to Stratford as soon as the work is completed.

POLITICAL Announcements

Candidates submitting their application for office subject to the action of the voters at the Democratic Primary July 27, 1940.

For County Treasurer: MRS. EVA ULLOM.

For Sheriff, Tax Assessor and Collector: J. W. GAROUTTE.

For County and District Clerk: J. R. PENDLETON.

For County Commissioner—Precinct No. 4: J. R. (Bob) MARSHALL, E. E. HAMILTON, B. I. CRUTCHFIELD, Sr.

For County Commissioner; Precinct No. 1: W. W. STEEL.

For State Senator; 31st Senatorial District: MAX W. BOYER, CURTIS DOUGLASS.

For County Judge and Ex-Officio Superintendent of Schools: L. P. HUNTER.

For District Attorney; 69th Judicial District: JOHN B. HONTS, J. D. THOMAS, MILTON TATUM.

For State Representative; 124th District: F. E. MULLINS.

For Representative; 18th Congressional District: TOM ELLZEY.

ROYAL PENDLETON IN CLINIC AT TEMPLE

Royal Pendleton, who has been ill health for the last few weeks, was taken to Temple, Texas Sunday by his brother, J. R. Pendleton, for a thorough physical examination in the clinic there.

If Abraham Lincoln were alive, he would probably have something to say about a world half democratic and half totalitarian.

IRISH EYES

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THE STORY THUS FAR

Sheila Carscadden, blue-eyed, reddish-haired and . . . loses her job in New York by offering useful but unwelcome suggestions to her boss. Typically feminine, she chooses that time to show her "new" purse—which she bought at a second-hand store, to her cousin, Cecilia Moore. The purse revives memories of a boy she had met the previous summer—a boy whose first name, all she remembered, was Peter. At home that evening, waiting for her, are her mother; Joe, her brother, and Angela, her crippled sister. Joe, too, has lost his job. During the not-so-happy evening Angela finds fifty dollars in a secret pocket in Sheila's purse. They are both happy at the discovery, only to be disheartened when Mrs. Carscadden tells Sheila the money must be returned to the person whose initials and street number are on the purse. Sheila is going to return the money dressed in an ancient outfit. Then, she feels, the owner will reward her liberally. She looks upon the escapade as a lark. She feels different when she enters the magnificent home, for the occupants prove to be the Mc Cann family, old friends, now wealthy, of Sheila's father. And there she sees Peter, her acquaintance of the previous summer! Sheila finds that Peter is Judge Mc Cann's son. Both Peter, and his brother Frank, are soon to be married. Frank offers to take her home, and Peter, secretly, places a slip of paper in her hand. The paper is a message, asking her to meet Peter at the library the next day. Against her will, Sheila goes to the library where she meets Peter. They talk, and she finds that, after all, she does not care for Peter. Preparing to leave, they find the library door locked! The building is closed, and no one can hear their shouts. Escape seems impossible, but Peter jumps from a window, and Sheila follows him. They are on the roof of an adjacent building. Climbing down a fire escape, they enter a studio room. There two men confront them with guns and make them prisoners. One of them, named Ken, tells her she will be home soon, but asks their names so he might wire their families that they are safe. They are bundled into a car, transferred to a truck, and head for the gangsters' hideout.

CHAPTER VII—Continued

On and on and on; the men spoke only occasionally in low tones; in the car never stopped. Every bone in Sheila's body was jarred and aching. Her head was dizzy, her thoughts wandered vaguely. Sometimes she fell into a moment's doze, only to be jerked awake again as the truck went over some rut or turned some corner.

"Oh, my God, my head!" Peter presently whispered.

"Keep quiet!" Sheila murmured.

A silence. Then he breathed again, in a more alert tone:

"Where are we?"

"I don't know. They're taking us somewhere in a truck."

"Bootleggers," Peter whispered.

"Sh-h!"

"What'd I do, drink something that was fixed?"

"I don't know. But your breath smelled like chloroform or something."

A long silence.

"This is state's prison for the whole lot of 'em," Peter said viciously.

"If we ever get out!"

"We'll get out all right," he said. He appeared to doze again, and breathed heavily. "It's state's prison, that's what it is," he said, raising, and speaking in an angry, droning voice.

"For heaven's sake, don't talk so loud!"

She became a little light-hearted in her turn. It was agony to rouse herself from the stupor that was half-consciousness to the full realization of pain and danger again.

"I'll never get over this; it's murder," Peter said.

Sheila, heavy against his shoulder, made no answer.

"Gosh, it'll be good to get rested somewhere."

"It'll be awful to start in—" she muttered.

When they finally did stop she could not be completely awakened. She was half-dragged, half-guided along a snowy path, up steps across a powdered, low, unrailed, country porch, and into a house not many degrees warmer than the outer world. Sheila saw a clock that said half past four looming at her, receding, suddenly growing enormous again. Her eyelids hurt, she turned her eyes away from a smoking lamp. Someone was helping her off with her wet, snowy coat; she cried out in sudden pain as her arms were moved. Her hat was off; the heaviness in her head was so bad that she stumbled blindly about, putting up her hand, trying to rub the wet tangle of her hair away.

There was a bleak-looking, flat iron bed, its mattress showing shabby and discolored under a heap of sodden comforters. But it was standing still, at least, with a floor under it, and walls steady about it, and the room was not utterly cold. Sheila kicked off her shoes, sank down, drew coverings about her. Somebody took away the lamp.

Waking was misery. Sheila had never before in her life wakened to such bewilderment and such physical discomfort at once. Where was she? What walls were these, and why was she asleep in her office dress?

She turned over, and her dank, sour, ripping bed covers gave forth a sickly, rancid smell. She sat up and brought her feet to the floor and looked about her.

It was daytime, anyway. For although the old-fashioned wooden shutters were closed, outside the room's four many-paned windows, there was light beyond. Rotting strips of old net hung at the windows; the floor was of old, poorly matched pine boards, upon which some filthy odds and ends of carpet were flung at untidy angles. There were some broken chairs in the room, a collapsing chest of drawers, lacking a foot and propped on a stout little cardboard box. Other furniture consisted only of her bed and two other similarly shabby iron beds, with thin mattresses and foul bedding. The walls were discolored and dark; the old wooden doors sagged in their frames and carried white china knobs. Sheila had never been in a decaying old farmhouse before, but she knew that she was in one now.

On one of the other beds Peter Mc Cann was heavily asleep, almost completely dressed. Lamely, slowly, Sheila walked over and stud-

ied his flushed, haggard, sleeping face for a few seconds. Then she went cautiously and peeped through the cracked old window glass and the slits in the shutters.

Outside was unbroken snow. There was not a track upon it; not another house in view. A prolonged hummock might have been the fence that outlined a road; she could not tell. Near the house she saw a barn, a well-sweep, outhouses, all muffled and disguised by the white powdering of the storm. Great bare trees stretched their branches overhead. The snow had stopped for the time being, but the restless airs were clicking the tree-branches and blowing the drifts about, and the low, leaden sky threatened to fall again.

The room in which she found herself was on the ground floor, the railless porch was just outside. The fields and what might have been the road sloped away in a series of rounded hills below the farmhouse and beyond everything vanished gently into a general dimness of snow and cloud.

Sheila jumped, but it was only Peter at her elbow.

"Where are we?"

"I don't know."

"Seen anyone this morning?"

"I just woke up."

"This is a hot one!" said Peter.

"Well, I know I'm freezing," Sheila said. She took a pocket comb from her handbag and ran it through her thick red hair. She rubbed her face with both palms, ordered her dress slightly and went to the door at the back of the room.

"Look out what you're doing!" Peter whispered sharply. But Sheila had already opened the door a crack and was peering through.

The room into which Sheila looked was unspcakably desolate and dirty, the floor littered with old newspapers, the windows sealed. The floor shook under her feet as she timidly ventured in. It had once been a dining-room. It was quite unfurnished now.

At one end an open door led into the front room that flanked the bedroom and here Sheila heard voices, mumbling, voices of men, and from this direction came also the smell of pipes and wood smoke. She turned to the back of the house, and with sure instinct opened still another door and went into the kitchen.

It was deserted, but the stove was hot, and there was food. Sheila pushed a coffeepot forward; hacked rather than cut stale slices off a round, hard loaf; broke eggs.

If the men in the sitting-room heard, they did not molest her. Presently toast and coffee and scrambled eggs were ready; she managed to extract plates, cups, from the incredible disorder of the kitchen; Peter joined her, and they cleared an end of the table and sat down together.

And never in her life, Sheila thought, had she tasted such food. It was delicious beyond anything imaginable; she felt that she could not get enough of the sour, toasted, buttered bread, the hot drink, the hot eggs. Color and courage returned with returning warmth and vitality.

An alarm clock, set down haphazard in the general confusion, said twelve o'clock.

"Peter, can it be twelve o'clock?" He looked at his wrist.

"Stopped," he said, winding his watch. "It might be."

Sheila half filled her cup, luxuriating in comfort. She went on eating without further comment.

The old kitchen was on a level two steps below the rest of the house. It ran straight across the back of the building and had windows on both sides. From these there was the same vista; snow, meadows leveled under blankets of white, trees and the dim far perspective of horizon, sky and whitened world.

"What'd they say to you?"

"Who?"

"Those fellers in there."

"Nobody's spoken to me at all," she said.

"What's—have you found out—what's the big idea?"

Peter looked cautiously toward the front room as he spoke, and Sheila answered almost inaudibly:

"We got mixed in just at the time they were afraid of something, see? And they didn't dare give us—let us go, for fear we'd leave them away."

"By gosh, it's like a play. And do they get us back today?"

"I don't know."

On the back of the stove there was a great black pot in which a colossal cut of beef wallowed in broth; Sheila drew it forward, salvaged what potatoes she could from a dish into which spoons and apple-peelings had been thrust, cut onions into the mess and set it to decent pot-roast simmering.

CHAPTER VIII

A hideous face looked into the kitchen; it would have appalled her yesterday. But she was warm and fed, now, and busy and needed, and this filled the need of her woman's heart.

"Dinner?" this apparition said hoarsely.

