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This week winds up for Miss Jennie Mae McDowell a connection of a little more than three years with your home paper...

This young lady "hired out" to us on her first regular newspaper job shortly after the resignation of Mrs. Porgy...

The experience she has gained about the inner workings of a newspaper will be of inestimable value to her in her future work...

The change comes in the nature of a promotion for Jennie Mae, with an increased salary. At Hamilton she will be responsible for scraping up, assembling and editing copy for that excellent county paper...

"Doing business without advertising is like winking at a pretty girl in the dark."

"Lucky Persons Pay Income Taxes" is the heading on an article we read recently which goes on to point out that in a few weeks some lucky citizens of the United States will be called upon to figure out the amount of money they will have to pay the United States Government under the income tax law.

We call their attention to a comparison recently made by Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau, who told members of Congress that a British family with \$5,000 income now pays \$1,136 income taxes, while a similar family in the United States pays \$75.

The \$100,000 income bracket won't bother many Hico people, we predict. But if you'll take the advice of one who's been there, you'll file an income report if the law applies to you.

Some criticism has been heard of late about the attitude of owners of lots in Hico who are approached by prospective customers who desire to build homes.

Suppose, for instance, that you had a lot which by all rights should bring a hundred dollars. Would you be warranted in asking three or four times its value just because you thought somebody wanted it real bad?

This is only a suggestion, for far be it from us to stick our nose too far into the business of other people. But we have noticed that sometimes there is a disposition to profiteer which doesn't ever work out.

Authorities have said that a city's water supply is its most vulnerable spot in case of war and bombings.

Many appreciated remarks have been heard on our recent account of our trip to Washington.

This week another opportunity for a pleasant trip has arisen. Mardi Gras is in progress at New Orleans, and we have promised our better half ever since we were married that we would take her there some time.

But on looking the situation over, we have come to the conclusion that accounts of trips such as this would be more interesting if spaced farther apart.

Hamilton County Farmers Earn Big Per Cent of Soil Building Payment Under 1941 Program

BAND MEMBERS ATTEND TMEA CLINIC IN WACO LAST WEEK

Ten members of the Hico High School Band, accompanied by their director, Roy C. Boaz, Supt. Harry T. Pinson and Mrs. Marvin Marshall, who chaperoned the group...

The ten students making the trip were Mildred Bobo, Louise Blair, Priscilla Rodgers, Golden Ross, Joyce Latham, Betty Jo Anderson, Dorothy Ross, Grace Holton, Maynard Marshall and Bobby Jones.

Louise and Mildred were privileged to play clarinets in the 100-piece Blue Band, along with a 100-piece Red Band organized among students in Waco for the convention.

A highlight of the convention was the Friday night concert by the Baylor University Band under the direction of Forrest L. Bush-tel, composer, arranger and director of Chicago, who directed the Baylor Band in three of his own compositions.

Approximately 2000 music educators and students attended the convention from Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

Free Night School At JTAC

John Tarleton Agricultural College is conducting a night school in the new defense program each night from Monday through Friday, from 7 to 10 p. m.

Any person desiring the course and available for it should get in touch with Mr. John Crowell, John Tarleton College, who is in charge of the work here and who is in the shops on the north side of our campus each afternoon and night.

Lucian Hardin Transferred

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hardin have received word from their son, Pvt. L. H. Hardin, that he has been transferred from Chanute Field, Ill., to Lowery Field, air corps flying school near Denver, Colo.

Hardin enlisted in the army air corps last fall as a mechanic and has been attending an army air school at Chanute Field for the past several months.

Goes Through Clinic

Frank Fallis carried Miss Jewell Shelton and her mother, Mrs. C. W. Shelton, to Temple Sunday where they remained until Thursday for Mrs. Shelton to go through the clinic at Scott & White hospital.

C. A. Brunson Improved

Word received from Stephenville Tuesday was to the effect that C. A. Brunson, farmer of the Fairy community, who has been very ill of pneumonia for several weeks, was considerably improved.

Building New Residence

Workmen started Thursday morning on the foundation for a new house for Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Fox on the lot between the John Clark house, where they now reside, and the home of A. Alford.

J. A. Hughes Gets Blacksmith

A. J. Hyles has moved here from Gatesville and has been employed at the J. A. Hughes blacksmith shop. Mr. Hyles is prepared to do blacksmithing, band saw and emory work, electric arc welding and any kind of repairing.

Plan Sheets For 1941 Program Will Be Available Soon, Says C. W. Hinyard

C. W. Hinyard, County Administrative officer reports that the county office has completed statistical listing sheets showing the soil building practices carried out by Hamilton county farmers under the 1940 Agricultural Conservation Program.

Plan Sheets Available Soon

Under the 1941 Program, Farm Plan Sheets to be executed for each farm in the county will soon be available, and at such time these Plan Sheets will be executed for each farm in the county, showing the total and special allotments allowed to the farm, together with the maximum soil building allowance available to the farm, including the maximum units that can be paid for each farm.

Should Earn Maximum Units

As under the 1940 Program, it is probable that producers who do not earn their full maximum building allowance for the 1941 Program cannot be certified for payment until after the close of the year which is November 30th.

Under the 1941 Program a change has been made to that of the 1940 Program, whereby producers may earn their allowance under the farm program by the eradication of prickly pear, mesquite and cedar, and in this connection, producers wishing to comply by carrying out such practices should make application to the office as soon as possible since the classification must be made prior to the institution of the practice.

Beneficial Practices Listed

The following constitutes a list, together with the units carried out under the 1940 Program, covering what is thought to be some of the most beneficial soil building practices:

Under terracing, 574 individual farmers terraced 11,535 acres, earning 10,105 units, with a total of 2,021,940 feet or 383 miles.

Two hundred and twenty-seven earthen tanks for live stock purposes were constructed, moving 125,798 cubic yards of dirt. This practice is available to both the farm and range program, with the same rate of pay.

Ditching for the control of flood waters showed 1,636,290 linear feet on 620 farms, earning 5454 units.

Contour farming intertilled crops was carried out on 407 farms, earning 1453 units. This practice consists of the planting and cultivating of row crops following the terraces or a guide line established by a farm level or surveyor's instrument.

Six hundred and twenty acres of range land were cleared of prickly pear, 95 acres of mesquite and 852 acres of cedar.

Other practices carried out under the 1940 Program consisted of the following: Contour ridging of non crop open pasture land, strip cropping on the contour, seeding of alfalfa, permanent pasture grasses, lespedeza, turning green manure crops, deferred grazing, and summer legumes interplanted or grown in combination with row crops.

GIRL CRASHES BAND AS REGULAR MUSICIAN

Mineral Wells, Tex., Jan. 17.—The lifelong ambition of one girl has been realized here. Betty Dyer, pretty cooed at T. C. U. in Fort Worth, has become a featured artist on the electric organ with Jack Amlung's Baker Hotel band.

Miss Dyer, whose home is in Fort Worth, has been a musical prodigy, having played the piano almost since infancy. She is majoring in music at T. C. U. and now her outstanding artistry on the electric organ is drawing still greater crowds to the evening concerts of Jack Amlung's band in the Baker lobby.

POWER COMPANY INSTALLS DEVICE TO TEST RUBBER GLOVES FOR CPS SYSTEM

All rubber gloves and blankets used in the Community Public Service Company's system, with the exception of the state of Kentucky, will be tested in Hico in the future, according to C. P. Coston, local manager, who invited the News Review editor down to the plant Tuesday morning for inspection of equipment which has just been installed.

W. H. Greenleaf, the power behind the power company so far as the local generating plant and lines are concerned, was in the midst of his work with the glove-testing machine, but in his usual gracious manner, took time out to explain to the editor the manner in which the machine operated and instructed him about where to stand and what not to touch.

In the tests, during which the gloves are immersed in water between two electrodes into which upon the push of a button 10,000 volts of electricity is turned, the operator stands outside the testing room and times the operation for a period of a minute. If the gloves do "break down," all that is heard is a weak sizzling noise. In case there are defects we were told that something else would happen that would make more noise, but since all the gloves in the morning run received Wade's O. K., we didn't get to see just what the reaction would be in case the test showed up the editor.

Before leaving, Wade said that in case he was late to dinner some day we might go ahead and send down for him. Asked what would be the difference in touching one or the other of the two electrodes, he replied that it would make no difference so far as that person was concerned. "You get the same kind of a shock either way," was his parting remark.

ERATH COUNTY REA WILL USE POWER FROM POSSUM KINGDOM DAM

G. A. Tunnell, project superintendent of the Erath County Electric Cooperative Association, sends the following report from Stephenville under date of Feb. 18:

"We have just received some mighty good news that we know you will appreciate hearing of. President Lewis Mims of the Brazos River Conservation and Reclamation District, said the directors late Monday night passed a resolution to sell power from the Possum Kingdom Dam at cost to the people through the facilities of the Rural Electrification authorities.

"The REA Cooperatives will be incorporated for that purpose. Fifteen REA cooperative systems are contemplating at the present time for power distribution. Mims stated:

"J. H. Flood of Muenster, Texas, Acting Chairman of the REA Committee, appeared before the board. The directors rejected an offer by the Texas Electric Service Co. to buy the entire output of the dam.

"The Erath County Cooperative Association is included in this group. It will require approximately one year to construct REA transmission lines to the 15 cooperatives.

"We are very grateful to Mr. W. P. Hallmark, Dublin, Texas, who is secretary of the Brazos River Conservation and Reclamation District. He has been 100 per cent behind the cooperatives, and it was his desire to see the power sold at cost through a non-profit organization such as the REA cooperatives so that the local people could receive the benefit from these dams."

LOCAL CHURCH TO PARTICIPATE IN METHODIST EMERGENCY MILLION PLAN

The Methodist Church of Hico will participate in the Methodist Emergency Million Plan crusade in a nation-wide attempt to raise one million dollars to meet three war-caused appeals.

The Rev. Mr. Floyd W. Thrash explains three types of appeal that are consolidated in this Good Samaritan movement. The \$250,000 is to be allotted to the religious and social well-being of young men in army camps and navy yards. Methodist chaplains within these camps will be aided with literature and equipment as needed from the fund.

(\$250,000 will be devoted to assist the mother church in England in temporarily easing some of the frictions involved in 150 bombed churches. Also, in the South and East of England there are parishes so dangerously located that almost the entire congregation have evacuated, leaving quite unprovided for the pastors who are staying to minister to those who remain.

(\$500,000 will continue and supplement the Methodist overseas relief now in progress; feeding, clothing and sheltering non-combatant war victims.

The national movement is being led by Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, retired, of Washington, D. C., who is supported by the Methodist Emergency Commission, composed of all the bishops and a representative number of prominent Methodist laymen and ministers from all the six jurisdictions of the church.

Rev. Mr. Thrash has announced the following committee to promote observance of Methodism's Day of Compassion in Hico: Mrs. J. B. Russell, Mrs. Annie Waggoner, Mrs. Jim D. Wright, Mrs. Tyrus King, E. H. Persons, Grady Barrow, E. H. Randalis Jr., and O. A. Thompson.

HICO'S DRUM CORPS GIVES CONCERT MONDAY; IS STILL IMPROVING

Pride of Band Director Roy C. Boaz, the Hico Grammar School Drum Corps came to town again last Monday afternoon advertising the boxing matches at the school gymnasium that night.

Little Joan Roberson, drum major, set the aggregation off in grand style with her drum major's hat which her parents had purchased for her and which she was wearing for the first time.

Mrs. Ida Olive Pace was appointed yesterday to fill the unexpired term of her husband, D. A. Pace, as county commissioner of Precinct No. 1, which includes Karnes City and Kennedy. Pace died Sunday and the appointment was made after the office had been declared vacant by the Commissioner's Court and after that the court had recommended that Judge Fickett appoint someone to fill the vacancy.

FEBRUARY MEETING OF C. OF C. TO BE HELD TUESDAY NIGHT AT HOTEL

The Hico Chamber of Commerce will hold the February meeting next Tuesday night at the Russell Hotel, as announced by the secretary, Rev. Alvin Swindell. The new board of directors, elected at the last monthly session, held a very interesting meeting on Wednesday morning of this week, in which a number of items of supposed interest to the Hico community were discussed.

Council Accepts Power Company Rate Reduction

Reduced Schedules On Domestic and Commercial Service Go Into Effect

The City Council in called session Thursday morning of this week accepted a schedule of rate reductions for domestic and commercial users of current in Hico, submitted by the Community Public Service Company through W. D. Nuckols of Clifton, division manager, and Henry Lee Stout of Fort Worth. The new rates go into effect immediately, according to C. P. Coston, local manager, who also points out that the reduction was voluntary and in line with similar reductions made or proposed throughout the division.

