

THE WORD 'DEFENSE' WILL NOT BE USED IN THIS NEWSPAPER

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SHOOTIN' STRAIGHT

(By De WITT LAMB)

Revised war commandment: "Keep thy mouth shut."

Save on your tires, Save up your 'dough,' Dimmitt stores Are the places to go!

Senator Tom Connally speaking: "The United States is faced by grim and terrible war."

For the life of me I can't see how any group or class of our people in the dark hour of the nation's trial would want to segregate itself from the general public...

Yes, we like west Texas, we like the Panhandle section, the Plains. We like Castro county, Dimmitt, and especially the



sturdy people who have made, and are making this fascinating belt of producing wealth—the bread basket and the meat section of Texas, and the Southwest. We hope you let us stay.

Common sense supports the stand taken by many business men, including The News, in urging continuance of commercial advertising, war or no war.

There will be no wholesale plow-up of the large crop of volunteer wheat now in the making in the Panhandle country.

State employees have reported the purchase by themselves of \$1,002,047 in war bonds and savings stamps since January 1. And why not?

The State Fair of Texas next fall will pay the largest premium list to Hereford breeders of any state fair in the United States.

Working mothers in defense industries, whose absence from the home has left children outside their supervision, is blamed by authorities for an increase in juvenile delinquency in the city of Dallas.

The state health officer, Dr. George W. Cox, wants everyone in the state who has not done so in the last two or three years to be vaccinated against typhoid fever.

LIBERTY LIMERICKS



There was a young farmer named John, Who said to himself—"well, I swan! The war bonds get bigger in value, I figger, While helping our Victory on."

GRAND JURY LIST DRAWN

The spring term of court for Castro county, which is in the 64th judicial district, along with Swisher, Hale, Lamb, and Bailey counties, will convene in Dimmitt on Monday, April 6.

At the last term of district court here there was no grand jury nor petit jury drawn, there being no need for them.

However, it is believed this time the grand jury will probe a few matters and there may be more than one trial case heard.

A grand jury list, with the following names, has been drawn and the men already summoned for jury duty on April 6:

Lester Dowell, H. W. Golden, Morgan Dennis, Eddie Drerup, Willis Hawkins, Glen Maples, George Webb, Clem Gilliam, A. F. Blakemore, J. C. Gilbreath, Willis Branscum, Art Klemman, Marion Davis, Fred Walton, Leland Smith, and Clint Coventry.

Three Pulpits Here are Vacant

Three Dimmitt churches last week were without pastors.

The third vacancy in the local clergy occurred when Uncle Sam's army took the Rev. Melvin Rankin, Methodist pastor, and sent him this week to Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., as a chaplain.

The Rev. A. F. Russell, Baptist pastor, recently resigned and moved to Paducah, where he had accepted a pastorate.

The Church of Christ minister, W. F. McDonald, went to Kansas. Visiting pastors have been filling the pulpits in Dimmitt for the last several weeks.

Notice Candidates

Every candidate for public office in the state of Texas must file a sworn statement with the secretary of state in Austin, and this sworn statement must be on a special form of affidavit.

As a means of service to the Castro county candidates, genial Jack Gregory, county clerk, has procured one of these affidavit forms, properly prepared by the state attorney general, and offers to furnish one, without obligation, to any candidate who makes the request at his desk in the clerk's office, county court house.

The special form of affidavit is required under terms of House Bill No. 222, Acts of the 47th legislature, and all candidates should make preparations to comply with the law, it was said.

Wheat Looking Up

The United States' new winter wheat crop is greening up and entering the spring growth period in probably the best shape in years, except in a few localities, authentic reports say.

Acresage is much smaller than normal, due to government restrictions on planting because of the record-breaking carryover of old wheat, but this may partially be offset by increased yield.

Sugar Day, May 4

All sugar sales in the United States will be halted at midnight April 27 for about a week, the government has announced.

Individual, or family, consumers will register May 4, 5, 6, and 7 at public elementary schools, said to give promise of one of the largest tasks of its kind ever undertaken.

More Cotton

Nearly 50,000 Texas cotton farmers will make a cotton crop this fall, Donald L. Cothran, state crop insurance supervisor, said. Cothran says already there have been 25,639 all-risk cotton insurance applications for 34,300 cotton farms received.

Women at Work

Texas had 34,265 women food demonstrators, or cooperators, in 1941. A total of 46,000 women were enrolled in Texas home demonstration clubs.

Interest in nutrition has spread all over Texas, government authorities say.

The average Texas oil well has to produce nearly three months out of the year to pay its owner's taxes and the land owner's royalty.

The Texas petroleum industry now pays over \$75,000,000 a year in state and local taxes, not counting gasoline taxes paid by the individual motorist.

Texas oil producers now pay direct taxes amounting to \$788 a year for every employe they have.

Dimmitt Citizen Loses His Mother

Mrs. J. P. Richardson, 65, well known resident of Wilbarger county, died at her home, 802 Wheeler street, Vernon, March 20, at 4:15 o'clock. Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon at 3:30, from the Primitive Baptist church, Vernon. Elder A. B. Hughes officiating. Burial was in Fargo cemetery, with the Underwood Funeral Home in charge.

Mrs. Richardson was born May 8, 1876, in Jasper county. She was Barbara Allen McClain before her marriage to J. P. Richardson, December 20, 1888.

Surviving relatives include her husband, five sons, Flovd of Lubbock, Oral and Ira of Texarkana, Melton of Galveston, and Cleo of Dimmitt. Two daughters, Mrs. M. M. Dunson of Vernon, and Mrs. Ray Stevenson of Texarkana, nine grandchildren, and two great grandchildren also survive.

Our boys at the front need a steady flow of supplies. We can assure this by systematic purchase of U. S. war bonds and stamps.

More than one-fourth of the total land area of Texas now is under lease for oil and gas activity.

HIGHWAY WORK STARTED HERE

More than \$150,000 in new highway construction was started in the Dimmitt section this week, aiding local business and bringing additional payroll money to every cash till in the county.

Business men in Dimmitt had the seriousness of the housing shortage in Dimmitt thrust squarely in their laps when construction foremen brought about 100 workmen and their families here over the week-end and asked for living accommodations for this influx for the next three months.

There wasn't much the town could do on short notice, except to express regrets, and the road crews have since found rooms here and elsewhere—but no houses or housekeeping facilities.

The construction work is under way on the highway gap near Hart and east of Dimmitt toward Hereford. Two contracting firms have charge of the projects.

About 40 trucks will be hauling rock from the Canyon, north of the city, and in Castro county, to the locations for some weeks. A deadline was being awaited yesterday, when inquiry was made about the beginning of work, but it was said this will be provided almost at once.

To Marry or Not; Boy Girl Problem

FORT WORTH, March 25.—(Special)—Marriage before the boy has to go to war is favored by more than one-third of the students at Texas Christian University.

Another 25 per cent of the boys and girls think a formal engagement is best—the wedding to be postponed for the duration.

Approximately 42 per cent—more than favor either of the two other viewpoints—favor postponing the whole thing until the boys return from service.

The subject has come in for a lot of discussion at the school.

Oil lease and royalty payments to Texas farmers and ranchers mounted to 22 cents extra cash bonus for every dollar they received last year from their crops and livestock, including U. S. government benefits.