"Yep. In about half an hour," Sheila responded briskly. "You tell them to wash their hands!"

She saw the villainous face stare at her oddly. The man vanished.

"You've got a nerve!" Peter said, fearfully. "They might kill us for less than that!"

"Oh, shucks!" Sheila said boldly. "Give me those plates."

Impressed, Peter obeyed her meekly.

A minute later the man called Ken came into the kitchen. He had evidently just arrived, for his face was red with cold, and his gloves and coat wet. He looked curiously at



Outside was unbroken snow.

Sheila and nodded to her without a smile. For a full two minutes he stood warming himself by the stove, watching her.

"You seem to have fitted in all right," Ken said. He ground his cold hands together. "Something smells good," he added. And then, with the nearest approach to a smile she had ever seen in him, "I hear we have to wash our hands?"

To this Sheila made no response. She was embarrassed. She stirred the thickening stew carefully.

She gathered that they liked the potroast and the spaghetti. Anyway, they ate quantities of it, mountains of it, with all the gravy and vegetables that she could scrape up from the big baking pan in which she had served the tremendous meal. They had put wine on the table; Peter drank some of it, but Sheila would not touch it.

The atmosphere seemed lighter, somehow, as they ate together. She had begun to feel lame and tired and drowsy, but there was no more fear. It was only with a real effort that she roused herself, afterward, and began the business of clearing up.

To her surprise they all helped her; she tore the red tablecloth into four pieces that each assistant might have his own. They carried the remains of the stew into the ice-cold pantry, piled the plates neatly, drew back the chairs, and one brigand secured a wisp of broom somewhere and brushed the rough old floor.

"They're just like Neely and Joe," she thought.

She could smile as she asked for a hod of coal, a bucket of water.

"There!" Sheila said in satisfaction, when all this was done. She was exhausted now, and drawing a deep old rocker close to the stove, and catching up a coverless movie magazine that happened to be in the woodbox, she composed herself for a rest.

The men were trying to persuade Peter to something; Peter was unwilling.

"They're just going to bring some wood into the front room," Ken explained, in his characteristically careless way. "Go along and help them!"

He and Sheila were left alone in the kitchen, with the warmth and the smells of food and fire and soap-suds, in the gathering dusk. It was not quite half past four o'clock, but the brief stormy day was closing in. The man sat down, lighted his pipe and stretched his legs.

"Well, you got the boys tamed," he said then.

Sheila not proving responsive, he pulled on his pipe in silence, and

the girl fell into a tired dream, starting at the fire. Presently he began again:

"So you thought my mother was dead, hay? No, sir, my little mother is very much alive. She's got chickens, she's got a garden, she drives an old Ford."

"How long since you've seen her?" the girl asked politely.

"How long since I've seen my mother? Four years."

"Oh—" Sheila said, widening her eyes into their surprised babyish look. "That's too long."

"Without seeing your mother, hay? Well, that," Ken said, with his patronizing, complacent air, "that's what it is."

"Maybe mothers are different," Sheila suggested. "But my mother is crazy about us. She was left a widow, you know; she had to take state help, for a while. But she never would give one of us up, she just raised the roof when they wanted to take Angela and keep her in a hospital. No matter what you do, my mother'll make excuses for you. Once I was terribly saucy to Sister Reglus—"

She fell silent. For a few minutes Ken was silent, too.

Then he said, in a nettled tone: "And what makes you think my mother's any different from yours?"

Sheila considered this.

"Well, I hope she is!" she said finally, with a little laugh.

"Why do you hope she is?"

"Because if she isn't—she's worried."

"To show you how crazy she is—my mother, I mean," Ken said. "I had an old hound—listen, he didn't amount to a hill of beans. He was just naturally an old ringer. You wouldn't have fed him."

He stopped to laugh and to remember, and seemed to forget her for a minute.

"This old wreck," he began again with relish, "would sorter hang around, and finally I got to calling him 'Cap,' and he stayed with us; he was my dog. Well, after I left home, darned if my mother didn't keep that old dog and take care of him, and every time she wrote to me it'd be how old Cap was coming on, and how he missed me, and everything. It was a riot!"

"Well, I can tell you something about your mother, then," Sheila said, briskly, after a pause. "I don't care whether it means anything to you or not, but I know how it is, because I know how we are, with Ma."

"My mother goes into Joe Carscadden's room every night, and kisses him, after he's gone to bed, and tucks things in around his neck. And she'll say, 'Did you say your prayers, Joe?' and 'Do you love Ma, Joe?' as if he was two years old."

"Sure—" Ken began. He cleared his throat again. "Sure, they're all like that!" he said with bravado.

"Your mother," Sheila continued inexorably, "never goes into church but what she prays for you, that you'll be good and that you'll come home some day. You can bet on that! Every time she meets the neighbors she tells them how well you're doing. Every time she cooks something you used to like, she thinks, 'This is the way I did it for him!'"

"I know, I tell you," Sheila said, warming, "because I know how Ma is! She wants us with her; she doesn't care about anything else as long as we're all home."

"It would be a swell thing," Ken said, in a guarded, careful tone, "to go home to your mother without your stake, and without a job! You told me yesterday," he said, "that I'd never make my stake at this kind of thing. Well, maybe I never will. I was thinking last night that even some of the old fellers, even when they keep out of trouble, haven't got anything to show for it. There's too many in the business, and there's too many down and out that come to find you and make a touch," he said. "I've not got anything. If I could put my hand on five thousand dollars, it's all I could clean up in a hurry."

"Five thousand dollars!" Sheila echoed.

"What the hell kind of a business could you go into with that!" he said irritably.

"That seems to me a lot of money. I wish my brother Joe had it," Sheila added, as Ken did not speak. "When my brother had pneumonia last year," she went on, "the doctor at Lincoln told him to get into some business that he had to work hard in—you know, with his hands. The doctor said that if more men had to work in—" Sheila hesitated, "in perspiring businesses, you know?" she resumed, "there'd be much less illness. And Joe said that if he had a few hundred he'd go over to Astoria, or somewhere like that, and go into the building business."

"A carpenter, hay?"

"Well," Sheila retorted sharply, stung by his lazily scornful tone, "our Lord was a carpenter!"

"That's right, too," Ken admitted. "And you wouldn't have to stay a day-laborer. You could get to be a contractor."

Sheila's thoughts reverted to a previous topic. "I can't get over your mother taking care of that old dog," she said.

Again Ken made no comment. After a moment he asked, abruptly, "You're not stuck on this feller?"

"On Peter? He's going to be married Tuesday."

"Well, I thought you weren't."

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IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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Lesson for May 26

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JEREMIAH ANNOUNCES THE NEW COVENANT

LESSON TEXT—Jeremiah 31:31-37.
GOLDEN TEXT—I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.—Jeremiah 31:33.

God's law written in the hearts of all men—surely that is the ultimate goal of all of our efforts, and therein we will find the solution of all of our problems. Jeremiah the prophet, in the midst of a despairing people with only captivity and sorrow before them because of their sinful rebellion against God, gives a prophetic foregleam of the day when all Israel and Judah should know God. Sin was to be forgiven, fellowship restored, and men over all the earth were to know God. Obviously, that prophecy is still future for Israel, but in the meantime God has permitted us to enter into the enjoyment of our covenant of grace.

1. The Old Covenant (vv. 31, 32).

The promise of a new covenant at once raises the question, "What was the old covenant?" We do not have space to make any complete study of it, but we note that while God did make a great covenant with Abraham, founding the nation of Israel (Gen. 17:1-14), the reference by Jeremiah is evidently to the covenant with Moses (Exod. 20-23). We observe that it was

1. National (v. 32). The old covenant was made with Israel only, and could bring blessing to the other nations of the earth only indirectly, as they might share the peace and prosperity which would have come to Israel had they been obedient to God. God was here dealing with a chosen nation for whom He had a specific plan and purpose.

2. Limited (v. 32). The blessing of the old covenant was limited not only in the sense that it was national, but also in that it was conditional. God's promise hinged on His word in Exodus 19:5: "Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people." In other words, the fulfillment of this covenant was dependent on the faithfulness of the people. We know that they failed.

3. Broken by Israel (v. 32). God was like "an husband" (v. 32) unto Israel. He was patient, tender, forgiving, always trying to restore them to Himself. He used His great power on their behalf as He "took them by the hand," and yet we read "my covenant they brake" (v. 32). Human failure in spite of God's promise and goodness, that is the history of man under law. Now, however, we turn to the new covenant of grace.

II. The New Covenant (vv. 33-37).

Jeremiah looked forward to the day when there was to be a covenant that is

1. Personal (v. 33). The reference here is not to a law written in a book, which may be neglected or forgotten, or broken because there is no power in man to keep it. This new law is to be written in the hearts of men. It is personal—not something which he shares as a member of a great nation.

2. Universal (v. 34). From the least to the greatest, every man shall know God. That promise awaits its future complete fulfillment to Israel (and remember that God has not forgotten His people). Even now, however, we have the spiritual fulfillment of the promise in the Church. It is true now that, regardless of nationality, education, wealth, or position, the grace of God is made manifest in the hearts of men and women everywhere.

3. Assured by God (vv. 35-37). The old covenant of law failed, for it hinged upon the faithfulness of undependable man—"If ye will" (Exod. 19:5). But the new covenant of grace rests upon the "I will" of God (v. 34; see also Heb. 8:10-12). This is indeed "a better covenant, which was established upon better promises" (Heb. 8:6). It is an "everlasting covenant" (Heb. 13:20).

Be Satisfied

I say to thee, be thou satisfied. It is recorded of the hares that with a general consent they went to drown themselves, out of a feeling of their misery; but when they saw a company of frogs more fearful than they were, they began to take courage and comfort again. Compare thine estate with others.—Robert Burton.

Doing Good Secretly

When others do you a favor speak of it. When you do your neighbor, a kindness, let him find it out; then you will find a lot of satisfaction in the fact that you have been decent.—Van Amburgh.

Summing It Up

The man who has begun to live more seriously within, begins to live more simply without.—Phillips Brooke.

AMERICAN POSITION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Behind the President's speech to the American Scientific conference was a very genuine worry over the protection of the Western hemisphere.

