

Big Crowd Honors Graduating Class

Graduation exercises of the Robert Lee high school last Friday were attended by an overflow crowd, and the excellent program was a fitting climax for the completion of 12 years of public school work by the senior class of eleven girls and eight boys.

Principal speaker of the evening was the Hon. Carl Runge of San Angelo, former district judge, whose discourse directed to the class as well as the audience was on the topic of "Good Citizenship." Music was furnished by the choral club and two songs were sung by the seniors.

Diplomas were presented by Supt. Geo. L. Taylor, who also made the following awards:

J. C. Wallace, Jr., valedictorian, for having highest4 year scholastic standing. Medal.

Gwendolyn King, salutatorian, for second highest 4 year average. Medal.

standing students-Maudie Wat- to take our boys from us agein. valuable papers. If the billfold son, high school; Martha Sue Richardson, elementary.

Medals to high school students for highest grades made during year-Patty Taylor, 1st, Maudie Watson, 2nd.

Medals for highest grades achiev. ed in elementary department for the year-Lurlyne Pettit, 8th grade, 1st; Martha Sue Richard-

Harmon Family Reunion The children of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Harmon were home Saturday night and Sunday, May 12, for the first time since the war began, and it was the happiest Mothers Day in quite awhile. Floyd, Finis, Crowley, J. D., Alfred, Alf (who just returned from overseas) Milton, Randold, Inez and Cortez spent the night at home. A daughter, Mrs. Ralph Blair of

Maryneal, came for a little while but was unable to remain. The Harmons feel fortunate in having all their children returned home from across. They had four sons to serve Uncle Sam. J. D., who returned in October, spent 38 months in Africa, England and Germany. Milton served 18 months

as a See Bee in the extreme part of Alaska. Alf served his time in Germany and on to the Philippines for 18 months, and Alfred, who was in the air force four years, was fortunate enough to get to stay in the U.S. The in-laws and grandchildren were present to join in the

happy family reunion. Countless other parents join the Harmons in one entered their home and took Ariel club medals to most out- hoping there will be no more wars

25th Wedding Anniversary

Thirty-two persons enjoyed a dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Rives Sunday to celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary which was May 20th. Two of their three children were present,

Legion To Sponsor **Big Free Barbecue**

American Legion members at the post's regular meeting Tuesday night voted to hold a free barbecue at the court house square next Thursday evening, May 30. The public is invited and there will be a free feed with barbecued sheep, goat and beef, baked beans, pickles, etc.

Some entertainment features are also being planned, including music and a good speaker. If the new concrete dance floor is finished by that date a dance will be held later Willis, J. F. Blair, Mrs. A. J. Roe, in the evening.

The Legion has launched its drive for \$10,000 to construct a new community building. A brand Depuy, Floyd, N. Mexico, R. M. new Ford sedan with its 100 h. p. Williams, Big Spring, and R. A. motor, which will feature in the Bloodworth, Sanco. Renewals: drive, is now on display at Ivey W. J. Capps and Jett Hood. Motor Co.

Aged Couple's Money Gone

B. W. Shropshire reports that on Thursday night, May 16, somea billfold containing \$15 and and papers are deposited on their front porch, Mr. Shropshire says

the cash may be retained.

Form and Ranch Notes

Joe Garvin, who farms and ranches a few miles the other side Edward of Odessa and Melba of of Edith, says it is still dry there Robert Lee. Eugene is stationed although some sections have rewith the armed forces at Guam. ceived good rains. He has 35 acres Those present: Mrs. H. B. Owen of oats that he intends to combine. for themselves a program designed and four children, Mrs. J. A. Wal- Although they probably won't to maintain soil fertility and redrop and Gladys, B. F. Hartgraves, make but a few bushels per acre, wife and daughter, Betty Joyce of he needs the feed, and will take range that has already gone.

Awarded 5 Year Medal Dr. J. K. Griffith was signally

honored this week by receiving a Certificate of Merit signed by President Harry S. Truman and a five year medal in appreciation of his faithful service without compensation on the Selective Service board of Coke county. The doctor's many home town friends will attest that the recognition was highly deserved.

New Subscribers

Recent new subscribers to The Observer: Floyd Warren, Dallas; Mrs. Ella Harmond, El Centro, Calif.; Mrs. G. L. Lord, J. R. Gordon McCutchen, Rev. Fred D. Blake, Bill Ratliff, J. Delavan Smith, Wichita Falls; Mrs. Georgia

Coke Will Vote on Soils District

Arrangements have been made for a special election for the pur-Soils Conservation district on Saturday, June 8. A list of the polling places will be published in The Observer next week.

ers have an opportunity to plan

Worst Hail Storm **Ever Known Here**

The worst hail storm in history visited sections of Coke county last Thursday afternoon, causing damage to crops, fruit and buildings. Hail stones measuring as much as ten inches in circumference fell and hundreds of persons will attest to the proof of this statement.

A total of 200 window panes were broken in the Robert Lee school house, and many roofs will

need repairs. Some of the hail were as large as base balls, and many were shaped like large tomatoes. Bill Tom Roach brought a pail full of the big ones to The Observer office after the storm, and then Loran Neel arrived with more that he picked up along the highway 4 miles south of town. Loran tried to get out of the storm with his pickup but couldn't make it. He said one of the big hail stones struck his front fender and jarred the whole vehicle. It made a big dent, too.

D. A. Neel, fruit and truck gardener, 8 miles north of Robert Lee, was one of the heaviest losers. pose of organizing a Coke County He had an excellent garden and fruit crop coming on, and the hail completely ruined everything. Mr. Neel irrigates his stuff from a well.

He had the best prospect for All resident land owners of the peaches, plums, pears and grapes county are eligible to vote. In the in years, and many of the trees organization of the Soil Conserva- had to be propped up. Mr. Neel tion district the farmers and ranch- is an old timer and says this is the worst hail he ever saw and the only time he ever lost a crop. The storm was not general and seemed to center in the Sanco neighborhood where they also received heavy rains The previous day a storm did heavy damage at Blackwell, and for the entire week hail and windstorms had visited many sections of the state, destroying some lives and causing enormous property loss.

son, 4th grade, 2nd.

High school diplomas to war veterans-Dick Wylie, Gerald Millican and Sam Williams.

Sunday guests in the O. V. and Leon Gibson and family of Ballinger, Marvin Macky and wife of Norton and Mr. and Mrs. Ed and Mrs. O. A. Warrington and Im. Powers of Abilene.

Bill Tom Roach went to Dallas Sunday, being accompanied by his sister, Mrs. E. H. Watson, who visited here the past week. Mr. while in the city.

A new air conditioning unit has Mrs. Alice Preslar of Ft. Worth is visiting her sister, Mrs B. W. been installed at the M System store by the Mahon Electric Shop. Bilbo.

Maryneal, Mr. and Mrs. Tom what he can get. Looney home included Mrs. Rives and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Looney's brother, Jack Haliburton Barton Waldrop and son, Mr. and Barton Waldrop and son, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Waldrop and two sons, owned by Aubrey Jones of Robert government is an agreement by

> two sons of San Angelo and Jimmie Miles and Jesse Ray Robertson of Odessa.

