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**SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY.**

A surprise birthday party consisting of games of "42" and Flinch was given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Healer, honoring F. E. Healer on his twenty-fifth birthday and Artist Cook on his fifty-first birthday, on Apr. 9 by their wives. Also the occasion marked the 27th wedding anniversary for Mr. and Mrs. Wade Ensminger.

A birthday cake of three layers, pink, white and green, iced with white icing and decorated with "Happy Birthday F. E.," "Happy Birthday Artist" was made for each of them by Mrs. F. E. Healer. Candles were placed on the cake and taken to the honorees, when they finished opening their many nice gifts. To make a wish and blow out the candles. Every one joined in the celebration by singing "Happy Birthday."

A refreshment plate of ice cream and cake was served to the following: Messrs. and Mesdames Tom Russon, Bill Perry, Monroe Whisenhunt, Houston Martin, Ben Butman, Adrian Farmer, Herschel Hammonds, Walter Hunter, Ernest Meeks, Ford Butman, Leroy Riney, Dewel McLean, Wade Ensminger, Elmer Patterson, Bill Wallace, Arlton Farmer; Messrs. George Anderson, Walter Earl Whisenhunt, Eddie Whisenhunt, J. B. Whisenhunt, thirteen children and the honorees and hostesses.

Those sending gifts were: Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Farmer, and Misses Pauline and Betty Cook.

**BRIDAL SHOWER.**

On Apr. 3 Mesdames E. H. Cordill, A. D. Barnes, Dewel McLean, W. S. Hendricks, Leroy Riney, R. F. Whisenhunt, Lewis Farmer and Herschel Hammonds were hostesses to a bridal shower honoring Mrs. Elmer J. Patterson, Jr., nee Thelma Jean Roane of Maryneal at the Nubia

Methodist church.

Mrs. W. H. Ensminger presented guests to the bride and her mother. Mrs. Frank Roane, Mrs. W. S. Hendricks presided at the registry. Mrs. Leroy Riney had charge of the games and Mrs. Donald Latimer, the music.

The church was decorated with white spring flowers carrying out the Easter theme.

After the display of many beautiful gifts a refreshment plate consisting of sandwiches, Easter cookies and punch with plate favors of miniature baskets filled with Easter eggs carrying the names, Elmer and Jean, was passed to the following guests: Mesdames B. B. Reynolds, R. L. McLean, Wick Perry, L. Shaffer, R. G. Toombs, Ernest Meeks, A. R. Toombs, A. D. Scott, Bill Wallace, F. E. Healer, Artist Cook, A. L. Farmer, W. C. Hunter, Arlton Farmer, Monroe Whisenhunt, Rex McLean, Joe Seymore, E. W. Turner, W. H. Ensminger, H. G. Neill, E. J. Patterson and Tom Russon; Misses Sadie Perry and Mae Bradberry. Several sent gifts.

From 1940 to 1945, total U. S. milk production rose 12 per cent and egg production 40 per cent.

**Chevrolet Turns Out Millionth Vehicle Since the War**

Detroit, Apr. 17.—With the assembly of its 1,000,000th post-war vehicle Apr. 9, Chevrolet Motor division became the first single producer in the auto industry to build a million vehicles since the war, it was announced here by Nicholas Dreystadt, general manager of this largest General Motor division.

The unit, a 1947 model sedan was produced in the Janesville (Wis.) assembly plant, one of nine across the country whose combined output has established numerous post-war production records for Chevrolet, including first quarter output of more than 250,000 vehicles and a March total of 101,107 units, making Chevrolet the first producer to build more than 100,000 cars and trucks in a single post-war month.

Completion of a new assembly plant in Flint, Mich., in the near future and of a similar plant in Van Nuys, Calif., next fall, will further augment the Chevrolet production potential, Mr. Dreystadt pointed out. With approximately 8,000,000

Chevrolets on the road today, Mr. Dreystadt added, Chevrolet represents approximately one-fourth of all motor vehicles in the service of the American motoring public.

**CARD OF THANKS.**

We want to thank every one for your kind expressions of sympathy. We shall ever hold dear the memory of those thoughts and deeds. May God's richest blessings abide with you always.