The President threw aside a speech which had been prepared for several days before, and during the tense hours just after Holland and Belgium were invaded he dictated a new draft which emphasized the importance of Pan-American unity, plus force, to protect these continents. He even raised the question whether the American nations could stand idly by while dictators conquer the rest of the world.

Behind all this were some very careful studies which the President and his naval and military strategists have been making of Western hemisphere defense.

It may sound like scare headlines, but it is no exaggeration to say that to the strategists who take out paper and pencil to figure on protecting the U. S. A., Nazi activities in Norway, Denmark, Holland and Belgium have meant the very definite scrapping (for the first time in our 164-year history) of George Washington's Farewell Address on American isolation.

Here is how the strategists figure it out. The keystone of American defense has been:

1. A big navy in the Pacific.
2. Friendship with Great Britain, which rules the waves of the Atlantic.

Assuming that the British fleet should disappear from the Atlantic, the United States would then have to maintain two fleets—one for the Pacific and one for the Atlantic. And it would take at least four years to build a new fleet for the Atlantic.

RIGHT ON FOREIGN FORECAST

No matter what they may think of Roosevelt's domestic policies or politics, some of his severest critics give him credit for being absolutely right on foreign strategy.

Exactly two years ago the President told his cabinet in categorical terms that he was convinced war was inescapable in Europe, and that the results would be serious in the extreme for the democracies.

Last summer, also, he informed congressional leaders that war was inevitable in the autumn—and got scoffed at for his warning.

In view of the President's consistent record for accuracy on things international, his present views are very much worth recording.

By nature, Roosevelt is an optimist. But regarding the present allied position he is not optimistic. In fact, he is inclined to think that the allies are in for a defeat, that their situation is much more serious than the American public realizes.

Naturally, the President is not expressing these views publicly. Also they are subject to change. But the close study he is giving to the Monroe Doctrine, the defense of the American continent, and especially to the possibility of enemy air bases in Iceland, Mexico, and around Panama, all indicate that he is figuring on the distinct possibility of a crushing allied defeat.

RED HERRING

One of the weapons of modern war is the red herring. Honor has departed from warfare. The Nazis used subterfuge to get into Norway, German aviators dressed in Dutch uniforms to land in Holland. Italy maneuvered in the Mediterranean to keep the British from sending too many ships to Scandinavia. Mussolini was the red herring.

Therefore, it is not unreasonable to figure that if Germany ever wanted to land troops in the Western hemisphere, Japan would be the red herring, would send her fleet toward Hawaii. Probably she would not land in Hawaii, but merely maneuver enough to keep the U. S. fleet in the Pacific, prevent it from protecting the Atlantic coast.

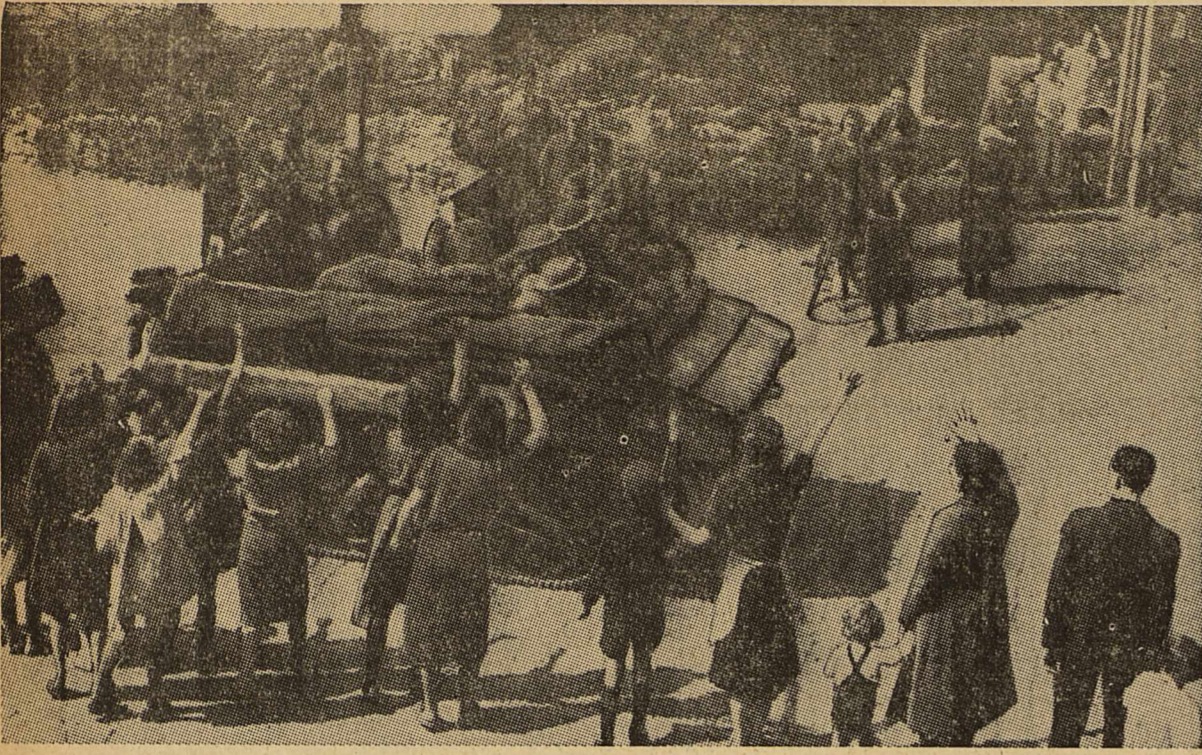
At present only four cruisers, plus one small airplane carrier and some decrepit destroyers, guard the Atlantic. Before the Pacific fleet could return through Panama to the Atlantic, Germany could land all the troops she wanted in Trinidad, or Puerto Rico, or the northern tip of South America.

Military minds calculate that German troops even could be landed in Newfoundland, which has, at Botwood, one of the best airports in the world. And from Botwood, they could land in Maine about as fast as U. S. forces could concentrate against them.

Germany, however, is not likely to bother with New England. Far wealthier, far more important are the oil fields of Venezuela, the tropical plantations of Brazil, the wheat fields of Argentina. Here there are large groups of German and Italian settlers.

Important fact: The Low Countries now invaded by Hitler are among the most densely populated in the world, have no raw materials. Outside of Africa, the wealthiest raw material area in the world, also the least populated, lies under the Monroe Doctrine.

British Troops Hailed as 'Saviours of Belgium'



Although many other pictures have appeared since that day, none tells more clearly than the above the enthusiasm with which the Belgians welcomed the first appearance of British troops to combat the second German invasion of their country in a quarter of a century. This picture was among the very first radioed on that historic day.

Mother's Residence in U. S. Legalized by President



The family of Fred C. Bucholz, a Los Angeles, Calif., war veteran, gives thanks for the action of President Roosevelt in signing his name to a document which kept the family together. The bill which the President signed was introduced in congress by the American Legion, and legalized the entry of Mrs. Bucholz into the United States for permanent residence. Canadian-born Mrs. Bucholz was about to be separated from her family by deportation proceedings.

Slothful Ways Are Natural to Him



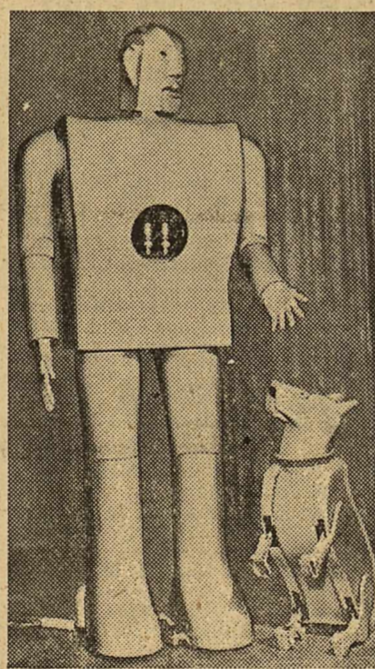
An animal that makes a habit of spring fever, regardless of the season, is the sloth, world's laziest animal. Here one of them "speeds" up a pole held by its captor, A. W. Anderson, who returned recently to the United States from Nicaragua with two dozen of the slow-moving creatures in his charge.

He Boosts Willkie for G.O.P. Nomination



Looking at a picture of Wendell Willkie, his favorite presidential candidate, is Russell W. Davenport, who recently resigned his position as editor of Fortune magazine in order to promote Willkie for President. Willkie, president of the Commonwealth & Southern Utilities, frequently has been mentioned as a Republican "dark horse."

Mechanical Mutt



Elektro, the mechanical man, and Sparko, the mechanical dog, get together in New York, where they are on display at the fair. Sparko barks, wags his tail and sits up. Elektro is equally versatile.

'Fightingest Man'



Gen. Paul Rollet, 71, "fightingest man in France," has requested active war duty. Rollet was retired in 1937, after 46 years of service. He is one year younger than Gen. Maxime Wegand, allied army head in the Near East.

FARM TOPICS

HIGH-GRADE HAY SAVES FEED COST

Fertility Value of Legumes Is Also Beneficial.

By W. B. NEVENS

(Professor of Dairy Cattle Feeding, Illinois College of Agriculture.)

Producing and feeding high-quality hay is one of the best ways to lower live stock feeding costs.

To make the present conservation program of growing more acres of soil-building legumes and fewer acres of soil-depleting cash crops more effective, high-quality hay for live stock feed and the poorer grades for bedding, which can be returned to the soil in the form of manure, should be used. On most farms material savings in the cost of producing live stock and live stock products result from feeding more high-quality hay and less grain for each animal unit.

Then too only high-quality legume hay sells for more than the value of the phosphorus, nitrogen and potassium it contains. The fertility value of alfalfa, clover and soybean hay is \$8 to \$9 a ton. This means that a profit is possible only on the highest grades when one is raising hay for market.

Quality in hay really means feed value. The factors which affect quality include maturity or ripeness, percentage of leaves, color, foreign material such as weeds mixed with the hay, soundness or condition, size and pliability of the stems, and the aroma.