The present rates start at 8 cents per KWH for the first 25, whereas the previous rates called for a billing of 9 cents. Reductions in rates for different brackets are made up to the 100 mark, with the same rate of 2 cents per KWH applying on all over 100 as heretofore. Commercial schedules also start at 8 cents under the new rates against a charge of 9 cents at previous rates.

A complete schedule of costs under the previous and present rates to both commercial and domestic patrons as in Mr. Coston's possession, and he will be glad to figure out the saving in any customer's bill upon request. The saving is considerable, he declares. For example, a domestic customer who has been using 100 KWH per month has been charged \$5.75, whereas under the new schedule he will be billed for only \$4.60. Savings in other brackets are in proportion.

The custom of reducing rates is carried out at times altogether voluntarily on the part of the company, according to Mr. Nuckols, who states that this is made possible by reason of increased volume of business. This reduction in charges is always welcomed by the consumers and also appreciated more because it comes voluntarily.

The men of the Hico Baptist Church are to have a get-together meeting of their own at the church on Thursday night of next week, as announced by the pastor.

A committee met a few evenings ago and planned the program, which will consist of an address by a visiting speaker, and lunch served by ladies of the church, besides organizing a Brotherhood for the church.

LUNCH AND ADDRESS TO FEATURE BAPTIST MEN'S MEETING THURSDAY NIGHT

Arthur Beatty, brother-in-law of John Higgins and Mrs. A. A. Vickrey of Hico, died in a Chicago hospital Sunday after an extended illness and was buried in San Antonio Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Beatty, a retired army officer, had made his home in San Antonio for a number of years. His wife is the former Miss Donnie Higgins of Hico. They had no children.

Mr. Beatty had been in Chicago for several months taking treatment at a hospital in an effort to regain his health. Mrs. Beatty, who accompanied him there, remained at his bedside during the illness and was with him when death came.

Hamilton County News Sells Announcement was made early this week of the sale last Friday of the Hamilton County News to Bernard K. Wilkerson of Fort Worth, who was expected to arrive in Hamilton the latter part of the week to take charge of the paper.

The paper has been published the past several years by Bob Miller and John B. Sullivan, co-owners. Several important changes in the personnel and policies of the paper were expected to be announced by Mr. Wilkerson upon his arrival in Hamilton.



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DEMOCRACY WON'T TAKE A BACK SEAT

Every now and then some exponent of the totalitarian theory of government justifies it on the ground of super-efficiency, overlooking entirely the cracks that have appeared in the stream-lined machines of Russia and Italy and pointing, without outspoken pride in these days, but nevertheless pointing to the achievements of Germany under the Nazis.

He will grant the contention that human liberties have been sacrificed to make the state the master and will go on to prove that this very destruction has made for the super-efficient state against which no other nation can successfully contend without turning itself into a totalitarian government.

Too often his argument for state control is left unanswered, as though that particular point were conceded. Yet contrary evidence is all around us. It is in the electric iron in our homes, the goods in our stores, the grain in our fields, the cars in our streets.

It was not a totalitarian group that pushed our borders to the West. It was not a totalitarian state that invented and put to use electricity, automobiles, airplanes, tractors. It was not a totalitarian group that drove a ribbon of steel from one continent to another, laced the mountains and prairies with paved roads, built the greatest nation in the world from a solid wilderness—and did it in less than 150 years.

It was a democracy that did all these things—a democracy founded on the principles of private enterprise. A democracy that let every man decide for himself how he would work, what he would do, and where he would do it.

And, from the stand-point of pure efficiency, our democracy has yet to take a back seat for anyone.

During World War I, some Detroit automobile manufacturers persuaded a doubting young French official to let them manufacture the famous French 75-millimeter cannon. This was a precision job which had always required tedious hours of hand tooling, years of training behind each master technician working on the guns.

A few skeptical technicians from abroad came to Detroit to see what could be done. They were politely received. Their advice and cautions were listened to. And, in the middle of the third consultation one production engineer said: "Well, what are we waiting for—let's go to work!"

Two months later cannon began ticking off the end of an assembly line. Precision cannon, delicately tooling cannon. Cannon as true as the craftsmen of Europe had been able to turn out by hand.

A democracy did that. A democracy launched a ship a day in the first World War. A democracy put more cars per capita into the hands of its citizens than any other system has yet achieved, more bread on the table, more plain cold cash in the bank—more of almost anything you care to name.

No one should argue with an American about efficiency. Why, the very chair on which he is sitting probably came from Cedar Rapids—and would anyone want to bet about the totalitarians turning out chairs as fast and as good?

No serious tax proposals will be made until the March 15th income taxes are in, but by that time, the budget committees will be able to estimate about how much will be needed for the year and make recommendations for taxes.

Whether you own a car or not, your loved ones are jeopardized daily by the reckless driver. If a standard driver's license law will minimize this danger in Texas as in other states, we need such an enforceable law just as quickly as we can get it.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt, first Chief Executive to be an active Scout Leader before entering the White House, has made eight nationwide broadcasts to the Boy Scouts of America.

THIS WEEK In Washington

Washington, Feb. 20.—The discussions of the lease-lend bill which went on in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearing would have been regarded as tempestuous a month ago, but so much has already been said for and against the bill, and vituperations as to personalities have become so common-places, that the sessions seemed relatively mild.

The target for the opposition has been, of course, the bill itself, and, indirectly the President, Senator Wheeler of Montana started the fireworks three weeks ago when he called it the President's new triple-A foreign policy—pilot every fourth American by under President Roosevelt responded heatedly at a press conference, and the feud went on from there.

These heated exchanges were more or less expected in view of the extreme position which Senator Wheeler has taken since the outbreak of the war, but some surprise was evidenced at the stand taken by former Governor Alfred M. Landon, Republican candidate for the Presidency in 1936. Mr. Landon had previously endorsed the administration's foreign policy and it was expected that he would take about the same position on the bill as that of Wendell L. Willkie.

However, Mr. Landon opposed the bill at its inception and when he appeared before the Senate Committee as an opposition witness, he attacked what he called "a distantly distant" silence Senator Wheeler and described the lease-lend bill as a "guess and damned policy."

No Radical Changes

Despite the volatility of the opposition, however, the Senate Committee has made no radical changes, and the bill must now withstand the attacks from the main body of the Senate. There is not the shadow of a doubt here that it will do so, although it may have a few modifications tacked on. But, although the more optimistic supporters of the bill are predicting its passage by the end of February, the best guess among neutral observers still remains the middle of March.

Immediately after the bill is passed, ways of financing its operation must be found. Official quarters are predicting an \$85,000,000,000 income for the United States in 1941, and much of this will be taxed to pay for our aid-to-Britain program and our own defense projects.

Cheerful News

Some cheerful news about 1940 emanated from the Department of Commerce last week when it issued its report on the retail census. Americans bought \$45,500,000,000 worth of goods at retail last year, the report said, 8.3 per cent more than in 1939 and only 6 per cent less than the 1929 peak.

Three other agencies had cheering news also. The Social Security Board said that state employment offices placed 3,200,000 workers in private jobs in 1940 and 557,000 in public jobs—an increase of nearly 9 per cent over 1939 jobs filled.

The Federal Deposit Insurance reported that 1940 had fewer bank failures or forced mergers than in any year since 1935; and the Federal Reserve Board said the defense program boosted factory and factory equipment expenditures to \$22,137,000,000, the highest level since 1929.

These effects of the nation's defense program are really only beginning to be felt. Next week, the War Department, for example, intends to ask Congress for more than \$2,000,000,000 to add 15,000 airplanes to the Army air force.

The Army now has 19,000 planes on order, most of which were not expected to be delivered until 1942, but with British orders running out and many private manufacturers facing the prospect of idle assembly lines, some of the planes may be delivered sooner.

The defense program is being felt in other ways, too. There is an almost war-like "hush-hush" about all Washington activities that have to do with the nation's defenses. It was exemplified in the appeal of Secretary of the Navy, Frank Knox, to the press, radio and screen to cooperate with the Navy Department in keeping secret such naval activities as might be of use to a potential enemy.

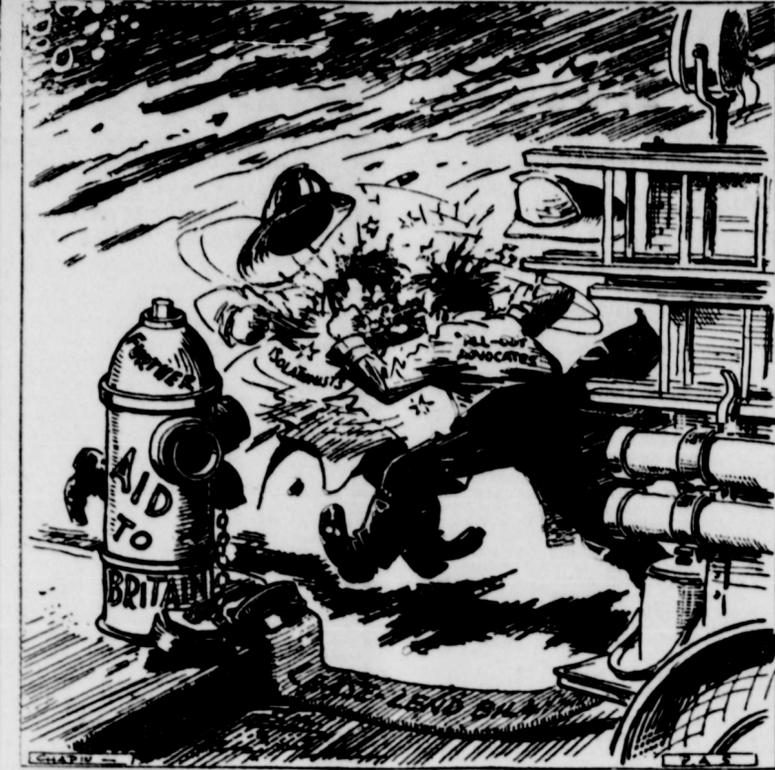
Newsmen Fingerprinted

The appeal was brought closer home to newsmen when it became necessary to be fingerprinted and photographed before being admitted to the White House and a few other Government Departments, and to be required to wear a badge with a photograph on it.

Even members of the Defense Commission are not exempt from this ruling, and all save Mr. Knudsen, the director, comply with the ruling. Employees have been given Mr. Knudsen's picture, so there is little chance of the Defense Director being thrown out.

The war has brought many little points proposals to the fore—ones that were formerly rejected, but are now being considered in the light of how they may help our defenses. Foremost among these is the proposed St. Lawrence waterway project, which would open the St. Lawrence River for navigation all the way to the Great Lakes. The Department of Commerce released the first of seven reports on the proposal this week and said that the project would open new shipbuilding facilities in the Great Lakes states that would be needed for a "long period to come."

Squabble At The Fire Plug



TWO SIDES to Every Question

NATIONAL INSURANCE AND EMPLOYMENT

Our President has been struggling since he went into office for a bigger army, a bigger navy, a bigger air force. The struggle is with elements in Congress. The people run the Congress—or think they do. Ergo: it is up to the people if they want complete insurance and more employment.

Many Americans have been led to believe that if Germany whips the Allies, she intends to—and will be able to—come over here and make a colony out of us. They believe, as did their prototypes in 1917, that our safety lies in going to war with Germany regardless of the many attendant risks—and regardless of our last lesson.

Some Americans believe that this hemisphere will eventually become parts of a British or a new French empire. They base their conclusions upon the slow but steady conquests of those two perpetually hungry and always grasping political enemies which in the last couple of centuries have swallowed half of the world—minus one big mouthful which we yanked right out from their back teeth.

A number of Americans are of the opinion that Japan intends to invade us at almost any moment—but certainly when it has finished off China. They point out how easily the Japanese could get and hold the Pacific coast—Harry Bridges and the Ham and Eggs crowd notwithstanding. They say to you that from there to the Eastern seaboard, the little yellow men would have easy pickings.

A few Americans, but by far the most analytical and least emotional—are fearful, not of military conquest, but of defeat at the hands of an idea—Communism and Socialism. These thinkers reason that only such an enemy could overrun this country.

There are Americans who have such faith, that they believe that this country could lick the world with bare fists. As the above beliefs and theories cover about all our invasion complexes, it is reasonable to suppose that somewhere in the middle is the answer to our riddle. The riddle is: How big an army, navy, and air force must we have to absolutely make this country secure in the event of attack by any nation or group of nations?

There are a few good arguments against building up big military and naval establishments, but there are many better ones in favor of so doing, particularly at the present time. If we had a naval force on the Atlantic coast as large as that which we have in the Pacific; if we had a standing army of two million men and if we had a powerful up-to-date air force—added to tremendous facilities for quick production of planes—we would have insurance for those who fear aggression and those we could mind our own business. Incidentally,

we would add some more teeth to our Monroe Doctrine.

