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COTTON CROP INSURANCE PROGRAM WILL BE DISCUSSED AT DALLAS MEETING ON JUNE 3

For the 1943 cotton crop insurance program will be laid out by the Agricultural leaders in Dallas, June 3.

ceptable to cotton growers. In announcing the meeting, Donald L. Cotheran, state crop insurance supervisor, explained that similar discussions are being held in other major cotton producing states during May and June and will replace a national conference.

M. Conway Carloadings For Week, May 23

Mrs. Conway left Wednesday, where she will attend the birth of her daughter, Miss Mary, June 1 at Baylor.

The Santa Fe System carloadings for the week ending May 23, 1942, were 22,204 compared with 22,156 for the same week in 1941.

ance New daughter

Mrs. Eldon Bishop Howard, Beach, California, announced the birth of a daughter, May 24, weighing seven pounds.

MRS. M. L. CHILDRESS DIES AT FORT WORTH

Mrs. M. L. Childress, of Vernon, and former resident of Floydada, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hallie Polliett, Fort Worth, Monday.

COUNTY SINGING CONVENTION WILL BE HELD AT FLOYDADA

An announcement made by the Five County Singing Convention will convene at Floydada, Sunday afternoon, 7:30 o'clock.

LEFT SATURDAY FOR CALIFORNIA

W. H. Sharp and daughter, LaJanna Jo, left Saturday for Mare Island, California, where Mr. Sharp will be employed in the ship yard.

IS CANDIDATE FOR

present incumbent, the Plainsman to an candidacy for the office of the Peace Precinct No. 1, Texas, subject to the primary.

BUTTER PRODUCTION SLUMPS; ICE CREAM AND CHEESE SHOW INCREASE

While Texas butter production slumps, ice cream and American cheese manufacture is on the boom, according to records compiled by the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.

Ice cream production in the state in April went up 23.1 per cent above April, 1941, and cheese was up 22.5 per cent.

S. Marinos by Wood



Our Great America by Tryon

Advertisement for 'Our Great America' featuring a caveman with a torch, a portrait of Thomas Edison, and a pine cone. Text includes: 'HEAT UNITS IN A WOODEN TORCH SUCH AS GAVE THE CAVEMAN ONLY A DIM AND FLICKERING LIGHT FOR PERHAPS ONE HOUR... ARE SUFFICIENT, IF CONVERTED INTO ELECTRICITY AND USED IN ELECTRIC LAMPS... TO PROVIDE BRILLIANT ILLUMINATION FOR AN ENTIRE EVENING IN EVERY ROOM OF A SIX-ROOM AMERICAN RESIDENCE! THE ELECTRIC LIGHT, INVENTED BY THOMAS A. EDISON, IS JUST ONE OF THOUSANDS OF THINGS WHICH AMERICANS ARE ABLE TO ENJOY - MORE THAN ANY OTHER PEOPLE IN THE WORLD! A SINGLE CONE, DROPPED BY A PINE TREE, MAY CONTAIN SEEDS ENOUGH FOR FIFTY TREES OF THE FUTURE'

FARM CONSTRUCTION WORK IS PERMISSIBLE IF APPROVED BY USDA WAR BOARDS

Construction work on a farm must be essential to the meeting of agricultural production goals on the farm if it is to be approved by USDA war boards, B. F. Vance, chairman of the Texas USDA War Board, has announced.

Fur Bearing Animals Help With War Program

Without furbearing animals operation of the Nation's heavy bombers at extremely high altitudes would be difficult if not impossible, the Executive Secretary of the Game Department of Texas said today in commenting on the vital part wild life, as well as every other natural resource, is and must continue to play in the war for freedom.

Last Rites Held Thursday for W. B. Marrs

Last rites were held at 3 o'clock Thursday, May 21, at the First Methodist Church for W. B. Marrs, of the Starkey community.

Miss Margalene Brendle Becomes Bride of Charles Wright

Miss Margalene Brendle, daughter of Mrs. May Chumbley, of Blossom, and Charles Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Wright, Floydada, were united in marriage Saturday morning at 10:35 at Paris, Texas, by Justice of the Peace of Lamar County.

Santa Fe Agent on Vacation

Virgil Williams, Santa Fe agent, left Friday for a two week's vacation trip. Mr. Williams is being relieved by V. N. Townsen.

Santa Fe Agent on Vacation

Mrs. Sarah K. Duncan went to Lubbock Tuesday where she will visit with her son, Mark Duncan, and daughter, Mrs. Chas. W. Watkins. Mark came for his mother Tuesday.

INTENSIVE CAMPAIGN IS ON IN TEXAS THROUGH HIGHWAY DEPT. TO COLLECT SCRAP IRON

An intensive campaign to collect scrap metal in this area and through out the entire state to get it to steel mills where it is urgently needed now in the manufacture of steel for the nation's war effort is being launched by the Texas Highway Department, it is announced by A. J. Hamilton, local Maintenance Foreman for the Highway Department.

All persons living in unincorporated towns and in rural areas are urged to collect their scrap metal from their properties and deposit it on the right-of-way lines along state highways. Such scrap should not contain car bodies, tin cans, or pieces too heavy to be loaded by hand.

