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TWENTY-SIXTH WEEK

Washington Letter

BY O. C. FISHER FDR IS DEAD

The news of the President's tragic death came as a bolt to Capitol Hill, as it did, of course, to the whole world. People looked at each other in bewilderment and silence. At 6:20 Thursday evening the flag on the Captiol was lowered to half-mast to remain so until the interment was completed. Four times elected President of his country, he has a place all his own in our American annals. The greatest personality in the greatest nation on earth, he died as victory is assured but as his ideals of a just and durable peace remain to be achieved.

Today the whole world looks to the United States for guidance in winning the wars against aggression and tyranny and for recovery from this awful travail. Franklin D. Roosevelt was the leader of this arbiter of the world's destinies. To millions around the world he symbolized America.

In Mr. Roosevelt could be found all the finer human traits and qualities. Now he is the war's greatest casuality. The Commander-in-Chief has fallen.

It was Roosevelt who foresaw Hitler's sinister designs and gave the warning. It was Roosevelt who demanded a two-ocean Navy which began a building program that perhaps saved America. It was Roosevelt who traded 50 destroyers to Britian even as that Nation staggered under the blows of a ruthless enemy only 22 miles away. It was Roosevelt who cabled Hitler on the eve of his March into Poland and plead for peaceful arbitration in lieu of war. It was Franklin Roosevelt who wouldn't compromise with evil and demanded complete victory to be crowned by an enforced peace through international cooperation.

FDR is dead, but his ideals will live on and on to inspire men and women through the centuries.

Mrs. Roosevelt, in her hour of grief, may gain consolation in the knowledge that countless hearts are bowed down over her bereavement. In his death the President

Awards Given 4-H Club Boys At Lions Club

Honored guests at the Lions Club luncheon meeting Tuesday were seven of the nine Sutton County 4-H Club boys, who in 1944, raised enough wool, mohair and meat to provide for the needs of one soldier for one year. The products raised for this purpose were given by the boys to the Quartermaster Corps.

Each of the seven boys present, as well as the two who have recently moved from here, Jerry Shurley and Tommie Bond, were awarded a certificate and a 4-H Club pin, and the county was also given an award for their work. The boys present at the meeting were Nolan Gibbs, Jimmy Cusenbary, John Allen Ward, Frankie Bond, Darrell Alley, Charles Lee Cusenbary and James Theodore Hunt.

President G. H. Hall appointed committee composed of F. L. Meadow, E. D. Stringer, J. E. Eldridge and Gene Lightfoot, to arrange a program for Wednesday morning to commemorate the beginning of the San Francisco World Peace Conference.

Ten-Unit Housing Project Being Built

PRE-FABRICATED TYPE STRUCTURES USED

Partial alleviation of the critical housing shortage in Sonora may be affected by the 10-unit housing project which is being built by Dr. Tom White in the southeastern part of Sonora across the street from the Ford Allen and Wirt Stephenson residences.

The 10 small houses, which are pre-fabricated structures, are being arranged in tourist court fashion on a half-block site, with 20 foot driveways between them. According to present plans, when the houses are completed around May 15, the grounds will be land scaped.

Last Rites Held Friday, April 13 For J. W. Wilson

BURIAL IS IN SONORA CEMETERY

Last rites were conducted in San Angelo last Friday for J. W. Willie) Wilson, 61, father of Duke Wilson and Mrs. Lloyd Earwood of Sonora, who died in a San Angelo hospital at 9:30 o'clock Thursday night, April 12. The services were held from Johnson's Funeral Home at 3 o'clock, with the Reverend Fhillip Kemp, pastor of the Emmanuel Epsicopal Church, officiating. The body was brought to Sonora after the services and burial was in the Sonora cemetery at 5 o'clock.

Mr. Wilson, operator of ranches in Coke, Tom Green, Nolan and Pecos Counties, had been critically ill for a month, having suffered a stroke on March 11. He had been confined to the hospital since that time.

Born in Louisville, Kentucky, he came to Texas with his parents in 1889 at the age of six years. The family settled at Columbus, Texas, and entered the ranching business.

In the early 'nineties, Mr. Wilson's father, J. C. Wilson, moved to Goliad County where he established a ranch and the town of Berclair.

After working with his father . and later in the Indian Territory for a year, J. W. Wilson came to West Texas in 1900, going to work with his brother-in-law, Ira Word, near Sonora. There he homesteaded and purchased three sections of land.

Mr. Wilson moved to San Angelo in 1930. During the last few years, in spite of poor health, he continued his ranching operations.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Nell Wilson of San Angelo; three children, Mrs. Lloyd Earwood and Duke Wilson of Sonora, and Willie B. Wilson of San Angelo; three grandchildren, John William, II, Nancy Bess and Mary Adele Wilson; and a sister, Mrs. Jack Brown of Houston.

Final Plans For Ranch Day Are Now Underway

Final plans are going forward this week for the second annual Lions Club Ranchmen's Field Day, which is to be held at the Cleve Jones, Jr., ranch on Tuesday, May 8. The program, which will be announced in detail next week, will probably include musical numbers as well as the usual livestock exhibitions.

All Sutton County ranchmen, as well as other ranchmen in this area of West Texas, are invited to attend the field day. About 500 are expected.

According to Berry Duff, county agent men well-known in Texas livestock circles who will be here for the affair, possibly to take part on the program, are E. R. Eudaly, Universal Mills, Ft. Worth; C. R. Heaton, State Extension Agronomist, A. & M. College; Paul Gregg, State Extension Entomologist, A. & M; Ray Wilson, Cotonseed Press Association, Dallas; Clay Atchison, Jr., Tom Green County agent, formerly of Sonora, and Jamie Brook of Brady.

DRAFT BOARD MEETS WITH STATE REPRESENTATIVE

Members of the local Selective Service Board met last Tuesday night with Captain James R. Finkerton, policy coordinator from Selective Service Headquarters in Austin, for a discussion of policies and new regulations for classifying registrants.

These attending the meeting were Dan Cauthorn, Roy Hudspeth and Miss Melba Kleitches, clerk of the local board.

Clothing Drive To Reach Finale Saturday With City-Wide Canvass

QUOTA SET AT 20,000 POUNDS

At the sounding of the fire underclothing from them. The en Saturday morning at nine o'clock final activities of the clothing drive in Sutton County will begin, as a complete canvass of the town will start at that time. All clothing, for reief of war ravaged countries, that has not been turned in before, should be placed in front of the homes in Sonora where it will be picked up during the all-day, city-wide canvass. Mrs. Alvis Johnson, chairman of the drive locally, said this week that generous response has been made by the citizens to the drive, nearly all organizations having appointed members to the planning committe and many having donated their cars and pick-ups to be used in making the canvass. The quota for the county has been set at 5 pounds of clothing per capita, or a total of 20,000 pounds. The self-set goal of the committee in charge, however, is all that can possibly be collected, with the 20,000 pounds being a minimum figure.

Scnorans To Hold Hour Of Prayer When Peace Conference Opens Wed.

In solemn and appropriate observance of the opening of the San Francisco World Peace Conference next Wednesday, April 25, Sonora merchants will close their stores and Sonora citizens will meet at the High School Auditorium for a short program of prayer and patriotic songs.

The program will be held from 10 o'clock to 11 o'clock, and in charge of arranging it are F. L. Meadow, E. D. Stringer, J. E. Eldridge and Gene Lightfoot.

Leova Urias **Freed By Allies**

Pfc. Leova T. Urias, son of Jeusus and Laura Urias, who has been listed as missing in action in Belgium since January 11, is now under Allied Army control again. He is further reported to be hospitalized, but not as the result of enemy action.

Pfc. Urias has written his parents from France that he was held a prisoner by the Germans for almost three months, but was retaken by the Allied Armies. He is well, he writes, and is getting plenty of rest and good food.

NEPHEW OF O. C. OGDEN MISSING IN PACIFIC

O. C. Ogden learned last week that his nephew, Norman G. Ogden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ogden of San Angelo, has been listed as missing in the Southwest Pacific. Ogden was a radar operator with a rating of seaman second class, and he had been in service since August, 1944. He had been overseas two months.

The program, as tentatively planned, is as follows:

"Sweet Opening violin solo, Hour of Prayer", Mrs. Karl H. Moore; Scripture and invocation, Reverend J. E. Eldridge; explanation of the purpose of the meeting, E. D. Stringer; poem, "Prayer" Mrs. Rip Ward; prayer, John Eaton; hymn, "Are Ye Able?", congregation; Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by J. C. Stephen; hymn, "Battle Hymn of the Re-public", congregation; prayer, David Shurley; hymn, "Lead On, Oh King Eternal"; silent prayer, with choir response; benediction, Reverend F. L. Meadow.