Work makes jobs. The construction of a great navy and air force would put literally hundreds of thousands to work in all the hundreds of industries which would have to jack up their employment to meet the demands of the shipyards and airplane factories. A million and a quarter men added to our standing army would mean just that many more jobs for someone, and thousands upon thousands would go on the payrolls of the gun factories, powder works, iron mines, coal mines, steel plants, automobile factories, and so on down the line. We could use this work at this time, if only a bulwark against such vile isms which are so much more to be feared than any military foe.

If we are worried about Hitler or Japan or anyone else, why not spend a few dollars and get back on our feet? It would surely be infinitely more profitable and far less dangerous, than involving ourselves for the second time in the damnable brawl of Europe's political gangsters.

We can't stop European warfare, no one has ever been able to stop it. They are so accustomed to it over there that they seem to be almost impervious to it—like someone who has lived among mosquitoes all his life. He doesn't suffer from the stings, but a stranger does.

In the last war Germany was crushed and ruined; twenty years later she is on the crest of the wave, while we are still suffering from "unemploymentitis" and overtaxation. In the Franco-Prussian war France was crushed and had to pay Germany a billion dollars and give up the provinces of Alsace and Lorraine. A few years later France was rich and prosperous.

If we "leave" democracy two or three more times, we should be nice and ripe for plucking by whichever of those old warhorses happens at the time, to be on top of the European heap. It would be more pleasure to have Britain as our master than to have Germany or Russia or Japan; but for one, this writer prefers to remain with our present status quo.

Children and Cows

Not even gardening can beat dairy cows when it comes to opportunities for family cooperation. Even the youngest child can bring the cows in from pasture, "mind" them on special grazing, and do other odds and ends that take time but little labor. The older boys and girls can feed, milk, cool the milk, run the separator, wash the utensils, clean the barns, help plant and harvest feed crops, make homemade milk stools, stanchions, milk-cooling boxes, help repair fences, keep pastures free of noxious weeds—all chores that fit in well before and after school. And here's this hint for a family that owns no milk cow and cannot buy one: One of the children can get a grade dairy calf, join a 4-H club, and raise the family milk supply, thereby contributing to 20 per cent of the value of the whole family food budget.

—The Progressive Farmer.

Lesson In Health

Take Care of Your Body

Most of us are apt to think of our bodies as though each separate organ carried on its work entirely independent of all the other organs. We associate the lungs with breathing, the heart with pumping blood through veins and arteries, the stomach with the digestion of food, and so on. Actually, all parts of the human mechanism, the internal organs, the muscles, bones and nerves, are so dependent upon each other that anything affecting one is commu-

icated to the whole. Abuse your stomach and the intestines, liver, kidneys—yes, even the heart—are made to suffer. You cannot breathe impure air and confine the damage solely to the lungs. Strain the muscles of the back with some violent effort and you place an equal strain on various other muscles.

It is easy, therefore, to see why everything we do to maintain normal health must be done for the entire system. When we exercise, it is not for development of exterior muscles, but for efficient functioning of the internal working parts. When we rest, it is to restore nervous as well as phys-

Dale Carnegie

APPRECIATION PAYS

Here is how one man applied a single bit of psychology and increased his business ten per cent in three weeks. That man is Frank H. Drake of Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.

He put his savings into a small filling station. But no sooner had he moved in, than a big filling station located near him; then another. A price war started, winter came. Mr. Drake worked hard. He gave excellent service. He was polite. But his business went down hill. He grew desperate. He didn't know what to do.

The next day when a customer drew up, Mr. Drake filled the tank, thanked the customer for patronizing him. He had thanked other customers before, but he put a little extra fervor into this. He appreciated the man's trade and he made him realize that he did. The man was about to start his car. Instead, he waited a moment and talked. Mr. Drake realized that the man had been responsive because his thanks had been sincere. He decided to use the same principle in dealing with his other customers.

One-third of his business came to him through courtesy cards furnished by the oil company. So he decided that he would do more than merely say "Thank you." He would make a special appeal. He copied their names and addresses and, a day or two after they had called, sent them a letter of appreciation. It was a letter of real appreciation, too, for every customer Mr. Drake got meant he was staying off the end that much longer.

The result far exceeded his expectation. People drove in purposely to thank him for his letter. Not only local people, but some from as far away as Harrisburg; one all the way from Elmira, New York.

Then he tried out a letter on 40 of his old customers. This is his letter exactly as he wrote it: "You are one of my best customers, and I certainly appreciate it. Your account is as good as money in the bank. I would like to have more accounts as good as yours. Maybe you'll be good enough to help me. Will you give me the name of two friends who are as reliable as yourself? Here is a stamped and addressed envelope. I will write them and tell them you are a customer of mine, and ask them if they will give me a try. And again thank you."

Of course, it worked. He had many of his old customers working for him, and in three weeks, he increased his business ten per cent.

Everyone values sincerity. If you really appreciate the trade that comes to you, your customers usually will stick to you through thick and thin. But don't try merely to make an impression. There is nothing that will more quickly merit contempt.

TIMELY Topics

POLITENESS

As I was being pushed into a New York subway train the other day, I began wondering what had happened to old-fashioned politeness in the city—things like giving seats to ladies, hat-tipping and other little courtesies of the past.

In the small town in which I live good manners are still considered creditable qualities, and I suppose they are "after hours" among some New Yorkers.

But in the heat of the subway rush politeness is out. No holds are barred in the battle for seats, straps and standing-room. Men, women and children must fight as equals. It's a survival-of-the-fittest tussle and the women who win seats squeeze into them with a smile of achievement on their faces. By using their elbows, their umbrellas and by watching for holes in the forward wall, they have crashed through to a glorious victory.

Whether the women push and shove and fight because they know that no man will ever give them a seat—or whether they have been pushed and shoved by them so often, is a moot question. The one clear fact is that when the subway train rattles in all forms of politeness are cast to the winds.

NERVES

But it's not just in the subway of New York that fighting has been substituted for politeness. You'll find it in the shopping crowds, in the motor traffic where the policeman confides his helpful advice to confused drivers to shouting "Where the—dya think you're goin'?" in the theatre lobbies, in the restaurants,

in fact anywhere where peoples' nerves are on edge from their contacts with crowds. A perfect "But," said I, "there are hundreds outside awaiting to see you and I feel that I am imposing on your good nature in thus taking your time."

"Sit down," he pleaded in a weary tone of voice. "You came here to do me a favor and every one of those people outside want favors done. It is a genuine relief to find a man these days who asks nothing of me." And I remained a few minutes, discussing a quarter of an hour more, discussing everything but politics.

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Ralph Waldo Emerson said: "Good manners are made up of petty sacrifices." In the city it is quite possible that a person would spend most of his time making petty sacrifices if he applied the niceties of action, which most of us think of as good manners, to his contacts with the crowds.

NEIGHBORS People who live in small towns have to get along with their neighbors.

In a big city you can push people around, step on their toes, mumble nasty names at them—and then submerge yourself in the crowd with the realization that you'll never see those people again.

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The big difference is: in the small town an individual must do his best to get along with all the rest of the people. In a big city an individual has to get along alone—without friends, but alone as far as the milling crowds are concerned.

When a country family visits city friends who live in an apartment house, one of the first questions is: "How do you like your neighbors?" The usual answer of the city family is: "We've never met them."

It seems strange that two families can live on the same floor with only a thin wall separating them and never know each other and perhaps never see each other. But

that is the case in thousands of city homes.

Perhaps a new code of manners for coping with crowds will gradually develop in cities like New York. Meanwhile in the small towns we should guard against accepting the present city version of politeness. No matter how our city brothers act, it isn't smart to be rude.

THE DOCTOR Tells the Story

Memories of Harding

Unquestionably the late President Warren G. Harding was one of the most lovable of men. He radiated friendliness and attracted men to him, many of whom took advantage of his nature and made his last days far from being contented. I knew President Harding intimately when he wore the Senatorial toga and learned to admire him then, long before the Presidential buzz arose about him. He was generous to a fault, and as the sword of the best tempered metal is the most flexible, so was he truly pliant to those whom he liked and always courteous in behavior to those who were his inferiors.

He had requested a small favor of me and I went to see him in the White House to report what I had accomplished. As I entered the gorgeous room which he used as his office, he arose, a perfect Adonis in looks and exceptionally well dressed, and approaching me placed one arm about my neck. We slowly walked toward this glass-topped desk, on which reposed, in a cut-glass vase, a single enormous red carnation.

Drawing up a chair he had me sit and discuss the subject which brought me there. As we finished I arose to leave and he said: "Doctor, please sit down and talk a few minutes more with me." "But," said I, "there are hundreds outside awaiting to see you and I feel that I am imposing on your good nature in thus taking your time."

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CHECKERBOARD LOVE

JOSEPH McCORD

CHAPTER IX SYNOPSIS

Audrey Swan, nicknamed "Cyclops," is the only daughter of a highly respected horse trainer. His farm adjoins the estate of Judge Castle, whose only son, Jeffrey, has been Audrey's friend since childhood. Jeffrey marries Olive Cooper and they leave for a long honeymoon. While Jeff is away Vic Quinn, his friend in love with Audrey, substitutes for him in the Judge's office. The Judge, unknown to his son, buys a beautiful home for them near his own in Parville. He has always wanted to make Jeffrey a partner. But when Jeff returns, he tells him that Olive and he will live in the city and that her father will employ him there. The Judge is bitterly explaining to Vic that Jeffrey will not be coming back.

"You thought he'd be returning. It did not seem too much to expect. It appears that it was quite too much, however." There was deep bitterness in the older man's voice.

"I'm sorry," Victor offered simply.

"As you can well appreciate, Quinn, this situation is most unfortunate for me, aside from the personal and family standpoint. I can no longer count upon Jeffrey. And Miss Dodds will never be able to return to her duties."

Victor made no response. He could guess what was coming.

"I will be perfectly frank with you, Quinn," the Judge continued. "I am aware that Jeffrey has urged you to stay on permanently with me. I am seconding that request on my own behalf."

"That is exceedingly kind of you, Judge Castle, but I . . ."

"I know, I know. You are under the impression that your legal career will be modified by what Parville has to offer. I can appreciate that, but I believe that I can assure you that you are wrong. How old are you?"

"Twenty-eight."

"And well matured. You have been of very great service to me during your stay. I have learned to my satisfaction that I can depend upon you. There is and will be plenty of practice here for a young man, and my experience, such as it is, will be at your service. I need you. What do you say, sir?"

"That I appreciate it very highly."

"I am offering you a partnership, Quinn. A full partnership here. That is what I promised Jeffrey. It does not interest him."

"That's a bit overwhelming," Victor managed. "I don't think that I need tell you I never anticipated . . ."

"No, no!" the Judge interrupted hastily. "If you can see your way clear to accept my offer you will be going a long way toward making up to me what I have lost."

"Yes, sir," Victor sensed the conference was concluded and went back to his desk in the outer office. He sat for a long time making aimless marks on a pad, his brows contracted, and his strong lower jaw set grimly. At length he tossed aside his pencil and reached for the telephone. There was no relaxation in his face when his requested number answered. "Hello, Audrey. This is Vic."

"I guessed it. How are you?"

"All right. May I see you if I drive out after lunch . . . two perhaps?"

"Yes, I'll be here."

"Thanks. And he hung up. Audrey was sitting alone on the side porch when Victor alighted from his car. She closed her book and greeted him with a bright smile as he tapped on the door and then let himself in. "Alone, are you? I won't take any undue advantage, but I do want a conference just with you."

perhaps. I was about to add that I more or less asked your permission to come to Parville. The thing I'm trying to solve now is whether I should stay on. You have something to do with that, too."

"But I haven't the remotest idea what you mean, Vic." She was plainly puzzled.

"No, you wouldn't. I had quite a session with the Judge at the office this morning. He tried to exact a promise from me that I would stay here with him indefinitely."

"Oh. Then he wants you and Jeff to . . ."

"No. Not Jeff."

"I see. Jeff doesn't want to come back here any more."

"It's . . . it's a little worse than that, Audrey. He can't come back. His father has . . . well, he's sacked Jeff."

Audrey caught her breath at Victor's blunt announcement. She knew what that expression meant.

"I got some bad news for you, Miss Swan," he said.

but it was difficult to comprehend. Judge Castle didn't want Jeff to come home anymore. There was something unreal about it—almost melodramatic.

"I didn't know that." A stupid thing to say under the circumstances.

"I shouldn't be thinking of myself," Victor admitted gloomily. "It's a sad thing for all of them. At the same time, it puts me in rather an embarrassing position. Audrey," he added gently, "I have made a hash of it. I see that now. I guess I let my heart get the better of my head."

Audrey managed a faint smile. "I'm fond of you. You must know that. But that's a long way from . . ."