Mrs. Cumbie Ivey, Mrs. B. A. Austin and Mrs. Paul Good at- the beautiful little mare well train- Every farm and ranch owner Roach planned to do some buying tended a gift tea for Katie Sue ed, but at Del Rio they only show- should vote in favor of organizing has leased a gravel pit and will en-Good at Ozona Sunday.

Sonny Kimble. Aubrey also has they wish to carry out. ed to halter.

This may or may not be a record, but Genie Baker, well known butcher at the M System market, has a Jersey heifer only 14 months old that gave birth to a calf last week. Both the cow and her offspring are normal and she gives promise of becoming a fine milk cow, Genie says.

Sales in Fort Worth Monday: A. N. Rawlings, Bronte, 87 clipped lambs, 90 lb. average, \$14.50; 50 shorn lambs, 77 lb. average at \$14.00, and 26 ewes, 107 lbs., at \$8. Frank Percifull of Robert Lee sold 612 shorn lambs, 90 lbs., at \$14.00.

Coke county will be well represented in the San Angelo colt show Saturday and Sunday. Entries have been made by Bud Jones, Aubrey Jones, Frank McCabe & Sons and others. General Jonathan Wainwright, hero of Bataan and Corregidor and long time prisoner of the Japanese, will be one of the Judges. He is now stationed at Ft. Sam Houston in charge of the Fourth Army and Eighth Service Command.

store as fast as reasonable the

It is not a government program. The only connection between the Samaria, a two year old mare Soil Conservation district and the Lee, placed second in her class at which the Department of Agriculthe horse show in Del Rio last ture furnishes personnel to advise week. She is registered by the with farmers and ranchers on A. Q. H. A. and was sired by whatever conservation measures

> the Coke County Soil Conservation District.

his ranch home west of town.

Bill Ratliff is moving to Lovington, N. M., near which place he gage in the sand and gravel business. Bill has been mighty active buying and selling around to see him leave.



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THE ROBERT LEE OBSERVER

Friday, May 24, 1946



ONE of the few places where people speak of thrift with respect . . . Vermont, a small state pulling its full snare of weight with the rest of the nation and making its own budget meet!

The world has marveled at Vermont's scenic wonders. Many have witnessed the spontaneous explosive splitting of quarry blocks at some of its quarries, where great blocks of granite suddenly snap oose with a sharp report. But the world should know Vermont's people, too. They were first to express constitutional prohibition of all human slavery! They were first in the nation to provide universal manhood suffrage, with voting not dependent upon property, owned or rented, or a specified yearly income.

Vermont always hated slavery, and its legislatures adopted annual resolutions against it. Southern states grew more angry each year. The Georgia legislature requested President Pierce to employ enough ablepodied Irishmen to dig a ditch around Vermont and foat "the thing" out to the Atlantic ocean! A Virginia newspaper gravely commented that Vermont was "always foremost in the path of infamy."

Years later, Robert T. Lincoln, son of the Great Emancipator, came to Vermont to make his home at Manchester. A marker now stands on the lot in Bennington where William Lloyd Garrison lived, and where he edited the "Journal of the Times" early in the 19th century. Also, Bennington was the birthplace of John F. Winslow, builder of the "Monitor," the steel ship of Civil war fame.

Vermont is a pleasant place. The climate is cool and the atmosphere dry. The summer season, between frosts, is from 110 to 160 days, depending on location and altitude. Evidences of the ice age still prevail in rounded and grooved ledges, polished rock surfaces, ice-borne boulders and great deposits of unsorted sands, clays and gravels. The range of scenic interest is vast, with mountains and broad valleys, river and lakes, and abundant forests. There will often be 10 feet of snowcover in the central part, and 34 to 46 inches of rainfall through the year. Lake Champlain is 120 miles long, and there are many others, including Lake Willoughby, Lake Dunmore and Silver Lake.

high, there is an excellent view of most every kind of allure in Verthe White Mountains and Adiron- mont, including hiking on the fadacks, with Lake Champlain visible mous Long Trail and horseback rid-30 miles away. Vermont has over | ing on the thousand-mile bridle trail 900 peaks with an altitude of 2,000 system.

From Mount Mansfield, 4,393 feet attractions. Vacationists find al-



In Poultney, when a lad, Horace Greeley set type in a small print shop. Salmon P. Chase lived and studied law at Randolph. Peacham was the boyhood home of Thaddeus Stevens. Eugene Field, with recollections of his boyhood in Newfane, based several of his poems on local life in Vermont. Few states have produced so many notables in all lines of endeavor as hardy, mountainous Vermont.

CALVIN COOLIDGE

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Samuel Champlain, French explorer, was the first white man known to have seen any part of Vermont. When coming from Canada, in 1609, he went up the long ake that bears his name. The first settlement in Vermont, though shortlived, was also by the French, when Captain La Motte built a fort and a shrine on Isle La Motte. In 1690, Capt. Jacobus de Warm established an outpost on what is now Chimney Point. In general, however, Vermont was a no-man's land in the 17th and 18th centuries, a mere passageway for French and Indian raiding parties seeking the English farther south and east. From the earliest days, Vermont gave attention to primary education. The University of Vermont was chartered in 1791. Other institutions for higher education include Norwich university, Northfield, the second oldest military college in the nation; Bennington college; Middlebury college; St. Michael's, Winsooki; Trinity, Burlington. There are three normal schools and two junior colleges in the state. One of the crowning features of Vermont is the province of the Green mountains. Here are found the highest peaks-Killington, Ellen, Lincoln, Camel's Hump, Mansfield and Jay. The physical geoggraphy of the state is diversified. however, with the Vermont lowland on the west and much rolling country eastward. The state's geology is complex and extremely fascinating. Vermont is nicknamed "The Green Mountain State." Its motto is "Freedom and Unity." The state flower is the red clover; state bird, hermit thrush; state song, "Hail, Vermont."



That's Easy!

"One last prescription-take a bath before you retire." "I'm retiring in 20 years, Doc, but I'll remember your advice.'

The ideal vacation spot is one

where the fish bite and the mosquitos don't.

So There!

For the first time little Ann saw a mama cat carrying her kitten by the nape of the neck. Shame on you!" cried the child.

"You aren't fit to be a mama. You're hardly fit to be a father."

Got It Three colored men were swapping chatter on a street corner. "You fellows hear about Zeke's wife

suin' him?" one asked. "Not me. What'd she do it for?"

"Non-support." "Lawsy me! What'd she get?" "Jes' what she sued for-non-support."

Ain't It?

"Johnny," said the teacher, "I want you to tell the rest of the class what a skeleton is." "A skeleton," said Johnny slow-

ly, "is a lot of bones with the people scraped off."

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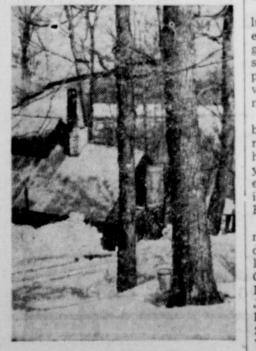
STIFF JOINTS . TIRED MUSCLES . SPRAINS . STRAINS . BRUISES



YEAR AROUND . . . Top picture shows canoeing on Lake Willoughby. Bottom is Toll Road House at the foot of Mt. Mansfield.

lakes in the state, and forests and state, with beef, milk, butter and forest parks cover over a half-mil- cheese as important products. It is lion acres. Hunting, trapping and also well suited to diversified farmfishing are always available to the ing and fruit growing. Many sheep rugged outdoor man.