From the standpoint of the chemist who analyzes hay samples, quality in hay refers mainly to its protein, carbohydrate, mineral and vitamin content. From the feeder's standpoint, the extent to which these nutritive elements are present is represented by the quality factors, such as maturity, leafiness, and green color, that can be judged by examining the hay.

New Cheap Treatment

Preserves Fence Posts

Farmers in the past have been forced to shy away from pine, poplar and some of the common hardwoods when they selected trees for fence posts, but Parker O. Anderson, extension forester, Minnesota university farm, says that a new "tire tube" method of treatment is going to change all that.

It has been known for many years that if preservatives were used, posts would last much longer. Former methods of treatment were slow, awkward and expensive, however, and never received popular approval.

The new plan involves the use of a cheap preservative, zinc chloride, which is applied to green posts through inner tubes tightly stretched around the large ends of the posts. The preservative is measured and poured into the tubes while the posts lie at an inclined angle. Eight to 24 hours are needed for the chloride to seep into the wood and replace the sap.

Cheap, practical and efficient—the new method is bound to prove a big source of savings to farmers, says Anderson. By using it, abundant, fast-growing trees may be converted into posts that will last about as long as cedar. Cost of the materials used will vary with the variety of wood, also the size and condition that it is in, but for ordinary posts it averages about six cents each.

Wild Game on Farm

Can Be a 'Pay' Crop

Farmers who support game on their farms are just as much justified in expecting some return from it as for their crops of oats, beef or corn, says Donald Hatfield of the University of Minnesota. He suggests farmer-sportsman cooperatives to protect the farmer against trespass abuse and to give the hunter more land to shoot over.

Michigan, Ohio and Iowa are some of the states where cooperatives have been set up. By this plan, the farmer furnishes the land and grain and the sportsman contributes cash either directly to the farmer or toward increasing the game supply.

The best plan, says Hatfield, is for several farmers to form an association aggregating not more than 4,000 acres in a solid block. Post the area and make rules regarding the number of hunters per unit of area. From one to three hunters for each 50 acres probably is the best number to start with. Keep the price low but high enough to support improvements.

Farm Notes

One ton of grain to each cow each year is a good general formula for dairy cattle.

Last year bankruptcies among farmers dropped to the lowest point in almost two decades.

If a cold chisel becomes mushroom-headed, reduce the turned edges with a grinder until the driving end is slightly smaller than the haft of the tool.



WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON
(Consolidated Features—WNU Service.)

NEW YORK.—There is a bitter outcry in the press coop as Air Marshal Arthur S. Barratt tells the correspondents in France that hereafter they must feed on handouts—no more digging out their own stories. British newspaper owners retaliate by calling home the newsmen. It is one of several unfortunate instances of ineffective co-operation between British high command and the newspapers.

Foreign correspondents I have talked to have told me that the British air service, staffed by younger men than is the army, has been far less encumbered with brass hats and bureaucracy, and that its higher ranking officers understood and cooperated with newspaper men. Hence the handout order, a sweeping decree in barring journalists from all news sources, comes from an unsuspected quarter.

Marshal Barratt was appointed to the command of the newly created unified French-British air force by Neville Chamberlain January 10 of this year. He is 49 years old, a lavishly decorated flier and air officer of the World War, in India at intervals since 1931, senior air officer for India during part of that period. He joined the Royal Flying Corps in 1914 and fought through the war. He has been commandant of the R. A. F. staff college at Andover. Many of the most effective leaders of the British air force have come from the Colonies. Marshal Barratt was born at Clifton, England, and was educated at Clifton college and Woolwich.

IN THESE days, someone is always asking, "Watchman, what of the night?"

"Not so good," says Dr. Alfred V. Kidder, the distinguished archeologist, addressing the American Philosophical society. He thinks the present social order is on the skids.

As he sees it, "the underlying cause" of our present afflictions is the fact that man has made a "cultural machine," that is a new complex of living techniques, which is out-of-hand, unmanageable and quite generally haywire. Henry Adams predicted that at the turn of the century, when he saw, for the first time, a flock of dynamos. He said, in effect, that there would be power like that. That's the end of "The Education of Henry Adams."

Dr. Kidder, with a Harvard doctorate, 1914 model, delved as far into the past as any other living man before his current peek into the future. In excavations in Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Egypt and Greece, he brooded over many a "poor Yorick" of forgotten ages. Aside from his gloomy preoccupations with destiny, or lack of it, he's a happy man, with five children and apparently a firm belief that the coming smash won't be the final write-off. He is highly renowned in his profession and was president of the Society for American Archeology in 1937.

Unhappily Charles F. Schwab is no longer here to assure us that everything is all right. He used to be helpful in times like this.

DOROTHY STICKNEY, the actress who gets the Barter Theater award for the best performance of the season in "Life With Father,"

Blind Until 20, She Reaches Top By the Hard Way

was virtually blind in her youth. Reared on a North Dakota prairie, the daughter of a country doctor, she had studied elocution and immediately headed for a stage career when her sight was all but miraculously restored when she was 20. At St. Paul, she and three other girls formed a traveling singing and dancing troupe called "The Southern Belles." It faded quickly and she came along up in Broadway by the hard road. Her first bell-ringing role was Molly Malloy, the street walker, in "The Front Page." At Skowhegan, Maine, she met and married Howard Lindsay, co-star in "Life With Father."

THE London Times scolds A. P. Herbert, parliamentary gag-man and ironist, for being too funny at a serious time, but he is still at it, this time in a book, "General Cargo," in which he spoofs much of the visible and audible England, before and after Munich. It's all typically British, however, and seems to stack up with what they're fighting for. Frequently his jokes go through channels, appearing in Punch, but sometimes he explodes them in parliament, frequently with salutary effect.

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PERSONAL

Miss Elsie Ellison, Amarillo, was the week end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ellison.

W. G. O'Brien received 500 head of mixed cattle Wednesday from Big Spring, Texas, to pasture this summer.

W. N. Price returned Tuesday from a business trip to Artesia, N. M.

Mrs. Loyd Brannan and children

left Friday for Colorado Springs for a months visit with Mr. Brannan, who is with the Soil Conservation Service.

Mrs. Leslie Parker and Mrs. Louie Green visited in Dalhart Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bird, Alvoird, Texas, Mrs. H. L. Vincent, Wichita Falls, Texas, and Mrs. Elizabeth Lunn of Olney, Texas, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. O'Brien and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. O'Brien from Friday to Tuesday.

From here they went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Alexander near Gruver for a visit.

Mrs. Sallie V. McAdams and son, Randolph, motored to Dalhart Saturday afternoon and spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. Gene Foster. Sunday morning they went to Amarillo to visit Misses Rowena and Alice McAdams, returning Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burk, Amarillo, announce the birth of a daughter Friday, May 17. Mrs. Burk will be remembered as Miss Elizabeth Harris.

G. L. Taylor attended a meeting of Democratic County Chairmen in Amarillo Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Albert and children are in Houston for a visit with relatives.

Miss Alfreda Armstrong, Boise City, is in charge of the local telephone office while Mrs. Schafer is away.

Frank Doby left Tuesday for Panhandle after a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Doby.

Walton Wilson, Boise City, visited relatives in Stratford Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Weaver and daughters left Saturday for a months vacation in the Eastern States and Canada.

Mrs. A. C. Potts and Mrs. Condy Doneison met A. C. Potts, Jr., in Amarillo Monday evening. He is stationed with the Marine Corps at Norfolk, Virginia, and is home on a 30-day furlough.

D. R. Wilson and children were Amarillo visitors Tuesday.

Miss Fannie Sue James, Kerrick, came to Stratford Sunday to complete her course in short hand and is in the home of Mrs. M. R. Robinson.

Arthur Ross transacted business in Amarillo Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Crabtree, Dalhart, visited her parents, Judge and Mrs. J. W. Elliott Sunday afternoon.

Gene Wilson visited with his sister, Mrs. Ethel Howlett, Sunday in Guymon. Mrs. C. A. Wilson who has been visiting there returned home with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Woodward and daughter, Beaver, Okla., spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. J. P. Roberts.

Mrs. Henry Beachum and daughters arrived Sunday for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. John Lavake.

Mr. Lavake and daughter.

Mrs. H. M. Brown and Mary Elizabeth left Sunday for Kinsley, Kansas to attend the funeral of a cousin, returning home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wilson and son of Beaver, Okla., were week end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Massie.

Mrs. J. P. Smith is confined to her home by an attack of influenza and other complications. Mrs. Paul Dixon, Amarillo, is here helping care for her mother. Mrs. H. L. Brown and son of Santa Barbara, arrived Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Reeder, Perryton, spent Sunday with Mrs. C. V. Collins.

Miss Eudora Farris has accepted a position in the local telephone office.

Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Batterson were visitors here Monday.

Mrs. W. D. Green returned Sunday from Colorado. Her mother, Mrs. H. J. Gryder, came with her for a visit.

W. L. Crouch, Dalhart, transacted business here Saturday.

Mrs. Hilma Cleveland, Amarillo, spent the week end with relatives in Stratford.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Yates, Miss Evelyn Cooper, Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Thompson, and Leonard Thompson of Tirockmorton attended the baccalaureate services at Gruver Sunday night. Rev. Thompson preached the baccalaureate sermon.

Fred Dodson, Toghoma, transacted business here Monday.

Mrs. J. W. Sims is enjoying a visit from her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell of Liberal, Kansas.

Mrs. F. B. Mullins, Mrs. H. T. Jackson, Misses Selma Mullins and Marcella Garrison were visitors in Dalhart Monday.

N. D. Kelp visited his sister, Mrs. Stewart Davis, in Dalhart Sunday.

Lee Olaker, Texhoma, visited friends here Monday.

Miss Folellen Field left Saturday morning for her home in Dallas with her sister and brother-in-law.

ily, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Turner and family, Mr. and Mrs. Louie Brannan and family, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Brannan and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cromer and family, Mrs. E. Keenan and family, Mrs. Kirk Spearman, Mrs. Bud Parvin and daughter, Carroll Ann.