On top of feeding our own people, there will be lots of hungry nations in Europe after this war that will need a great deal of food during the transition period between war and peace—Farm Security Administrator Baldwin.

Our weapon—U. S. war bonds and stamps. Buy them.

FOOD DEALERS MEET TUESDAY

An important meeting of all food store, market, bakery, and dairy operators has been called at the court house in Dimmitt for next Tuesday night, March 31.

The purpose of the meeting is to enlist all merchants who deal in food products of any kind into the food stamp plan, which is to be inaugurated in Castro county on April 1.

Dimmitt county commissioners have put up \$425 and the city of Dimmitt has put up \$325, making a total of \$750 to be used as a revolving fund to buy surplus food commodities to be issued under the blue stamp plan here.

Authorities say about 50 families in the county who have been receiving surplus food commodities from the government under the old plan, will be benefited.

It is hoped the merchants will attend without exception, as it is pointed out that only those who attend Tuesday night will be eligible to handle the blue stamp arrangements for government foods.

Less Accidents

State police report traffic fatalities in Texas have decreased 19 per cent during the first two months of 1942, as compared with the same period last year.

Highway traffic decreased but a little more than six per cent, it was stated.

Lots of Hen Fruit

AUSTIN, MARCH 25.—(Special)—Shipments of eggs out of Texas continued to zoom in February, the University of Texas reported.

Total shell equivalent shipped from the state during last month was 803 car loads, as compared with 120 in the same month of 1941. Texas consumed 204 cars. Other states got 599 cars. At the same time, poultry shipments dropped.

GET TAGS NOW, CAR OWNERS ARE URGED

Car and truck owners of Castro county who have not yet registered their motor vehicles for 1942, are urged by Sheriff Brown to do so at the earliest possible time.

The deadline for buying license plates is March 31. Owners of motor vehicles will find it much more convenient to get their tags before the last minute rush, the sheriff pointed out. A requirement this year is that a certificate of title must be presented for each vehicle registered.

Sheriff Brown said many owners do not seem to understand this is a new law, and that it must be complied with, and because of their slowness in getting the certificates many owners may be delayed in procuring tags.

Soerabaya, on the east coast of Java, is not only a great naval base but the center of the East Java Church of the Netherlands Missionary Society. In 1941 Soerabaya celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of the erection of the first church building on the island of Java at nearby Ngoro.

This and other small churches in the region were founded by laymen—Van Coelen a planter; Van der Ende a watchmaker, and others—who instructed the Javanese in their employ in the rudiments of the Christian faith and then built these churches for them.

It was not until seven years later that the first missionary was sent out to them from Holland. In 1938 the independent East Java Church had 62 organized congregations, 48 ministers, and 34,000 church members. It has sent three missionaries to Bali.

Coming Events--

City of Dimmitt municipal election, April 7.

Four-H Club week, April 5-11.

Health and Accident week, March 22-28.

Army Day, April 6.

Lions' weekly luncheon meeting, next Tuesday at one.

Easter Sunday, April 5.

Spring term district court, begins in Dimmitt April 6.

First Democratic primary, July 25.

Automobile tag deadline, Apr. 1. County commissioners meet next on April 14.

Dimmitt city commission meets next on April 2.

School trustee elections on April 4.

Local school bond "assumption" election on April 4.

National Baseball week, March 24-April 4.

April Fools' day, April 1.

America's Home week, April 11 through 19.

Registration for sugar rationing, May 4, 5, 6, and 7.

Child Health day, May 1.

Registration of men for military service, aged 45 to 64, on April 27.

Governor Coke Stevenson has issued a proclamation designating March 29 to April 4 as Civilian Clean-up Week.

Garnett Holland Now at Santa Ana

SANTA ANA, Calif., March 25.—(Special)—Beginning training as an aviation cadet in the United States army, Garnett F. Holland, son of Mrs. Faye Holland, of Dimmitt, recently was assigned to the Air Corps Replacement Training Center here.

After completing his course of instruction, Cadet Holland will continue primary studies in the west coast air corps training center area. His air corps training will continue through basic and advanced courses, culminating with his commission as a second lieutenant in the air corps reserve.

Holland was enlisted in the United States Military service at the time of receiving his appointment to the cadets. He attended high school in Texas.

Funeral Tuesday For Mrs. Bussey

Funeral services for Mrs. Stella Bussey, 54, were held Tuesday afternoon at the Baptist church. The rites were conducted by the Rev. A. M. Dowell.

Mrs. Bussey died Sunday afternoon, having been stricken suddenly ill while preparing dinner, and after she had attended church services.

Mrs. Bussey was born February 28, 1888. She was married in 1902, at Mountain View, Oklahoma, to Mr. George W. Bussey, and to that union eight children were born, all of whom survive. The family moved to Castro county in 1926. The deceased was a devout member of the Baptist church and loyally active in the Women's Missionary Union insofar as her failing health would permit.

Besides the husband, five sons, Ira of Fort Lewis, Washington; George W. Jr., of Ranger; and Archie, Roy, and J. W. of Dimmitt, and two daughters, Mrs. Vella Lacik of Boron, California; and Misses Emma and Lola Bussey of Dimmitt survive. Three grandchildren, two sisters, and three brothers also are living. One brother was here for the funeral.

Bob Hembree, Jack Hawkins, Roy McElroy, George Behrends, Mac McCarty, and Sam Butler served as pallbearers.

Flower girls were Mrs. Ernest Harmon, Mrs. T. A. Singer, Mrs. O. Stephens, Mrs. Clifton Sparkman, Mrs. E. R. Waggoner, Mrs. Fred Waggoner, Mrs. Floyd Copeland, Mrs. Bud Birdwell, Mrs. Mac McCarty, Mrs. Earl Hembree, and Mrs. Talmadge Buckmaster.

Relatives here to attend the rites included Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Bussey and daughter, of McGargle; Mr. and Mrs. Blackie Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bussey, and Mrs. Birdie Bussey, all of Wichita Falls; Mrs. Clyde Griffin of Archer City; Jim Holden of Wichita Falls; Mrs. Ira Bussey, Miss Savie Mae Carlson of Mansfield, Oklahoma; and Miss Estelle Gibson of Cordell, Oklahoma.

Funeral arrangements were in charge by the E. B. Black Funeral Home, Hereford.

A slice of a cow's hindquarters is valuable to the cow, but worth only a nickel to a farmer, 16 cents to a meat packer, 46 cents to a retail butcher, and \$1.25 in a restaurant (not counting the tip) says Boyce House, columnist.

A total of 28,000 long tons, or nearly 63,000,000 pounds, of scrap have been collected as the result of the Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association's scrap campaign, the chairman reports. The scrap still is going to Japan, but in the form of projectiles now.

Although we are slow to realize it, the present world conflict is a boon to the small town and its benefits to the community will increase with the lengthening of the struggle. However, to take advantage of the trend the small town merchant cannot be content to sit and do nothing about it, because then he will have lost his best opportunity of a generation.

—Delano (Michigan) Eagle.

Any way you look at it, the small town merchant should be in position to cash in on a lot of business that formerly has gone to the bigger towns. The average motorist will figure there isn't much sense in wearing out tires to leave home for his merchandise needs. However, this does not mean the small town merchant is going to be swamped with business if he makes no effort to get it. Big town merchants and mail order houses are going to continue with their advertising and modern methods to attract trade, but the small town man who makes preparation to meet the changed times and gives the public helpful information about his store, is the one who is going to reap the profits. Merchants right here in Dimmitt have an opportunity seldom realized, if they will make use of an advertising campaign in The News. The business is here, but the people must be told.