Pinao accompaniments will be played by Mrs. E. D. Shurley, songs will be led by J. T. Ratiff, and Mrs. Karl Moore will be the violinist.

Sonora Scouts Win Ranch Dist. **1st. Aid Contest**

CONCHO VALLEY CONTEST TO BE HERE APRIL 28

A five-man team from Boy Scout Troop 19 of Sonora won the Ranch District First Aid contest, which was held here last Saturday afternoon, with four teams competing. The Sonora boys scored 382 points out of a possible 400, and Troop 28 of Menard scored 378 points for second place.

Members of Sonora's winning team were John Allen Ward, Fred Adkins, Jimmie Lightfoot, Frankie Bond and Billy Wright Taylor.

The Sonora team will represent the Ranch District when a final contest between teams of the entire Concho Valley Council is held here on Saturday, April 28. About 18 teams are expected to be represented.

Other teams entered in last Saturday's contest were from Troops 63 and 53 of Ozona. Boys in Menard's second place team were Dickie Cannon, Harris Napier, Charles McGlothlin, Don Abernathy, Jerry Durgan and Don Me-Donald. Scoutmasters E. J. White and the Reverend Gene Lewis were in charge of the first and second . place teams, but much credit was given S. M. Loeffler of Sonora and Burley Bradford of Menard for the training they had given these teams. J. B. Morris, field executive, and Joe Galbraith, assistant executive of the Concho Valley Council, were in charge of the contest.

will reinforce the unity among Nations which he struggled to achive in his lifetime.

Girl Scout Camp To Open July 1 **At Junction**

Local Girl Scout leaders have received information on the Girl Scout camp, which will be held this year at Hill Terrace Ranch, which is situated on the South Llano River 11 miles south of Junction on Highway 29. Director of the camp will be Mrs. Eleanor S. Borskey.

Twenty girls from Sonora can be accomodated at the camp, and their week will begin on July 1. The price of one week's stay for each girl is \$20, if as many as 20 girls from here go; otherwise the price will be \$25 each.

Two leaders from Sonora will accompany the girls, but their names have not yet been announced.

Activities at the camp will include all kinds of sports, dancing and dramatics, and qualified instructors in each activity will be provided.

RED CROSS RECEIVES MORE KNITTING YARN

Thirty-six sweaters have been shipped by the local Red Cross chapter, according to report made this week by Mrs. O. L. Richardson, knitting chairman. This was the third quota of sweaters completed by this chapter.

Yarn has now been received for an emergency quota of socks for servicemen, and those who can help with the knitting are asked to call at Mrs. Richardson's home. These socks will be shipped in groups of ten pairs as soon as they are completed, as the need for them is urgent.

Mrs. Richardson also expressed her appreciation for those who helped with the knitting, tagging and shipping of the sweaters.

Mrs. Aldwell Nisbet and Mrs. Clark Stroud arrived here Wed-

Each seperate unit is a 20 foot by 20 foot square, and contains a living room, bedroom, bath and combination kitchen-dinette.

Foundations for the buildings were being poured at the middle of the week, and sewer, water and electric lines were being set up. Bob Wilson, who has the contract for preparing the grounds, laying the foundations and building the houses when they arrive, expects the work to be completed by May 15. The houses, which are pre-fabricated and ready to be put together on the foundations, were bought from a Dallas company through F. J. Wood, agent for the company in this area.

Late Ilee Simon Is Posthumously **Awarded Medal**

The late Pfc. Ilee Simon, killed in action last August, 1944, in France, has been posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in the acttion which cost him his life. Presentation of the medal was made to his wife on Friday, March 30, at her home in Roosevelt, by Lt. Donald A. Price of Curtis Field, Brady.

The citation that accompanied the medal read:

"For heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 26 August, 1944, in St. Pierre, France, Pfc. Simon advanced to within 30 feet of an enemy tank in order to fire upon it with a rocket-launcher. He succeeded in disabling the vehicle, but enemy artillery was immediately concentrated in the area and he was fatally wounded. His courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit on the Armed Forces of the United States.

"May I again express my deepest sympathy to you in your bereavement."

J. A. Ulio, Major General. The medal was awarded by order nesday for a visit of several days, of the direction of the President.

Mr. Wilson was a 32nd degree Mason; a member of the Sonora lodge; a Shriner and a member of Texas livestock growers' associations.

Pallbearers were Pat Jackson, Ray Johnston, Herschel Upton, Hollis Nutt, H. P. Allison, Vosburg Hall, I. W. Ellis and Roscoe Graham.

Board Re-elects All Faculty Members For '45

All faculty members in the three Sonora schools were re-elected when the Board of Trustees met Monday night. The re-appointments were made with the condition that reassignments could be made in the different schools according to the needs of the schools.

High School faculty members are E. D. Stringer, Miss Annie Duncan, A. J. Bishop, Miss Anne Palmer and Miss Nellie Ruth Folley.

Grammar School teachers are H. L. Ezell, Mrs. M. O. Britt, Miss Christine Boone, Mrs. A. J. Bishop, Mrs. Dayton Cain, Miss Evelyn Folley, Miss Ura Mae Haggard, Miss Emma Hamilton, Miss Wynona Hutcherson, Mrs. Karl H. Moore and Mrs. E. D. Stringer.

Re-elected in the Elliott School faculty are C. H. Robertson, Mrs. George Andrews, Miss Margaret Barton, Miss Sweetie Beauregard, Mrs. Lena E. Cousins, Miss Freddie Mae Cox, Mrs. Harold Evans, Miss Ruby Nell Haggard, Mrs. Gene Lightfoot, Miss Frances Probandt, Miss Thora Roach and Mrs. C. H. Robertson.

Custodians of both schools, Artie Joy and J. E. Barrows, were also re-elected.

MRS. DAVIS IMPROVING

Mrs. W. L. Davis, who underwent a major operation in a San Angelo hospital last Thursday, is reported this week to be recuperating nicely. She will, however, remain in the hospital several weeks

Probably no person who has not actually seen the suffering in countries once occupied by the Japanese or Germans can realize how terrible conditions are. A Sonora man however. Sgt. Buster Shroyer who is stationed in the Philippines, has written home an eye-witness account of what it is like in recently liberated Manila. His letter said, in part, "That city surely is in a mess. I could hardly believe my eyes. The Japs sure made a mess of it." Another letter written by Sgt. Shroyer stated that he hoped the folk at home would support the clothing drive, as many in the city of Manila are going naked, having no clothes at all to wear.

One of the most practical and generous ideas for donating to the clothing drive has been started by the Mexican Girl Scouts and the Elliott School Parent-Teachers' Association, under the supervision of Miss Sweetie Beauregard, Girl Scout sponsor and member of the Elliott School faculty. These two

left over are be crap used to make small sewing kits. The Girl Scouts have also picked up clothing donations left at previously designated business houses in the Mexican quarter of Sonora.

groups are bleaching feed sacks,

donated by H. V. Stokes and Mrs.

Alvis Johnson, and are making

Mrs. Johnson announced this week that members of the planning committee should meet with her next Monday afternoon at the school cafeteria, at which time plans will be made for sorting, packing and shipping the clothing collected here.

Members of the planning committee, beside those previously announced, are as follows:

American Legion Auxiliary: Mrs. O. L. Richardson; Sonora Music Club: Mrs. C. A. Tyler and Mrs. O. G. Babcock; Baptist W. M. U: Mrs J. E. Eldridge and Mrs. R. P. Odom; Sonora Woman's Club: Mrs. Sterling Baker, Mrs. Edwin Sawyer, Mrs. Earl Duncan and Mrs. Lloyd Earwood; Church of Christ: Mrs. Bob Glasscock; Methodist W. S. C. S.: Mrs. F. L. Meadow, Mrs. W. H. Queen, Mrs. W. R. Cusenbary and Mrs. Lloyd McMullan; Holiness Church: Mrs. Myrtle Pearce; Young Women's Episcopal Guild: Mrs. Fred Simmons, Mrs. Bryan Hunt and Mrs. Roy Aldwell; Camp Allison: Mrs. Leo Adams, Mrs. May Eastham and Miss Nell Adams; American Lgion: Gene Lightfoot and G. H. Hall; St. Anne's Church: Mrs. John Bunnell and Father Carol Meyer; P-T. A: Mrs. Rip Ward, Mrs. J. F. Howell and Mrs. B. H. Cusenbary; Eastern Star: Mrs. A. W. Awalt, Mrs. Seth Lancaster and Mrs. Ban Odom.

In charge of the canvass is Lee Patrick, Lions Club chairman of clothing drive activities, and he will be assisted in the collection by Boy and Girl Scouts.