There are recreational activities in Vermont all through the yearskiing into April, fishing and other quantity Vermont leads all maplevacationing from May to late fall, and touring and hunting to the opening of the winter season. Tourists penetrate to every corner of the



A Vermont Sugar House

feet or over. There are over 400 | Vermont is pre-eminently a dairy are raised there, and it was in Vermont that the Morgan horse was developed. Both in quality and producing states with a normal yield of about 40 per cent of the total. The 35,000 bearing apple trees in the state's orchards yield

a product of notable quality. In industry Vermont is noted for lumber and lumber products, woolen mills, paper-making, marble,

granite, slate, lime, asbestos, talc, soapstone, kaolin, ocher and other products. Steel squares were invented in Vermont and are still manufactured at St. Johnsbury.

In recent years a growing number of writers and artists have made Vermont their permanent homes. Others spend a part of the year there. Dorothy Canfield Fisher, who loves her Arlington home, is one of the state's authors. Robert Frost, the poet lives in Shaftsbury.

Chester A. Arthur was the first native Vermonter to become President of the United States, later followed to the White House by Calvin Coolidge of Plymouth. Adm. George Dewey, Levi P. Morton, John Deere, John B. Mansfield, Stephen A. Douglas, John C. Saxe, Joseph Smith, Alphonso Taft, Brigham Young and many other figures in history were born in Vermont.



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Costly Coal Strike Crimps U.S.; Plan Further Feed Reductions To Conserve Grain for Food

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of (Western Newspaper Union's news analysts and not necessarily of this newspaper.)



Ill-fed and ill-clad, people in Italy clamber atop army truck as it arrives at dump and seek to salvage scraps of food, discarded clothing, cigarette butts and even cardboard boxes. Men, women and children climb up even before G.I.s can unload refuse.

COAL STRIKE:

Costly Walkout

Though John L. Lewis ordered his United Mine Workers back to the pits under a two-week truce to relieve the critically low supply of fuel, the 1946 coal strike promises to be long remembered as one of the most costly in history, with th necessity for curbing fuel consumption resulting in serious restrictions on public utilities, industry and transport.

Lewis acted as the widespread effects of the walkout on the nation's economy led Senator Eastland (Dem., Miss.) to rise to his feet in the upper chamber to tell his colleagues that as a result of limiting freight movements to essential commodities ". . . the shipment of embalming fluid has been embargoed and we can't bury the dead."

Most spectacular figure in the strike, of course, was the burly, beetle - browed Lewis, United Mine Worker chieftain, who held out for the operators' consideration of his proposal for a health and welfare fund. Holding fast in face of mounting public opposition and senatorial fury, Lewis received the backing of the American Federation of Labor, to which his UMW is affiliated. represents the people through individual districts, had the constitutional power to originate such legislation.

Pressed by the labor and loan legislation, the senate voted for temporary extension of the draft until the decks are cleared for full consideration of the question.

GRAIN:

Seek Feed Cut

Following the increase in the price of corn, wheat, oats, barley and rye, government officials contemplated a reduction in the ceilings on heavy hogs and a cut in fall breeding as further steps in the conservation program designed to make more grain available for food.

While initiation of the new price program resulted in cancellation of the 30 cents per bushel bonus payment on corn, a similar premium, plus the higher price, was retained on wheat, which is most vitally needed for foreign relief. As a result of the price changes, corn was boosted 25 cents a bushel, wheat 15 cents, rye 10 cents, barley 9 cents Washington Digest Columnist's Thoughts Turn To Squirrels—and Crabgrass

By BAUKHAGE News Analyst and Commentator.

WNU Service, 1616 Eye Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

Summer was creeping toward the Potomac, the flag over the White House hung limp as a wilted petal, a hot sun, burning through the infrequent gaps in the heavy foliage, made yellow patches on the lawn. The fountain splashed faintly, falling like warm, futile tears.

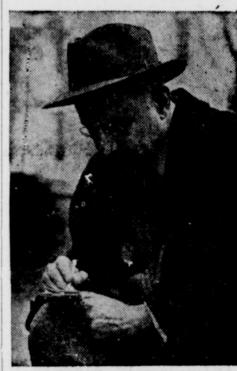
I moved slowly along the drive, wondering if I could garner even a modicum of answers to meet emptiness left by the thousands of unanswered questions the world is asking.

I looked under the Japanese oaks whose tightly laced leaves, only a little above the ground, smother the young grass, hopefully starting up each spring, withering in the shadows before July. There, bored and half asleep, I could make out the form of the old gray squirrel.

Often this winter, he had come to my rescue when other "dependable sources" and "authoritative quarters" refused to yield up their secrets. But this time, he barely nodded, and looked away, deep in his meditations, probably a nuclear problem of some sort.

A few moments later, I was taking down notes at a not very newsful press and radio conference. The President, I feared, did not feel as cheerful as he looked. The handkerchief in his breast pocket was neatly folded in its customary three flat, razor-sharp triangles. (Sometimes his answers were almost as sharp.) The great red carnations on the table behind his desk, which nolds the photographs of members of his family, were already drooping. The low hum of the mowing machine came in the open windows that look toward the Potomac.

Of what was said of import to the nation and the world, you will



Even though millions of gardeners agree with your remarks, I still challenge them. At present, I have a spring garden growing without any hoeing on land covered with a thick layer of last year's dead crabgrass.

"Scarcely a weed can grow through it, not even this year's crabgrass.

"You see, I am 'Pop,' the laziest gardener in the world, and I refuse to gather, haul and spread mulch when crabgrass will do it for me, and do a better job of it. I make it mulch the land for me by leaving it strictly alone. I may even encourage it with fertilizer. After I have gathered my early spring vegetables, I let the crabgrass take over. In early fall, when the crabgrass stops growing here, I mow it down. I then have that mulch gardener's delight, a mellow mulchy spot where most anything can grow without using spade or hoe. I use a potato digger to dig planting holes."

But that is not all. "Pop" may be the laziest gardener in the world, but he is a vigorous poet. He enclosed a poem of which (alas) I have room only for one verse and refrain. Here it is:

"Bring me a hoe; pull 'em all up! Chick weed, crabgrass, dig and cut!

Stoop down low! Nothing but trash,

Goosefoot, pigweed and Johnston grass;

Just no time to look at the sky, Fleecy clouds a-floating by; Work 'til you've such a crook

in the back That gardening pleasure's gone,

alack!

"Wisdom may have a foolish sound; Crabgrass mulch is good for the

ground, Let the weeds grow! Bring me

a chair! Crabgrass mulch is every-

where, Soft and thick and brown."

ain't It So!

A LL the world's a stage, but the majority of us sit in the gallery and throw things at the performers.

If poets are born, their ancestors should be held responsible.

Much of life's bitterness comes from swallowing one's own words.

Every man who owns a home knows that a house is always ailing.