"I know," he interrupted. "I'm going to stay here, be near you." A very little later, Victor rose to his feet with the announcement that it wouldn't look well for him to be taking the whole afternoon off just because his boss was out of town. Audrey smiled her agreement. Their friendship suddenly had renewed its old-time basis and both of them were relieved from the constraint that had seemed to shadow their recent meetings.

"Besides," Victor announced cheerfully, "there's a rival in the office." He nodded in the direction of the drive where a small touring car of ancient vintage was rolling up.

Vic smiled at the elderly town constable climbing from the car. Audrey went to the door and opened it as the newcomer was about to rap. "How do you do, Mr. Ringer! Won't you come in?"

"Just a minute," the officer remarked uneasily, his face clearing perceptibly when he saw the young lawyer. "How're you, Mr. Quinn?" Without waiting for a reply, he clutched off his cap and addressed himself hesitatingly to Audrey. "I . . . I'm sorry. But I got some bad news for you, Miss Swan. It . . . it's about your father."

Audrey's face went white. Victor

instinctively moved close to her side. "What is it?" she asked. "Has he been hurt? Is my mother all right?"

"Yes, she's all right. It was like this, near as I had time to gather. They were drivin' into town, crossin' the new creek bridge. There was some children playin' on the ice. A little girl, they tell me, fell in an' your father jumped from his car an' ran down. He got the little kid out, but the ice wouldn't hold him. Some other folks helped him out an' hurried him to the hospital. He didn't get drowned or anything, but the shock of the cold water seemed to knock him out, like. They said it might be serious, so I told your mother I'd run out an' fetch you."

"Get your coat. I'll take you to your mother," Vic ordered quietly. "Or shall I send Julia for it?"

"No, I'll get it," Audrey left the porch with Victor frowning anxiously as he noted the almost mechanical manner of her walking.



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Clairette

By NILA MARIE ALEXANDER

Rev. Greenwood filled his regular appointment here Sunday. La Verne Weaver of Waco spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Weaver.

H. L. Self, who is attending school at Tarleton, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Self.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Alexander, R. M. Alexander and Mrs. L. V. Fenley and daughter, Zelma, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Alexander at Waco Sunday.

Misses Lila Sherrard and Betty Blanton of Mineral Wells spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sherrard.

Marie Mayfield is spending a few days with relatives in Abilene this week-end.

Mrs. Henry Roberson honored her Sunday School Class with a dinner Sunday. Those present were Betty Charlene Turner, Ritta Hardin, Charlene Sherrard, Betty, Joan and Charles Gougherty and Clinton Littlton.

Rev. Jackson of Stephenville is to preach at the Church of Christ Sunday morning.

Mrs. Homer Lee was surprised with a birthday dinner Sunday. Those present were T. M. Lee and daughters, Eunice and Nola. Mrs. Sam Wolfe and son, Sam Jr., of Dublin, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hudgens of Stephenville, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Clark, Mr. Ike Salmon, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Lee and family and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lee and family.

Mrs. H. K. Self, who has been sick, is better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Birdsong and family of Hamilton spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Ray.

Next Sunday night our regular Fourth Sunday Night Singing will be held and everybody is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Alexander attended church at Hog Jaw Sunday.

Mr. Ivie Durham of Belton and Miss Baylor Durham of Taft spent the week-end with their mother, Mrs. S. O. Durham.

Leona Hardin spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stipes.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perish of Stephenville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hardin.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Alexander and children and Mr. and Mrs. George Cozy and baby spent Sunday with Miss Pearl Whitesides of near Hico.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Stipes spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stipes.

Nila Marie Alexander and Florence Havens spent Sunday afternoon with Lila Sherrard.

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Spring Creek

By NORA LAND

Mr. Fred Putnam made a business trip to Waco Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Thompson of Gilmore visited Mr. Thompson's sister, Mrs. Fred Putnam, and Mr. Putnam and Martha Mae awhile Tuesday night.

Mrs. Pauline Hubbard and little son, Billy Joe, visited awhile Friday afternoon in the E. J. Land home.

J. W. Land of Millerville visited his brother and niece, E. J. Land and daughter, Nora, from Wednesday until Sunday.

Mrs. Lela Mae Walker made a business trip to Hico Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Artie Thompson of Clairette and son and wife, T. J. Thompson, visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Putnam and daughter, Martha Mae, Sunday afternoon.

Salem

By
MRS. W. C. ROGERS

Mrs. Mollie Allen had hands busy last week getting her house recovered. Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Giesecke are living there this year.

Several from this section were in Stephenville Thursday afternoon and evening attending the show "Come With the Wind." All reported a good show.

Miss Dimple Lambert spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Valla Lee Stone.

Miss Mary Koonsman accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Koonsman and son, Delvin, of Unity Sunday to visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Koonsman and son, Harland.

Miss Verna Mary Childress of Duffau spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Mary Alice Crist.

Miss Oneta Giesecke returned to her work Sunday afternoon after being at home convalescing from the flu the past two weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Britton and children of Duffau moved into the small house on the W. H. Hyde estate. We are glad to have these young people with us.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rogers and children had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Giesecke of Millerville, Mrs. W. D. Nelms, Mrs. J. A. McEntire and Harold Crist.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Driver made a business trip to Stephenville last Friday. Johnnie Driver of Camp Bowie, Brownwood, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Driver, during the week-end.

Mrs. George Childress and daughters, Verna Mary and Louise, of Duffau were Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. Edd Crist and daughter, Mary Alice.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Noland and children spent Sunday at Fairy guests of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Moore and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hinton and daughters of Johnsonville spent the afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Bright and children.

Mr. John Lambert left Sunday for Dallas to attend an air school and learn how to fly.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Koonsman and little son had as guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wolfe, Mrs. H. Koonsman and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Currier and daughter, all of Indian Creek, Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Wolfe and sons of Clairette, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Koonsman and son of Unity, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jenkins and daughter of Brownwood, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Scott and sons and Mrs. Mary Koonsman.

Mrs. Guy Akins and children of Hico spent Sunday afternoon with her mother and brother, Mrs. T. R. Laney and John.

Mr. Doyle Walker, who is employed at Brownwood and Mrs. Walker and sons spent Sunday at Valley Grove guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Parr.

Miss Winnie Moore took Mrs. S. E. Farrell to Gorman for an eye operation Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilary Driver and daughter of Evergreen and Mr. and Mrs. John Noland and children and Dorothy Noland of Clairette spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ira Noland and children.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Britton of Corinth spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Savage and children.

The mattress center at Salem church house, supervised by Mrs. S. P. Saffell, is turning out a lot of mattresses for the farmers in this section.

Mrs. J. A. McEntire, R. M. Savage and W. C. Rogers made a business trip to Stephenville Monday afternoon.

Grandpa Savage of Rocky Point visited last Friday with his son and family. Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Savage and children.

Miss Dimple Lambert accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jenkins and daughter of Brownwood to Austin Monday to attend a Baptist Convention. They are expected home Tuesday.

Duane Crist had business in Fort Worth Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. W. C. Rogers visited Mrs. Minnie Sikes and sons in Hico last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Marshall Rogers made a flying trip to San Antonio Tuesday.

A play will be presented at the school auditorium here Friday night from 7:30 to 9, entitled "Look Out, Lizzie". The characters are as follows: Silas Long, an old farmer, Charlie Farrell, Sarah, his wife, Dimple Lambert, Hazel, their daughter, Hazel Walker, Lizzie, Blanks, the hired girl, Winnie Moore, Hank Blink, the hired man, Marshall Rogers, Minnie Hall, neighborhood gossip, Vella Lee Stone, Richard Biltmore, a stranger, Eldon Rogers, and Dave Hinkle, an old miser, Wendol Scott.

Everyone is invited. Admission free.

Hog Jaw

By
OMA ROBERSON

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lambert of Dallas visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Lambert Sunday.

Fruce Pargan of Brownwood visited J. L. Roberson and family on Sunday.

Misses Hazel and Delpha Dee Higginbotham of Duffau spent the week-end with their grandmother, Mrs. J. W. Roberson.

Johnnie Elkins of Dallas spent the week-end with home folks.

Miss Nellie Mullins returned to her home near Greysville Saturday after working several weeks in the E. S. Jackson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Stringer and daughter of Duffau visited Mrs. J. E. Stringer recently.

ABOVE the HULLABALOO



THE MIDDLE-WEST HAS NOT YET DECLARED WAR!

Philip F. LaFollette, former Governor of Wisconsin, stirred up a hornet's nest in a recent meeting of the Phi Beta Kappa Alumni of New York when he said that America should stay out of the war.

"We're already in the war," cried one member of the association. "You say 'We'," retorted Mr. LaFollette. "I tell you you're in the war in New York. But there is a vast difference between what you find in New York and what you find past the Appalachian Mountains."

Mr. LaFollette stated that there were millions of Americans in the Middle West who were determined to stay out of other people's wars and that this determination was based upon an intuitive "in-touchness" with simple truths.

One member asked—"May it not be due to a profound ignorance of international relations?" Amidst the laughter which this remark caused, Mr. LaFollette replied that in the Middle West there had been more persons per square mile than anywhere else, who had "sensed" that the last war was a mistake. He went on to say it was generally recognized afterwards that that WAS a mistake and he suggested gently that it might be "quite possible" the Middle West was right again this time.

There is the whole deck of cards spread out on the table for those to study who don't want this nation to destroy itself in this—or in a later—European war. Some warmonger may boast "New York City has gone to war"—but the rest of the country has not. Those boasters talk out loud, but the rest of the country, unhappily, holds its tongue.

They are making themselves heard in Washington—but the rest of the country sits idly by and permits its sons to be dragged toward a war the results of which may spell black misery for all of us. A war which now it seems "we must get into in order to speed up arms production for Britain and for ourselves." In other words, we risk the destruction of our free form of government, the confiscation of our property, the death of our sons and the Hellish aftermath of war—in order that we may get a little more speed out of industry and labor. Surely we can accomplish this by some means short of national suicide!

Now the Middle West knows more about the fundamentals of international relationships, or any other kind of decent relationships, than sneering Mr. Phi Beta Kappa of New York even thinks he knows; and the Middle West knows that "international relationships" do not—certainly up to the present—require our physical participation in this war.

But what does the Middle West do about it? Practically nothing! While organizations in New York—many of whose members advocate measures which would involve us in this war—are rushing actively around raising money for propaganda purposes, the great Middle West wonders if it should—"do something."

Well, it had better "do something" if it expects this country to remain a neutral. And it had better do it faster than it ever did anything before in its entire existence.

The people who live beyond the Alleghany Mountains could stop this rush toward war in one week! They could stop it so short and so sharply that the war monger would not be heard from again until this great mass of "central" and western Americans rolled over and went to sleep once more.

In the opinion of those who know Franklin D. Roosevelt, there is no man living who loves his Country more, and few who even equal him in pure, unadulterated patriotism—a patriotism built up on a full knowledge of his country's great history and not upon the emotions of the moment. Mr. Roosevelt's expressed determination to keep us out of war was 100 per cent sincere and 100 per cent sound, but even the President of the United States must bow to the wishes of its citizens, and only the wishes of those who express them, can be known.

If the members of our government are constantly bombarded by the wires, letters, petitions and publicity of the interventionists and never hear a word from the great anti-war majority—what do we expect them to think? They can't read our minds!

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By
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Mr. and Mrs. Murrell Ables and sons, Melvin and Roy Allan and Opal Driver were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Ables of Hico.

George Walker of Lanham and Mrs. Jack Box carried Mrs. Box's daughter, Dorothy, to the Baylor Hospital in Dallas Monday.

Mrs. Clouch and daughter, Eloise, were callers in the Falls Creek community Sunday afternoon.

Recent visitors in the Giles Driver home were Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Parker and daughters, Margie Lee and La Verne of Greysville, Fred Driver of Hico, Fred Henry Gordon of Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Walker and son, Tullis, of West Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Oran Columbus and baby, Mrs. Orval Bell and Mr. Jim Columbus were in Sanatorium Sunday visiting Artie Columbus.

Noel and Wayland Douglas of Brownwood came in Saturday to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Douglas.

Opal Driver visited Thursday night and Friday with Mrs. Sue Segrest of Hico.

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Randolph Lee Clark Dead

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 o'clock this morning in Cisco for Randolph Lee Clark, who died there at 4:30 o'clock Wednesday morning of an illness with which he was stricken Sunday. Burial will be at Stephenville, where he resided for a number of years.

News of Mr. Clark's death was received here early Wednesday by his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Joe Clark, who came in Tuesday night to leave her three children, Joe Jr., Edgar and Lanelle, for a visit with their grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Persons, during Mr. Clark's illness.

Mr. Clark was the son and nephew of Randolph and Addison Clark, founders of the Add-Ran College, which later became Texas Christian University.