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Bill Herring, cooperater in the Northeast Noodle Conservation group, has recently planted about 17 acres to Madrid sweet clover. This was planted in regular width rows with use of small seed planting attachment. Mr. Herring planted at the rate of about 2 1-2 pounds of seed per acre. This clover is being planted for soil improvement, grazing and for seed harvest.

Walter Phillips, cooperater in the Goodman Conservation group, has planted about 11 acres to Madrid sweet clover. This was planted at rate of 3 pounds per acre. Mr. Phillips is planning to use this sweet clover for grazing and soil improvement and for erosion control in a terrace outlet waterway. Mr. Phillips made a trial planting of sweet clover last year but due to lack of rain to germinate seed he failed to secure a stand. He believes this sweet clover crop has possibilities in this area.

Doyle Seifried, cooperater in the Blair Conservation group, has recently planted 2 acres to weeping lovegrass for supplemental pasture seed and for erosion control. He planted a terrace outlet waterway to lovegrass for erosion control. This was planted with use of cultipacker seeding attachment at rate of 1-2 pound of seed per acre.

Ollie Higgins and Fred Perry of the Salt Branch community have made sweet clover plantings. Mr. Perry planted about 4 acres of Madrid sweet clover at the rate of 2 pounds of seed per acre. Mr. Higgins planted about 5 acres to hubam clover.

W. C. Lee, cooperater in Salt Branch Conservation group, has recently completed a new farm pond to furnish additional live stock water. Mr. Lee has about 5 acres of hairy vetch in combination with wheat as a nurse crop which he reports has furnished considerable grazing for his milk cows.

District cooperaters constructing terraces on their farms at this time are: Henry Tillett, Jr., of Mt. Pleasant Conservation group, Mrs. T. C. Smith, of South Merkel group, Tom Russom of Butman group, R. N. Campbell and R. E. Dowdy of Salt Branch group, W. O. Boney, of the North Stith group and C. N. Hatfield of Northeast Noodle group.

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### QUEEN THEATRE CALENDAR

Friday - Saturday — Double feature program: Mona Freeman, Richard Denning in "Black Beauty" and Johnny Mack Brown, Evelyn Brent in "Raiders of the South;" cartoon and Chick Carter serial.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday—June Haver, George Montgomery, Vivian Elaine in "Three Little Girls in Blue;" color cartoon and latest News.

Wednesday - Thursday — "Butch" Jenkins, Peter Lawford in "My Brother Talks to Horses;" selected shorts.

#### "THREE LITTLE GIRLS IN BLUE."

June Haver, Vivian Blaine and Vera-Allen are the "Three Little Girls in Blue," in 20th Century-Fox's technicolor musical tale of three sisters who inherit a farm and sell it to go on a millionaire husband-hunting expedition on the boardwalk at Atlantic City. The film also stars George Montgomery, Celeste Holm and Frank Latimore. Famed songwriter Mack Gordon makes his debut as a producer with this picture, and, as might be expected, has put extra-special emphasis on the film's music. Eight new songs are introduced in the gay and romantic hit.

#### Abilene Business Man Heads Hereford Group

Abilene, Apr. 17.—The West Texas Hereford association in annual session here Friday, re-elected D. H. Jefferies, Abilene business man and cattleman, president. Jefferies is also president of the West Texas Fair.

Re-elected also was Mrs. Rupert Harkrider as secretary-treasurer, a position she has held since organization of the association. Henry Arledge, Seymour, was re-named first and W. J. Largent, Merkel, second vice-president, respectively. Bob Bowen, Coleman, is third vice-president.

Three-year term directors are Roy Largent, Merkel; E. A. Sheppard, Abilene; Jack Idol, Benjamin; Henry James, Abilene; Dorothea Griffin, Lawn; Lee Atkinson, Throckmorton.

The association will sponsor another Hereford tour of three days on May 13-14-15, with Arledge named arrangements committee chairman. Other members are Dorothea Griffin, Bowen, Paul Turner of Sylvester, and Jefferies. The tour includes trips southward the first day, northbound to Stamford the second, and Benjamin, Knox City and other areas the third day.