Overheard on the Street-

WHAT! DRIVE ALL THE WAY TO BIGTOWN FOR MERCHANDISE AND RUN 80 MILES OFF MY TIRES? NOT ME! I'M BUYING RIGHT HERE IN DIMMITT!

AMERICA IS AT WAR!

TIRE RATIONING HAS BEEN IN EFFECT FOR SOME TIME NOW, AND RETREADING AND RECAPPING RATIONING NOW HAS BEEN APPROVED

DIMMITT BUSINESS MEN ARE OFFERING MERCHANDISE AND SERVICES AT PRICES TO CHALLENGE THOSE IN BIGTOWN... IN MANY CASES, DIMMITT PRICES ARE LOWER.

TRADING IN DIMMITT WILL SAVE YOU MONEY IN MANY WAYS.

ALERT CAR OWNERS, READING THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES, IN RUBBER RATIONING ARE SAVING THEIR TIRES, THUS HELPING AMERICA IN THE ENORMOUS TASK OF WINNING THE WAR.

THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IS SPONSORED BY DIMMITT BUSINESS FIRMS WHO ARE ASKING THAT YOU DO, AS MANY OTHERS ARE DOING—BUY AT HOME—IN DIMMITT—AND HELP SAVE RUBBER FOR THE WAR EFFORT. DIMMITT ALSO ASKS THAT YOU BUY WAR STAMPS AND SAVINGS BONDS.

Castro Motor Co.

Thompson Grocery and Market

The Steak House

White Rose Cafe

Shipley's

M System Grocery And Market

Wilson's Grocery

Tate Produce

Brannan Dairy

Hotel Witt

Griffith Grocery

Manning's

Harrison & Webb Insurance

S. C. Huckabay

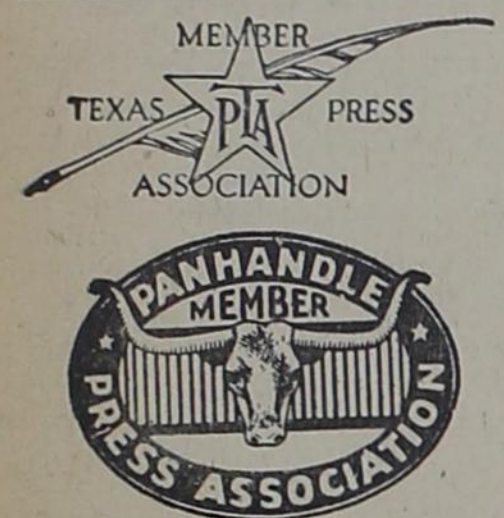
Castro Drug Store

Langford Laundry

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SUBSCRIPTION RATES
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In other Texas counties, year, \$2.



Castro County Has

- One Bank.
- Lions club.
- 1,018 farms.
- One hospital.
- Three hotels.
- Two laundries.
- One cotton gin.
- 423 farm trucks.
- Boy Scout troop.
- Girl Scout troop.
- Five restaurants.
- 10 public schools.
- USDA war board.
- 1,065 automobiles.
- One variety store.
- Red Cross chapter.
- Weekly newspaper.
- One Masonic lodge.
- West Texas Gas Co.
- Seven types of soil.
- Elevation, 3,865 feet.
- One Catholic church.
- 85 commercial trucks.
- One commercial dairy.
- Five Girls' 4-H clubs.
- One Odd Fellows lodge.
- Moving picture theater.
- One incorporated town.
- Twelve grain elevators.
- 4,631 population (1940).
- New county court house.
- Nine protestant churches.
- County agricultural agent.
- Two baby chick hatcheries.
- Six wholesale oil companies.
- 1,078 qualified voters (1942).
- Five grain elevator companies.
- One dry cleaning establishment.
- Texas-New Mexico Utilities Co.
- Three rural electrification units.
- Independent telephone company.
- Five Home Demonstration clubs.

900 square miles; 576,000 acres. County home demonstration agent. Ample supply pure, deep well water. Soil erosion and conservation project under way. Dimmitt total tax rate, state, county, schools, city, \$3.48. Assessed valuation of property for tax purposes, \$4,433,515.

NORTH EDGE

(By Ollere Shepard)
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Howell and children visited friends and relatives in Lubbock Wednesday, through Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. George Shepard and Jerry called in the L. A. Matthews home Friday evening.
Mary Jo Smith spent Thursday night with Juanita Crum.
Juanita Crum and Mary Jo Smith spent the week-end in Canyon with friends and relatives.
Mrs. Raymond Hance, Jerry Beth and Linda Raye, called in the Wayne Cartherel home Sunday.
Mrs. Clint Cox left Sunday to attend the funeral of her brother-in-law in Dallas.
Misses Ollere Shepard and Lucile Horner spent last week-end in Lubbock.
Annabell Crum is visiting in Tulia this week.
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hance, Jerry Beth and Linda Raye, and Mr. and Mrs. Clint Cox called in the Percy Shepard home Friday night.
Mr. and Mrs. Dave Shepard and Virgie, and Mr. and Mrs. Clint Cox, visited in the Raymond Hance home Tuesday night.
Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cartherel and family have moved back into our community from Lockney. We welcome them.
Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Bird of Tulia called in the Raymond Hance home Wednesday.
Mr. and Mrs. Dave Shepard and Virgie attended a dinner Sunday at Bovina, in honor of Raymond Walker, who is leaving for the armed service.
Mr. and Mrs. Forbse Glover called in the Dave Shepard home Saturday night.
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Howell visited in the Raymond Hance home Sunday night.
Those calling in the Dave Shepard home Monday afternoon were Mrs. Forbse Glover and Mrs. Raymond Hance, Jerry Beth and Linda Raye.

In coming months, ranchmen in this part of Texas may be asked to grow pilot plantings of guayule, the plant from which rubber may be extracted. Areas in New Mexico and Arizona also are said to be suited to this desert plant.

Food scarcity weakens the will to win, weakens confidence, and opens the way to discouragement and defeat.—S. A. McMullen, Farm Security Administration.

Keeping Up With Your Friends--

Mrs. Clark Dye and Donna Kay of Amarillo are guests here in the home of Mrs. Clark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Jones.

Baby Chicks for sale at all times.—See S. C. Huckabay, at Gulf station.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Conner of Hollis, Oklahoma, have been guests during the week of their daughter, Mrs. F. H. Kenmore, and family.

Miss Kate Adele Hill, district agent for the Extension Department, spent part of the present week in Dimmitt.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Davis, Miss Grace Marie Bagwell, Miss Helen Estes, and Sergeant John G. Davis, Jr., of Sheppard Field, attended the funeral services of Mrs. J. P. Richardson in Vernon Saturday.

Miss Aural Shaw of Lubbock, and Sergeant John G. Davis, Jr., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Davis.

Hilario Rodriguez and Fred Castro of Uvalde, land of cattle, sheep, and honey, are here as a part of the crew which is building the new highway between Dimmitt and Hart.

E. W. Worrell, Lamb county farmer, but who receives his mail on a route out of Hart, this county, came in to see The News editor while in Dimmitt for a brief visit Tuesday.