Mrs. Clark returned to Cisco immediately after receiving the message. Mr. and Mrs. Persons and daughter, Ann, and the three children joined the family in Stephenville this morning for the burial services.

When the Texas colonies were under Mexican rule, there was only one man in the whole territory who could perform marriage ceremonies. His headquarters were in San Antonio, and at irregular intervals he traveled through the colonies marrying people. It was the custom, however, for impatient couples to marry when they pleased by signing a bond certifying that they would appear before "Marryin' Sam" next time he came around, and would have their marriage legalized.

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Duffau

By
DOROTHY DESKIN

We are indeed proud of our Duffau basketball teams, both boys and girls. They won the county Class C tournament. The girls' final game was played at Stephenville Saturday night.

Mr. Dock Stagner of this place underwent an operation at the Stephenville Hospital last week.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Fouts Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Q. A. Fouts, Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Phillips, and Miss Marie Fouts of Iredeil.

G. B. Strother, who has had employment at Brownwood, returned home Saturday to begin farming.

The 4-H Club girls and boys enjoyed a party at the gym Monday.

Rev. Carl Grissom of Fort Worth will fill his regular appointment, at the Baptist Church Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Alva Deskin and children, Bob and Maxie Juan, visited their daughter and sister, Mrs. J. V. Starnes of Stephenville Monday.

We are sorry to report L. J. Jordan and H. D. Anderson on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Snow of Stephenville is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. O. Wysong, and family.

We are glad to report Mrs. W. C. Fouts better. Mrs. Fouts has been unable to talk above a whisper in almost three weeks but Mr. Fouts says she is learning to talk again.

Those with three in the family and wishing to sign for a mattress

can get blanks from Mrs. J. S. Flowers. The opening of the center has been postponed until some time in March.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Anderson and son, Jackie Dean, visited in Salem community Sunday.

Buck Springs

By
LORENE HYLES

Mr. and Mrs. Harper Pace and daughter, Mattyue, visited Mrs. Pace's mother, Mrs. Herring of Hico, Sunday.

Dean and Minnie Louise Barnett visited Friday night and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Carol McLendon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Knight and family visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Rob Russell of Iredeil.

Margie Lee Parker, Joyce Parker and Claud Barnett visited Anita Oakley recently.

Ruby Lesbetter visited Elizabeth Slaughter recently.

Mrs. W. H. Smith of Fairy visited Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Grant.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hyles and family of the Unity community visited with Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hyles and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Houser and daughter of Millerville community visited Mr. and Mrs. Carol McLendon Sunday.

Local Happenings

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bernard Ogle were visitors in Waco Tuesday.

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H. N. Wolfe spent the week-end in Georgetown with Mrs. Wolfe and their two sons, Paul and Tom.

Harold Claybrook of Snyder was a business visitor in Hico Monday and Tuesday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Will Hickman of Mineral Wells were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Russell.

Mrs. George Tabor and Mrs. Ray Connally were visitors in Stephenville last Saturday morning.

Dan Holladay is spending this week visiting in Brownwood with his brother, Otis, and friends.

M. O. Nichols of Abilene was a business visitor here several days this week.

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Mrs. A. A. Brown spent the week-end in Austin with her daughter, Mrs. Babe Horton, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Hoffman and son, Kenny, were in Waco over the week end visiting her mother, Mrs. K. Solovey, and other relatives.

Carl K. Moss, who is attending school at S. A. I. in Dallas, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moss, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Lee Roberson and daughter, Joan, were in Clair-ette Sunday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Roberson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Allen of Dallas were week-end guests of Mrs. J. H. Goad.

Mr. and Mrs. K. K. McElroy of Eastland were here Sunday visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McDowell.

Tommy Hoffman, who is stationed at Camp Bowie, spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. W. M. Marcum, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Campbell and little son, John, of Valley Mills spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. I. J. Teague, and family.

Mrs. J. J. Harvey of Hamilton was here Saturday visiting her niece, Mrs. D. A. Izell, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Jones and family spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Jones, who live between Dublin and Carlton.

Hester Jordan spent the week end in Brownwood with her sister, Miss Mable Jordan, and her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rierison and daughter, Sonja Ann, of Mineral Wells spent Saturday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Ross.

Mrs. Ira Scudder and little daughter, Linda Lee, of Graford spent last Friday here with her mother, Mrs. J. R. McMillan, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Proffitt and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Longino visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Proffitt, of Carlton Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Gamble left Thursday morning for Houston for a week-end visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Swor.

Miss Quata Richbourg of Corsicana spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Richbourg, and sister, Mrs. Earle Harrison.

Mrs. Slim Everett and son, Barton, and Mr. and Mrs. Hurschel Williamson and daughter, Billy Jean, were in Kerrville Sunday visiting Mr. Everett at the Veteran's hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Autrey of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Will Hancock of Clifton and Mr. and Mrs. Claud Huddleston of Hamilton were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Autrey Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burden spent last week with their daughter, Mrs. Clyde Pittman, and family of Aequilla. During their visit they spent one day with a niece, Mrs. J. L. Anglin, and Mr. Anglin of Hillsboro.

Frank Wiseman was in Comanche Sunday where he met Mrs. Wiseman who returned home with him after spending the week in Coleman with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Creath.

Mrs. Z. R. Dixon of Harkersfield, Calif., returned home Thursday after a visit here with her mother, Mrs. Agnes Looney, and sister, Miss Charlie Looney. Mrs. Dixon also visited in Hamilton with her husband's sister, Mrs. H. A. Tidwell.

Harry Hudson was a business visitor in Fort Worth Monday.

Fred Leeth, who has been working in San Antonio, is spending a few days here with Mrs. Leeth and daughters, Ha Dee and Allie Dee, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Leeth.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Scott and son, Billy, and Mrs. Willie Bell of San Antonio were guests of relatives here Sunday. Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Bell are the former Misses Ellen and Willie Barrow, daughters of the late Will Barrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pettrey of Comanche visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burden Tuesday. In the afternoon both couples went to Carlton to see the Burden's new great-grandson, Jerry Max, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Vaughn.

Mrs. D. F. McCarty is spending this week in Abilene with Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McCarty Jr., and Mrs. J. Frank Hobbs and family. Major Hobbs, an officer in the National Guard recently called into active service is stationed at Camp Bowie.

Mrs. Ida T. Alton, former resident of Hico and a faithful subscriber to the News Review, has sent in a subscription for her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Hollaway, who lives on Route 2 out of Eden, Texas. Mrs. Alton still resides at 814 Cumberland St., Dallas.

DEATH FRIDAY CLAIMS MISS ROSALIE EAKINS, LIFE-LONG RESIDENT

Funeral services were held at the residence Saturday morning at 10 o'clock for Miss Rosalie Eakins, who passed away at her home about 4 a. m. Friday after a lingering illness. Services were conducted by Rev. Floyd Thrash, pastor of the Hico Methodist Church, and interment was in the Hico Cemetery.

Palbearers were two nephews, E. H. Randals Jr. and Guy Eakins Jr., E. H. Persons, Earle Harrison, J. V. Lackey and C. L. Woodward.

Besides her mother, Mrs. Mary Eakins, she is survived by two sisters, Mrs. E. H. Randals Sr. of Hico, Miss Winnie Eakins of Dallas, and two brothers, Guy of Washington, D. C., and Theron of Dallas.

Miss Rosalie Eakins was born Feb. 6, 1887, in Hico and had spent practically her entire life here, gathering around her friends on every hand who were attracted by her kind and sympathetic nature. At the time of her death she was a member of the local chapter of the Order of Eastern Star and until she became ill two months ago she had filled on numerous occasions the position of pianist at the Methodist Church.

Although of a retiring nature, Miss Rosalie placed her services as a willing worker in any worthy organization that the command of those who needed them, giving freely of her time without asking or expecting reward or credit for her deeds.

Greyville

By NELLIE V. MULLINS

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Bales and little son were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Jaggars of near Fredrick.

Mrs. Littles of Fredrick has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Killion and family.

Miss Nellie Mullins returned home Saturday after having spent the past three weeks working for Mrs. E. S. Jackson of Millerville.

Mr. Leland Johnson of Brownwood is here visiting his wife and family.

We are sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. Densel Yancey from our community. They have moved to Eastland. We wish them success.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hicks and son, Wayne, of Salem were visiting in our community over the week end.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mullins and Nellie Sunday were Mr. Walter Paterson and Mrs. J. W. Bingham of Hico and Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Graves and family of Valley Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Bolton and Betty Jo were in Hamilton Wednesday visiting Mrs. Nellie Bolton and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hartin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hicks visited a while Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Hicks of Dry Fork. Mr. and Mrs. Hicks have many friends in our community who wish them a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Jim Killion and daughter, Opal, of Hico visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Killion and family.

Densel and J. D. Yancey spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Wilmon Rich and Donnie Nell of Olin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mullins and Mr. and Mrs. George Greer and James Don visited Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Burnett and Uncle Buddy of Hico.

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Hamilton County H. D. Club Council Met Saturday

The Hamilton County Council of home demonstrators met last Saturday, Feb. 15, in the county court room at Hamilton.

The president presided while the minutes were read and approved, and roll call was answered by each delegate and the chairman from each club.

Reports were made by the finance, educational, market exhibit, recreational and program yearbook chairmen, and members of each club were urged to help as much as they can.

Mrs. Lela Woodward, 4-H Club sponsor, made an interesting report concerning her work. Each club president is asked to report monthly any outstanding achievement of her club, most of which is concerned now with Red Cross sewing.

Among the important announcements made was that of the meeting in March in the interest of the farmer's market, the carnival party March 12 in the county court room for the benefit of the council, the orchard and spraying demonstration to be held soon, the presentation of the 4-H Club girls pins at a meeting of the council in the future and the completion of arrangements for the mattress program to be sponsored by the council.

A letter was read by Mrs. Blum recommending Mrs. E. N. Rea as a candidate for state secretary and was voted upon unanimously by the council. Mrs. Rea has served as council chairman and state vice-chairman and in a number of other offices during her many years of club work.

Next third Thursday everyone is urged to dress for the tacky party during the recreational period.

The council was adjourned for the election of three delegates to attend the district 8 convention to be held in Marlin in April. Miss Anna Lou Moss, chairman, and Mrs. Clyde Gardner, secretary, were appointed by the council to preside over the election. Delegates elected were Mrs. Clyde Gardner, Mrs. Winfred Gardner and Mrs. Herbert Cook. Mrs. Tame, Mrs. Loyd and Miss Moss were elected alternatives.

REPORTER.

Honey Grove H. D. Club Has Interesting Meeting

The Honey Grove Home Demonstration Club met Thursday afternoon, Feb. 13, with Mrs. J. W. Jordan Jr.

The house was called to order by the president, after which the minutes were read and approved to.

The following program was presented:

"As I See My Favorite Shrubs," Mrs. J. W. Jordan Jr.

"Pruning and Spraying," Mrs. Virgil Battershell.

"Cutting and Rooting," Mrs. Fern Jordan.

Every member expressed herself as being proud of the progress being made by Mrs. Jordan Jr. Miss Gwendolyn Jones, county home demonstration agent, landscaped the yard of the newly-built Jordan home last week.

A social hour was enjoyed with refreshments carrying out the Valson Vinson. W. A. Moss, J. W. Jordan theme served to Mmes. Andan Sr., R. L. Wears, Virgil Battershell, Lynn Harbor and children, Fern Jordan and son, Fern Gede, and Misses Ana Loue and Madge Moss.

The next meeting will be held on March 6th with Mrs. Virgil Battershell.

REPORTER.

Gatesville Girl Wed to W. A. Brown Jr. Sunday

Miss Cecil Henson of Gatesville and W. A. Brown Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brown Sr. of Hico, were united in marriage last Sunday evening at the Methodist parsonage. The ceremony was read by Rev. Floyd Thrash.

The couple was attended by Oran Massengale, close friend of the bridegroom. They will live in Hico.

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-89- JENNIE BAE

Feeling more foot-loose than two school boys playing hooky, Lusk Randals and A. T. McFadden left last Sunday for Port Arthur to get a first glimpse of Mr. Randals' new granddaughter, Rosalind Dell, and to visit two uncles of Mr. McFadden. The events of the journey went off smoothly until they got to Houston, where trying to follow Highway 99 through the city was too much for them and they got lost. Mr. McFadden says that as a navigator Mr. Randals ain't so hot. Wandering around through the streets, they finally decided they were lost when Mr. Randals, right-cushion driver without portfolio (or wheel), observed they had passed an old man, loafing on a street corner, four times. During the thirty minutes they had been circling around he hadn't moved an inch.