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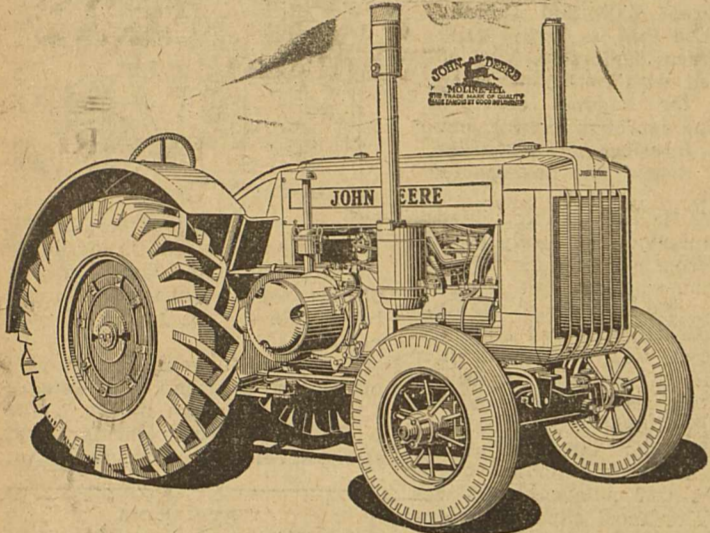
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Busy Workers Club

The Busy Workers Club met May 9 in the home of Mrs. Jeff Farris for an all day meeting. The losing side in our membership drive entertained with an ice cream social at the home of Mrs. E. Keenan May 10 for each member and their families. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Farris and family, Mr. and Mrs. Eck Koontz and family, Mrs. Lena McWilliams and children, Mrs. Mullican, Mrs. Lucille Kerns and Norma Louise, Mr. and Mrs. Elyvins and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. Wolfrum and family.

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SUN FLOWERS

(By Mrs. A. Folsom)

On the road to Amarillo
Such beauty do I see
Of yellow, yellow sun flowers
Gods gift to you and me.

Oh, pretty, pretty, yellow heads
That nod from either side
I feel I'm in a grand parade
As down the road I glide.

You're the Kansas flower, I know,
From our friendly Northern state
But thats only just a little way
So what difference does it make.

If you bloom along our road side
With your faces to the sky
You will make me all the happier
As I go riding by.

Oh! pretty, yellow sun flowers
We hope you're here to stay
To make our traveling cheerful
As we ride the States hi-ways.

NEW BUS SCHEDULE FOR STRATFORD

J. F. Lamb, district passenger agent for Santa Fe Trailways, announced today that effective June 2, the Santa Fe Trailways will add another schedule to its present service through Stratford.

The new schedule will offer direct service to Chicago and Los Angeles leaving Stratford at 9:00 A. M. East bound, and 3:30 P. M. West bound. Air conditioned equipment will be used on these runs.

Increased bus travel and improvement in Highway 54 was given as the company's reason for taking advantage of the shortest route between the West coast and Chicago in establishing the new service.

Study Care Of Furniture

It is easier to keep our furniture in good shape than it is to repair it, Miss Betty Farley, H. D. Agent, told members of the Spurlock Home Demonstration club when they met with Mrs. Roscoe Folsom May 9.

Before starting to refinish a piece of furniture, consider what change you want to make and then decide what finish to use, Miss Farley continued. Remove the old finish with sand paper, varnish remover, sal soda or a lye paste before applying the new finish. If the wood is porous, use a wood fil-

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ler. If you use a stain, use an oil stain. If you prefer varnish, get the best quality of varnish.

Refreshments were served to the following club members and visitors: Mesdames A. Folsom, H. Folsom, F. M. Foreman, A. Cummings, L. A. Flyr, M. Sweny, Elmer Hudson, Eugene Hudson, Ted Reynolds, Verne Morse, T. Spurlock, Julia Tafoya and Miss Betty Farley.

The club meets today with Mrs. Meritt Sweny. Visitors are always welcome.

Army Calls For New Recruits

Sgt. R. A. Jackson, Amarillo army recruiting officer, announces that he will accept several hundred young men from the Panhandle in the army expansion program now underway for National Defense. Applicants accepted are forwarded at once to training camps with all expenses paid by the government.

\$10,000 In Parity Checks Arrive

\$10,000 in 1940 parity checks have been distributed among Sherman County farmers by the County Agents office this week.

FOUR LADIES ON RADIO PROGRAM SATURDAY MORNING

Mrs. Arthur Folsom, Mrs. Travis Spurlock, Mrs. Meritt Sweny and Miss Doris Leggit, district agent, appeared on a radio program over KGNC Saturday morning. Mrs. O. R. Blankenship, who was to have taken part on the program was unable to be present.

Miss Leggit discussed the free cotton program. Mrs. Folsom and Mrs. Spurlock discussed slip covers for the home and gave directions for making a cording presser foot.

Mrs. Sweny and Mrs. Folsom dis-

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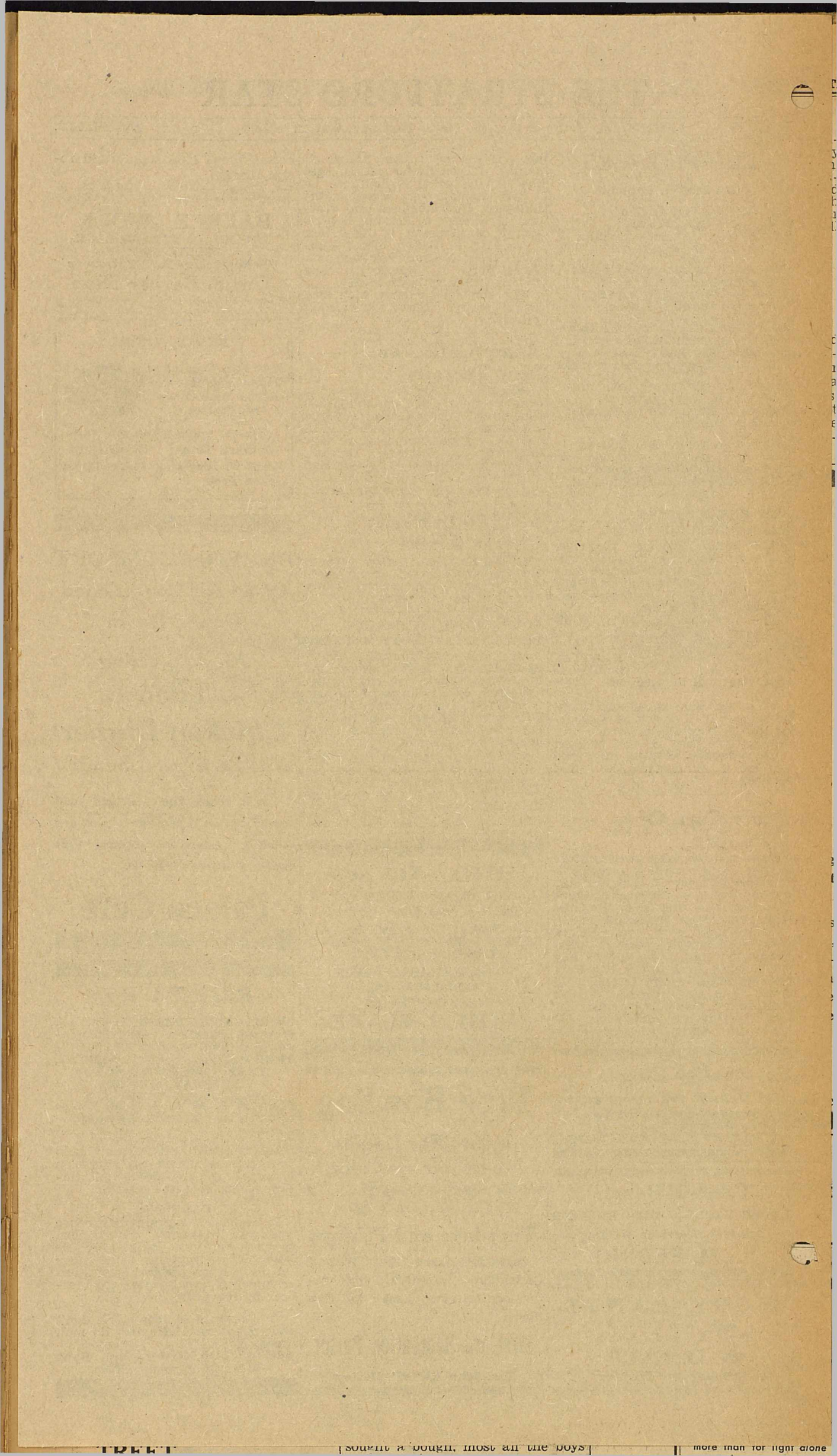
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From the HUDDLE

W. O. BRYANT is watching the growth of a new type of black hull wheat which is said to mature about 15 days earlier than the average.

Elmer Hudson compliments the ability of the Stratford School band. They're better than we used to be," he comments with reference to the 30-piece concert band organized in Stratford in 1923.

Pet Poodles may be due for a tax in the near future according to the findings of the Texas Tax Relief Committee. Their survey shows the county pays approximately \$12,000 a year in taxes on sugar

but is one of the 100 who do not collect a tax on dogs.

C. E. Harris and Glen Reed have about recovered from punching cows the motor-horse way. They spent a rather exhaustive day not so long ago attempting to get Glen's milk cow home. She just wouldn't be driven by a car or on foot. She tore up the trailer in which they placed her and broke loose from the pickup they tied her to make her lead; only to run home without further strife.

Soft Ball Enthusiasts are still on the fence. During the dry months of the early part of the year, they had plans for a strong season but improved moisture conditions have them wondering if they will have time for the sport.

4 O'clock Garden Club Ladies are making a wonderful change in the appearance of many of the homes in Stratford. It looks as though everyone will have to pull a few weeds or become ashamed.