Mrs. O. L. Richardson attended memorial services last Sunday in Mason for her nephew, T/Sgt. G. B. King, Jr., who was killed in action on Leyte last December 3.

Mrs. Martha (Granny) Ory, who was last week taken to a San Angelo hospital after breaking her arm has returned home.

E BOND Sales Total \$42,000

E Bond purchases to be applied on the Seventh War Loan E Bond quota of \$115,000, this week totaled \$42,000, according to local War Finance Chairman George H. Neill. This includes all E bonds purchased here since April 9. The drive will open officially on May 14 and continue through June 30.

The national E Bond quota is seven billion dollars worth, and the fact that this is two billion dollars more than the quota in the Sixth War Loan shows what increased stress is being put by the government on the purchases of E, or citizens', bonds. Overall quota for the nation is 14 billion dollars.

P-TA TO HOLD FOOD SALE, DRAWING SATURDAY

A food sale will be held by the Parent-Teachers' Association Saturday, April 21, beginning at 9 o'clock in the morning at the E. F. Vander Stucken Co. store. Foods of all types will be sold.

During the day Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts will sell chances on, a cake and a Spanish kid, and the drawing will be held at 6 o'clock Saturday evening at Vander Stucken's store.

BUDDY HALBERT SUFFERS BROKEN ANKLE

B. M. Halbert, III, suffered a broken ankle last Thursday when he fell while running. He is able to be up on crutches this week, but will have to keep the ankle in a cast for several weeks more.

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Texans would have to see what their service men have seen to really comprehend what the war and Jap oppression have done to the Philippines, reports Sgt. Jack Johnson of Cold Spring.

"If I hadn't seen it, I couldn't believe it," he wrote his parents. "The Japs took all the food and Surned the villages."

Appalled by the desolation of the country, Johnson and his buddies were even more appalled at sight of the first Filipinos who eluded the Japs and made their way to the American lines.

"Most of them didn't have clothes to cover their bodies," Sergeant Johnson wrote. "The children were hungry and weak . . . Never have I seen such hungry kids. We had a few rations, and never have I been so happy to do anything as I was to give these people what we had . . . But don't think for a minute they don't appreciate what we do.

"I have seen the bravest men in the world come down the mountain, crying because the Japs had bayoneted someone near and dear to them."

Neither wounds nor hardship can make the American soldier lose his sense of humor. Some of his jokes are grim, but behind them lies the high courage that all Texans admine.

Several disabled Texas afficers who returned from German prison I chewed mine." camps were talking from experience in McCloskey General Hospital at Temple. In the circle sat Lt. F. A. Brumbeloe, Midlothian; Lt. E. S. Proctor, Port Arthur; Lt. Ralph Norsworthy and Lt. Ernest Davis, both of Dallas, and Lt. John Akers of Greenville.

Under discussion were the books, sport equipment and other aids for combatting 'barbed wire sickmess" in war prisoners which are furnished by War Prisoners Aid, the Wational War Fund agency to which Texans contribute through their county war chests.

EDITORIALS AND FEATURES

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I GIVE

YOU

BOÝCE

HOUSE

Charlie Harris, veteran news-

paperman of Fort Worth, who

wears a cap and writes articles on

a 25-year old portable typewriter,

used to work on a newspaper in

St. Louis and there he picked up

several stories about the immortal

Eugene Field, author of "Little

porters before and since, was slow

pay. He bought a hat from Hart,

the Hatter, and when repeated

bills brought no response, the

creditor at last wrote a footnote

on the statement, "I hope you will

pay this." Field returned the bill

after scrawling this line, "Hope

on, dear Hart, hope on." Many a Field fan would be will-

ing to pay several times the price

of that hat just to get the note,

The incident calls to mind the

American who wrote to Rudyard

Kipling, "I understand you are the

highest-paid writer in the world

and that you receive \$1 a word.

Enclosed is \$1; please send me a

word." Kipling complied with the

That note, too, would bring a

On the subject of pay for liter-

Amid laughter, he held up his

Actually, Hearn lost his arm in

Texas gallantry has another long

list of decorations to its credit

this week. Among others --- Capt.

Bill Dollahite, Longview, has been

awarded the Silver Star and the

French Croix de Guerre. Paratroop

Sgt. T. J. Cunningham, Talco, re-

ceived the Silver Star for exploits

on Leyte. Sgt. Jack D. McHam,

the action in which he was captur-

ed in the Vosges mountains in

left arm, off at the elbow.

ary productions, your columnist in

cne afternoon pounded out an

if it is still in existence.

one word, "Thanks."

fancy price today.

France. .

Field, like some newspaper re-

Boy Blue"

Middle Aged Should Observe **Health Rules**

AUSTIN, April 19-From a health standpoint, life after forty begins to be more complicated for the average individual. According to information from the State Department of Health, the principal health foes confronting people in middle life are heart disease, cancer, kidney disease, high blood pressure, hardening of the arteries, apoplexy, diabetes and arthritis.

Middle aged people of today are healthier than were those of preceding generations, and the present generation, when they reach middle age, should enjoy even better health than their parents of today.

Medical care in middle life has two important phases. The first is going to the doctor at regular intervals for a complete physical checkup, whether or not there have been symptoms that suggest the need for medical attention. The second is prompt attention to any illness which may mean the difference between prompt recovery and continued good health and prolonged invalidism. It is difficult to say which of these phases is the more important.

It has been found that men and women who faithfully pursue the habit of regular health examinations and who follow the advice arising from them tend to live longer, more satisfactorily, and freer from disease than those who simply take a chance and go to the doctor only when pain or disability forces them to give up their normal activities.

It is also a fact that many diseases of middle age respond to treatment in early stages, whereas, if neglected until later stages, they often cause permanent invalidism and even death.

Good advice for persons over forty is that they have regular physical examinations and obtain prompt medical attention for any and all illnesses.

article on the Ranger oil boom and sold it to the Saturday Evening Post for \$750: Later computation showed the pay was at the rate of \$1.56 a minute, on the basis of the time it took to write the article, which-- apropriately enough--was entitled "It Was Fun While It Lasted."

Mark Twain was riding on a crowded street car one day in Paris and, when the car stopped suddenly, the American author stepped on a Frenchman's foot. The Frenchman felt himself offended and he said, "Sir, consider yourself slapped in the face and challenged to a duel." Twain replied, "Sir, consider yourself shot three times through the heart."

Did you know that Abraham om, when a young

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Compulsory Military Training

ANN DeBERRY We must prevent another war.

We must safeguard ourselves against another rise of an aggressor nation. The world has suffered too much from such aggression; and if it is not stopped, it will continue to tear countries, maintaining fear and danger instead of happiness. The story of horror, death and destruction in wars is too terrible for us to turn our backs on and fall back into our undefended peace. Peace will not last without security against further dangers. It is necessary that the United States organize a defense--2/strong defense, in view of which nations with totalitarian ideas cannot dare attempt to subjugate the world. The plan for universal military training has been considered, discussed, and debated for years, and proves to be the best solution to the problem. I approve of this plan because of the desperate need for protection. Only military can cope with military; and a trained army of wellprepared men will discourage future Hitlers.

is to train young men who have reached eighteen years of age for

military service during a period of twelve months. It is necessary for this period to cover twelve successive months, because complete and detailed training could not be attained in less time or in short, scattered periods. The training will contain five phases; basic, individual, advanced and extended field. In these five phases the young men may receive all the different types of drill.

Besides maintaining peace, universal military training is beneficial in other ways. By working together, different races and religions may come to a better understanding of each other. Young men will become acquainted with new things, people and ideas and will take on a broader view of life. Physical examinations will reveal deficiencies which otherwise might never be called to attention until seriously advanced. The men will have to lead healthy and orderly lives, thus creating good habits. They will learn to employ accuracy and skill. Immoral practices will be prevented.

Yes, I fell that universal military training is the only alternative. Some may be discouraged by the fact that the American youth will have to spend his whole

eighteenth year in strict training. But these must think of the result--peace in liberty! Then they must consider the advantages mentioned above. The experience and wealth of knowledge acquired will render no small amount of good. For we dare not be caught again, unawares and unprepared.