Once in Port Arthur, Mr. McFadden was the guest of Wyatt McFadden, former tax assessor of Bosque County for 22 years, and Dock McFadden, also a pioneer of Bosque County. The former Mr. McFadden is 82 years old, was run down by an automobile just before Christmas and received a broken leg, but is now out of the cast and walking on crutches. He retired two years ago from a position with the Gulf Refining Co. Both are well known in Bosque County where they lived for "years and years."

While we are telling what we know about the Messrs. Randals and McFadden we might as well tell you in on the joke Mr. Randals pulled on the Mrs. While she was in Port Arthur she wrote that she was homesick for Hico and that it seemed as if she had been gone for ages. Mr. Randals promptly replied with a letter stating that she had been gone for quite a spell and that many things had happened. For instance, he cited, the Wm. Connally store had sold out, J. W. Stovall had passed away, the mill had moved to Hamilton, etc. etc., including events that had happened during the past 50 years.

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Ras Proffitt has become a gentleman farmer with the purchase of the 120-acre J. J. Smith farm, east of Hico on Route 1. The tract includes both cultivated and pasture land and is leased for this year by the J. P. Hatley family.

When asked what her daddy's name was, rosy-cheeked little Peggy June Lemly of Morgan, here visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Duzan, replied: "Daddy."

Almost as contagious and in the vogue as the Duchess of Windsor's toothache is the homesickness of dogs for their masters who've been called to service. Since the nationwide publicity given "Laddie," the canine pet, have been collapsing all around us. Latest, we believe, was one at Tyler, O.H. well, life in an army camp WOULD beat chasing rabbits. And the chase would be twice as exciting—especially if he were a lieutenant—or—a captain!

Second Chapter: We've just quit eating lately—since our brother went away.

Seen at the fights Monday night: Wallace Ratliff in one of those five-gallon white felt hats. . . Likewise Forrest Todd, in a three-gallon version. . . John B. Sullivan, Hamilton High journalism teacher, and I. E. Bacon, vocational agriculture instructor, corralling the Hamilton boxers. . . Judge and Mrs. E. H. Persons, with the judge craning his neck as if Betty Grable might have sauntered by. . . A Hamilton fan watching Buck Gray, who refereed the fights, crawl under the ropes into the ring, remarked: "Gosh, I sure would hate to tangle with that guy," and later had a chance to see the Great Gray in action in an exhibition match with Odom Russell, who's no mean boxer himself, seriously. . . Judges Bob Hancock, Fred Schwarz and John B. Sullivan, looking anything but dignified. . . Guess you'd call 96-pounders Billy Keeney and Julian Simons gnat weights. (So sorry, won't happen again. Just wanted you to know that gnat is pronounced as the net in stinging gnat.)

While fishing one day recently on the Leon River near Hamilton, Bernard Ogle and R. Lee Roberson ran across one man who's not worried about going to the army. The young man, who also was fishing along the banks of the river, inquired about a friend of his in Hico who expected to be drafted soon. Ogle and Roberson asked if he did not have to go soon. "Oh, yes," he replied, "they told me to be up there (Dallas) at 8 in the morning." And he went back to his fishing.

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Mr. Henry said the innovation had met with enthusiastic approval from his theatre patrons. We'd like to know when construction will begin on the bomb shelter.

We've been unjustly accused of sending comic Valentines and made to write our name over and over to see if there was any similarity in our handwriting and that on the envelope of the Valentine. We entered a plea of not guilty and testified on the stand that we'd never have written the address in long hand—especially with so many typewriters at our disposal. We've about proved our innocence, offered our theory as to whom the culprit might be, and then turned to our own detective problems. Some bum put a banana stalk down the exhaust pipe of our car while it was parked right on our brightly-lighted main street the other night and until Charles French came along and rescued us we didn't know what was causing that terrible noise. Thought at first we might have forgotten to air the tires or change the oil. Our investigation continues, and we are not without clues!

It must be Spring! They've already started housecleaning at Shaffer's Grocery, besides doing all that rearranging and moving things around—reminds us of Spring around the News Review office. Usually about in April or May when we used to report for work in the mornings we never could be certain where the desk would be, what corner the type cases would occupy. The only thing we could be certain about was the press and Linotype. But back to Shaffer's Grocery where every single counter has been changed about to make the arrangement more convenient for customers and clerks. We couldn't stay long enough to find out everything—they were painting, too, and paint makes our eyes water. Visit them and note the improvement yourself.

A note from Brother, the childish thing (he's in bed with the measles), imparts the information that he has been made commanding officer of the 76th Bombardment Squadron in the 42nd Group. As if all that meant anything to us. However, a squadron is equivalent to an infantry battalion normally commanded by a major. Stationed at Salt Lake, he recently spent a week at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, attending a school to learn about high altitude flying in order to instruct others in his squadron upon his return to Salt Lake. While at the school, those attending were put in test tanks to observe their reactions to high altitudes. The test tanks are large steel tanks used to simulate high altitudes by pumping out the air inside to reduce the pressure. They had the guinea pigs up to an equivalent of thirty-eight thousand feet and fed them pure oxygen through masks. Bud says the pressure was so low they felt as if their whole bodies were swelling up. Oh for the life of a guinea pig.

Jots, Jokes and Jingles Jennie, she of the light brown hair, is about to ask a favor of you. She knows that time changes all things, but she didn't expect to get caught in the whirlpool. If she had dreamed about what is about to happen, she would have awakened pinching herself. There were no preliminaries to forecast. There were no preparations, no planning. It just happened like that—thump. Back to that favor. We're about to desert and want to beg leave of you. We want to go away for a while. We hope you'll miss us half as much as we'll miss you. It's

Coolidge Wade of Hamilton spent Saturday night and Sunday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burden.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Latham were in Dublin Sunday visiting her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Holmes, and the Holmes' baby daughter, Nina Marie, born Feb. 3 in Dublin. Also visiting in the Holmes home Sunday was her father, W. R. Litch, who was accompanied home by his daughter, Miss Marie Litch, who spent the week in Dublin with her sister, who was the former Miss Lottie Mae Litch of Hico.

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almost like losing your favorite pair of comfortable old shoes.

We might as well tell you we won't be here Monday—or Tuesday or Wednesday or Thursday. We'll be skipping the ropes for the Hamilton Herald-Record, beating a regular trail around that courthouse square and we won't be loafing. We'll be trying to scrape together enough news to fill the usual 16 pages.

The happiest three years of our weary life have been spent with the office force—no better bunch could ever be found. And Boss Holford isn't a boss—he's just a regular guy who's taught us a heck of a lot about newspapering. We spent a couple of sleepless nights deciding if we could leave you, and if any one of you ever comes to the city without looking us up we'll have you thrown in the bastle and court-martialed. Shucks, we'd better stop before we back out.

Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Gamble were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gamble of Fort Worth, Miss Jane Chalmers, student in T. C. U., and Emory Gamble of Mineral Wells. Emory is employed in the payroll office of the construction company at Camp Wolters. Miss Vieta McAnnely, niece of Mrs. Gamble who teaches at Fredell, spent the week-end in the Gamble home.

Have you a soldier in training camp? If you have, don't forget that he wants your photograph. It will add a lot to his happiness.

WISEMAN STUDIO HICO, TEXAS

Special DRESS SALE

48 Bright New Spring Dresses
Sizes 12 to 44
Made of Rayon Silk, Crepe, Sharkskin and Wash Silk
at \$1.95
Better Values More Styles
for your selection Saturday
Hats and Accessories



J. W. RICHBOURG

Week's Fashion



8763

Campus Frock

Pattern 8763—Certainly one of the things any smart junior is happiest to discover is a campus frock that's not only smart and practical, but decidedly new.

Here's just such a frock, with strap-trimmed corselette waistline, and stitched pleats that break just at the right place to give fullness where you want it and none where you don't.

This design (No. 8763) is particularly smart when made up in a contrast of plaid and plain fabric as pictured.

But it looks extremely pretty in one color, too, especially if you choose cherry red, Indian summer brown or forest green.

The sleeves may be long or short.

Pattern No. 8769 is designed for sizes 11, 13, 15, 17, and 19. Size 13 requires 3 1/2 yards of 39-inch material. 3/4 yard of contrast.

Maybe you are one of those women who can wear rubber gloves when you do most of those household tasks that are inclined to stain your hands.

A mild bleach for your face and

arms can be made at home by combining one part glycerine with two parts lemon juice.

Take the following formula to your druggist and let him make it up for you, and then use it faithfully during the canning season to keep your hands presentable.

Rose water (triple)—400, glycerine—100, hydrochloric acid (pure)—4.

MARY E. DAGUE.



8769

For School

Pattern 8763—Grammar school girls are real little glamor girls when they trip off to school in a frock like this!

Design No. 8761 has a flaring princess skirt extended up the bodice in front, nice little round sleeves and a becoming tailored collar.

Especially pretty in a combination of plaid and plaid, this frock makes up beautifully in soft wool, jersey or flannel as well as in school cottons like gingham, percale or linen.

Pattern No. 8761 is designed for sizes 8, 10, 12 and 14 years. Size 8 short sleeved waist portion requires 3-4 yard of 54-inch material. 1 1/4 yards for skirt and waist extension.

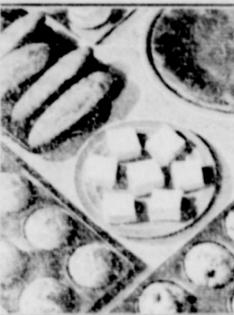
For PATTERN, send 15 cents in coin (for each pattern desired) your NAME, ADDRESS, STYLE NUMBER and SIZE to Patricia Dow, Hico News Review Pattern Dept., 206 W. 17th St., New York, N. Y.

Fears War



WASHINGTON, D. C. . . . General Robert E. Wood, chairman of the board of Sears, Roebuck & Co. and acting chairman of the America First Committee, tells the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that if the lend-lease bill is passed, there is a possibility that the U. S. will be in the war in the next ninety days.

Southern COOKING



CORN STICKS

Of all foods which have had their origin in the South, corn bread is one of the best known. The further South you go, the more frequently corn bread appears on the menu.

Corn Sticks

- 1 cup corn meal
1/2 cup flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon soda
1/2 cup sour buttermilk
1 egg
3/4 tablespoon margarine

Sift meal, flour, salt and soda three times. Add the milk and beaten egg yolk, melted margarine, and lastly beaten egg white.

Casual Cotton



Casual cottons are popular favorites on the Southern beaches this winter. This smartly designed shirt-dress is of hand-dyed yellow and white cotton and is indicative of the color combinations which will meet with approval during the spring and summer ahead.

News of the World Told In Pictures

COUNTY OFFICIALS STRESS FARM-TO-MARKET ROADS FOR DEFENSE



Photo by Highway Information Service.

Importance of farm-to-market roads to national defense was highlighted by deliberations of County Highway Officials at 38th annual "Roads for Defense" Convention of American Road Builders' Association in New York City, January 27-31.

POPULAR DELUSIONS . . . by MacConachie



DELUSION: THAT SNAKES CAN SWELL DOWN A HILL IN THE FORM OF WHEELS OR HOOPS. THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE BECAUSE THE SNAKE IS A BACKBONED REPTILE. . . .

DELUSION: THAT CHOP SUEY IS A CHINESE FOOD. REAL CHINESE NEVER EAT IT.

Gay...Giddy and Frivolous are these

PARTY CANAPÉS and APPETIZERS

by Dorothy Greig



A large handsome grapefruit makes a good holder for Hot Mushroom-Ham Appetizers.

THOSE bright bites known as canapés and appetizers are certainly nothing to feed to the baby or to a man after a hard day's work.

Since they are flavor bites, let's make them keen and tangy with maybe a touch of the unexpected. Serve them as accompaniments of tomato juice, punch or other refreshers, the prelude to the more substantial foods to follow.

Hot Mushroom-Ham Appetizer: 1/2 cup condensed cream of mushroom soup, 1/2 cup fine soft bread crumbs, 1/2 cup ground ham, 1/2 teaspoon prepared mustard, 1/2 teaspoon Worcestershire Sauce.

Smoky Cotery Canapés: 1 package (3 oz.) cream cheese, 1/2 cup condensed cotery soup, 1 cup onion, ground.

ALL NEED THIS PATROLMAN



Safety experts declare the standard driver's license law now before the Legislature will protect farmers and rural motorist who suffered a 31 per cent increase in traffic deaths last year.

1941 Maid Of Cotton



Alice Erle Beasley of LaGrange, Tenn., selected 1941 Maid of Cotton at the south-wide contest held at Memphis, hears about the modeling course she'll receive in New York from John Robert Powers, head of the world's most famous modeling agency.

House "Haunt" Evicted



WASHINGTON, D. C. . . . Margaret Russell, (center) who donned a death mask and rose screaming in the gallery of the House of Representatives as a protest against the lend-lease bill, is shown being escorted out by a policewoman and a detective.