Soil Conservation District organization of the county must be completed in the near future to prevent removal of equipment and assistance from this region according to authentic but unofficial reports. Soil conservation districts are locally organized and locally governed for the purpose of unified action by farmers in a soil conservation program, and provide a medium through which farmers may work together in attacking the wide variety of land use problems. Through their local land use planning groups have an opportunity to transform plans into actual work on the land, giving farmers in the districts an opportunity to carry out land use and erosion control programs with assistance from various government agencies if they request their assistance. The program of the districts is purely voluntary on the part of the farmers, and work is done only upon request of farm operators. Principal means of assistance which the districts can receive from the Soil Conservation Service is the loan of heavy equipment for constructing terraces and other structures, technical aid in running terrace and contour lines, conservation and range surveys, farm planning, and the furnishing of limited amounts of trees and grass seed. CCC and WPA labor may be made available for aiding farmers in the district who request assistance in their operations, which include retirement of lands from cultivation. Unofficial announcements have been made to the effect that the work of the local staff of the Soil Conservation Service may be completed June 1 and all equipment moved. Recent appropriations make it almost prohibitive for the continuation of the service in counties where Soil Conservation Districts have not been organized. The organization or rejection of this plan for soil conserving measures remains with the farmers who have been discussing its features since the passage of the Soil Conservation Law by the State Legislature.

Phoney Salesmen are coming back to Sherman County with the return of the appearance of prosperity. A salesman hit the business district only a few weeks ago, taking orders for various supplies at such low prices that local dealers were stunned. Part cash and in some instances the payment for the entire order was placed with him. When the orders failed to arrive, those writing the company he was supposed to represent were informed no such a man had the right to represent them.

My son, My son— Please, he cried, with fire and fervor. But his pleading wouldn't swerve her. No, she said in a forceful tone. Please he begged with a desperate moan. But Ma, he sobbed as she sought a bough, most all the boys go barefoot now.

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No. 2½ Tin 18
DRIED PRUNES
10 Pound Box 65
BORDEN'S MALTED MILK
29
TREET LUNCH MEAT
12 Ounce Can 23
CRACKERS
Sun-Ray
2 Pound Box 15
SHREDDED WHEAT
2 Packages for 19
EDGEMONT SMACKS
Large Size
2 Boxes for 25
PINTO BEANS
3 Pounds for 17
TOMATO JUICE
Tall Can, 3 for 16
SWEET CORN
No. 2 Tins, 3 for 25
HOMINY
No. 2 Tins, 2 for 15
PRUNES
Gallon 24
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If They're Any More BARGAINS We'll Have Them

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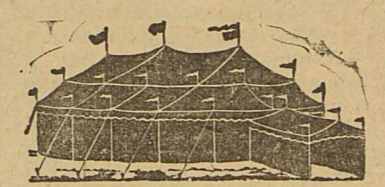
STRATFORD DEMONSTRATION CLUB MEETS TUESDAY

The Stratford Home Demonstration Club will meet Tuesday, May 28, at 2:00 P. M. in the club room. Miss Farley will give a demonstration on refinishing furniture and the Mother's Day program which had been planned for the regular meeting the first of the month will be given.

Contour Furrows Hold Run-Off Water On Pastures

Overgrazing of pastures should be avoided at all times and especially at this time of the year when soil blowing is becoming a serious problem in many areas, warns Jody F. Boston, Agronomist of the Soil Conservation Service Demonstration Project at Stratford.

Saturday 25 MAY



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On many pastures the grass is very short due to lack of moisture, so there is danger of considerable moisture being lost through run-off on these lands when the spring rains come, Boston points out.

Contour furrows and ridges are designed to prevent rainwater from flowing off the land when it strikes the overgrazed or drought damaged pastures. Rains in the Southern Great Plains area often come in hard, driving downpours of brief duration. Much of this water runs off at a high rate of speed and with damaging effects unless held on the land by furrows or ridges until it can be absorbed by the soil, Boston explains.

Moisture stored in the subsoil during the spring months will give the grass a good growing start and often will serve to carry it through the hot summer months when rainfall usually is light.

"Pastures with a poor cover of grass have little protection against either wind or water erosion," the Soil Conservation Service agronomist says. "Grass needs fertile soil as well as moisture if it is to make a good growth, and protection of topsoil on grass land is just as important as protecting it on cultivated fields. While holding moisture on pastures, contour furrows, and ridges also prevent the loss of topsoil and keep gullies from being started. It is easier to prevent a gully than to control one after it has started," Boston warns.

One of the principal causes of gullying is the concentration of water in low places where it is allowed to run wild. Run-off water gains speed with distance, and it is the speed that causes the water to cut deep into the soil, he explains.

This dislodged soil is carried away in the form of silt, and the pasture is robbed of valuable topsoil needed for growing grass. A gully will continue to grow wider and deeper unless some means of control are found. Diversion structures will prevent water from entering gullies, while check dams and grasses can be used to stabilize the eroded areas, Boston says.

Advertising renders a service to the buyer as well as the seller; successful merchants remember this when they write their advertisements.

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Today, few women have that experience.

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In those words you have the real slogan of America. Great inventions, great industries, great social benefits result from Americans' deep desire for better living. The electrical industry, for example, was founded by Thomas A. Edison, a man who spent his entire life looking for better ways to do certain things; and today the people of your electric company carry on in the Edison tradition. They belong to the great army of workers—engineers, scientists, linemen, managers and many others—who give the United States the finest, cheapest electric service in the

world. Yet they continue their tireless efforts to improve the quality of electric service and to reduce its cost.

Within the last fifteen years, these employees have done their work so well that this company has been able to cut the unit price of electricity just about in half. That means you can now use electric light, a radio, electric refrigerator, washing machine, vacuum cleaner and toaster for a total operating cost very little, if any, higher than you used to pay for light alone.

The aim of your electric company's employees is always to give you better service at less cost. Foremost in their minds is the thought, "Something ought to be done about it."



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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS BY ROGER SHAW

Nazi Drive Into Low Countries Is Marked by Terrific Fighting; Churchill Replaces Chamberlain

(EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.)
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THE WAR:

Bigger and Worse

Domestic, presidential politics were driven, pro tem, into second place by the march of Mars. The Germans added Holland, Belgium, and Luxembourg—the three little Low Countries—to their list of victims, which now includes Czechs, Poles, Norse, and (according to some) the Austrians.

Against the Dutch and Belgians, Hitler used much of the Norse blitzkrieg buildup. This included the big Junkers air transports (20 men per ship), parachute jumpers all armed to the teeth, aerial bombardment of "enemy" air fields and concentration centers, and mass movements of infantry, against the frontiers, by land. The French came to the assistance of Belgium, as in 1914, and the English crossed the channel to Holland—that same channel that Hitler himself would so much like to cross, for a poke at John Bull's midriff.

Toujours La Guerre!

Luxembourg did not resist (again like 1914), but Belgium and Holland did. The Belgian army was considered fairly good, but the Dutch troops did not carry so high a ranking. Nevertheless, the Belgians and Dutch put up a stiff fight against the masses—29 divisions—of oncoming Field Grays, and the aerial hit-and-run tactics up above. The Dutch anti-aircraft shot down close to a hundred Nazi airplanes, almost at the first volley, but poor, peaceful Brussels took a bombing that killed or wounded more than five score citizens.

Simultaneously with the German-Netherlands invasion, came aerial bombing by the Nazis, of French airdromes, railways, coal mines, and factories. The Dutch East Indies interned all Germans over 16 years old, and seized German ships there. Japan—with surprising decency—announced its respect for the oriental status quo—at least, in that Dutch quarter. Dutch colonies include nearly a million square miles,



GENERAL GAMELIN

"For France . . . courage, energy, confidence!"

and more than 60,000,000 natives, beautifully administered. Dutch East Indian Java and Sumatra are excessively rich in tin, rubber, oil, and other badly needed raw products.

SO THEY SAY:

What They Said

Hitler said, about it all: "The fight beginning today decides the fate of the German nation for the next 1,000 years. Do your duty now!"

Gamelin, French generalissimo, said: "For France and all her allies: Courage, energy, confidence!"

Roosevelt said: "The American people are shocked and angered by the tragic news from Belgium and the Netherlands and Luxembourg."

Sweden's leading newspaper said: "Highly civilized countries, whose love of peace is unquestionable, were brutally thrown upon the sacrificial altar."

The Red Cross said: "\$10,000,000 needed."

The N. Y. World's fair said: "We feel that we will have a happy, care-free crowd at the fair, on opening day." (Opening day was the second day of Netherlands chaos.)

BIG ITEMS:

Read 'Em and Weep

Nearly 300,000,000 copies of Stalin's works have been read in Russia, it was announced in Moscow. Lenin's works have totaled only around 130,000,000. And the wage differential in "communist" Russia now is 500 to 1, while in "capitalist" Germany it is only about 100 to 1. The Soviet differential was said to exceed even that of our America.



GENERAL JOHNSON Says:

DANGERS PARADED

WASHINGTON, D. C.

A digest of those "thousands of telegrams" drawn by the President's Pan-American speech on Hitler's latest blitzkrieg would be valuable.

Ninety per cent of them were reported by Secretary Early to approve and the other 10 per cent to be from "peace-at-any-pricers." An analysis would be valuable because I can't see how you can approve a speech when you don't know what it means. I have discussed this speech with several informed people. They don't know what it means—and I don't.

From its condemnation of treacherous brutality of Hitler the approval should have been 100 per cent and also for its plea for pan-American unity in defense. This unity the President called "our solution." But then he said: "Is this solution—our solution—permanent or safe if it is solved for us alone? . . . I think not!"

What does that mean? It may seem a slight phrase to be quibbling about, but no utterance by a President of the United States on our future course in a world at war is a "slight" phrase. This one wasn't intended to be slight. It was coupled with an assertion that too many of us have been deceived by the "false teaching of geography" into feeling safe, "physically, economically and socially," from the impacts of attacks on civilization elsewhere. Then followed statements that, from the point of view of conquest, Santiago, Chile, is closer to Europe than Alexander found Macedonia to be from Persia or than the distance Caesar traveled from Rome to Spain—that is, four or five hours from Africa to South America as compared with four or five weeks it took the armies of Napoleon to go from Paris to Rome or Poland.

I don't know what that means but it sounds like "our frontier is in France." The statement identifying airplane timetables with the pace of conquering armies or from the point of view of conquest is utterly misleading—almost as misleading as it would be to say that the speed of a race horse compares with that of a telegram. An airplane can go from Africa to South America in a few hours. But an army can't. It can't go at all if our navy and air force are efficient and afloat and not chasing boogey-men in the east Pacific. This aspect of the speech was cryptic obscuration coupled with sensational and misleading terrorism.