Choosing the lesser of two evils doesn't always get rid of the other one.

Flattery is sweet food to those who can swallow it.

Comfortable Chair For Your Lawn

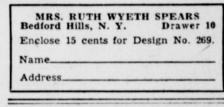
MAKING this comfortable lawn or porch chair is a good week-end project. Just three stock widths of material, simple cuts with the hand saw, and you are ready to nail or screw the pieces



together. A pattern gives bill of materials, large cutting diagrams and illustrated construction steps.

When you are assembling materials for outdoor furniture this year be sure to ask your dealer about the new water-proof plastic glues developed during the war. If this type of glue is spread on both sides of a joining, the piece will have a longer life.

This lawn chair is made with pattern 269 which readers may get by return mail, by sending name and address with 15c direct to:





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John L.'s acceptance of a truce to discuss the No. 1 issue of a health and welfare fund came after dwindling fuel supplies had led the government to urge coal-burning utilities east of the Mississippi and in Iowa, Minnesota and Missouri to follow Chicago's example in reducing power consumption.

With industrial enterprises limited to 24 hours per week use of coal-burning power and stores and movies opened only several hours per day, Chicago, Ill., remained one of the hardest hit of all the municipalities. Reduction in passenger service and limiting of freight shipments to essential commodities, however, served to bring home the strike to all sections of the country.

CONGRESS:

Busy Solons

With the coal strike crippling the economy, U. S. senators moved to take up restrictive labor legislation in the face of public concern over the prolonged walkout even as they were engaged in heated debate over passage of the \$3,750,000,000 loan to Great Britain.

Though Democratic Majority Leader Barkley sought to sidetrack consideration of labor measures while feeling over the coal strike flared at white heat, administration forces were compelled to surrender to congressional pressure for action. Ordinarily pro-labor, Senator Lucas (Dem., Ill.) led the fight for legislation which would give the President power to assure continued operation of essential industries in event of union disputes.

Passage of the \$3,750,000,000 British loan was assured with the resounding defeat of amendments which would have limited the size of the advance, provided for expenditure of 90 per cent of the funds in the U. S., and extension of interestfree, unsecured loans to veterans. The solons also rejected the argument of Senator Johnson (Dem., Colo.) that since the bill contemplated the raising of money for the loan only the house, which directly ish loan was assured with the resounding defeat of amendments the solons also rejected the argugram and \$697, plus. The first coun lease obligation agreed to pay within 30 days.

and oats 5 cents.

With grain sales being made more profitable than livestock feeding, liquidation of hogs, cattle and poultry was expected to result in increased supplies in the immediate future but less meat later. Even with reduced livestock production growing out of the new price program and the other contemplated government measures, the total supply of meat, eggs and poultry will be above prewar levels, it was said.

Food Prospects

Though farm production remains high, heavy domestic demand and relief needs abroad will out-balance supply, the bureau of agricultural economics reported. Indicative of continued large output, farm income for 1946 is expected to approach last year's record of nearly 21 billion dollars.

The bureau provided this picture of the 1946 food situation:

• Livestock and meat production will continue close to the 1945 level but fall short of demand, with prices of animals pressing against ceilings.

• Dairy products will remain below demand throughout the year, with butter supplies short even during the flush season of milk production from May to August.

• Poultry and eggs will be in plentiful supply through most of the year, with scarcities developing in the last three months of 1946. Prices may be moderately lower.

• Fats and vegetable oils may not be in sufficient domestic supply because of large export requirements of lard, shortening and edible oils.

LEND-LEASE:

Make Returns

Over 10 Allied nations have returned approximately one-quarter billion dollars of lend-lease goods thus far and Turkey has become the first country to settle its lendlease account in full, the foreign liquidation commission revealed.

Of the total returned by Belgium, Brazil, the British empire, China, Egypt, France, the Netherlands, Russia and Yugoslavia, \$796,000 worth was reissued to foreign governments under the lend-lease program and \$697,000 was sold as surplus.

The first country to settle its lendlease obligations in full, Turkey agreed to pay the U. S. \$4,500,000 within 30 days.

Baukhage consults the old gray squirrel.

have read by the time these lines are printed. The rest was trivia.

We walked out of the executive offices. I glanced under the Japanese oaks, but my friend, the squirrel, had gone, the vista looked very bare and cheerless. So I went back and talked about it.

As soon as mail could reach me from Sturgeon Lake, Minn., I received a letter and a package. The writer said that as I had mentioned that it seemed impossible to raise grass on the shaded parts of the White House grounds, I might be interested in this sample of quack grass which she offered, and she wrote: "If it won't grow there, I'll be glad to know there is some place it won't grow."

The next day, I acknowledged the gift, and opined that quack grass must be another name for crabgrass which I remembered as the bane of my lawn-mowing experience. Soon I received other communications.

A landscape designer in Akron, Ohio, informed me that "quack grass is not crabgrass. The former is a perennial; the latter is an annual. Quack grass (agropyron repens) propagates by seeds and creeping rootstalks. Crabgrass reseeds itself each year."

Another letter came from Robert L. ("Pop") Davis, "Amateur Mulch Gardener" of Thorsby, Ala. He relerred to my mention of crabgrass as a pest, and then he went on:

"Having spent years at my hobby of looking for the most useful plant for growing summer mulch in my gardens, and deciding that crabgrass was it, I cannot resist a challenge.

Strategy Misfires In Battle Over OPA

The battle over the OPA in the senate has brought out some of the good old axioms on how to bring pressure on congress . . . and how not to . . . if you want to get your favorite bill passed.

Anti-OPA strategy all along has been to postpone action on OPA as long as possible. Supporters have fought for action. At this moment, though some unforeseen event may change the course, it looks as if the odds favored postponement, but not defeat.

It first appeared that ordinary conventional methods used by the professional lobbyists were going to kill the bill. Then it looked as if spontaneously written letters were going to save it. In both cases, the effort was overdone. There were too many expensive advertisements in the newspapers, sponsored by the various business institutions fighting price control; too much money easily identified as coming from vested interests was being spent.

Then it was that John Q. Citizen sat himself down, took up his pen, or often his pencil, and wrote an undictated letter because he (mostly she) was really stirred up. Congress began to take heed of those letters. They were obviously spontaneous, they were written by men and women who had made up their own minds. They were voters with convictions, and it was very likely those convictions would be registered at the polls.

But once more, Pelion was heaped on Ossa. There was a nation-wide organization by the labor people, the veterans, the women's clubs. The mail and telegrams piled up, but the senators weren't too interested. The letters were sincere enough. But the majority revealed that they were inspired, not by an inner urge, a look into the pocketbook or pantry, but by the persuasive voice over the phone or at the front door. Do what you will, the kind of communication produced by these methods is very likely to have a secondhand appearance which the experienced congressman can recognize.