"Invasion Impossible!" Wendell a Free Agent



WASHINGTON, D. C. . . . A very earnest Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh is shown testifying before a Congressional Committee conducting hearings on the lend-lease bill.

OUR DEMOCRACY by Mat THE NINETEEN HUNDREDS WE'VE HAD UPS AND DOWNS SINCE 1900, BUT ON THE AVERAGE IT'S BEEN MOSTLY UPS. HERE ARE A FEW SINCE 1900: AVERAGE EARNINGS PER PERSON - UP 160%. AVERAGE WEALTH OF EACH PERSON IN U.S. - UP 150%. AVERAGE LIFE INSURANCE PER PERSON - UP 100%. HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS: 1900-698,000... 1940-6,670,000 THE PROPORTION TO POPULATION - UP 450%. COLLEGE ENROLLMENTS: 1900-257,000... 1940-1,400,000 THE PROPORTION TO POPULATION - UP 240%. MAN AND WOMAN, BOY AND GIRL - AVERAGE FOLKS ARE BETTER OFF TODAY IN THE U.S.A. THAN ANYWHERE, ANY TIME IN THE WORLD'S HISTORY.

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MISSOUR CLIPPINGS

Six weeks' tests are next week and it doesn't seem anytime since we took the mid-term tests. . . . Everybody that went to Waco certainly had a good time. . . . Some of them had to get sick but otherwise we had more fun. . . . Mr. Pinson has at last found his life's ambition, playing a tonette. He's taking private lessons from Mildred Bobo I've been told. . . . Everybody is excited over getting a peep at the pictures they had made not so long ago. . . . Nell and Nip said that they were last Thursday and Friday. . . . Wonder why? . . . Some of the boys that boxed are nearly ready to go to Madison Square Garden. . . . Why was it that Monday everybody was studying their English poem? . . . Betty Jo and Gracie are hunting somebody to sing. . . . Nobody interested just let them know. . . . Won't some girl or girls volunteer to debate. They are in great need of them. . . . Jackie, what's this about some new shoes? . . . Why wouldn't Mr. Pinson play his tonette in chapel. I know he can play it.

CLICK
The juniors all rushed to get their edition of CLICK girls about over the clinic CLICK "Gone With the Wind" sure fine CLICK Nell and Nip recuperating from CLICK Elizabeth Ann, the distinguished guest of CLICK A. C. here over the CLICK Mildred tearing up CLICK Joyce, you should be more particular about caris CLICK pictures awfully CLICK Dot boxing Charles CLICK more fun with our heroic junior boys boxing at the CLICK sleeping not so hot eh. White CLICK Betty Jo sure mad at somebody about CLICK Gracie holding her head up about something. She must think CLICK the girl debaters just CLICK Nip boxing Carroll Ann CLICK Carroll Ann got CLICK algebra II seems to be getting harder all the time CLICK all the hand members who went to Waco know a new song. It was written by the director of the red and blue band.

KEEPING UP WITH THE JRS.
The juniors are certainly busy people. This term they've found lots to do. Betty Jo has kept herself busy by going to Carlton and Hamilton with a certain Carlton boy. What about it, Prissy? Ima Bowden is another busy person around the campus. In fact she does so much we can't even keep up with her. Where do you keep yourself, Ima? Rita is always seen at the boxing matches and everywhere else. Gracie has been trying to keep herself busy by entertaining her sister, Elizabeth, from St. Louis, Mo. Anna Lee, Dorothy, Evelyn and Anna Laura are almost always seen together keeping themselves busy by cutting up. Joyce is a busy young lady too. She keeps herself busy doing many things. Mostly entertaining all the boys, Carlton boys, too. Pansy is the same old person. Never changes. Dot is a snappy person around these parts. She generally keeps herself on the run. Could W. J. have anything to do with it I wonder? Goldia is a new person around here. She hails from California. Thurman, better known as "Kinky," is still as quiet as ever. Still goes to Iredell.

Eugene is still going on his way. Never worrying about a thing.

Bobby is still giggling and still hoping to become a drummer. Does anyone see any hopes? Allan Knight—the intelligent junior—is always studying at any time. Steve is in the same boat as Allan. They're both in a rut if you ask me. Johnny McAnnally doesn't seem to have much to do since basketball season is over. Junior seems to enjoy his own company and W. R.'s. Johnny Ogle still as slap-happy as ever. Johnny, what was that Mr. Schwarz said about you being good at courting? Winifred, the president of the class, is one of our most outstanding students. Elton, one of the quietest among us, is at most times found studying. Morris, better known as Pete, is a good boxer and the juniors are glad to see him win when he fights the out-of-town boys. Bob goes here and there, never seeming to be able to settle down. Goldie and Harold are both quiet and reserved, so it's not hard for us to guess what they do most of the time. Jackie spends his time playing his horn; or trying to, anyway. Odell and Owen, the twins of the junior class, are busy most of the time doing something to develop them in their athletics. They go to the Gap with Johnny Ogle some. Paul seems to be a girl's man. At any rate, he takes up all the girls' time by talking to them. W. J., one of the most handsome in his class, uses most of his time working at the station or training to be an athlete. Billy Hancock is still like he always was, if you know what I mean. Derrell is the quietest of us all. He studies most of the time. During the next few weeks most of us will be busy doing something for the Interscholastic League Meet. We hope all those who have not come out for something will do so in the near future.

BOXING TOURNAMENT
The Hico Chapter of Future Farmers has just completed its fourth annual boxing tournament which was held Monday, Wednesday and Friday of last week in the Hico Gym. There will be a "Golden Glove" charm for the winner in each division. They are as follows: Flyweight, William Hodnett of Hamilton; bantamweight, Harry Carlton, Hamilton; Featherweight, Worth Wren, Hico; Lightweight, Harold (Bill) Todd, Hico; Welterweight, Pete Russell, Hico; Light Heavyweight, Odum Russell, Hico; Heavyweight, A. D. Land, Hico. Every one of these boys put up a good fight. There was also several good exhibition fights. The boys should be complimented on their clean, fair boxing and on the way they took their defeats. Though he is physically defeated, a boy really wins by being a good sport.

INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE
The Hamilton County Meet will begin in March and continue through April. Almost everybody in High School is entering in something. Some of the things we are entering are debate, declamation, spelling, track, one-act play and tennis. We are all going to work hard and plan on winning the County Meet.

CAUGHT IN THE DRAFT
This will soon be the sad and

shameful plight about a quartet of the more talkative high school girls. The reason: there are as yet no girls to debate. The class is a little weak on the side of the stronger sex and the girls are entirely unrepresented. The chance to volunteer is yet open but will not continue in such a state long, so come on now or against your will later on. We are sorry that such conditions exist to make drastic steps necessary, but it is one link in our victory at the County Meet.

BOYS' SPORTS
The Hico Tigers are rejoicing this week after a bloody battle with the Hamilton Bulldogs. The fights started at 7:45 p. m. Monday in the Hico Gymnasium. The Tigers won five out of six bouts with the Bulldogs. The first bout between Windell Grimes of Hico and Gilbert Dalton of Hamilton was lost to Hamilton. The other five bouts ended up with the Hico boys as winners. They were as follows: Wayne Poik of Hico vs. Lee Neal Sellers; Pete Russell of Hico vs. W. R. Allen; W. J. White of Hico vs. Tommie League; Worth Wren of Hico vs. Oglesby Korngay; and A. D. Land of Hico vs. Tolar Adams. All the above are from Hamilton except those of Hico.

GIRLS' SPORTS
There are a good many sports for the girls this year, more than usual. This year the girls can play tennis, baseball, volleyball and basketball. Some of them seem to think boxing is for girls. Well, maybe it is. Norma Ruth and Mary Nell Hancock, but Mr. Pinson doesn't seem to think so. The girls who are out for tennis this year are Dorothy Ross, Mamye Jones, Marjorie Weiborn, Pansy McMillan and Joyce Latham. These girls are good players and we will expect something of them in the County Meet. Volley ball isn't quite organized, so I can't tell who is going to play. In basket ball this year we didn't have much luck, but we are going to have the best in the county next year. Just two of our main string will graduate. They are Norma Ruth Burden and Martha Faye Glover. Here a while back, about a week ago, some girls took an interest in leap frog. It was a very interesting game. The girls that played had dirty knees. They were Louise Blair, Betty Jo Anderson, Golden Ross, Joyce Latham, Dorothy Ross, Priscilla Rodgers, Nell Patterson and Grace Holton.

FRESHMAN NEWS
The Sophomores may say, "My mental capacity isn't sufficient to answer that interrogative sentence," but the freshman special is "New knowing. I feel a delicacy in articulating; therefore, being a great lover of truth, I speak not." Some of us have started a new subject, "In a Democracy," which we enjoy very much. We are taking it along with general business, taught by Mr. Levisay. English class is being reformed again! Several changes were made Monday in the seating arrangement, all of which goes to show, you must pay attention in class. We received our pictures Monday. They were taken several weeks ago. Some were disappointing, but as a whole, they were good. Mr. Levisay gave each one of us a picture of himself. Next Tuesday the Freshman Class will have the honor (if you want to call it that) of presenting the assembly program. Program

will be in charge of Mr. Levisay and the following week the sophomores will entertain us.

SEVENTH GRADE
The seventh grade had its Valentine box Friday. Everybody received many valentines. It seems that Norma Jean thinks it is very cute to have her eye plastered on. Saying she had a gravel in it, we found out after she took the bandage off that it was black. Evelyn Gleeseck went to Hamilton Sunday. Lucille Killbrew visited her sister in Iredell Sunday. Don G.: "Tommy, who are you taking out tonight?" Tommy: "Joyce Lively."

FIFTH GRADE
Billy Jackson visited his aunt in Hamilton Sunday afternoon. Willa Dean Hancock visited her grandmother and grandfather Sunday. Allen Herring went to see Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Saturday night. Coy Pittman's aunt and uncle, cousin and grandfather visited him Sunday. Yvonne Williams visited her aunt and uncle Sunday. Wendell Knight spent the night with Don Griffiths Sunday night. Nelda Joyce Noland visited her grandmother Sunday. Dorothy Brewer, grandmother spent the night with her Saturday night and her grandfather visited her Sunday.

THIRD GRADE
Boyd Ray Phipps went to Mineral Wells Sunday. Raymond Lane's brother, Durward Lane, and his wife of Brownwood, spent the week-end visiting him. Sherry Casey is back in school after a week's absence. W. J. Newton spent Sunday night with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Needham. Houston Palmer played with Billy Jean Paddock awhile Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Don Russell spent Sunday visiting Mrs. Russell's sister and brother, Helen and Houston Palmer. L. J. Sutt spent Sunday with his Grandmother Sutt. Wade and Wayne Jones went to Carlton to see their Grandmother Jones Sunday. Joan Houston's sister, Alamarie, of Stephenville spent Sunday with her. Hollie Dean Holder's brother, R. B. of Hico and Alton of Stephenville visited him Sunday. Henry Edward Hyles went to see his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hyles, and family Sunday. These pupils were absent Monday: Loyd Simons, Bobby Bates, Harold Hancock, Juanita Herrin and Irma Lee Sanders. W. J. Newton and Raymond Lane made a hundred in spelling Thursday.

METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday School begins at 10 a. m. Morning worship 11 a. m. The pastor's sermon will be on the subject: "The Church Helping to Build a Christian World." Young People's meeting at 6:45 p. m. Evening worship 7:30 p. m. "The Most Important Man in the Church." The evening service will be giving an emphasis to the work of laymen in the church. Several laymen will be used in this service. Let us have a great group of laymen out at this evening service. Invite someone to come with you to the Sunday services of the church. Floyd W. Thrash, Pastor. Watch where and how you walk! Two out of every five traffic deaths are pedestrians.

IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Interesting Sermons Preached At Church Sunday

Sunday the pastor preached two fine sermons with a large crowd at each sermon.

The sermon text at the evening hour was from St. John 21:15: "So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, 'Lovest thou more than these?'"

Peter was a fisherman by trade and he loved this trade very much. No doubt Jesus knew he loved the fishing better than he loved him. He asked him, "Lovest thou me more than all these?" This can apply to us in these days. Jesus asks us then if we love then Him more than all the amusements of all kinds. Some love money and cars and all such like better than they love Jesus, but the majority of the Christians put Jesus and the church ahead of all. We all should love Him above everything else. Jesus asked Peter the third time, "Lovest thou me?" Perhaps Jesus asks that to all of us. We should love Him and our church above everything else. If all the church members could say, "Jesus, thou knowest I love Thee better than anything else," what a reformation there would be; more would come to Sunday School and church. We can show we love Him by visiting the sick and giving to the needy and being kind to all.