The owner of the Witt Hotel in Dimmitt, Mr. Rochester Haddaway, of Fort Worth, spent Tuesday in the city in connection with the hotel situation. Mr. Haddaway's advice had been sought in connection with an acute housing situation which exists here now.

County Judge Posie Cunningham left today for San Angelo, where he will spend the remainder of the week attending the annual meeting of the West Texas Association of County Commissioners. Judge Cunningham is one of the program speakers, and will appear Friday.

Reports from the hospital in Plainview say the condition of J. G. Logsdon of Dimmitt continues to improve. Mr. Logsdon, who is manager here for the Federal Farm Loan Association, was seriously injured a month ago when he slipped on an ice-covered sidewalk, fell, and fractured his hip.

It's Corporal Short, now. A letter this week from G. O. (Jelly) Short, at Fort Bliss, shows he has been advanced as a PFC to the next higher non-com rank of corporal. Short was optimistic regarding his life his training, and his prospects in the military.

Members of the local unit of the Federal Farm Loan Association convened at the office of the association here Monday evening for a regular business session. District Manager Forrester of Amarillo attended the meeting. Members of the association present were Ernest Jones, Will Wright, Roy G. Smith, Roy Hackleman, and Frank Annen.

F. J. Hiltbrunner, whose home is in Castro county, but who receives his mail on a route out of Hereford, was a business visitor in Dimmitt Tuesday. Mr. Hiltbrunner is one of The News' new subscribers, and called to meet the new editor. He says crop prospects in the east end of this county are good.

The News' editor enjoyed a visit on Tuesday of this week from A. Ebeling, prominent wheat grower of the Hart section, who dropped in to subscribe for the paper. Mr. Ebeling has a son in the U. S. navy—somewhere in the Pacific—but could not give the boy's address at this time, hence we can not send him the paper.

Dan McNaughton, district manager for the Continental Oil Company, spent Wednesday in Castro county. "Mack's" home is in Plainview, but that doesn't mean so much, since he says he is at home only about five days out of each month. He supervises sales and management of the Conoco business in 12 Panhandle counties. The company has a wholesale distributing agency and one large retail service station in Dimmitt.

S. C. Huckabay this week received his cream testing equipment and will engage in the cream and general farm produce buying business in Dimmitt, where he has operated for 16 years, except for the time he devoted exclusively to the oil business. Mr. Huckabay plans to continue as the local wholesale dealer for Gulf oil products, engaging in the produce business more or less as a sideline.

John Pohlmeier of the Nazareth community was a friendly caller Tuesday at The News office, and before leaving ordered the paper sent to his farm home each week. His two sons, Edwin, a private in the medical corps, Sheppard Field, and Paul, a private in the coast artillery, Camp Wallace, also will receive the News from home regularly hereafter. Mr. Pohlmeier is a substantial farmer of his community, and says grain prospects at this time are good.

Clarence Wright, who recently came here and went to work for the Castro Motor Company, Dimmitt sales and service organiza-

tion for the Ford Motor Company, still is unable to find a suitable house or apartment in which to move his family, he said. Wright is a good mechanic, and wants to make his home in Dimmitt, but the acute housing shortage here is handicapping the growth of the town and preventing a number of families from moving in from other places.

Home Demonstration Notes

(By Miss Ava A. Grindstaff, Castro County Home Demonstration Agent).

GETTING DOWN TO EARTH

Take care of the soil, is a gardener's first command. Begin in the fall if you can. If your earth is in sod, have it plowed. If it has been in sod for a long time, fertilize it well after plowing and let it alone for a few weeks.

When the ground is dry enough to crumble when you press a lump of it between your fingers, go to



work again, and turn the soil to a depth of eight inches. Then rake up and fine the surface to a depth of about two inches.

Land that was garden last season should be cleaned up in the fall. In the spring it is put in order just as new land is.

Most lands need fertilizer. You need plenty of some organic fertilizers—cow and horse manure—and compost (decayed vegetable matter and manure). All of these must be well rotted. They should not be coarse or full of straw. Many gardeners use commercial fertilizers, as well as manure and decayed vegetable matter. A fertilizer containing five per cent nitrogen, 10 per cent phosphoric acid, and five or six per cent potash will give good results. If too much is used, or the fertilizer comes in contact directly with seeds or foliage it may burn and kill the plant. A ton of manure and 40 pounds of commercial fertilizer for a 30x50 plot usually won't be too much for any crop.

Before laying out your rows, mix the proper amount of manure into the soil. Run up the rows; two to three inches from the seed line in each row, sprinkle a three-inch band of commercial fertilizer in a shallow furrow, using a pound to every 30 feet of row. Then replace the soil in the furrow. Planting instructions that come on seed packages from reliable seedsmen are usually safe to follow. In general, small seeds like carrots, spinach, and turnips are sown considerably thicker in the row than you want plants to grow. When the plants get started you can thin them to the right number.

Each "seed" of these seeds like beets and chard contains many seeds. They should be spaced where you want plants to grow, since from each "seed" will shoot up several sprouts.

Transplanting seedlings without losing any takes skill. Before removing the seedling soak the earth under the roots thoroughly. Lift out the seedling with the wet earth around it. This prevents root injury. After setting the plants, apply about a pint of water to the roots of each, unless the soil is already thoroughly wet.

For further information on gardening, see your county agent or county home demonstration agent.

FLAGG

Mr. and Mrs. Bence Jones and Junior, of Hale Center, were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Booker of Edmondson were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Booher. Patsy Lou Houtchers, of Cleo visited with Dorothy Sheffy Sunday.

Mrs. G. B. Frazier and Mrs. Cordye Birdwell were shopping in Amarillo Monday.

Genevieve Hicks and a friend were week-end guests of June Thompson.

Pete Coke and Bill Booher were business visitors in Olton Tuesday.

Arch Johnson, Norville Birdwell, and James Bradford were business visitors in Amarillo on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones and Mrs. Ernest Jones were visitors in Sudan and in Amherst on Monday.

Mrs. George Bradford, Mrs. Sid Sheffy, Mrs. Bill Booher, Mrs. John Coke Slaton, and Mrs. Andy Thompson were visiting in Plainview on Tuesday.

Mrs. Norman Waggoner and Mrs. Houtchers were shopping in Plainview on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ball of Cotton Center, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Hendricks were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hendricks.

JOBS! JOBS! JOBS!
Many more vacancies every month than we can list and Southwide Placement Service assure broad opportunities for graduates. Over 2,000 positions annually. Get catalog M today.

Dragon's BUSINESS COLLEGE
LUBBOCK, TEXAS

Red Cross Asks Sweaters Now

The News cheerfully gives the local Red Cross space for the following appeal:
All those who have sweaters or other garments completed are asked to return them to the Red Cross room as soon as convenient, as those in charge wish to ship them to headquarters.

"We need help to make pajamas and bathrobes for children," writes Mrs. D. G. Autell, chairman of the War Production division, Castro County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Teachers Tickled

Castro county school teachers, including about 18 members of the Dimmitt school faculty, have returned from attending the big meeting a week ago in Amarillo, called by the Northwest Texas Education Association. Educators report a resultful meeting, a fine spirit, and a larger attendance there than was anticipated, due to the transportation problem thrust upon us by the tire shortage.

WANT ADS--

WANTED—To buy your hens. Top market prices paid.—S. C. Huckabay, at Gulf station.