That is why, despite the number of letters and telegrams, the regimented telephone calls, senators were content to discuss the British loan, and even ponder such complicated matters as atomic energy, before hastening to line up for OPA. "Niceard Harch Lavatives"

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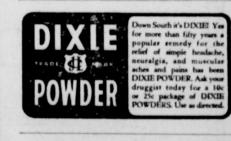
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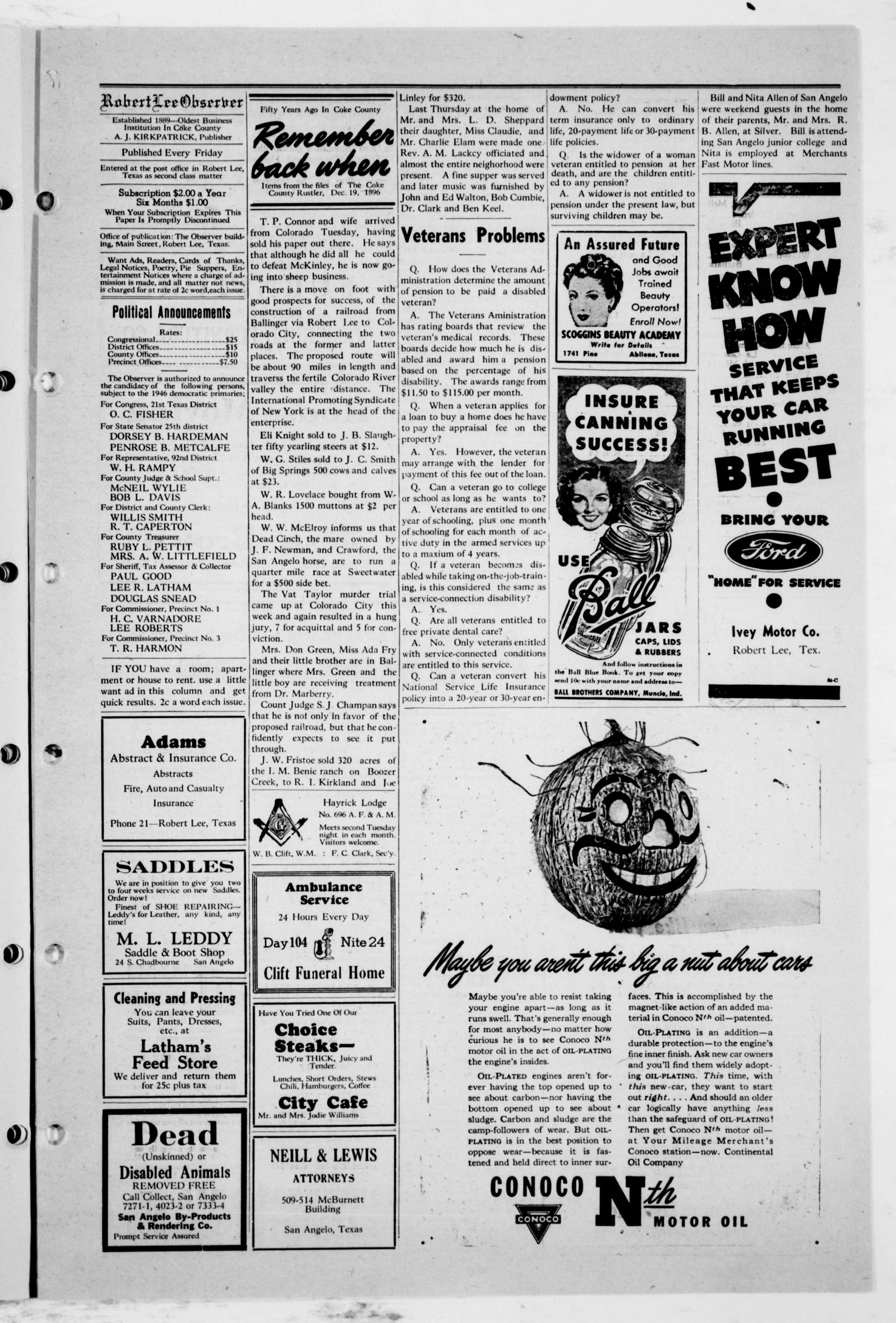
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PIANO RECITAL

Mrs. J. C. Campbell will present her pupils in a piano recital at the Methodist church Thursday evening of this week. The public is cordially invited to attend. Following is the program:

Duet-Our Flag_____Geo. L. Spaulding --Geo. L. Spaulding America _____ Barbara June and Billy Wayne Casey Here Comes the Band_____Bernice Copeland Melba Rives Country Gardens . ----Percy Grainger **Billy Wayne Casey** ----- William Baines The Camel Train___ Stanley Adams Cedric Lamont Op. 16 Will-o-the-Wisp ... Barbara June Casey Dance of the Gnomes_____Maxwell Eckstein Jennie Lee Burns Rustic Dance_C. P. Powell Roy Shell McCrary Humoreske_____Ant. Dvorak Op. 101 No. 7 _____Albert Ellmenreich Spinning Song_____ Melba Wojtck Accordian-Home on the Range_____Traditional La Golandrina__ Serradell ★ Miss Bettie McCrary ----- Vernon Lane White Sails__ Yellow Butterfly_____Robin MacLacklan Joyce Littlefield Qui Vive____ _Op. No. 12 Ganz Evabell McCutchen Violin Solo-Juanita Edwin Strictel ★ Mr Gene Wojtek accompained by Melba Wojtek Duet-In Hanging Gardens_____Rolseth Joyce Littlefield and Frances Johnson Hungary Rapsodie Mignone Op.40 Carl Koelling Eugenia HurleyF. Chopin Op. 9 No. 2 Nocturne_____ Ava Lou Tubb Sonata, No. 4 First Movement _____ W. A. Mozart Frances Johnson Nocturne No. 4_____Edward Grieg ___Sandoval La Mariposa. ★ Miss Bettie McCrary

★ Denotes guest soloist



Folks Dou Know

Myrtle and Ada Hurley left parents after staying the past Denver, Colo., where Chester is year with her aunts and attending employed as a watchmaker and school in Robert Lee. Myrtle Hur- his brother is in a factory which club at his home Friday evening. ley, who taught the Wildcat school the past year, will take a summer course at Sul Ross state teachers college at Alpine.

Miss Virginia Stockard, the Red Cross home nursing field representative, was in the county Monday and Tuesday in conference with Mrs. A. J. Roe, Jr., Mrs. N. C. Brown, Jr., and Mrs. H. A. Springer relative to the home nursing work in Coke county. Miss Stockard was a guest of Mrs. Roe. Mrs. Jule Henderson, Mrs. Bert Wulfjen and Mrs. W. D. Jameson were here from Colorado City one day last week. Mrs. Jameson spent

the day with Billie Campbell, while Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Wulfjen went to San Angelo.

Johnnie Hickman is leaving this week to visit friends in San Antonio and will also visit his brother, Edward, at San Benito.

V. T. McCabe of Silver and his uncle, Sam Chumley of Mertzon went to Del Rio Friday to attend the horse races.

Mrs. A. J. Roe Jr., visited her cousin, Mrs. Ollie Gray, in San Angelo last week.

Puett Boys Were Here

Chester and Harless Puett and their uncle, Ivan Puett, visited

old friends in Robert Lee last week Saturday for a visit in the home of and also visited their grandmother their brother, Charlie Hurley, at in Dallas. Chester and Harless Pecos. Vaughn Davis drove them are sons of the late, W. A. Puett, over. They also took Tiny Hurley former editor of The Observer, to her home in Junction where she who died in 1934. Both boys will spend the summer with her were in the war and are located in

makes scientific instruments. Ivan who also resides in Denver, is a railway switceman.