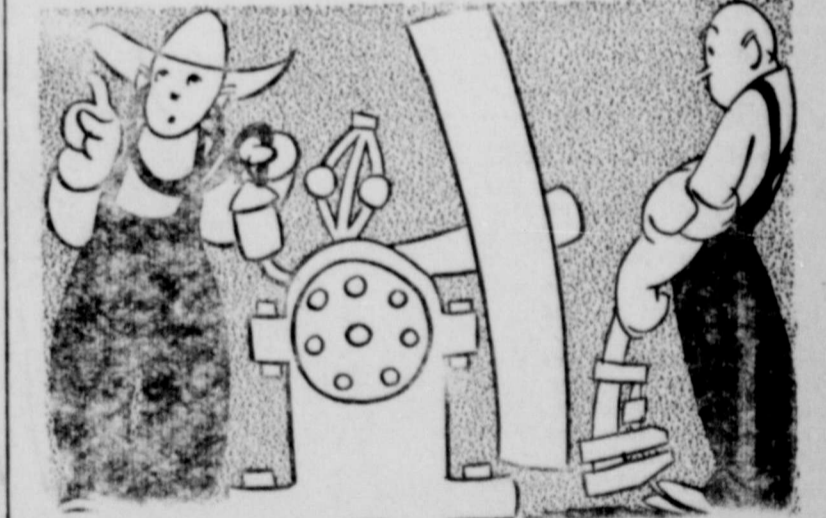
The War Production Board points as essential in the manufacture of out the following scrap equivalent armament: 5 pounds, 4 hand grenades. 420 pounds, 210 rifles (.30 cal.). 850 pounds, 150 light machine guns. 2 tons, 8 anti-tank guns (.37MM).

Thomas L. Mullican, representative of the War Production Board in this state, states that there is a large amount of scrap metals uncollected in this state. A number of the country's steel furnaces recently have had to close down due to the acute shortage of scrap.

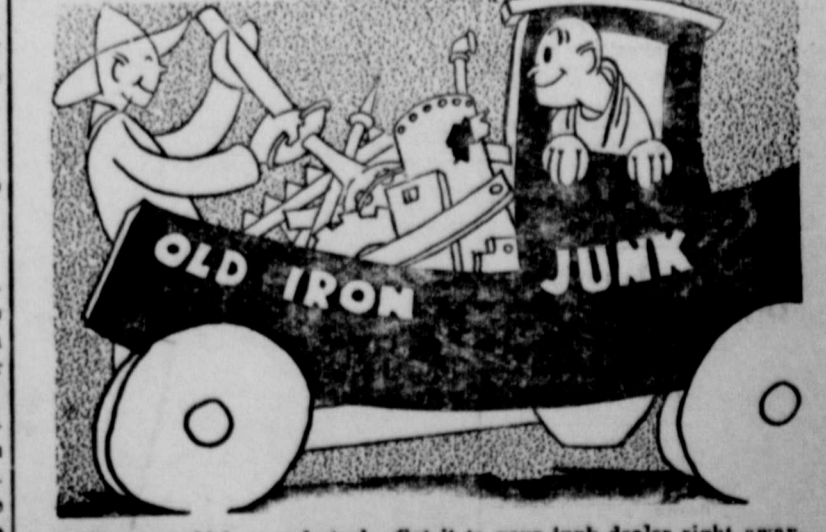
Donald M. Nelson, Chief of the War Production Board, declares that the winning or losing of the war may depend on our ability to collect and move the scrap metal to the mills. It is expected that the campaign in this state will result in a large collection of the urgently needed scrap, which otherwise can not be readily obtained from outlying communities, farms, ranches and other properties.

The San Jacinto battlefield monument, commemorating the victory of the Texans under Sam Houston over the Mexican army under Santa Anna rises 567 feet from grade to top. It is located on the San Jacinto Battlefield beside the ship channel below Houston.

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## Hunger Pangs Plaguing Reich

Shortage of Food and Fast Fading Buying Power of Money Reported.

WASHINGTON.—The German people are feeling their first serious pangs of hunger. Their money is fast losing its purchasing power. They travel only if they must—and can. All of their sports events have been canceled. They can't get an aching tooth fixed without a long wait, if at all.

Those are the highlights of a sketch of life in Germany today, drawn from a European vantage point for the United Press by a responsible and competent source in a position to do the job with a high degree of accuracy.

This is the situation as Adolf Hitler girds his armies for the vaunted spring offensive. Unless it brings some substantial victories, the source believes, the Nazis are likely to be confronted with an openly disgruntled home front.

But with the third spring of war just around the corner, the German confidence in victory—sooner or later—showed signs of thawing out after a winter of refrigeration by the Russian frost.

### Straw in the Wind.

A straw in the bitter wind lashing the Russian plains and steppes landed in the columns of Die Deutsche Post, the official publication of the Reich postoffice ministry. It used to publish weekly a list of postmen fallen on the battlefield. Lately it announced that, owing to lack of space, the names of only 100 fallen postmen would be printed weekly henceforth.