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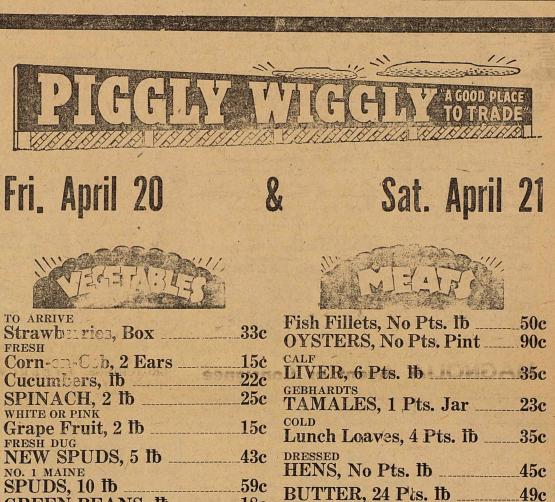
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The plan of the American Legion

"Without them," said Lt. Brumbeloe, who was shot down over Bremen, "there's nothing to do except sit and stare at each other and talk until you hate everybody. After a while you get to just chewing your finger nails.

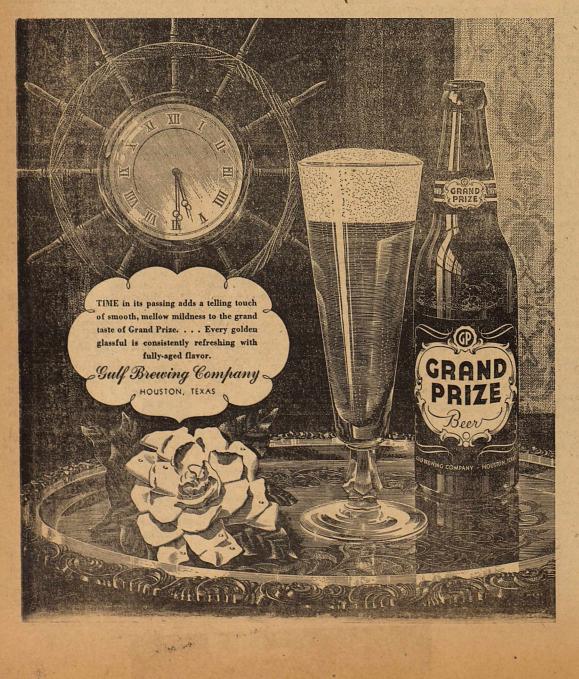
"I'll say you do," agreed. Lt. L. E. Hearn of Tulsa, Okla., who sat with the Texans. "Look how

Blossom, with the Second Division in Germany, is another to receive the Silver Star.

Bronze Stars have been awarded Cpl. H. E. Boley, High; Col. B. Conn Anderson, Deport; Pvt. Jack Hardin, Tom Bean; Sgt. L. B. Harlow, Weston; T/5 Robert G. Gates, Mount Pleasant; Pvt. Truman Stephens, Italy; T/Sgt. Pritchett, Whitewright.

challenged to a duel? As the challenged party, he had the right to choose the weapons, which he did. Abe said, "I choose Irish potatoes at 100 yards," This caused a laugh and there was no duel.

DON'T FORGET THE P-TA FOOD SALE at E. F. Vander Stucken Co., Saturday. 1tc



GREEN BEANS, 1b18c	TDEET 5 Dtg Con 290		
Blackeyed Peas, th 17c	TREET, 5 Pts. Can38c		
EGG PLANT, 1b16c	HOT BARBECUE		
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LARGE SIZE RINSO, 2 Boxes49c	LUX LIFE BOUY SOAP, 2 Bars13c		
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RAISINS, 15 Oz. Box16c	Mince Meat, 16 Oz. Jar29c		
KELLOGGS - SMALL BOX ALL BRAN, 2 Boxes25c	SWANS DOWN CAKE FLOUR, Box29c		
FLOUR LIGHT CRUST 25 LB. BAG	\$1.29		
K. B. PRINT BAG FLOUR, 25 lb Bag\$1.19	K. B. PRINT BAG FLOUR, 50 lb Bag\$2.10		
CALUMET 1 LB. CAN Baking Powder, 2 Cans20c	ROYAL - 1 LB. CAN Baking Powder, 2 Cans20c		
Sour Kraut, No. 2 Can 14c	NO POINTS Catsup Sauce, 14 Oz. Bottle _25c		
HUNT'S - NO 2½ GLASS JAR Pork & Beans, Jar22c	CHURCHES' 20 POINTS Grape Juice, Pint20c		
PIECES FLAT CAN	solid PACK TUNA FISH, 3 Pts45c		
COFFEE MAXWELL HOUSE 1 LB. JAR DRIP OR REGULAR 33C			
REGULAR KOTEX, 2 Boxes43c	CAMPBELL'S Tomato Soup, 2 Cans19c		
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WFA Gives Ranchers Tips On Proper Bagging Of Wool For Sale

tration which deals with the proper preparation of wool for sale and which, if carefully observed, will greatly increase the ranchers' profits from their wool.

Preparing the wool clip for sale involves tying the fleeces, packing them in bags, and lettering each bag with a description of the contents. A well-prepared clip of grease wool is more salable than poorly prepared clip; but no matter how well prepared an inferior wool may be, it still will not command the premium value of a superior quality clip. It is also true, however, that THE VALUE OF ANY CLIP CAN BE IN-CREASED BY SUPERIOR PRE-PARATION. The important points of a good wool preparation are given in the following paragraphs.

Following is a list of rules pre-pared by the War Food Adminis-cuoted in the Commodity Credit quoted in the Commodity Credit Corporation Schedule of Values for Domestic Shorn Wool under the 1945 Wool Purchase Program. 1. KEEP THE FLEECES CLEAN-Keep the shearing pens as clean as possible. Keep straw and manure out of the fleeces, because this lowers the value by giving the wool a bad appearance. 2. DON'T USE TOO MUCH BRANDING PAINT - Branding paint on wool is nothing less than a material defect. Branding paints

> ly as possible. 3. DON'T PACK UNTIED OR CARELESSLY TIED FLEECES-Except in the case of Texas 8months and Texas fall wool, all untied clips will be discounted 2 cents per pound from the grease appraisal price. Using only paper

should always be used as sparing-

Sonora, Texas, Friday, April 20, 1945

ing them.

strings, tie each fleece securely with the tlesh end of the staple showing and the shoulder and side wools on the outside. Tuck in the loose ends. There will be a deduction of 10 cents per pound (clean basis) for wool tied with sisal or binder twine. BAILING WIRE SHOULD NEVER BE USED.

4. TAKE ALL TAGS, DUNG LOCKS, AND STAINED PIECES OUT OF THE FLEECES-On original bag wool the appraisers will make a deduction not to exceed 3 percent of the grease appraisal price on clips which do not have all tags and other off wools packed separately. Heavy tags are worth only 12 cents per pound and average tags are worth only 17 cents per pound on the Boston market. PACK ALL TAGS AND SWEEPINGS IN A SEPARATE BAG. Never put a layer of tags in a bag alone with fleeces.

5. DON'T PACK BLACK WOOL WITH WHITE WOOL- Black fibers contaminate white wool. Black wool is worth only twothirds of the price of white wool of comparable grade.

6. DON'T PACK BURRY FLEECES . WITH FLEECES FREE OF BURS-Keep separate from clean wool all fleeces containing burs, foxtail, straw, leaves, or vegetable defects. The value of a clip can be lowered from 1 to 10 cents per pound (clean basis), and even more, depending on the amount of defect it contains.

7. DON'T PACK EWE, RAM, AND YEARLING FLEECES TO-GETHER — Keep these classes separate, because they each have a different value. This is not necessary in clips under 3,000 pounds.

8. REQUEST SEPARATE AP-PRAISALS ON EWE, YEARL-ING, AND RAM WOOL-In this way you can get the true values for the wool in each of the above classes.

9. DON'T PACK DEAD WOOL, CRUTCHINGS, AND EYE CLIP-FINGS ALONG WITH THE SHORN FLEECES -Keep such wools separate from the fleeces. Pack them in a separate bag. They have a lower value than the fleece wool.

.10. AYWAYS MARK EVERY BAG OF WOOL TO SHOW THE CONTENTS—Every bag in the clip should be distinctly lettered with the class of wool it contains. These painted letters should be atleast 6 inches in height. The following names should be used: EWE, YEARLING OR LAMB, RAM, BLACK, TAGS AND SWEEPINGS, DEAD WOOL, CRUTCHINGS, EYEBROWS, BURRY, SEEDY.

11. NEVER PACK WET WOOL

ly that even in this time of in-

sufficient labor every wool grow-

er should make a supreme effort

to prepare his wool in the best

way. - (Reprinted from March

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23 edition by request.)

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Alley and Miss Ethel Mae and Darrell spent stains and weakens the fibers. Allast week-end visiting their son ways dry wet fleeces before packand brother, Pvt. Gene Alley, who is stationed at Camp Hood. It costs so little more to prepare a clip of grease wool correct-

Mrs. Nellie Allen and G. E. Ellis spent last week-end in San Antonio visiting their cousin, Miss Bennie Ellis.