It creates an occasion to repeat the quotation from Lloyd George's speech that upset Chamberlain. "The nation is ready as long as its leadership is right, as long as you say clearly what you are aiming at, as long as you give confidence to them that their leaders are doing their best for them."

The President does the deliberate reverse of "saying clearly what he is aiming at." His carefully guarded exterior seems to be full to the bursting point with some kind of interior content he doesn't often reveal but every time a new pressure comes, a little of it squirts out—like "frontiers in France" and "quarantine the aggressors." The whole country is behind him at any cost or effort to prepare this country for defense of this continent. It is 90 per cent against any attempt at "defending" America by attacking in Europe or Asia—with either men, money or materials. It would be a political—as well as naval and military—catastrophe.

For, even for the relative strategic ease of continental defense, Mr. Roosevelt has not prepared the military and naval weapons to make good his position and the whole of recent history proves that bluffing on a bobtail is suicide.

FAT'S IN THE FIRE

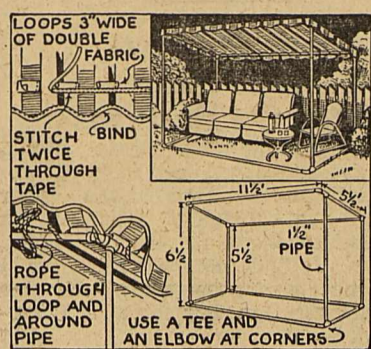
The fat's in the fire and our navy is in Hawaii. Our miniature army is relatively equipped with bows and arrows. It is a pitiful Falstaffian insufficiency. We are quibbling about the design of a rifle already adopted and in production after years of experiment. It appears now that the navy has known the facts of its weakness against bombs from above, mines from below and secret foreign building programs for some time—without admission before the crisis.

Surely there was no ignorance in this government about the absolutely inefficient equipment of our army in almost everything needful for modern war and its own grotesque inadequacy.

Everybody is now squawking about our lack of tin and rubber and our failure of action in motorizing and mechanizing our army. This column has been squawking about it for five years. Seven years ago this writer had written into the Recovery act ample authority and appropriations to do all these things as a combination measure of re-employment, recovery and defense. That was the year Hitler started. It was the year that the administration gave most of that \$3,300,000,000 to Hopkins for raking leaves.

HOW TO SEW

by Ruth Wyeth Spears



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The merit belongs to the beginner, should even the successor do better.—Arab Proverb.

A word of kindness is a seed; oft dropped by chance, it grows into a flower.

Do not anxiously hope for what is not yet come; do not vainly regret what is already past.—Chinese Proverb.

Let friendship creep gently to a height; if it rush to it, it may soon run itself out of breath.—Thomas Fuller.

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Spotlight of GRANTLAND RICE

IT IS becoming evident that the Yankees of 1940 are not going to do as much league wrecking this season as they did the last four years.

In the first place Joe DiMaggio may be a doubtful quantity for some time to come.

And Joe DiMaggio means more to the Yankees than one might imagine. When you remove a .385 hitter, one of the leading home-run punchers and one of the best of all defensive outfielders, you are losing something no team can afford to lose—not even the Yankees.



Grantland Rice

The odds are that DiMaggio will be as good as ever in a short while, but he will still be a gamble. A wounded knee is always a gamble. Ask any good trainer.

Another Angle

Here is another angle one of the rival managers gave out recently. "For the last four years," he said, "most of us have taken it for granted that the Yankees couldn't be stopped. They were just too good. Partly for this reason too many of our teams were beaten before a Yankee game started. But you get tired of taking too many beatings. They begin to leave a deeper sting. This season you'll find most of the teams out to beat the Yankees, hustling harder than they ever have before."

"This can make a lot of difference. Especially as the Yankees, after four big years, won't have the same keenness. They can't have it isn't human nature."

"I remember hearing Ty Cobb say once that three or four years of success was about all any ball club can carry. This doesn't mean the Yankees can't win again. But it does mean we should have a real race this season."

Spirit and the Dodgers

This matter of team spirit brings us alongside the Dodgers. I asked Larry MacPhail how he accounted for that wild and woolly getaway the Dodgers put on this season.

"Hustling and spirit," Larry said. "I honestly think we have 25 per cent more spirit than any team in baseball."

"We haven't a great team as far as playing personnel goes. But we have a hustling manager and a hustling bunch of fellows who keep on their toes from start to finish."

"As you know from the old days at Camp Sevier in Greenville," Larry continued, "I've been around quite a while looking things over. (Officer MacPhail, around 1917 and early 1918, was stationed in the next snow-covered lot with Colonel Luke Lea's 113th. F. A. And he happens to be one of Colonel Lea's crack officers, willing to try anything, including a Kaiser kidnapping.)



Larry MacPhail

"Yes, I've been around quite a while," Larry continued. "But I haven't seen any better spirit in either baseball or football than Brooklyn has this year. We have a great city back of us, one of the greatest baseball cities in the history of the game. When you can draw more than a million people with a team trying to finish third, and just making it, you can understand the type of fans we have on our side. Don't forget that means a lot."

Tops in Team Spirit

"If we have 25 per cent more spirit than any other team carries—and I think we have—the average Brooklyn fan has 40 per cent more spirit than any other fan. He may turn against us a little if we start flopping, but why shouldn't he? The main business of a big league ball club is to win ball games. But if we give him a chance no other fan can rally as quickly. This season we put out \$140,000 for talent. We lose \$110,000 from the weather, \$110,000 we needed badly. Try to match that break."

The two best baseball cities in the country are Brooklyn and Detroit. They win—going away. They know baseball, and they love baseball. They are well ahead of New York and Chicago, whose "topless towers," surrounded by nearly 15,000,000 people, are overshadowed. They want winners, but more important still, they love and know the game.

In this respect they have taken the play away from Boston, the real cradle of baseball knowledge and interest some years ago. There was a time when Boston was the main baseball Citadel of Swat. Boston is still a great baseball city. But it isn't a Brooklyn or a Detroit.

In a four-month tour of some 10,000 miles through winter and spring I've found that about 70 per cent of the outsiders are pulling for Brooklyn to win the National League pennant and for Boston to fly the American League pennant at the Red Sox rampart.

Kathleen Norris Says: Women Dodge Thought of Aging

(Bell Syndicate—WNU Service.)



Whatever she is when she is old—and to her forty-five is old—she knows she'll hate it. So why worry about it?

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

DON'T be one of those women to whom only beauty, money and a good digestion are important in life.

Don't be one of the millions who consider eating and drinking, amusements and parties, flirtations and gay companies, smooth hair and smooth skin the real objects and aims of existence.

All these things are fun, in mild doses. But there is only one companion who goes with you to the end, and that's yourself. Find that companion, cultivate her, give her a taste for the things that last, before it is too late.

Women don't think enough about this. When they are young they feel that age never will come, and when it does come it finds them utterly unprepared. These ripe years, which ought to be the very best of all, strike them like a thunderbolt. They've never considered the financial side of them. They've never considered the social or domestic side of them. They've never considered the moral side of them.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

To be sure, 25 years ago Peggy married gaily enough, leaving her own father and mother alone. And when that mother was widowed, Peggy shed dutiful tears for her lost father and felt quite sorry for mother, who was immediately plunged into money difficulties.

But all this doesn't affect Peggy personally at all. SHE never thinks of herself as fifty, and alone. SHE never will be widowed, her one child married, her entire provision for old age a small life insurance policy.

When these inevitable conditions arise in her own case Peggy is shocked and despairing. All her plans have included herself as important, attractive, and protected by John. But now her daughter is married and gone, her husband dead, she must give up her home, and in her bitterness and loss she feels that there is nothing left. She very probably sinks into the limbo of those unhappy lonely little women who live only in their child's life—complaining, remembering, grieving.

Burden on Others

Instead of having that child depend upon her, and half envy mother's independence, freedom, high spirits, Peggy becomes a burden upon the younger family. Her conversation becomes a long dreary recital of what glories and possessions she once had. She cannot sufficiently reiterate the trials, the dismalness of age; when you get to her age, she says, you might as well be dead, and goodness knows she often wishes she were dead.

Now, since you know, you women of 25, 30, 40, that this time must come, why not prepare for it, why not defeat it of its horrors? It can be the most serene, the most triumphant period of your whole life. It can be a time of harvest, rather than of famine.

Older Women Different

For in the years after 45 a woman can be herself, express herself, live her own life as she never can in younger years. No girl is so useless, so defeated and unhappy, as the girl who tries to be independent. In rushing off to Paris, or into some unknown field of endeavor, she only proves to herself that she has thrown away the honest beginnings of life, refused to play the game by rule, and beside making herself ridiculous, has made it practically impossible to get back to a real start. With the older woman it is different. She has served her apprenticeship.

Your Companion

Maybe you never stopped to think about it, says Kathleen Norris, but there really is only one companion that you have throughout your life and that is . . . YOU.

Find out just what that companion is like, what she wants and doesn't want, what she needs and doesn't need is the job every woman should take upon herself.

Age creeps up on a person and all the things that seem important to young women aren't really that important. Find out what you need to prepare for old age. Prepare yourself for it and it will be the happiest period of your life. Don't prepare and you'll live to regret that you didn't.

ship. She has been daughter, wife, mother, housekeeper for a long quarter of a century. And these have been happy years, proud years, years full of the joys of trips and frocks, parties and flattery and self-confidence.

But they have vanished now. And now comes HER time; the time when she can be most truly and wholly herself. Her small house is a veritable kingdom with its garden, its dog or its cats, its visits from adored grandchildren, its quieter visits from old friends. In planning trips, in club work and charities, in easy hours and easy dressing and games of dominoes or cribbage or backgammon with a few tried and true neighbors and friends, are real pleasure.

If the companion of her youth still beside her, all this felicity is doubled. But even if he is not, rich and ripe and useful living is still hers.

Tame and Uninteresting

Now, unfortunately, this paradise of the middle years sounds extremely dull, to youth. It sounds tame and uninteresting to the last degree. Youth never will change ideals with age; it hates the thought. Age is no more convinced that it never will be youth than is youth sure it never can grow old.