Mr. and Mrs. Quince Fouts and Mr. and Mrs. Rance Phillips spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Fouts of Duffan. Mrs. Nettie Campbell and children spent from Thursday until Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Phillips of Chalk Mountain. Mrs. Ona Hewitt of Dallas is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miller.

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Marjorie Rhambeau and Alan Hale

Favor More Teaching of Spanish
Increased teaching of Spanish in Texas grade schools got a boost Thursday of last week. The Senate Educational Committee reported favorably a bill by Senator Moore of Houston removing any barriers against teaching the language and permitting the State Board of Education to supply free Spanish text books, if it wishes.

The State Fair of Texas will book an independent midway for the 1941 Fair, Oct. 4 to 19, and has already contracted with some of the outstanding independent showmen in America. The World's Largest State Fair will present a midway of World's Fair proportions this year.

WANT ADS

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BABY CHICKS—\$4.50 per 100, terms; \$5.50 per 100 cash. Kennedy Hatchery, Dublin, Texas. 28-3c.

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FOR RENT: 2-room unfurnished apartment. George Griffin.

FOR RENT: Two light housekeeping rooms. Mrs. H. Smith.

FOR RENT: Nice furnished 2-room modern apt. Mrs. Lenora Langston. 31-tfc.

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HEADS OF FAMILIES SHOULD FILE INCOME TAX REPORTS BY MARCH 15

Every single man or woman who has earned or received as much as \$500 during the calendar year 1940, and every married couple who have earned or received as much as \$2,000 during the year must file an income tax return before March 15, 1941, the last day on which an income tax return can be filed without a penalty being attached.

Men and women who have a legal or moral obligation to exercise family control over a household and its dependents are entitled to "head of the family" status even though they are not married. Such persons are entitled to \$2,000 exemption and \$400 exemption for every minor or indigent adult under their care.

Careful study of the General Instructions which are a part of the income tax blank will answer most of the questions that arise in the taxpayers' minds; however, if further information is needed or desired, the deputy collector in this district will be glad to assist in any way possible. When seeking assistance from a deputy collector, be sure that all records are available, and such compilations as are necessary have been made. This will save time for the taxpayer and the deputy collector and will facilitate the preparation of the return. If a return was filed last year, be sure to bring your copy along—it will aid immensely in preparing this year's return.

Millerville

By CHAS. W. GIESECKE

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Giesecke after church services here Sunday visited the remainder of the day with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rogers of Salem, where they helped celebrate a birthday of Mrs. Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Phipps visited his brother near Glen Rose one day last week.

Wesley McCollum of Hamilton was here Sunday afternoon visiting his father, S. S. McCollum, and his brother, Martin.

R. B. Holder moved from the A. J. Howerton farm Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Shaffer and daughter and son, Earl, spent the day at Fairy last Sunday.

C. H. Miller is in Waco a few days attending to business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Davis and children of Hico spent Sunday afternoon in our community.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Nix had four of their sons at home Sunday. Travis and Bill at home, Henry of Hico and Ted Nix and family of Purvis.

Brother Oran Columbus of Fairy will preach here Sunday. Come, you have an invitation to attend these services.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Lambert of Breckenridge visited her parents here a few days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Briat of Ellensburg, Wash., visited relatives here last week.

Falls Creek

By LULA MAE COSTON

Mr. Joe Ryan and daughter of Meridian visited Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ryan and son Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sneed and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Trammel and daughter of Red Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Williamson of Hico spent Sunday with Mrs. W. W. Post.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Griffiths and Mr. and Mrs. Winfrey Griffiths and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. R. Russell and daughter Sunday.

Several from this community went to Fairy Tuesday night to see Bob and Joe Shelton and the Sunshine Boys from Dallas.

Rev. and Mrs. Thrash and daughters of Hico called on Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ryan Sunday evening.

Mary Francis Russell visited Virginia Coston Sunday evening.

Those that attended the all-day quilting at Mrs. Grady Coston's Tuesday are as follows: Mrs. Charley Murray, Mrs. Holton of Hico, Mrs. Ike Malone, Mrs. Jess Rainwater and daughter of Red Hill, Mrs. Johnny Jackson and daughters, Mrs. C. C. Parks, Mrs. Pete Jenkins of Fairy, Mrs. A. G. Allen, Mrs. Frank Allen, Mrs. J. D. Ryan and son.

The invitation of the open road too often proves to be an invitation to greater chances for death and injury. Last year the accident rate in cities and towns decreased, but accidents in rural areas and on the open road jumped at an astounding rate.

Texas agriculture netted farmers \$25,000,000 more in 1940 than in 1939, according to the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.



SUCCESSFUL PARENTHOOD

By MRS. CATHERINE C. EDWARDS
Associate Editor, Parents' Magazine

"Be It Ever So Humble"

It has been many years since we, as a people, have been sentimental about our homes. In fact, we've had a good many laughs at the expense of the old-fashioned mottoes which used to hang on walls assuring us that "There's No Place Like Home." We've joked too about gadding mothers and about fathers who make golf widows and orphans of their wives and children. But now that we can no longer deny that we are going to have to bring up our children in an atmosphere of world trouble and anxiety, it's about time we made the most of a home atmosphere of love and companionship, of family togetherness.

This does not mean that we should go back to the old smothering type of family life where a child was made the object of constant solicitude and where everyone from Grandpa and Aunt Genevieve to Grandma and Uncle Horace had his or her say about how poor little Harold or Annabelle was to be brought up. No, by togetherness we don't mean a solid wall of family do's and family don'ts.

Indeed, too often we depend on a set of rules for establishing a good home atmosphere. Now rules are valuable if they are lived up to. But the catch is that unless there is something else to inspire the members of the family to ob-

serve these rules, they are just a useless gesture. That something else must be spiritual. You can call it religion, or you can call it the inspiration children gain from fine parents of fine character. But whatever the name you call it, this spirit is always creative.

It is creative because whoever comes in contact with it grows into a better person. And the odd thing about this creativeness is that it seems to get inside each person so that the growth really comes from within. In other words, in homes where a creative spirit abounds you don't say, "Mr. and Mrs. Brown are making such good children out of their Tommy and Jane." You remark instead: "What fine, self-reliant youngsters the Brown children are—they're going to make something out of themselves!"

A creative atmosphere is made up of many things—encouragement, the security of knowing that you are loved, give and take in family discussions and a sense of humor. But above all a creative atmosphere radiates faith—faith in life, faith in ourselves, faith in children.

The young people of today who are being criticized for their lukewarm attitude toward helping to solve national problems are, most of them, the victims of homes which had no faith. As parents for the essence of faith and make we must search into our own souls if real to our children.



TRANSPORTATION . . . wheels

Nothing is more interesting than to study the different ways that different peoples and races have devised to move people and merchandise from one place to another. It would be interesting to know the name of the inventor who first cut a cross-section of a log, burned a hole through it and put an axle in to make the first wheel. He didn't live very long ago. Wherever the American Indians came from, they never had seen wheels until the white men brought them four hundred and fifty years ago.

I like to wonder about the people who first put masts and sails on boats to make the wind so the work of moving them and their goods. They must have been very brave men. Indeed, I think sailors are still very brave men.

Bravest of all are the men who fly in airplanes. This newest means of transportation is still an infant. Children already born may live to see airplanes as big as the great ocean liners crossing the skies at a speed of a thousand miles an hour. Anything can happen.

POWER . . . applied

All modern forms of transportation are merely demonstrations of mechanical power applied to different kinds of machines. The result is that people engaged in one branch of transportation are likely to be in all of them. The newest transatlantic airline is owned by a steamship company. Railroad companies are running bus lines. The moving of goods and people from wherever they are to wherever they are wanted is, after all, one big industry. The parts of

which are almost interchangeable. Every new phase of this great transportation web is either an outgrowth of, or in some way tied in with, earlier developments in the same field.

The same names and families run through the history and development of all forms of transportation. For 150 years, for example, the Vanderbilt family has been engaged in transportation and practically nothing else. I saw a report a few days ago that one of the youngest members of that family had been made a director of an international aviation company. That, I reflected, would have given the founder of the family something to marvel at.

VANDERBILT . . . smart

He was a pretty smart Dutch boy, young Cornelius van der Bilt, who worked the family farm on Staten Island in New York harbor. He was handy with tools and built a large sailboat. He used to carry farm produce up the Bay to the tip of Manhattan Island for sale. He would carry passengers, at a price, if anyone wanted to make the trip.

One day he saw a strange craft at the Battery wharf in New York. It was Robert Fulton's new steamboat, run by machinery instead of sails. Young Vanderbilt decided to build one like it. He was not allowed to navigate his steamboat on the Hudson River, where an English franchise had been given, but he could steam down the Bay, around Staten Island, up the Raritan River to New Brunswick, and from there transfer passengers and goods to the Delaware River at Trenton, where another steamboat would take them to Philadelphia.

Cornelius Vanderbilt and his wife opened a hotel at New Brunswick, raised eleven children, and laid the foundation of the greatest fortune in all America for the next 100 years. And the Vanderbilts have hung on to most of it ever since.

RAILROADS . . . competitors

While Cornelius Vanderbilt was building steamships and running them all over the world, the rail-

road was invented and he took one trip on the first line connecting the Delaware and Hudson Rivers, the Camden and Amboy, the original line of the H & O. The train was wrecked and he swore he never would ride on the steam-cars again.

But his son, William H., who had stayed home on Staten Island, had a different idea. The railroad wanted to bridge its tracks from Perth Amboy across the island to the upper harbor of New York. William H. Vanderbilt surprised his old father by becoming the president of a profitable railroad running through the old family farm.

The old man stuck to steamboats, and ran his lines up the Hudson from New York to Albany. Then some smart promoters ran a railroad up the river. That hurt the steamboat business. Cornelius Vanderbilt got mad enough to go into the railroad business with his son. They built another road up the Harlem Valley to Chatham, with a branch line over to Albany, and got a franchise for a bridge across the river. That was the beginning of America's greatest railroad system.

WEALTH . . . criticised

I hear radicals and discontented people criticizing everybody who has ever made any money in developing the resources of America. Such people ask why the wealth so developed should not be distributed equally among everybody. The answer to that, as I see it, is that when a man like old Commodore Vanderbilt, gets an idea, spends his own money to see if it will work, and if it works charges people what they are willing to pay for the services they get, then he is entitled to keep whatever profits he can accumulate.

It is through such adventures of enterprising men with their own money that America has grown great. The tendency today is to discourage the Vanderbilts and everyone else who is willing to risk the loss of capital in the hope of gain. The United States would never have got to first base if the Government had stopped everyone from trying to build and run steamboats, 130 years ago.

No one wants a destructive, death-dealing driver on the highways. The habitually reckless ones would be removed under the provisions of a standard driver's license law if Texas had such a law.

Texas cows, numbering 1,443,000, valued at \$54,834,000, produced \$42,267,000 in farm income in Texas in 1940, according to the Milk Foundation Industry.

The Speech Department of East Texas State will celebrate National Drama Week, February 9-16.

DIPHTHERIA DANGEROUS BUT EASILY PREVENTED THROUGH IMMUNIZATION

Austin, Feb. 13.—The public health value of immunization against diphtheria has been remarkably demonstrated in Texas in the last eight years, information collected by the State Health Department reveals.

The diphtheria death rate has steadily diminished during the period from 14.3 deaths per 100,000 population in 1932 to a tentative rate of 1.9 per 100,000 for the first ten months of 1940, according to Dr. George W. Cox, State Health Officer.

The 1939 cumulative deaths from diphtheria—1939 statistics are the latest on which final tabulations are obtainable—are 78 per cent lower than the 1932 total of 850 deaths.

The 14.3 rate per 100,000 in 1932 was high for the decade, and each succeeding year saw diminished rates to the decade low, 1940's tentative 1.9 per 100,000.

Dr. Cox attributed the very significant decrease in diphtheria deaths and prevalence to the increasingly positive effects of public health and greater appreciation by the parent of the child's well-being. Dr. Cox pointed out that "the increased attention to the well child, using periods when the child is well to protect against future illness, represents an intelligent approach by parents to health needs of their children."

In the many areas of Texas served by full-time health services, the past four years have seen the immunizations of pre-school children against diphtheria more than double in number. The influence of the full-time public health service in this matter cannot be considered minor. Diphtheria immunization has been a major public health platform in protecting the health of Texas children. The success of this program is indicated by a health survey based on a cross-section encompassing 145,000 school children in areas with and without public health services.

Children entering school in counties maintaining full-time county health units showed 69 per cent immunized against diphtheria as contrasted with 29 per cent where local health units were absent.

Dr. Cox reiterated that no child need have diphtheria, as it is one of the most easily prevented diseases. Every child six to nine months of age should be immunized with toxoid to develop immunity to diphtheria. Six months after immunization, a harmless skin test, called the "Schick test," should be given to determine if the child has been given enough immunization to render him completely immune.

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