ALL KINDS OF FOOD to be sold at P-TA food sale at E. F. Vander Stucken Co., Saturday. 1tc dez.

7 TO TAKE PHYSICALS

Seven Sutton County registration will report to Fort Sam Housten, San Antonio, next Thursday, April 26, for pre-induction physical examinations.

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These men are Santiago Lopez Black, Juan Gandar Muniz, Santus Gonzalez Reyes, Seferine Fella Garza, Roy Brown Glassnok, Julian Guedia Garza and Antonio Herman-

Yes. You, Lady! Out of

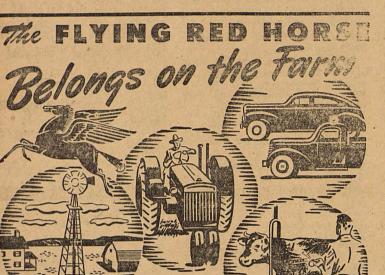
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So the <u>city folks</u> have done it!

Well, WATCH OUR SPEED!

WORD comes from Washington that the fat-salvage problem has got to be licked in the small cities, the towns and on the farms.

We women have to save enough used fats in our kitchens to help make munitions, medicines, fabrics, soap for military and civilian use, and many other essentials.

The job, to date, has been done largely by city people, because arrangements for collecting the fats were made in the cities first. And these city folks are turning in more than twelve million pounds a month!

Now we're called on. And will the women on the farms and in the towns and small cities break that record?

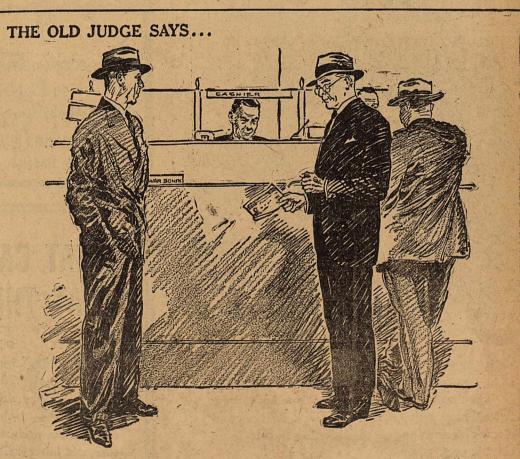
Don't worry -just watch our speed! HOW TO DO IT: Save all used fats in a tin can. Keep it handy to the stove. Scrape your broilers and roasting pans, skim soups and gravies, for every drop counts. Keep solid pieces of fat, as meat trimmings and table scraps, in a bowl.

Melt down once a week when your oven's going, add the liquid fat to the salvage can.

Take the can to your butcher as soon as it's full. He will give you two red points and up to four cents for every pound. If you have any difficulty, call your County Agent or Home Demonstration Agent. This message is approved by WFA and OPA, and paid for by Industry.

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"Adding another War Bond to your collection, eh, Judge?"

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"We've done the same in our family, too, Judge. We figure the more we buy ... the better we equip our men...the quicker they'll finish their big job and come march-

ing home again." "That's thespirit, Josh. And let's besure of one more thing. Let's be sure that they come back to the same kind of place they left. While they are away and can't express their opinions, let's not make any decisions on things that are going to concern them in years to come."

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Announcemets From The Churches

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday Program-9:45 Men's Bible Class _ ___ 9:45 Sunday School 10:50 Morning Worship Evening Service changed from 7:30 to Vesper Service at 5:30 Womans Society of Christian Service meets each Wednesday _ 3:00 Afternoon _ Men's Brotherhood Social every second Thursday evening at the church.

Cordial welcome to all.

ST. ANN'S CHURCH

Sunday Masses: 8:00 and 10:00 Weekday Mass: 7:30

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH Sunday School _____ 10:00 8:00 Evening Services Held every second Sunday in the month.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School _____10:00

Morning Service _____11:00

Mid-week Service and Choir re-

hersal, Wednesday _____ 7:30

W. M. U., each Wednesday 3:00

Sunbeams, Monday _____ 3.15 Ra's, Ga's, Monday _____ 4:15

---- 7:30

Evening Service

Mrs. F. O. Marvin Honored With Morning Coffee In Ogden Home

Mmes. Ray Baker, C. D. Crumley, Johnson, Sr., R. C. Vicars, J. D. Lowrey, J. C. Stephen, M. G. Shur-R. D. Trainer and O. C. Ogden were co-hostesses at a morning coffee and gift shower, honoring Mrs. F. O. Marvin, at the Ogden home on Thursday morning, April 12. Mr. and Mrs. Marvin with their children, Carol and Eddie Leon, left on Saturday for Nooksack, Washington, where they will make their home.

The house was decorated with spring flowers, and the lace covered table was centered with a crystal bowl filled with roses. Mrs. Baker presided at the coffee service for the first hour, and Mrs. Trainer and Mrs. Crumley presided the second hour. Piano selections were played by Mrs. Batts Friend and Mrs. Dave Locklin during the coffee.

Those attending and sending gifts were Mmes. Bailey Renfro, Rip Ward, E. D. Shurley, L. E. ley, Alfred Cooper, Alvis Johnson, F. L. Meadow, M. C. Scott, John Eaton, S. M. Loeffler, Bill Smith, John Bunnell, Vernon Hamilton, Seth Lancaster, James Wilson, Earl Lomax, Leo Brown, Rose Thorp, J. F. Howell, Lee Patrick, E. D. Stringer, Fat Lyles, Harold Friess, C. W. Taylor, A. W. Awalt, W. T. Seale, Ford Allen, O. L. Richardson, Arthur Carroll and Ardena Speed, and Miss Emma Hamilton. Also Mrs. William Allison of Marfa and Mrs. Chester Roberts

Mrs. Harriet Pittman returned to San Antonio on Monday after a visit of several weeks with Mrs. C. G. Davis. She was accompanied to San Antonio by Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Leo Brown, who spent several days there.

of Rocksprings.



Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Askins announce the arrival of a daughter, horn in San Angelo on Tuesday. April 17. The baby weighed six pounds and three and one-half ounces, and has been named Alice Kay.

Faternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Askins of Snyder, and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Osment of Stamford.

MRS. ELDRIDGE IS WMU BIBLE STUDY LEADER

Mrs. J. E. Eldridge was the leader of Bible study when the W. M. U. met at the Baptist Church Wednesday afternoon. The subject for the month was "The Author of Redemption", and the opening song was "Come, Thou Fount". The opening prayer was given by Mrs. W. K. Region. Each person on the program read a Scripture, then gave some comments on it. The closing prayer was given by Mrs. R P. Odom.

Those on the program were: Mmes. Odom, J. K. Lancaster, D. L. Slone, Region, Pearl Martin, Jack Drennan, Fern McGhee, W. O. Crites, Aubrey Ward and G. G. Stephenson.



CLUBS . PARTIES . FEATURES

JEAN SAUNDERS, Editor

Sybil Burleson Becomes The Bride

Elliott Seniors Honored With Banquet, Sat.

The Reverend J. E. Eldridge was the speaker for the banquet held in the auditorium of the L. W. Elliott School Saturday night, when the two graduating seniors, Juanita Vingen and Gertrude Balzar, were honored by the rest of the high school students.

The banquet, under the direction of Miss Freddie Cox, was served from tables arranged in the shape of a T, and decorations carried out the Texas bluebonnet motif. Places at the table were marked with Texas flags and programs were in the shape of a Texas map. Each of the tables was centered with a bowl of the chosen flowers, flanked by plaques in the shape of a Texas map and handpainted with bluebonnet scenes. Decorations of blue and white crepe paper hung from the ceiling and, at one end of the banquet room, formed a map of Texas on the wall.

Following the banquet a dance was held,

MRS. TRAINER HOSTESS TO PASTIME CLUB

Mrs. J. W. Trainer was hostess to members and guests of the Pastime Club at the home of Mrs. Annie Sharp on Thursday, April 12. High score for the members was held by Mrs. C. E. Stites, and for the guests by Mrs. Therese Friend. Cut flowers decorated the playing room, and a salad plate and cokes were served.

Playing were Mmes. O. G. Babcock, John Bunnell, Joe Berger, Lee Labenske, Rose Thorp, B. C. McGilvary, Seth Lancaster, Preston Prater, John Kring and Robert Kelley.