WANTED TO RENT—Four- or five room house, for immediate occupancy.—Telephone News office, number 88.

FOR SALE—A good milk cow, fresh.—See P. P. Robb.

WANTED—To buy, second-hand bicycle, or bicycle frame in good condition.—Inquire at The News office.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish in this manner to express our grateful appreciation to numerous friends and kind neighbors for their thoughtfulness at a time of sorrow in our family circle. The words of solace, the flowers, and other tokens of love and friendship were much appreciated. May the blessings of an all-powerful providence be your reward.
—G. W. Bussey and family.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation for the sympathy, kindness, good deeds, and floral offerings, during the illness and death of our beloved wife and mother. May God's blessings be with each of you.
J. P. Richardson,
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Richardson,
Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Dawson,
Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Richardson,
Mr. and Mrs. Oral Richardson,
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stevenson,
Melton Richardson.

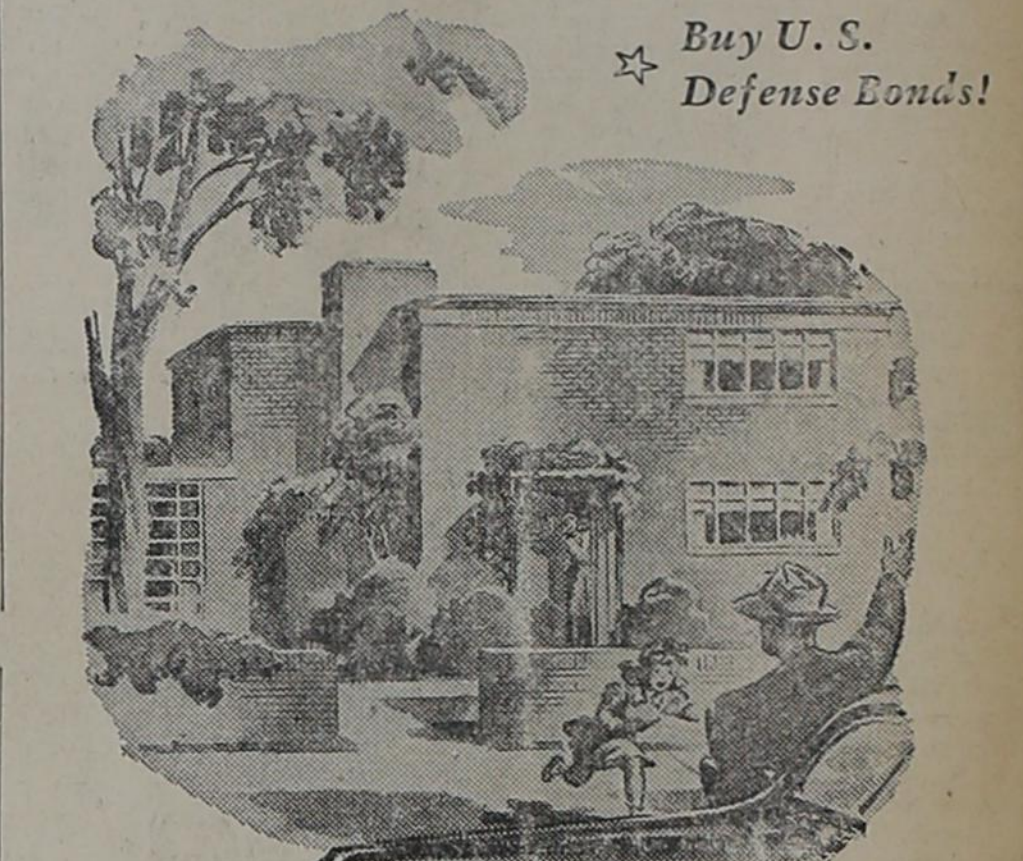
NAZARETH

(By Mrs. Joe Warren)
Joe Schulte, who enlisted in the Army Air Corps, is at home on a 30-day furlough.
Jim Binzegger has enlisted in the Marines, and now is at San Diego, California.
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Birkenfeld spent the week-end at Rhineland. Miss Wilma Dobmeier entertained a Study Club Sunday evening.

The service flag, which members of the Christian Mothers' Society made, has been completed, and will be dedicated at Easter time.

The tens of thousands of junked cars piled in unsightly "graveyards" throughout Texas may soon find their way into helping win the war.
A survey is being made of this junk by the county USDA war boards.

CHAS. H. DEAN
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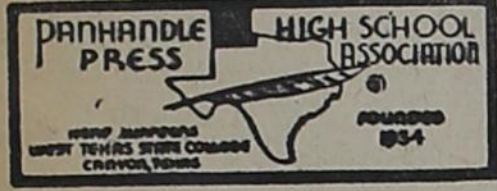
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C. B. I.

Campus Bureau of Investigation
Joe Richard Hastings and Patsy Rawlings must be interesting conversationalists. To make a long story short, he went to see her Sunday night and was there quite a long time.

There's a certain man about town who comes to see Dorothy Cooper. Yes, Herschel came home Saturday night and from all I can gather they really had fun.

This well-known team of Webb-Kirkpatrick really has been studying chemistry a lot lately. Mr. O'Rear said chemistry wasn't really hard (unless you made it that way).

You might have noticed that Mary Jo Smith had on a coat of happiness Monday morning. His name is Dean Nicholas from Stephenville, of the Army Air Corps.

Dolores has quite a surprise (but oh it was a pleasant surprise) when Norvelle Birdwell came rolling in Thursday night. From all reports they really celebrated over the week-end.

Dorothy Sheffy can't seem to make up her mind between Roland Thomas and Ray Aldridge. Here's to you, boys, and may the best man win. (We'll keep you posted since this seems to be a continued matter.)

Skating at Hart seems to interest a lot of students, especially Roy Lilley and Mozelle Armstrong who were enjoying themselves Saturday night.

Another happy girl over the week-end was Wanda Monzingo. Her ship building defense man was home and everything was in a whirl. His name is Estle Collins.

Well, it seems that Burl has been stepping out on Gwendolyn lately. It was reported that he was seen with Mary Evelyn Sunday night after he took Gwendolyn home. Gwen, I wouldn't stand for it.

It seems that Bonnie Drake and John L. Thomas have a mutual interest in Elementary Science. Any way, they sit together in that class.

Kent Birdwell, Jeanette Graham, Julius Darsey, and Shirley Womack made a lovely foursome Sunday night until Jeanette's pink fuzzy sweater and Kent's dark blue suit got together.

That little Ashcraft boy is getting to be pretty popular around here, and right now it seems that he can't make up his mind which to pick, Joline Whitlow or Carolyn Rawlings.

Yours,
The Campus Snooper.

Nearly three and one-quarter million acres, or about three-fourths of the acreage sown to wheat in Texas, is planted in the 31 counties comprising the principal part of the Panhandle-Plains region.

LOCAL LUNCHROOM PROJECTS ACCOMMODATE MANY STUDES



Lunches Served At a Minimum

The above scenes are familiar to those who lunch at the high school and grade school lunchrooms. Mrs. Betty Crane of Happy is the bi-county supervisor, and Mrs. Beck of Amarillo is the district supervisor for the project, which accommodates approximately 205 students in both Dimmitt schools.

Mrs. Cryer is the local supervisor, and is helped by six other women of Dimmitt.

Tickets for the students are available in one and two dollar denominations, each meal costing 10 cents. These meals are planned and prepared for the benefit of the individual student.