The association favored a Hereford show in connection with the West Texas Fair during its exhibition on Sept. 15-20.

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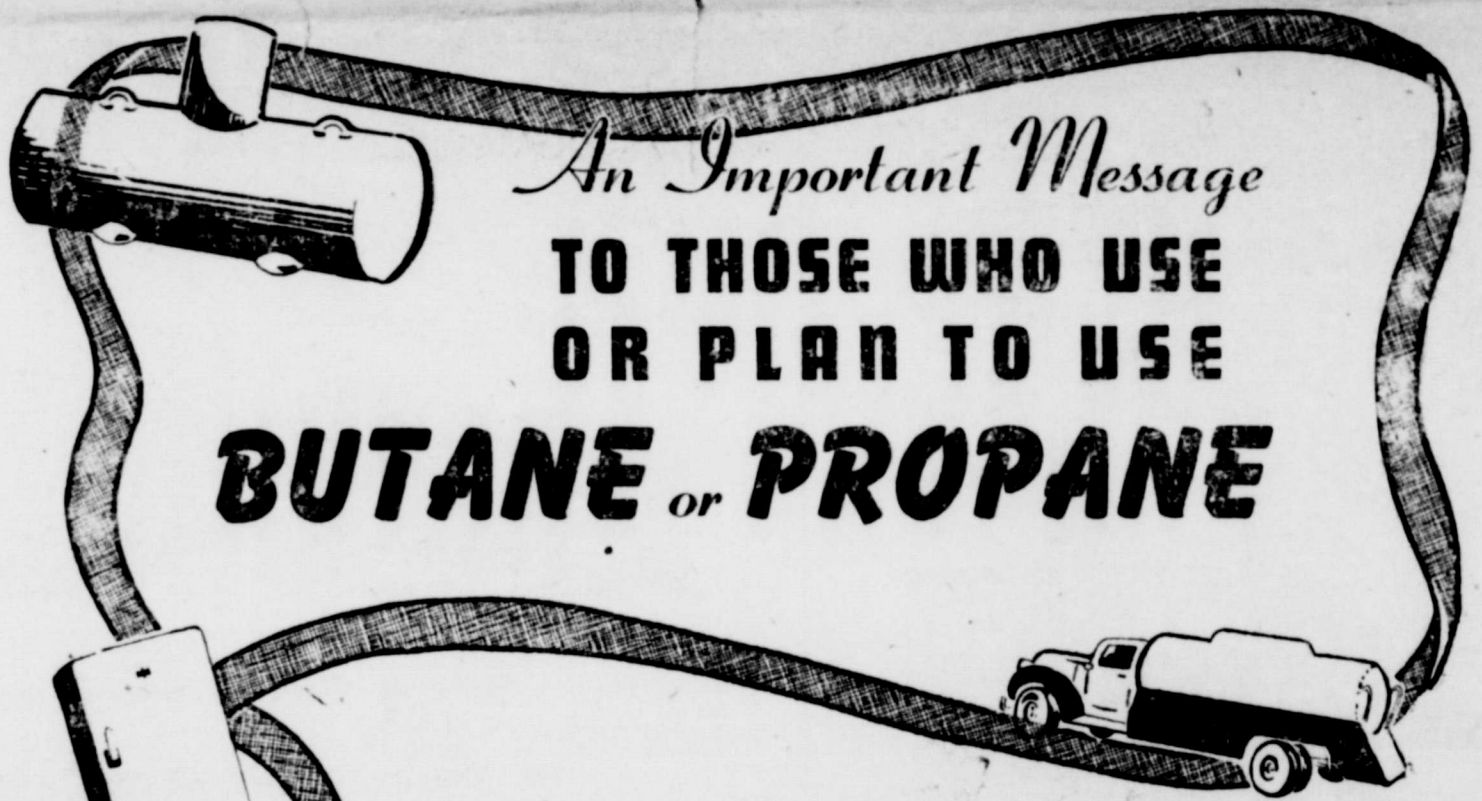
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