Mrs. Michael Casey arrived last week from Baltimore, Md., for a visit in the home of her parents, B. M. Mundell and wife. Her husband, Cpl. Michael Casey, is stationed with the army air forces at Baltimore.

Genie Baker entertained his 4-2



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While we and our dealers would like to tell you that this means an immediate end to the shortage of service parts and machines, it is more accurate to say that it means the beginning of the end of it. If illness or bad weather delays you seriously in the Spring, you know how much it throws you off your schedule. The strike has thrown our schedules off balance, too. There are many "chores" we must do before new machines reach you.

Material shortages



The preliminary chores of getting our plants back into shape for full production are finished. But dis-

turbances in other industries and resulting material shortages may affect our plans. Light gauge steel sheets, brass and copper, fractional horse power motors, and many other items are all very short. The coal situation may also prove serious - we hope not.

Refilling the well



Both our dealers and our branches have run dry on parts and new machines. So the biggest chore is to

get their working stocks back to normal. It will take time to fill the pipeline to dealers-just as it takes time for you to refill a well or cistern after it has run dry.

Stock and display rooms of our dealers represent not one, but ten thousand reservoirs which must be refilled. The most heroic production efforts will mean that your local dealer can expect only a small number of parts and machines at a time. Since we must play fair with all our customers, there will be a sprinkle of parts and machines all over the country-not a downpour in any one section.

You will be glad to know that all repair parts production schedules are far beyond normal.

No hoarding



You may be sure that every machine will be shipped to dealers as soon as completed. We do not and will

not hold machines off the market.

At the start of the strike we had on hand at all our factories and branches just 837 tractors of all kinds-less than two days' production-and 405 of these were not completed. Many of those on hand had one or more important parts missing-principally radiator cores. Most of the rest represented the normal daily "float" between the end of the assembly line and the shipping platform. Naturally no tractors were made during the strike.

What dealers may have for you



We can report to you that our current production on TRAC-

TORS is good and we are shipping at a normal rate. Even so, there will not be enough to go around. The situation on PLOWS

and DISK HARROWS is reasonably good. On COMBINES, MOWERS, HAY RAKES, ONE-MAN HAY BALERS, CORN PICKERS and many other items, our schedules have been seriously disrupted. We must in fairness say that many of our customers are likely to be disappointed on delivery of these machines. On MILKING MACHINES, STA-TIONARY ENGINES, and some other small units we are hopeful of making practically normal delivery.

We know you will understand the reasons why your dealer cannot fill your orders overnight. He would like to give you the kind of delivery on machines you would like to get, but his situation is a difficult one and not of his own making. He is doing the best he can.

No cutting corners on quality



There is one thing you can be absolutely certain about: We will NOT cut corners on quality in order to in-

crease production in this emergency. For years we have said: "QUALITY IS THE FOUNDA-TION OF OUR BUSINESS." Today we say it-and mean itas much as ever.

We know you need new machines-and need them badly. But we believe it will pay you to wait just a little while longer if you cannot get all you want immediately. By waiting you can be sure your new equipment will have the quality so rightly associated with INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER for so many years.



Friday, May 24, 1946

How Sweet Is the Age of Innocence

The young wife had just gleaned a delightful bit of information. "Oh, by the way, Mother," she remarked, with exaggerated nonchalance, "Henry's going in for anthropology. You know, I always said he had brains!"

"Humph! Anthropology!" sniffed the parent. "That good-fornothing couldn't even pronounce the word! What gave you that crazy notion?'

"Well," continued the young wife complacently, "I found some green tickets in his pocket, marked 'Mudhorse 15 to 1.' When I asked him about them he said they were relics of a lost race."

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Lesson for May 26

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FINDING A NEW SENSE **OF VALUES**

LESSON TEXT-Luke 12:19, 20; 18:24-30; 19:1-10

MEMORY SELECTION-The kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. -Romans 14:17.

Money, riches, possessions-that's what men are living and striving for in our day. It is going to seem a bit strange, but it will be very salutary to stress once again the eternal truth, best summarized by our Lord Jesus when he said, "A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth" (Luke 12:15).

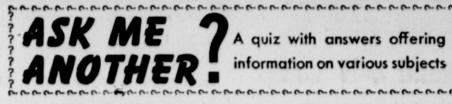
I. Don't Depend on Riches (12:19. 20)

The rich man increased in selfishness as he increased in wealth. He began to feel secure because he had laid up much goods. Now he became proud and boastful. He thought he saw years of comfort and ease ahead. Evidently he had which injured some 200 persons not read, or did not believe, the words of Scripture, "Boast not thyself of tomorrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth" (Prov. 27:1; also James 4:13-17).

Well, can a man depend on riches? The answer is no. They are here today and gone tomorrow. Man himself is here today and gone tomorrow. When he goes, he leaves all that he has unless he has invested it for God.

Money is like a broken reed. The man who leans on it will not only fall, but will pierce himself through

same time.



The Questions

1. What is the difference between

2. Absolutely pure gold contains

3. What are the three main type

4. What is the meaning of sans

5. A barley corn was once used

a mosquito and a Mosquito?

how many carats?

of twins?

pareil?

was it?

lower caste?

treasury own a yacht?

The Answers

1. A mosquito is an insect; a Mosquito is an inhabitant of the Mosquito coast of Central America.

2. Twenty-four.

3. Identical, fraternal (unlike), Siamese

4. Without equal.

5. One-third inch. as a measure of length. How long

6. No. He is of the sacred or priestly caste.

6. Is a Brahman a Hindu of the 7. The secretary of the treasury 7. Can the U.S. secretary of the is prohibited by law from owning a yacht.

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The coming Memorial Day automobile race at the Indianapolis Speedway will be the 30th one since the track was opened in 1911. Records of the past 29 races show that the number of starters ranged from 22 to 42, and that the largest sum in prize money, which was won by Billy Arnold in 1930, amounted \$50,300, comprising \$20,000 as first prize, \$16,800 in lap prizes and \$13,500 in awards from accessory companies. During the qualifying runs and the races themselves, more than 100 cars were involved in accidents and killed 35, of whom 16 were drivers, 12 were mechanics and 7

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8 Coke Girls To Attend 4-H Camp

Esther Louise Allen, Silver. Zona Mae King, Green Mt. Another girl, Lurlyne Pettit of

Robert Lee was awarded a trip on Eight Coke county 4-H girls, with their sponsor, Mrs. C. E. Ar- her essay entitled "Why I Am a rott of Bronte, and Mrs. Fay C. 4-H Member," while the other two Camp at Ruidosa, New Mexico, Senior club won on their dresses.

May 27 to 31. One girl was selected from each travel in a bus with Mitchell, Tom recently. He lost two fingers on for state senator, was in Robert 4-H club in the county on the Green and Howard counties and basis of interest, achievements and will meet the remainder of the knuckle and other at the second leadership in club work. Those party at Carlsbad. girls are the following:

Norma Gentry, Bronte Sr. club. 13 counties in District 6 with ap- of Sterling City have been visiting feels that his chances of winning be discharged from the army. He Eddye Sue McAulley, Bronte Jr. proximately 153 persons, will visit her mother, Mrs. Eythel Green. the election are very good.