Part of the food was canned last year by local women, and plans are being made to grow and can more vegetables this year. A portion of the fruit and vegetables is furnished by the government.

Recently, a shipment of fresh cabbage, grapefruit, apples, and prunes was received. These will add variety to the meals served at the lunch rooms.

In a survey taken at the grade school the first semester, it was found that students eating at the lunchroom gained more rapidly in height and weight than pupils who did not eat hot lunches. It is believed that the service given by the lunchrooms is very helpful.

The Texas petroleum industry now pays 44½ per cent of all state business and property taxes, not including sales taxes such as the gasoline tax. If sales taxes are counted, petroleum and its products bear 54 per cent of the state's tax income.



FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES DEFENSE BONDS AND STAMPS

Who is the Best Athlete in DHS

Who is the best all-round athlete in DHS? This is being decided in the form of a contest, which is being sponsored by the athletic club this week for the benefit of the senior boys who purchased jackets. The contest will end tomorrow.

The candidates in this contest are Lon Boothe, backed by the seniors and eighth graders; Raymond Mobley, backed by the juniors, freshmen, and seventh graders; and Bill Birdwell, who is backed by the sophomores.

Lon Boothe, a senior, has been a star for DHS both in basketball and football. Lon has played as regular on the basketball team two years. He has played football three years, and was captain of the team this year. He also enjoys tennis. He won second place in district tennis doubles last year.

Raymond Mobley, who is a junior this year, has played as a regular on the football team for two years. The students of DHS are looking forward to Raymond as one of the best football stars to play on the Bobcat field. Raymond has been an important reserve on the basketball team.

Bill Birdwell, one of those prominent sophs, played as regular on the basketball team this year. He is an intelligent basketball player, meaning he uses his head as well as the other parts of his body. Bill also will hold an important position as quarter-back on the football team next year.

DHS Teachers at Recent Meeting

The teachers of Dimmitt schools were well represented in the annual meeting of the Northwest Texas Educational Conference, which was held last Friday and Saturday at Amarillo.

Mrs. Walling was speaker in one of the sectional meetings. She spoke to a large group of home-making teachers on the subject of "Practicing Nutrition."

Superintendent R. A. McCollum was voting delegate from this county. He was elected at Amarillo to represent the combined counties of Palmer, Potter, and Castro for a meeting, which will be held next fall.

Another teacher receiving recognition at this meeting was Miss Mary Nelle Jennings, who was the secretary of the commercial teachers.

Ozro Stephens, who was a former member of the school board, was chairman of the trustees' section.

The social science class taught by Mrs. Fulcher has completed a unit on first aid.

Recently the students have been studying "Budgeting." Mrs. Walling talked to the group on "Budgeting of the Average Family."

In another unit of the work Mr. O'Rear gave a lecture to the social science students on the "Laboratory and Crime Detection."

The class now is studying "Human Welfare," which deals with unemployment problems. This study includes both private and governmental unemployment and other problems that may confront the average person.

Leave your cream with S. C. Huckabay, at Gulf station. Huckabay pays cash, and market price.

One out of every seven mattresses made in the nation under the Department of Agriculture's cooperative program is made in Texas. Also leads in the number of cotton comforts made and delivered under this program.

Uncleanliness and fire hazard go hand in hand.

Careless habits contribute to destruction of materials and property as well as the possible loss of life by fire.

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If wearing a large hat to a show or other performance, remove it in order that those behind you may see too.

When a girl takes off or puts on her coat, the boy should help her (not that she is helpless, but it is courteous.)

In the show when there is no usher, the boy should find the seats, then step aside and follow the girl to the seats.

When reaching your destination in a car, the girl should wait for the boy to get out and open the door for her.

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Don't make love to your girl in the theater—it isn't as dark as you think.

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Newlyweds Will Live in Dimmitt

Miss Virgie Mae Smith of Plainview and Mr. J. D. Williams of Dimmitt were married in Plainview Saturday night, the ceremony taking place in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. G. I. Britain. Rev. Mr. Britain performed the single ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith, 322 Cedar street, Plainview. The bridegroom is the son of J. W. Williams of this city, and is assistant in the office of J. G. Logsdon, manager of the Federal Farm Loan Association. The happy couple will make their home in Dimmitt, where they now are receiving congratulations and well wishes of their many friends.

GRADE SCHOOL PUPILS ARE GOOD WRITERS

According to specimen proofs of pupils participating in the National Diagnostic Achievement Penmanship test, the handwriting of the Dimmitt grade school is above the national standard for 1941-1942.

The following pupils had their specimen proofs marked "passed by the National Board of Examiners" and received the Seal of Acceptance Penmanship Certificate:

Jerry Beth Hance, Faucett De Hart, Elmo Gibbs, Jane Stalcup, Jeanette Duree, Mae Nell Curtis, Mary Ruth Galloway, Maves Mitchell, Patricia Frye, Billie Dee Murphy, Mary Ann Davis, Douglas Dennis, Billy Don Erwin, Barbara Ann Smith, Patsy Youts, Wilford Johnson, Billy Mitchell, Bob Simpson, Lloyd Leasure, Dorothy Winkle, D. L. Wright, Melba Raeland, Flouise Creathouse, Lonnie Rice, Doris Hunter, Royce Dowell, Ruth Drake, Juanita Reynolds, Phyllis Youts, Anita Reynolds.

The following pupils received the National Writing Improvement certificates: Dale Maxwell, Lanelle Mobley, Lola Bussey, Roy Henderson, James Timmons, Ollie Anne Sheffy, and Bettie Lee Davis.

The penmanship teachers are Mrs. J. W. Blaine, third grade; Mrs. Frasier, second grade; and Miss Pauline Betts, fourth, fifth, and sixth grades.

"YOU'RE TELLING ME" WILL BE STAGED ON FRIDAY NIGHT

Baseball Holds The Spotlight in Hi School Sports

The first period each school day Mr. Radney's physical education class enjoys 45 minutes of wholesome exercise. There are approximately 50 boys enrolled.

They now are learning the technicalities of baseball. The baseball diamond is south of the high school building. In the near future they will start playing touch football.

The football boys eligible for next year's team also will start training on the first Monday of April.

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FFA Boys Keep Studying Feeds

The Vocational Agriculture III students formulated a chart Tuesday for the feeding of lambs. They estimated the cost and amount of feed in a balanced ration for 500 lambs for 90 days, each lamb weighing fifty pounds.

They planned to feed the lambs one-half pound of milo and one and one-fourth pounds of sudan per lamb a day for the first 15 days. During the next 15 days one-fourth pound oats and one-half pound of alfalfa was added to their diet. For the remainder of the 90 days, the oats and sudan were omitted from their diet, and one pound of milo and one and one-half pounds of alfalfa were added.

The estimated cost was \$668.25 for 90 days, an average of approximately one and a half cents a day for each lamb.

SENIOR Personalities

Gwendolyn Coke is an active member of the Senior class; she plays guard in basketball, plays a clarinet in the high school band, and shows outstanding ability in typing. She plans to attend Draughon's Business College at Lubbock next year.

Junior Johnson is another energetic Senior. He played on the Dimmitt football team and is sports editor of the Bobcat Tales. His favorite sport is football, and he dislikes gossiping girls.