Of Sgt. D. E. Wolfe, April 6 Miss Sybil Eunice Burleson, attended the Western Union school daughter of Mr, and Mrs. George in San Angelo. She has been work-Burleson of Fort Stockton, became the bride of S/Sgt. Delmar Earle Wolfe of Laughlin Field, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Wolfe of Philippi, West Virginia, at the Baptist parsonage in Del Rio Friday night, April 6, at seven o'clock. The Reverend J. O. Morris read the

The bride wore a two-piece pink dress and black accessories. Her corsage was of gardenias and car. nations. She was attended by Miss Bernice McKee who wore a lime green suit, black accessories, and a corsage of gardenias.

ceremony.

S/Sgt. John Marcy of Laughlin Field was best man.

Mrs. Wolfe is a 1944 graduate of the Sonora High School and

MRS. I. B. BOUGHTON IS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF A. & M. MOTHERS' CLUB

Elected as officers for the coming year, when the A. & M. Mother's Club met in the home of Mrs. O. L. Carpenter Tuesday afternoon, April 10, were: president, Mrs. O. L. Carpenter; vicepresident, Mrs. A. E. Prugel; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. J. V. Alley, and historian, Mrs. W. T. Hardy.

Mrs. Roy Aldwell gave the history of the Sonora club, and also reported that the members have twenty-three ex-Aggie sons and brothers serving with the armed forces. Two of the members have lost men in the service, Mrs. V. J. Gentzler, whose husband was recently reported killed in action while serving with the Air Corps in France, and Mrs. Velma Shurley whose son, Lt. Marvin Smith, was lost off the coast of Florida while training with the Air Corps. The club voted to buy a \$25.00 War Bond.

Attending the meeting were Mmes. I. B. Boughton, O. L. Richardson, E. E. Sawyer, O. C. Ogden, Alley and L. E. Johnson, Sr.

ing with the Western Union in Del Rio since September of last year.

Sgt. Wolfe, who is a graduate of the Philippi High School, was in the florist business before entering the Air Corps. He has been stationed at Laughlin Field for the past two years.

The couple will be at home in Del Rio, and Mrs. Wolfe will continue working for the present.

Guests at the wedding were Mrs. Lois Merck of Sonora and the following from Del Rio: Sgt. and Mrs. Emil Faust, and Sgt. and Mrs. Walter Smith, Mrs. Lillie Dahlberg, Miss Wilma Morrison, Sgt. Charles Snyder, Sgt. Vernon Lyons and Pfc. Otle Fritz.

Music Club Meets With Mrs. Ward

Mrs. Rip Ward was the hostess for the April meeting of the Sonora Music Club at her home on Thursday night, April 12.

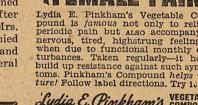
Mrs. Dan Cauthorn was the leader, and Texas musicians and their music were featured on the program. Mrs. James Wilson played a piano solo, "The Hills of Home", and Mrs. Karl Moore played three accordion solos, "Country Jig," "Turkey in the Straw" and "Blue Bonnett". Mrs. Batts Friend played "Remembrance" and "Western Romance", as piano solos.

The club voted to buy a \$50 War Bond and to give \$5.00 to the Red Cross. The program committee was asked to plan a program to be given during National Music Week. Sixteen members attended the meeting and guests were Mrs. J. A. Cauthorn and Albert Ward.

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The Devil's River News

When you know something of interest about a member of the armed force from the Sonora area, write or telephone us. We'll appreciate it and the men in uniform will be glad to hear about their friends and buddies in other parts of the world. This feature page will act as a clearing house for the activities of the service men, many of whom receive the News.

Pfc. Leova Urias writes from France.

"Hello there, how are you doing? Fine I hope, just like me.

'I am getting pretty lazy now that I am back in France. It is very nice while you are back for a good rest with good hot meals instead of cold 'C' or 'K' rations. I suppose that all of you were pretty worried when you got that telegram about me missing in action, or did you get one? Well, anyway, I guess you already know what had happened to me. I was taken by the 'block-heads' and they had me for quite awhile, until the Yanks retook me and the others. Boy, that was a happy day for me. I almost cried, or maybe I did, I don't remember, but it sure was good to see those G. I.s once again. First thing that we did was to give thanks to God. We did this when the Captain held a general service, and we all thanked God from the bottom of our hearts for setting us free again.

"You know that the last letter I got was way back in December, and I believe you told me that Manuel Pena was back in the States. Has he been home on leave yet? Be sure and tell me if any of them that have been home.

"I'll bet there have been a lot of changes in Sonora. By the way, I may get to see the old town soon; at least, I sure hope so.

"I must sign off, but I'll write"



again. Answer me real soon."

Sgt. Nelson Stubblefield writes from France:

"I received your letter this afternoon, and I was really glad to hear from you again. It has been almost three weeks since I had a letter, and I don't think that I have written since. It is quite a problem to find anything to write, but I will see what I can do. I am glad that my letters finally started coming through. I know about how you feel; it makes no difference how old a letter may be, it is still nice to get it. Wayland told me that he had received a couple of my letters in about nine or ten That is good time going days. down there. I received his last letter in eleven days, so I can't complain.

"I intended to write a couple of days ago when I received the package of cigarettes, pipe tobacco and gum, but I decided to wait a day or so. I figured that I would be getting a letter from you in a day or so, and sure enough I got one. Thanks for the things you sent. I will use them, but as I told you in another letter, we are getting



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enough cigarettes now. I am sure that you have already gotten the letter. You might send me a couple of wash cloths and a couple of bars of laundry soap. Don't send over two or three of each, because I have got too much 'junk' around now. I like to use white soap for my laundry once in a while. We get a bar of Ivory every now and then; otherwise we have to use the yellow soap, which is rather strong. "Well, I have my teeth all fixed up now. The last filling was done this morning, and I'm glad it is over with. I did not have any real bad cavities, so the drilling

did not hurt much. Two of my upper front teeth had to have small fillings, and you can hardly tell that anything has been done to them. The new fillings are sensitive now, but are getting better all of the time.

"I am sending the program of the sunrise Easter service that I attended. It was very nice. The soloist was very good, but he did not have quite enough volumn for the outdoors. The trumpet solo was very good, although it wasn't long enough. There was quite a crowd there, too.

"I was very happy to get Wil-

ton's letter, for I have not heard from him in a long while. I know that I will hear soon, because he should have gotten my last letter by now. He seems to be doing alrigt. Sounds pretty interesting to me. I'll bet he really enjoys that work with guns. It is very interesting to fire on a range too. I guess he will be finished with his school pretty soon, and I hope he gets a leave before he gets his assign-

ment. "I am enclosing a letter of appreciation from the C. O. of the fighter group. Just thought that you would like to read it and save it for me.

write when you have the time."

"Just finished reading an earlier edition of the 'Devil' from bow to stern, so naturally I read the 'Happy Birthday' column. Upon finishing the list of birthdays I just happened to remember that the date of May 14 in last year's copy of the 'Devil' was marked with a big 'none'.

"Please let me inform you of the following. My good friend, John A. Trainer, serving with the U. S. Army Engineers somewhere in Europe, was born on May 14, 1908, and I with the good ship, (----) was born on May 14, 1909. "Please remember that we are

always glad to receive the paper, because it is more than just a paper to us over here. It is another letter from home."

Pvt. Richard Boughton writes from France:

"At last! Where I've been trying to go, but it doesn't do too much good. I have never been so near a place, yet so far away. I guess that is the way things go. "I've seen Le Havre again, at a

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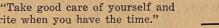
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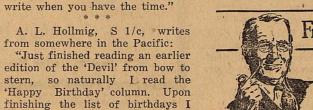
distance, and believe me it is not what it was in '37. The Seine is still very, very muddy, tho not much garbage is to be found in it.

"Rouen is like Le Havre, changed considerably. The cathedral, at the distance I saw it, was still as beautiful as ever. The Nazis only bothered parts of it, Rouen I mean. The French patriots themselves did some of the dirty work.

"My French is coming back fast, and it surprised many of these folk to find out I know their language.

"The country is decidedly different than the last country. Much more beautiful, more green country, better American-type roads, bright hot sunshine and fairer weather all around."





Sonora, Texas, Friday, April 20, 1945

In The Service

Bob Newcomb used to be the best fly caster in the county. Never missed a Saturday at Seward's Creek. But come the war, and Bob's son going off in uniform, he just lost interest in things like fishing.

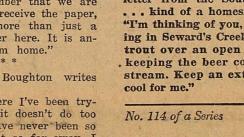
But the other day Bob got a letter from the South Pacific ... kind of a homesick letter: "I'm thinking of you, Dad, fishing in Seward's Creek; cooking trout over an open fire; and keeping the beer cool in the stream. Keep an extra bottle

So Bob spent his next day off enactly as Dick dreamed of his doing-fished Seward's Creek again, and cooked the trout, and kept the beer cool in the stream. And you knew he was doing it

From where I sit, it's what the men overseas would have us do -keep alive the little customs, the small pleasures, they remember-keep them alive fill they come home to share them.