And so many a woman who could be planning now for her later years draws away in repugnance from the thought of them. Whatever she is when she's old—and to her 45 is old—she knows she'll hate it. So why think about it?

Why train her character to desire what is true and lasting; why search into her own soul and develop its miraculous resources? Why deny herself and the children superfluous luxuries and extravagances now, to gain the superlative comfort of financial security for her old age? Why form a taste for fine books, for language study, for gardening, for any one of a hundred interests and avocations, when today there are movies and beauty parlors and flirtations and night clubs to fill her time?

What is the answer? Ask yourself why.

Answer Is Apparent

The answer is that if you knew that in 25 or 30 years you had to move to a strange country, a country in which the eyes you use now could see nothing, in which your present ears could hear nothing, of whose language and customs you know nothing, you would certainly prepare to make that change. You would study the conditions, the limitations and opportunities of the people of that country; master its language; cultivate a few friends who must make that journey with you.

Middle age, old age, can be a long peaceful holiday. A useful holiday—not by any means an idle holiday. But a happy time in which a woman who has done her honest share of living in the younger years can find endless interest, a thousand absorbing occupations, complete peace of spirit. That's something worth achieving!

Strange Facts

Realistic Paintings
Suicide Excursion
Fire Ruins Granite

Many medieval Russian artists, when painting a holy personage on an icon, used an odd method to make each figure "realistic." They would first paint the skeleton, then the body organs, then the flesh and, lastly, add the clothes.

During Japan's last suicide wave, which occurred between 1933 and 1935, 313 persons succeeded in jumping into the volcano on the island of Oshima. Of the 1,208 others who were felled by the guards at the crater's edge, 29 managed to jump off the boats on the way back to the mainland.

Although the diplomatic mail of the United States is free of inspection in all countries through a reciprocal agreement and is delivered to our embassies and legations by American couriers, each pouch is equipped with a special lock that records the number of times it was opened on each trip. If this number does not check with the schedule, an investigation is made.

Although granite, like marble, is noted for its hardness and durability, granite buildings have been known to crumble and fall in devastating fires that have only scratched marble surfaces.—Collier's.

Bertha Wished to Know Punishment—Just in Case

"Don't fidget!" snapped mother.

Little Bertha stopped toying with the lid of her chocolate box and endeavored to concentrate upon the play. But it was a dull affair.

In two minutes her small fingers were busy again.

"Bertha, don't fidget!" repeated her mother.

Again she was obedient, but once more the production failed to hold her fingers away from the lid of the chocolate box.

"Now, Bertha," exclaimed her mother, "I warn you."

When her mother spoke like that she was not to be disregarded. Glancing doubtfully at the dull stage, and then at the tempting lid, Bertha whispered:

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The Questions

1. Rome was built on how many hills?
2. How is the temperature of a Centigrade thermometer reduced to Fahrenheit?
3. Why did Lady Godiva ride through Coventry?
4. What is a salaam, a fish, a salutation, or a small coal bucket?
5. To win the Democratic presidential nomination a candidate must receive—a majority of the votes in the party convention, two-thirds of the votes, or four-fifths of the votes?

6. Why are rats used extensively in biological research?
7. Will a car develop less horsepower at 5,000 feet elevation than at sea level?
8. What is the beam of a ship?
9. What is a peccadillo—a Spanish word for a peck measure, a petty fault, or a piglike mammal?
10. What British islands in the South Atlantic control the Strait of Magellan?

The Answers

1. Seven.
2. Multiply by 9/5 and add 32.
3. To help the people escape heavy taxes.
4. A salutation.
5. A majority.
6. One chief reason: Owing to their size they require a minimum amount of testing substances.
7. A car developing 100 horsepower at sea level will develop but 82 horsepower at 5,000 feet elevation because the density of the air decreases with altitude.
8. Its width.
9. Petty fault.
10. Falkland.

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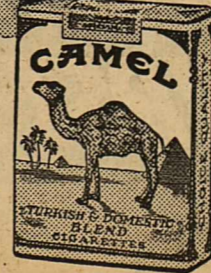
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"The Ever-Normal Granary for Wheat, composed of the wheat loan, the acreage allotments, crop insurance, and conservation of the

soil, has enabled the wheat farmers to provide plenty of wheat for both the domestic and export markets and to keep a supply in reserve without creating a surplus," Charles L. Thomas, state AAA committeeman states. The wheat program has made it possible to keep our wheat prices relatively high and thus protect income and purchasing power.

The State allotments will be allotted to counties and then to individual farmers within the counties. Wheat growers who comply with their 1941 allotments will be qualified for various advantages of the farm program, such as conservation payments, crop insurance, parity payments, if provided, and wheat loans, if such loans are

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WILL ATTEND WHEAT LOAN AND INSURANCE MEETING SATURDAY
R. C. Buckles, H. S. Hawkins, W. A. Spurlock, Miss Jeanette Wilson, and County Agent E. Goule will attend a meeting in Amarillo Saturday to study the procedure of securing loans on the 1940 wheat crop and insurance on the 1941 wheat crop.

Baptist Circle No. 2
Circle No. 2 of the Baptist W. M. U. met May 15 with Mrs. John Lavake. "Do Not Pass Me By" was

the opening song and Mrs. Lening led in prayer. The minutes were read and approved. Fifty cents was received on the Hundred Thousand Club. This completed our dollar for May.

Mrs. Joe Brown taught the first lesson in "Stewardship and Missions," by Dr. J. B. Lawrence. The closing prayer was led by Mrs. McQueen. Those present were Mesdames Lena McQueen, D. B. Houser, H. Luther, Joe Brown, R. C. Lening, R. J. Davis, A. H. Ellison and John Lavake.

Tu-Su-La-Ta Club
Mrs. M. Dortch was a gracious hostess to the TuSuLaTa Club May 3. The club game of "42" was enjoyed, after which a dainty plate was served to Mesdames H. J. Du Vall, Otis Harmon, R. Cook, S. Calvird, R. C. Buckles, J. C. O'Brien, Bessie Lee, S. Wohlford, H. Garrison, Earl Shirk, Homer Smith, John Knight. Mrs. Calvird won high score.
Mrs. J. C. O'Brien will entertain the club Friday, May 31, at 3:00 P. M.

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IN COUNTY COURT in and for Sherman County, Texas.

On this 21st day of May, A. D., 1940, G. L. Taylor, B. A. Donelson and S. J. Calvird, Special Commissioners appointed by the County Judge to assess damages of Sidney H. Smith, Martha Krueger Higginson, Barnhardt Siegmund, Walter Krueger, Clarence Hoelzen, B. J. Siegmund, Russell Elmo Dewey, the unknown heirs (if such there be) of Frances Krueger Dewey, deceased, the unknown heirs (if such there be) of Fred W. Dierks, deceased, Emma C. Brady and the unknown heirs, devisees and legatees (if any such there be) of George W. Brady, deceased, and The Southwestern Life Insurance Company, a corporation, own, claim or assert some claim, lien or interest, as is more fully set out in said Petition of The State of Texas, against the above named defendants, filed with the Honorable County Judge of Sherman County, Texas, on the 20th day of May, A. D., 1940, met, and said Special Commissioners having been sworn to assess said damages fairly and impartially and in accordance with law, do hereby appoint as the time and place for hearing said parties on the matter, the office of the County Judge of Sherman County, Texas, at Stratford, Texas, in said County, on the 24th day of June, A. D., 1940, at the hour of ten o'clock, A. M., of said day.

A copy of this order shall be served upon The Southwestern Life Insurance Company, a corporation, which is alleged to have its home office and place of business at Dallas, in Dallas County, Texas, according to law; and shall be served upon all of the above named defendants who are alleged to be non-residents of Texas, and upon the above named unknown heirs (if any such there be) of Frances Krueger Dewey, deceased, the unknown heirs (if any such there be) of Fred W. Dierks, deceased, and the unknown heirs, devisees and legatees (if any such there be) of George W. Brady, deceased, by publishing a copy of this order in The Stratford Star, a newspaper published in Sherman County, Texas, once a week for four consecutive weeks previous to the day of hearing, above set forth; and service thereof, as above mentioned, shall be notice to said defendants, and each of them, to appear at said time and place, for the purpose of offering any evidence they may desire as to the amount of damages to be assessed against The State of Texas, and to be paid to said above mentioned defendants, and to each of them, respectively, for the use and occupation of the land described in said Plaintiff's Original Petition so filed with the County Judge of Sherman County, Texas.

WITNESS our hands this the 21st day of May, A. D., 1940.
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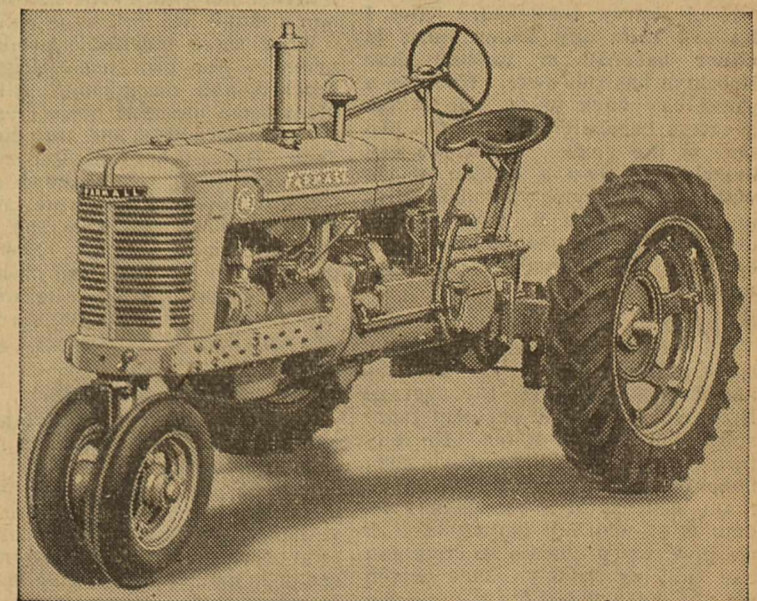
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