On An Impulse

(Georgia Shwen)
John Monroe was in deep thought as he sat in front of the fire gently tapping his chair. He was brought back from his world of thoughts by a sharp bark from his dog. Rising, he patted the dog's head, dressed, and headed for the cafe in which his wife, Lou, worked. He didn't want her to work here and he was going to ask her for the last time to return home. Just before he entered the cafe he hesitated for a minute, then went in.

As he entered, he saw that Lou seemed happy—until her eyes met his. Leaning his elbows on the counter, he was surprised at the realization of how his perfect marriage had been destroyed.

Then Lou was saying very casually, "Hello, John, can I do something for you?" He looked at her and said, "Yes, Lou, you can go back home with me."

She pressed her lips with determination as she deliberately said, "No!" As John Monroe turned and started for the door, his hand moved quickly to his pocket. No one saw the gun until it was too late.

Sick with shock and disappointment, Lou came around the counter and looked at the neat and clean figure of her husband lying motionless on the floor.

(Editor's Note: This is one of the short stories written by Georgia Shwen, who spends much of her time in writing compositions of this sort.)

Practice has begun on a musical pageant, "Bluebonnet Land," by the fourth, fifth, and sixth graders of the Dimmitt grade school.

The pageant, which depicts the early history of Texas and the present day resources of the state, is scheduled to be presented at the high school auditorium on the night of April 17.

Approximately 100 pupils, dressed in beautiful and unique costumes, will participate. Miss Helen Estes has charge of the pageant.

A good milk goat can produce ten times her body weight of milk in a single lactation period, research by the government shows.

Huckabay Stars, Also Hastings

After many weeks of memorizing lines and developing bromides, the Juniors now are ready to present their annual class play. It will be given in the high school auditorium at 8:30, March 27, under the direction of Mrs. Radney.

From this title and the use of a little imagination you can be sure this is going to be an outstanding play. It is a comedy in three acts, produced by special arrangement with Samuel French.

Members of the Junior class were selected for the cast and are as follows:

Kit Carstairs, Harriet Huckabay, Pamela Snowden, Sue Sheffy, Theeda Regan, Callie Francis, Hicks, Mrs. Carstairs, Natallie Reynolds; Ward Wanger, Eugene Watson; Marlene Regan, Hazel McMahon; Mrs. Regan, Allorah Byrnes; Lloyd Hamilton, Joe R. Hastings; George Carstairs, G. D. Caison; and Edward La Rue, Bill Graham.

This play will furnish an evening of entertainment full of laughter and fun you won't want to miss.

Scouts Working For Camp Trips

Boy Scouts are a busy lot these days, gathering paper, cardboard, and scrap iron to enable them to go to Camp Post this summer. It will cost each boy approximately six dollars to go; they will stay one week. For each 25 pounds of paper or scrap iron brought in they are given a 10 cent stamp, which they may apply on their expenses to the camp.

Olton invited the local Scouts to a shooting contest, which will be held Saturday. They had their eliminations Wednesday for the contests to be held at Olton.

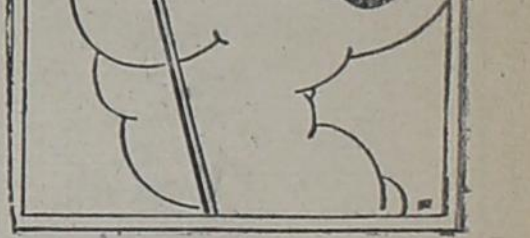
M'Collum Favors Interest Savings

Dimmitt Independent School district property taxpayers can save tax money by voting for the assumption of the old common school debt in the election to be held April 4.

When the Dimmitt Common School district was changed to an independent district through a vote of the taxpayers the election did not include the assuming of the bonded indebtedness by the newly-created district. This was a technical oversight, but did not in any way relieve the district of any obligations already voted.

The Dimmitt district now has the chance of re-financing these old bonds in such a way that the interest will be reduced from five to three and a half per cent, provided the assumption election is voted by the people.

The above information is from Superintendent R. A. McCollum of the Dimmitt schools, who says: "Vote for the bond assumption April 4 and save on your bond interest."



WHEN PERSHING HONORED MacARTHUR 23 YEARS AGO - This picture, made on a blustery March day in Remagen, Rhineland, Prussia, shows the commander of the A. E. F. pinning the Distinguished Service Medal on General Douglas MacArthur then commanding the 84th Brigade, 42nd Division. The photo is from the World War files of the U. S. Signal Corps.

This was General MacArthur's second decoration. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for gallantry in action in March, 1918. He also wears the Silver Star Medal with six oak leaf clusters. A bill is pending in Congress to award him the Medal of Honor.

When the nations sit down at peace tables, a great big feast of American food, all ready to cook and eat, will mostly reinforce the American cause on what arrangements are needed to make a just and lasting peace.—Secretary of Agriculture Wickard.

Buy U.S. war bonds and stamps, the I O U. of the Red, White, and Blue!



With all the money you'll save, buy DEFENSE SAVINGS STAMPS—Every Stamp and Bond you buy is an investment in freedom. War needs money!

EVERY PAY DAY

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 Subject to action of the Democratic primary, July 25, 1942.
 For District Judge: HERBERT C. MARTIN, C. D. RUSSELL
 For District Attorney: J. R. (Billy) HALL
 For County and District Clerk: JOE HASTINGS, GEORGE W. BRADFORD, MRS. F. H. KENMORE
 For Sheriff, Tax Assessor, Tax Collector: JOHN A. NOLEN, GARLAND BROWN (Re-election)
 For County Judge, County Superintendent of Schools: POSIE CUNNINGHAM
 For County Treasurer: FAYE E. HOLLAND
 For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1: T. R. DAVIS, JOHN LILLEY
 For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2: SID SHEFFY
 For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3: J. O. AYRES
 For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4: JOHN C. STORK, ANDREW ACKER

GIVE US A BATTLE CRY MORE FITTING THAN "DEFENSE"

Texans will like the editorial printed herewith. Castro county and Dimmitt citizens will like it. The News re-prints it because we cannot write a better one, nor one as good, and because it represents our feelings and our ideas about the war and the part we want to have in it. The advertising man of the Stuart (Florida) Daily News, Ernest F. Lyons, wrote it—the editorial of the year—here it is:

GIVE US A BATTLE CRY

How do little towns like Stuart feel about the war? How do the men in overalls, the fishermen and farmers, the housewives and grocers in little country towns like this feel about the unknown and perilous adventure on which America has embarked? The Stuart News, in this editorial, will attempt to tell you, perhaps not too accurately, perhaps not too articulately, but better certainly than anyone else, because we are the eyes, the ears, and the voice of one of the thousands of small towns which make up the blood, the flesh, the bone, and that intangible something called the spirit of America. We

Spring Plowing in Castro County



TACK! Call the defense bonds VICTORY BONDS. Call the defense councils WAR COUNCILS. This is a fighting nation. Stop low-rating us. Teach us first how to blast the Japs and the Germans off the face of the earth. Quit low-rating the civilian population. Give arms to the householders of America. First arm the army and navy, and then arm every man-jack and boy in America. We common men and women know what war is. We have no illusions about it. We do not intend to be a slav race. We know our nation is at stake. Furthermore, we more than a little suspect the entire future of mankind is at stake. Give us a battle cry!