Joe Marsa

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U. S. SHOWS ONLY TEXAS AUSTIN-If one believes the German map and globe makers. Texas is the only state in the

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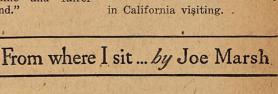
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union. Warrant Officer · Charles W. Baxter of Seguin is having a lot of fun with a German-made globe his anti-aircraft outfit captured. Texas is the only state shown on it, and Baxter is now backing ap with the globe his assertions that Texas is the only part of the United States the Nazis ever worried about, he recently wrote his sister, Mrs. Ray Osborne of Austin.

SID LAKEY, INJURED IN GERMANY, NOW IN STATES

Pvt. Sid Lakey, who was injured in Germany on December 24, 1944, while serving with an infantry unit, last week was returned to the States for treatment in an Army hospital, his parents here have learned. As yet, it is not known to what hospital he will be sent.

Mrs. Sid Lakey, who with their children made her home here, is in California visiting.



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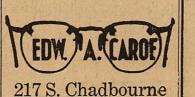
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Commissioner Giles Recommends State Veterans Land Board

AUSTIN, April 19-Bascom Giles, Commissioner of the General Land Office, accepted an invitation and appeared before the Texas House of Representatives last week, at which time he presented a plan to provide for a \$25,000,000.00 "Revolying Fund" to purchase land for disposition exclusively to Texas Veterans of World War II. He pointed out that a Constitutional Amendment would be necessary to permit the use of the Public Free School Fund money and recommended that the Governor, the President of the State Board of Education and himself, constitute a Board to be known as the Veterans Land Board, to purchase these lands so that every possible safe-guard might be thrown about the investment for this fund.

Commissioner Giles recommended the acquisition of such lands in Texas as may be suitable and obtainable as follows:

a. Federal Government Military Installations.

b. Texas Prison and other State Lands.

c. Approximately 500,000 acres of the 1,500,000 acres of Public Free School Land.

d. The purchase of such private lands as would be practicable. He proposed to dispose of this

land through sale by the School Land Board, composed of the Governor, Attorney General and himself, to Texas Veterans of World War II under the following terms and conditions:

a. Begin sales six months after. duration of the present war and extend for a period of five years. b. The State's purchase price of \$5,000.00 to be the maximum

amount allowed any one Texas Veteran. c. No land to be sold at less than

purchase price. d. To be sold for all cash or as low as 1/10th down payment, 4 percent interest, 40 years time on balance.

e. 1/8th free royalty on sulphur and 1/16th free royalty on oil and gas and all other minerals reserved to the State.

The recommended plan will provide an opportunity for at least 10,000 Texas Veterans to become

Sonoran With **Record** Making **Group In France**

HEADQUARTERS, ARMY TRANSPORTATION CORPS, FRANCE-In one of the most active ports of Europe, the port of Marseilles, the 372nd Harbor Craft Company commanded by First Lieutenant James H. Spears, of McGhee, Arkansas, is rolling up records of marine transportation and maintenance which have not been equaled in the four invasions of the Mediterranean theater by any other unit.

A member of this company is Master Sergeant T. B. Booker,

the owners of Texas lands, varying in size from 50 to a possible 2,500 acres, depending upon the value, Commissioner Giles pointed out.

It affords a very workable plan for the return of large quantities of Federal Government and State owned lands to private ownership, which would then be placed back upon the tax rolls of the Counties and State.

This one-fourth of the Permanent School Fund will be in land, the soundest possible investment, the source from which it came. Many bonds now held by this Fund draw as little as 21/2 percent interest, while the money invested in these lands will be a first lien bearing 4 percent interest.

"We have received numerous letters and visitations to the office from men in the Armed Forces, expressing a desire to own Texas lands and establish homes. This plan would afford them an opportunity to be self-supporting and independent and would not be a gift or dole. The Texas Veterans would receive the benefit of the enormous cash buying power of the State, which would be passed on to them on easy terms.

I appeal to you, Members of the 49th Legislature, to do your duty on behalf of the Texas Veterans of this war. I feel confident you welcome this opportunity," Commissioner Giles said.

T/Sgt. and Mrs. Robert E. Weaver of Camp Gordon Johnson, Florida, are here this week visiting Mrs. Weaver's parents. Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Carson.

Home From The War

Staff Sergeant Alfred Schwiening, Jr., who has been stationed for the past year in the Aleutian Islands, arrived home last week on a furlough visit with his parents. He is leaving this week-end to report to Miami, Florida, for reassignment.

Lt. Lois Merck, who has just returned to the States after 33 months in the European Theater

of Operations with the Army Nurse Corps, arrived home Monday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Merck. Lt. Merck has served in England and France, being sent to the latter soon after the invasion of the continent last June. * * *

Lt. Daphne Jungk left this week after spending a 15-day leave here with her mother, Mrs. Zola Jungk. She reported to Camp Howze,

Gainesville.

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* * * R. C. Luckie, recently returned to the States after 18 months on New Caledonia with the Navy, arrived in Sonora Wednesday for a

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Taylor and Blanche Lavon and Billy Wright spent last week-end in San Angelo visiting relatives.

Business visitors in Sonora Mon-day were J. C. Fuller and R. E. Baygent of Marfa.

30-day furlough visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Luckie. At the end of his furlough, he will report to El Paso for reassignment.

Mrs. Francis Archer and small son left this week for New Braunfels where they will visit with her parents.

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That "Minnesota" paint from Cameron's certainly makes things attractive.

No Runts among these grunts

A LOT of credit goes to our Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations where men spend their lives working out improved methods of breeding and feeding. For example, E. F. Ferrin, head of the swine division of the University of Minnesota, recently ran a feeding test with seven lots of pigs. He found that too small an amount of protein in the ration produces more runts slower gains and less profit.

All pigs in the test started at an average weight of 50 pounds and were self-fed without pasture for 14 weeks. All seven lots received the same kind of protein supplement which was tankage and soybean meal in equal parts with 10 % alfalfa meal to sup-ply adequate amounts of B vitamins. Some lots got a

CATFISH CAN'T RAISE CORN

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If you've noticed that the cream content of your milk goes down at this time of year, it may indicate that your

Jr., whose parents live in Sonora.

Since its activation as a Transportation Harbor Craft Company in November 1944, the company has been making records of towing, marine construction and general maintenance under obstacles which they had not encountered in any the other invasions. From November 28, to January 1, craft of the company have towed over 30,000 tons of material from the port of Marseilles to the connecting inland waterways system of France. An average of over 140 barges a week are towed by the company. The construction section of the company now builds one 150_ ton barge per day, a record unequalled by any other unit.

The company originally activated as the 591st Engineer Boat unit at Camp Edwards, Mass., in 1942 has been overseas for the past 30 months, participated in four campaigns, and recently was commended by Major General T. B. Larkin, formerly Commanding General of the Southern Line of Communications. The commendation was given for the high efficiency, intelligence and skill shown by the unit in Anzio, Bizerte, Algiers and Naples.

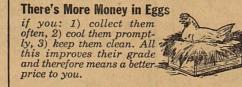
Nine officers and 188 enlisted men operate all harbor craft in the port of Marseilles and maintain Army and Navy floating equipment, maintenance and construction.

\$500 Reward I will pay \$500 to any person furnishing information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone. stealing any kind of livestock from any ranch in which I am interested.

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E. F. Ferrin high-protein ration (18% of the total feed); others were cut down to 15 % and 12 % protein. As pigs get heavier, they need less protein, so in some lots the amount of protein was reduced as they gained in weight.

The best results came from an 18 % protein ration until the pigs reached 100 pounds, and 15 % protein after that weight. The hogs on low-protein rations made smaller gains and were more uneven in individual weights when the test ended. By just such careful experi-ments, the "know-how" of hog raising has reached its present efficiency.



SULPHUR FOR LAMB COCCIDIOSIS

Coccidiosis in lambs may be successfully prevented by the addition of ground crude sulphur to their feed in proportions ranging from $\frac{1}{2}$ % to $\frac{1}{2}$ % of the ration, claims the Idaho Wool Growers Bulletin. Effectiveness of this sulphur treatment has been demonstrated by the U.S.D.A. working in coopera-tion with large lamb feeders, the report states.

Nature has equipped catfish with feelers so they can find their way about in muddy, silt-laden rivers. Most of that mud and silt is rich topsoil from once fertile farmlands: the type of soil that should still be producing 50 to 100 bushels of corn.