Nelda Ann Sheppard, Rob't Lee. Carlsbad Caverns and spend three of recreation.

Edward Rives of Odessa visited Roe, county home demonstration girls, Melba Rives of Robert Lee his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pat agent, will attend a 4-H Training and Shirley McDonald of Bronte Rives, over the weekend. Edward, who is employed in a cabinet The Coke county group will shop, met with a serious accident his left hand, one at the first knuckle.

Elijah E. Creech and Mrs. L. A. days in camp at Ruidosa. While Huelster of Balmorhea, Texas, at camp the 4-H girls will learn have been visiting their mother, May 16th at the age of 98 years. handicraft, marksmanship, camp Mrs. E. B. Creech. Elijah recentcookery and enjoy various forms ly received his army discharge, 33 grandchildren, 62 great grandafter spending a year overseas with the military police on Leyte. He was a guard over Japanese prisoners and also served with the coast patrol.

> Dorsey B. Hardeman, candidate Lee Monday passing out campaign

cards and visiting among the voters. Dorsey says he is receiv. The entire party, consisting of Mrs. J. S. Augustine and children ing a lot of encouragement and

Death of J. M. Walker

J. H. Walker of Roscoe died He is survived by seven children, children and one great great grandchild. The children are J. H. Walker and Mrs. T. E. Rives of Robert Lee, J. J. Walker of Sweetwater, R. L. Walker of Colorado City, Mrs. Albert Ashley of Stanton, Mrs. Tennie Finley of Ravenna and F. I. Walker of Wastella.

Mrs. Geo. Pennington received word last week that her husband, Pfc. Geo. B. Pennington, will soon is stationed in Korea.



TO ALL VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II:

As a veteran you are anxious to get all the benefits you can from war surplus. It is our desire to give you every possible preference, under the law, in purchasing the items you want. By amendment to the Surplus Property Act of 1944, the War Assets Administrator has been authorized to reserve certain items

for exclusive sale to you. They are listed below, but in fairness, we must tell you that quantities are not large, the demand is tremendous and you may not always be able to buy exactly what you want. Every veteran, however, will have the satisfaction of knowing that all items placed on the reserve or "set-aside" list

are going to veterans like himself. Subject to availability, you may purchase these items for your personal use, as well as for your business, professional, or

agricultural enterprise. You may be sure that only World War II veterans will be entitled to purchase them. The amended Act contains a second provision that further

improves your buying position for your business, professional or agricultural enterprise. For items not included in this list, only Federal agencies buying for their own use may purchase ahead of you. This gives you, for business use, an advantage over State and local governments, tax-supported institutions, certified non-veteran small business enterprises and all other potential buyers except Federal agencies. For a specified period after the Federal agencies have had an opportunity to purchase surplus, all available items which do not appear on the reserve list will be available to

you to purchase for your own business. Under the amended Act you still must be certified to purchase war surplus, as thousands have done since the original Act

was passed. The certification procedure has now been simplified,

The War Assets Administration will make every effort to as explained at the right.

see to it that you receive the benefits Congress intends you to have. Your patience and cooperation will aid in the difficult task we face in trying to satisfy the needs of every veteran who wants

to buy surplus property.

THE ADMINISTRATOR

What is set aside for you

The property listed at right is reserved for exclusive sale to veterans of World War II. These are the items in greatest demand by veterans. Large quantities are not available. You may have to wait some time before purchases can be made. So many veterans may already be ahead of you that you may not be able to make your purchase. But you may be sure that only veterans will have the opportunity to buy "set-aside" items.

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Clip this ad today - save it for relatives or friends who may be returning from service soon—or pass it along to a neighbor veteran. Friday, May 24, 1946

THE ROBERT LEE OBSERVER



THE STORY THUS FAR: "I want you to go over to Hemmings and get the sheriff," Jim told Sherwin, who protested that he didn't know the way. His real reason was that the sheriff would arrest him. But Jim wanted Sheriff Cutler to go after Jordan, the outlaw. Sherwin got on a horse at last, but went the wrong way deliberately. Suddenly he decided he was a coward, and turned to go back-and face the worst. He heard Jane's voice, then saw her in a clump of bushes. He saw something else-Jordan creeping up to abduct her. Jane tried to fight him off, but Jordan lifted her up to carry her away. Sherwin attacked, but Jordan escaped again, wounding Sherwin's arm with a knife.

CHAPTER V

"Jim, he's faint from loss of blood -look at him!"

Old Mac intervened. "I'll fix him up; you go 'phone for th' doc, Jane," he thrust his hand through Sherwin's well arm. "You come along with me, son. Hello!" he shaded his eyes with his hand. "Say, Jim, if I ain't mistaken-th' sheriff's coming across th' bridge right now!" he added, pointing.

Jim gave a quick exclamation of satisfaction. "So he is. Got a posse, too. Just in the nick of time-it's all right that you didn't go for him now, Hazlett!"

Sherwin flushed suddenly to his hair, but no one noticed it. Jare was running on ahead to telephone for the doctor, Mac had him by the arm, and Jim had apparently become absorbed in the approaching posse.

"Send a man over for that horse, Mac," he threw back as he hurried off.

"Kinder nasty hurt," old Mac said, "but there ain't no bones broken. I'll wash it an' th' doc'll fix it up all right."

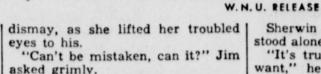
While he worked, his patient sat by the window watching the posse. He expected to be called to tell his story of Jordan, but he was not, and, as time passed, he began to wonder why. Then old Mac startled him more.

"I reckon you don't know that Jane's said to be goin' to marry Stenhart, do you?" he asked casually

He felt Sherwin stiffen under his hands.

"I think she will not!" he said sharply.

Mac stared. Then he fell silent, binding the arm a trifle closely, his eyes straying out of the window, following Sherwin's. The old man was farsighted. He made out a paper in the sheriff's hand, and after a moment Jim took it and both men stared at it.



TURNING POINT

By Mary Imlay Taylor

"It's terribly like him-what's the crime?" Jim turned the paper over.

"There's a statement-pretty bad, too!" Fanny began to read it slowly, her

face losing its happy flush. "He's saved my life-and got Jane

away from Jordan today. It's-it's darned hard to know what to do!" The nurse did not seem to hear him. As she read she paled, and suddenly she caught at a chair and gasped, her eyes dilated.

"Good Lord, Fanny-my darling girl, what is it?" Jim forgot his quandary as he caught her in his

"Nothing!" she tried to smile. "I -I was a little dizzy-there's Jane now!" Jim, still anxious and perplexed,

looked around. "Hello, Jane - Stenhart! Come

along. Fanny's overdone, she's



Sherwin put her hand away and stood alone, facing them.

"It's true that I'm the man they want," he said harshly, "and it's true," he raised his hand and pointed at Stenhart, "it's true that I came here to kill him."

Jane shrank away from him; without a word she recoiled. Their eyes held each other a moment longer but there was no answer in hers. He saw her shrink and shudder.