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: E. T. Pritchett and the unknown heirs of E. T. Pritchett GREETING: You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from date of issuance of this Citation the same being Monday the 20th day of April, A. D. 1942, at or before 10:00 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Castro County, at the Court House in Dimmitt, Texas. Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 4th day of March, 1942. The file number of said suit being No. 1796. The names of the parties in said suit are: N. L. Wesson, as Plaintiff, and E. T. Pritchett, as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Tresspass to try title; That plaintiff is the owner in fee simple of Lot 5 Block 110 of the Original Town of Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas, and in possession of such premises on March 1st, 1942; that afterwards on March 2nd, 1942, the defendants unlawfully entered upon and dispossessed plaintiff of such premises and withheld from him the possession thereof. Plaintiff also pleads title to such premises by the three, five and ten year Statutes of Limitations of the State of Texas. Plaintiff prays that defendants be cited to answer such petition, and that plaintiff have judgment for the title and possession of said premises, for damages, costs and general relief.

Issued this the 4th day of March, 1942. Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Dimmitt, Texas, this the 4th day of March, A. D., 1942. JACK GREGORY, Clerk District Court, Castro County, Texas.

LEGAL NOTICE

ELECTION NOTICE

PURSUANT TO AN ORDER issued by the City Commission of the City of Dimmitt, Texas, notice is hereby given that a City Election will be held on Tuesday, the 7th day of April, A. D. 1942, at the Firemen's Recreation Hall at City Hall, in City of Dimmitt, Texas, for the following purpose, viz: For the purpose of electing a Mayor and two City Commissioners for the City of Dimmitt to serve for the ensuing two years. By order of the City Commission of the City of Dimmitt, Texas, made this the 6th day of March, A. D. 1942. By H. W. GOLDEN, Mayor, (4-4-2) City of Dimmitt, Texas.

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TO: C. W. Osborn, Caleb Shera, John B. Shera, B. R. Finch, Magdelen Musselman and Elizabeth McIlvain and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of each of the said C. W. Osborn, Caleb Shera, John B. Shera, B. R. Finch, Magdelen Musselman

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BILL ROBERSON

and Elizabeth McIlvain—GREETINGS: You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 20th day of April, A. D. 1942, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Castro County, at the Court House in Dimmitt, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 4th day of March, 1942. The file number of said suit being No. 1797. The names of the parties in said suit are: W. S. Butler, as Plaintiff, and C. W. Osborn, Caleb Shera, John B. Shera, B. R. Finch, Magdelen Musselman and Elizabeth McIlvain and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of each of said C. W. Osborn, Caleb Shera, John B. Shera, B. R. Finch, Magdelen Musselman and Elizabeth McIlvain as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Suit in Tresspass to try title, and for damages, and to remove cloud from title to the following described lands under the three, five and ten year Statute of Limitations, the land so claimed in Plaintiff's petition is described as follows:

Being 306 acres of land, of a Survey of 646 acres known as Survey No. 45, Block K-13 situated in CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS, on the waters of the South Fork of Red River about 5 miles South from center of the County, and BEING ALL of said Section No. 45, Block K-13, except the North 300 acres of said Section and Except the N. E. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of said Survey No. 45, Block K-13, and EXCEPT a tract of land out of the S. E. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of said Section heretofore conveyed by Agnes D. Ashburn and husband P. M. Ashburn and Janet F. Tribble, a widow, to the State of Texas, for right of way purposes. PLAINTIFF prays judgment for title and possession of said land, and that the cloud casts upon the title of Plaintiff by the defendants be removed.

Issued this 4th day of March, 1942. Given under my hand and seal of Court, at office in Dimmitt,

Texas, this the 4th day of March, A. D., 1942. JACK GREGORY, Clerk District Court, Castro County, Texas.



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believe it is important how we feel because here in the small communities scattered from Maine to California, facetiously called flag-stops and hick towns, where men, women, and children live close to the trees and to the earth, are the resources which make our nation great, and something more. Here lives the American spirit.

First, we are sick and tired of the word "Defense." We are plain, common-sense folks, despite the fact we are played for suckers in the movies, and our plain common sense tells us no nation ever won a war on the basic pattern of "Defense."

We feel, rightly or wrongly, terrifically let down by the failure of our leadership to give us a battle cry which will strike to the human heart. We want to win this war more than we want to save our material possessions, and it gives us a pain in the neck when Washington yells "Complacency" to us after spending the first three months of the war patting the national psychology along the defense lines of a courageous, but withal, cornered and beleaguered England.

We feel that we are being low-rated, in that the only war cry which has been given to America so far is "Defense." Words are powerful weapons. They are the rails on which thought travels. Thought is the foundation of nations and governments, wars and peace. We believe the word "Defense," implying the thought of protection from assault, is not the sort of word with which to win a war. We feel like shouting at Washington and New York: "By Golly, this is not England. This is Mighty America, still able to make the world shake when she roars to the attack!" This is America, England's only hope—in fact, the only hope of all the common men of all the world—America, whose freedoms and privileges were won by free men with the sword to shire like a bright beacon for 300 years—now put on the defensive by a lot of namby-pamby public relations experts.

Just before embattled Singapore went down, a picture was released and carried in the American press. It was a photograph of a mobile ambulance unit. In letters which foretold grimly the tragedy to come, the ambulance carried the label: PASSIVE DEFENSE

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CORPS. In this little country town of Stuart, just as in every other town and city in the United States, there is a headquarters to direct the energies and efforts of civilians who want to have a hand in helping this country win the war. A sign above the portal of this building reads: MARTIN COUNTY DEFENSE COUNCIL.

Do away with the word "Defense," and give us instead a battle cry that will be worth fighting for. Give us a battle cry that will reach the hearts of all oppressed men in all oppressed lands that they may flock to our standard.

Do some weak souls think the American people are so selfish they will fight only for their material possessions? Do they think we value our houses, our automobiles, our bankrolls and our lives more than we do our love of the principles of human freedom?

How we would chuckle if we read that Hitler and Hirohito had put Germany and Japan on a "defense basis," called their war contributions from the people "defense bonds" and set up "defense councils" throughout the Axis. We would feel they were afraid of us, waiting for us to strike the blow.

There certainly is a place for defense in America, and the defense set-up is good, but not as the major war undertaking for the civilian manpower of the United States. Teach us to defend ourselves, yes, but make that secondary to the prime factor with which all wars are won: Offense. Teach us to attack.

Wars are not "nice." If "nice people" are in charge of the American war effort, toss them out on their ears. We are tired of being fed pap, prune juice and Castoria all done up in fancy packages. We are tired of the banal low-rating which seems to think the only medium America understands is Micky Mouse. We are tired of being taught how to put out incendiary bombs AFTER THE ENEMY STRIKES; how to bandage our wounded AFTER THE ENEMY SHOOTS THEM.

We are tired of all this pap about rationing sugar and rubber. Because we are not dumb. We heard the back of the British Empire crack when Singapore fell. We know it is up to us—Americans, in these thousands of small towns throughout America—to lick Germany and Japan, or be licked, and we've never been whipped yet.

If you want rubber, take the tires off our cars. If you want steel, take the cars and put them under drop hammers and make junk out of them for guns. If you want sugar, take it all—we'll get by on sorghum syrup or better still on nothing at all. If you want wood, take our houses. If you want money, take our bank rolls.

But if you want the American people to snap out of their "complacency," then for the sake of all that's holy, start yelling AT-



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