Catfish can't use that fertile mud to raise corn, and that's too bad. Because right now, America needs all the corn it can produce. There's no need to let catfish have any part of your farm. Your topsoil can be saved. Soil conservation practices hold the raindrops where they fall, control water erosion, stop gullying, stabilize the soil. The Agricultural Extension Service of your State University will be glad to help you work out a special program to fit your farm.

Through soil conservation practices fertility is maintained, crops make better yields, carrying capacity of pastures is increased, more and cheaper feeds are provided for livestock. All this means more money in the farmer's pocket. Swift & Company believes that whatever helps livestock helps all of us-producer, meat packer and consumer. To you as a producer, we earnestly suggest that an investigation of soil conservation

F.M. Simpson. land management may be worth your while. Agricultural Research Dept.

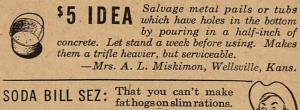
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for food.

dairy cows are not getting all the feed they need for heavy production. Those first blades of grass aren't as good as they look, for they won't give the cows all the proteins they require. So don't turn your dairy cattle out to graze and expect them to take care of all their feed requirements with early pasture.

Supplement their spring ration of grass with grain and protein supplement mixture, and hay . . . grain and protein supplement for milk production, hay for necessary roughage. This tonic is sure to put new spring in the step of an undernourished cow.

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A Martha Logan Recipe for PARTY-STYLE MEAT PIE

To serve four, buy ½ pound of table-ready meat loaf-either minced ham, New England cooked specialty or bologna. Dice. (Or, if you prefer, use 11/2 cups of cubed beef.) Mix 2 tablespoons flour with 1 teaspoon salt and dash of pepper. Dredge cubes of meat in flour mixture. Brown in 2 tablespoons of melted fat. Add 1 medium onion which has been diced, and brown. Combine with 1/2 cup each of cooked green peas and cooked sliced carrots. Cover with hot water or leftover gravy. Pour into a deep, wide casserole. Top with mashed potatoes. Bake in a hot oven (450° F.) about 20 minutes, or until pota-toes are browned. Serve with a fresh fruit salad, hot

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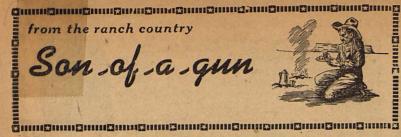
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Approximately 200 million pounds of meat a year are being wasted as a result of bruises, crippling and death losses of live stock in transit to market, according to H. R. Smith of the National Livestock Loss Prevention Board. This Board has found that all of us who have to do with the handling of livestock can help save much of this needed meat by following these simple rules:

- 1. Inspect chutes, trucks and cars for nails and rough corners.
- 2. Do not overload or jam animals. Partition mixed loads of livestock.
- 3. Never beat or prod with whips or clubs.
- 4. When trucking, start and stop with caution; watch for bumps, ruts and sharp curves.
- 5. Check your load frequently. Livestock shift in transit.

By observing these simple rules, we can all cooperate in cutting down this locs of a million extra meat rations a year; and we can help contribute to the nation the additional meat supplies which it needs so greatly right now!



Probably no place in the annals of history is found recorded more universal grief and greater feeling of personal bereavement than that felt by the people of all democratic nations at the death of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. His realization of the greatness of the common man, his sympathy for the oppressed everywhere, his steadfastness in the pursuit and support of the rights of men, and his vibrant, warm personality had made him, more than any other public figure, sem a personal friend to all who ever heard him speak or saw his picture.

Even those who opposed him in every election admit his greatness. More than one we have heard say, "I never voted for him, but I know that I have lost a friend"; or "Although I never voted for him, beacuse of some of his domestic policies, I know he was a great and good man"; or "I never voted for him, but if he weren't a great man, why did I want to cry when I heard of his death?"

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The general opinion of Mr. Roosevelt's successor, President Harry S. Truman, seems to be that he is capable, sincere and humble enough to ask for help when he needs it. One statesman, when asked what kind of president he thinks Mr. Truman will make, gave the answer that the majority of us probably feel, "A great one. He has to."

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Sonora's business houses will close for one hour next Wednesday morning, from 10 o'clock until 11 o'clock, to meet at the High School Auditorium to observe the opening of the World Peace Conference in San Francisco, the greatest meeting of nations in a common cause that the world has ever known.

This is one meeting that every citizen in the county should feel a personal responsibility and desire to attend. It is not to be an elaborate program, but a simple gathering to pray for the success of the conference which will largely spell the futre of our nation and of those of our Allies.

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Under urgent pressure from citizens, the City has employed a pound man to pick up all stray livestock within the city limits, beginning next Monday, April 23. During next week, stray livestock picked up will be returned to the owners, but thereafter it will be taken to the the City pound and a fine will have to be paid to recover it. J. C. Berry has been employed as pound keeper.

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Visitors at the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company Tuesday were Frank Butler, Boston wool buyer, and Russell Martin of Del Rio. -(1/2*?! *1b*1/2)-

Edwin Sawyer sent three truckloads of shorn mixed lambs to John Clay & Co., Fort Worth, last week. They brought 131/2 cents per pound, and averaged 82 pounds each.



The Devils River Yews RANCHING NEWS & IN SERESTS

Sonora, Texas, Friday, April 20, 1945

Happy Birthday Saturday, April 21— Oscar H. Wright Jack Berry Johnson

Sunday, April .22-

Monday, April 23-

Tuesday, April 24-

H. L. Hart

Friday, April 27-

Mrs. J. D. Wallace

Mrs. Dewitt Lancaster

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Clay Atchison

Here visiting her brothers, AL bert Owens and J. A. Sykes, in Mrs. W. G. Meacham of Vancouver Washington.

underwent a sinus operation two weeks ago, has been ill and confined to her home this week.

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LOST: Brown leather billfold.

Miss Mary Belle Bien, who

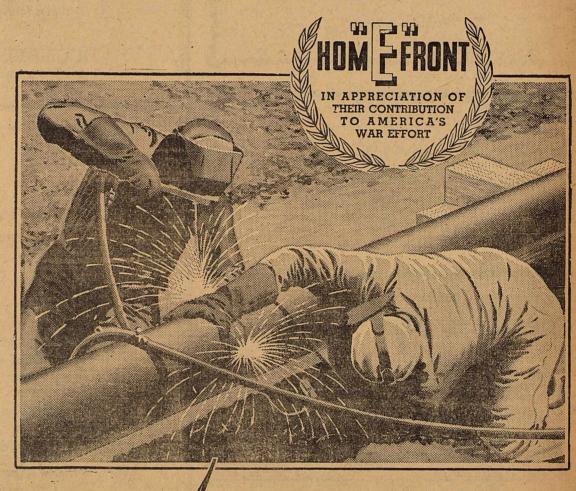
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Mrs. W. P. McConnell Carlos Loeffler Clyde Windrow, the tinner, re-turned from the Bill West ranch Wednesday, April 25-Clara Allison Thursday, April 26-

in the Juno-Ozona country Monday, where he had been putting a new tin roof on Mr. West's house. __36__ LUCKIE-JOHNSON

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Dock Simmons was in town

Thursday and reports the range

still dry, and consequently he would be pleased if travelers go-

ing through his pasture would keep

Married at the ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Luckie, 30 miles east of Sonora, on Wednesday, April 14, 1909, Miss Alma Luckie to Howard Johnson, Rev. G. A. Nance, pastor of the Method-

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to the road.

ist Church at Eldorado, officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Luckie, prominent ranch owners in the northeastern part of Sutton County, and the groom is an industrous young goat raiser of the Middle Valley country. The News extends best wishes.

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W. L. Aldwell, cashier of the First National Bank of Sonora, was in Eldorado Monday attending district court.

-36-W. H. Walker, dry goods mer-chant, and T. S. Meng, an attorney of St. Louis, were in Sonora Tuesday. These gentlemen had been attending court at Eldorado and, being only a few hours from the trading center of the Devil's River country, had to come down and

G. D. Marshall of El Paso was in Sonora Tuesday. Mr. Marshall is a National bank examiner, and this was his first visit to Sonora. _36-

see Sonora. They enjoyed the trip.

Mrs. R. A. Henning

Mrs. Roxan A. Henning died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. G. G. Stephenson, 12 miles west of Sonora, on Saturday, April 10, 1909, aged 54 years. Funeral services were conducted at the Methodist Church at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon by Rev. C. T. Davis, and interment took place in the

Sonora cemetery. Mrs. Henning had been a resident of Sonora for several years, and is survived by five children. She was a sister to John R. Robbins, and held in high respect by her neighbors and friends. The News extends its sympathy to the children and relatives in their sorrow.





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see to it that the post-war world maintains the freedom, democracy, progress and unity which our flag and all these

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