There was a terrible silence; the others stood staring, dumbly. Then Stenhart backed farther away, white and shaken.

"He'll kill me-don't let him come near me!" he cried hysterically.

Sherwin turned and looked his scorn at him. I'll not kill you here," he said coldly. His face was white and drawn; he did not look at Jane again but at Jim. "You can give me up," he said harshly; "I came to tell you so. There's a reward," he added bitterly. "Stenhart here might like it!"

Fanny Sewell's head dropped; she sobbed chokingly.

Jim intervened. He stepped in front of Jane and took Sherwin by the unwounded arm. "Come!" he said sternly.

As he went Stenhart collapsed into a chair, but Jane did not even glance at him. She stood with her back against the wall, staring in front of her with unseeing eyes. He had dared to make love to her and he was a convict! Her head swam and her mouth was dry, but she said nothing.

Outside the house, Jim had his hand on Sherwin's arm.

"Melt away," he said grimly; "you saved me and you rescued my sister-I'll do nothing, nothing at all. Melt away!"

They stood still in the broad daylight. It was afternoon now, and some doves were cooing in the trees. Sherwin turned gravely and looked at Keller, his pale face flushed a little.

"I don't want to make such a claim upon your generosity," he said stiffly. "Better give me up." Jim swore a little. "I'm not that kind," he said; then his eyes traveled toward the distant windings of the road. He took out his fieldglasses and searched it as far off as he could see. He made out a dark patch moving on the upper road. You go and stay with Mac until dark; that's the sheriff up there. After dark you can get off."



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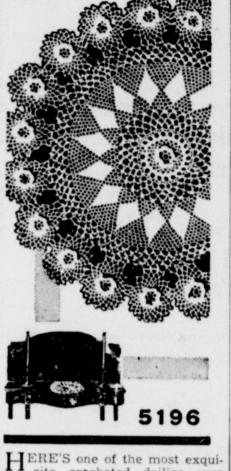
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"The sheriff's got a description of some one that's wanted," he said finally. "I've seen them papers before now."

"Got any new men on?" Cutler had asked. "Seen a fellow like that picture?'

Jim studied the picture a long time silently, then he looked around at the sheriff.

"What's he wanted for, Cutler?" convict from Rhode Island; it's for

life there, you know.' Jim nodded. "Better leave the paper with me," he said at last; "new men come along every now and then.

"That's so! Personally I don't think likely he's round these parts; too far off his beat, eh?" The sheriff moved to the door. "By the way, Keller, where's that feller who mixed it up for Jordan? Send him along to show us the way he went." "I'll send old MacDowell, he knows," Jim said promptly. other man's got a bad arm; I've phoned for the doctor for him."

At the moment Jim scarcely noticed that he did not suggest that the man whom they called Hazlett should go, but he thought of it as colorless. he turned back into the house, a furrow of worry between his own brows. It seemed as if Mac had caught at the meaning of things by instinct, or had he found out something himself? Standing alone in the hall, he took out the sheriff's paper and studied it. The picture of the escaped convict was unusually clear-cut and good, the description accurate. Jim was still studying it when he heard a light step behind him and turned to meet Fanny Sewell. The young nurse caught the trouble in his face at a glance.

"There's something wrong!" she said quickly.

"Nothing much wrong when I see you!" Jim answered heartily.

But she was not to be put off. "You're worried!"

For answer Jim held out the paper. "Ever see that face before, Fanny?"

The girl gave it a startled look, then she scrutinized it carefully, her own face changing sharply.

"Oh!" It was an exclamation of

Sherwin had finished his meal and he thrust his plate aside, looking across at the old man's face behind the camouflage of tobacco smoke.

faint; I've made her sit down," as he spoke he was putting the nurse into the big chair at his desk.

Stenhart, following Jane, came in slowly, leaning on his stick.

"What's it all about?" he asked. Jane was getting a glass of water for Fanny, and as she brought it Jim held out the sheriff's paper. "Look here, Jane!"

His sister ignored him, fussing over the other girl. "Feeling bet-"Murder, first degree. Escaped ter, dear? Sit down, Max, or you'll overtire yourself!" Then, straightening up: "What's that, Jim?"

He handed her the description and the picture. Jane stared at it, changing color, then she flung it down.

"Well," she said defiantly, "what of it?"

Jim saw the anger and pride in her face. Suddenly he remembered the scene by the creek, when he found her there with Sherwin.

"By Jove!" he breathed, and turned sharply. "Max, look at that!" He snatched the paper up and handed it to Stenhart.

Stenhart was reading it when they heard a step on the veranda and Sherwin came into the hall. His arm was bandaged and his face was

"Oh!" cried Jane impulsively, 'you shouldn't-your arm-

But he did not look at her, he was looking at Stenhart. There was a tense moment. No one spoke, then Stenhart laughed-laughed out loud, holding out the paper and looking at Jim

"It's the man," he said; "can't you see? Use your eyes! I've known this fellow before-his name's John Sherwin; he killed his old uncle because he'd left him out of his will, cut him off. He's escaped from jail. He was sentenced for life; I know it! He's an escaped convict!"

Sherwin said nothing. He faced him and his right hand dropped suddenly to his hip. Stenhart shrieked, crumpling against the wall.

"Don't let him kill me!" he panted.

Jim started forward but Jane was ahead of him; she caught at Sherwin's sleeve. She took no notice of the others; she seemed to see no one but this one man.

"Tell me," she whispered, her lips white, "tell me it isn't true!"

Sherwin said nothing; if he wanted to make a plea in his own defense he saw it was useless, he was judged. Yet there was something about Jim that was so likeable he could not be angry with him.

"We're not so far from the border after all," Jim added casually. "I'd head that way-if I were you.

Sherwin looked up. "You're generous, I appreciate it."

Jim turned away awkwardly. He was half way to the house when he turned and spoke over his shoulder.

"I'm relying on you not to stay around Las Palomas," he said grim-

Sherwin nodded; it was the only thing Jim had said which infuriated him. It made him feel his position; he was an outcast-spared because he had done something for both of them, the girl and her brother. Her last look at him had repudiated him as completely as Jim's words; they both believed him guilty. The girl would marry Stenhart!

Suddenly he laughed aloud, harshly. What a mad fool he had been. He might have killed Stenhart under the trees that morning. It was useless to play fair with a snake. His eyes swept the wide slopes of the ranch. The men had stopped hammering; it was near supper time, and he could see groups of them down by the corrals. In the water under the bridge he saw the big white horns of a drowned steer: there had been too much to do to recover all the bodies for cremation. Presently he too might be found lying in some creek, starved on his long hike for freedom. He had not moved from the spot where Jim had left him when he heard old Mac call to him.

"Come in here, I've got something for you to eat," the old man said brusquely, holding open the door of his own room behind the kitchen. Sherwin saw that he had a good

meal spread for him and a knapsack packed. As Mac closed the door behind him he looked around at him and saw compassion on the lined face

"You knew I was going," he said quickly. "Did Keller tell you over the 'phone just now?"

Mac smiled. "You told me, son! I've lived a long while. I learned how to get behind a man's spoken words, a right smart while ago. Sit down and eat, ain't any use starvin'.''

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