Germany's massive stores of edibles plundered from occupied territory are dwindling. Unless one knows the answer it's hard to understand the scramble for trips to mountain resorts, in view of the hardships involved in travel. Few trains run regularly, and they are overcrowded.

But tiny resort hamlets which in normal times would draw perhaps 50 visitors have had 1,000 and more this season. Such places still occasionally offer pig knuckles or a slice of roast ham.

A great deal of bartering is going on in Germany, according to the account forwarded to the United Press. The people are ready to trade any imaginable article, but they won't sell it, since their marks won't buy much.

Many shopkeepers inform their customers that they can't sell any goods because of a shortage in stocks and an avalanche of orders.

### Sports Are No More.

Sports are no more. Even the widely popular soccer matches were canceled six weeks ago. The general cancellation affects northern Germany, Bavaria, the Rhineland, Baden and Alsace-Lorraine.

Traveling in occupied France is virtually impossible.

The cafes, movies and theaters are jammed, as they are the only comfortable places existing in Berlin and other principal cities.

Bootlegging in Berlin flourishes, in a manner reminiscent of prohibition days in the United States, party bigwigs and the wealthy can get a bottle of Scotch for 200 marks.

The traditional German beer is almost undrinkable, as the alcoholic content has been lowered twice.

All over Germany the shortage of dentists is remarked. Patients consult the few remaining ones only in the most extreme cases, and then they have to wait their turn.

The same is true of physicians and medical experts in general.

## Village Blacksmith Was

No. 1 Citizen in 1653

LANCASTER, MASS.—When this village was incorporated in 1653, citizens wanted to name it after a popular local blacksmith.

In answering the permission petition the state legislature decided:

"Whereas no town of the Colonies has as yet been named for any governor; and, whereas it were unseemly that a blacksmith be honored ahead of his betters, the name Prescott cannot be permitted."

Irate villagers evaded the issue by naming their community in honor of Lancaster, England.

## British Army Cooks Now

Burn Clay With Coal

LONDON.—Army cooks of the southeastern command in Britain are required to burn "cakes" as part of the drive against waste, it is reported in London.

The ingredients are three parts coal to one of clay, moulded into cakes and baked in an oven. Thrown on the fire the cakes burn almost as well as ordinary coal.

## Rich Celestite Deposit

Is Discovered in Texas

SWEETWATER, TEXAS.—Mineral-rich west Texas is offering another raw material for national defense—celestite.

Celestite, also known as strontium, is used for flares. Formerly used in fireworks, the mineral burns with a brilliant red flame.

A survey made by the University of Texas reveals that a deposit of celestite runs east and west through Nolan county.



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STYLE SHOPPE



By L. L. STEVENSON

**Evidence:** A stubby, stolid-faced Oriental sitting alone in a downtown-bound Broadway street car, caused considerable speculation among other passengers because of inability to determine whether he was a Chinese or a Jap. A little girl, who with a man, evidently her father, sitting a little farther back, was not at all interested in knowing whether he was friend or enemy since her attention was centered on a brightly colored toy balloon which she allowed to fly here and there. Several times, her father, speaking in a low voice, warned her that she might be annoying those about her, but the child continued her play, with a loud pop. The Oriental not only all but jumped out of his seat but glared at fellow passengers who laughed. And so there was a general opinion that he wasn't Chinese.

**Doing His Bit:** Michael Calabrese is a taxicab driver. His earnings average \$25 a week with which he supports not only himself and his wife Tessie but also his two sons, Peter, nine years old, and Joseph, two. Six months ago, a passenger gave him a \$5 bill in mistake for a one. When Calabrese discovered the error, he couldn't find the passenger so he turned \$4 over to the police. No claimants having appeared in the time set by law, he went to headquarters and was given the money. He didn't take it home, however. A young woman was collecting for the Red Cross and with hesitation, Calabrese thrust the \$4 into the box. He admitted to police officers he could have used the money, but to give it to the Red Cross seemed "the right thing to do."

**Repartee:** Another Broadway trolley incident concerns a very fussy woman in a hurry to get to her destination. The car, proceeding along in the morning downtown rush, seemed to make just about the average speed which isn't fast or steady, but taking everything into consideration, is about the best that can be accomplished. The woman, instead of sitting quietly, kept picking at the motorman and finally, just before getting off at Fifty-ninth street to take a crosstown car, accused him of deliberately making her late to work.

"I'm sorry, madam," returned the man at the control, "I can't do anything about it today, but if you come back tomorrow morning, I'll put wings on the car."

**Different:** New York's first "black-out marriage" took place in the Venetian lounge of the Hotel Forrest. Blackout curtains were installed and all lights were dimmed while air raid sirens were simulated by turning the radio on full blast. It seems that the novel ceremony was merely a whim of the bride, and the Hotel Forrest had been selected because she lives in Forest Hills. But there were no further revelations to identify of bride, bridegroom and wedding guests so possibly it wasn't merely a publicity stunt.

**Faith Restored:** Lotte Lehmann, soprano, was selling defense stamps in one of New York's large department stores recently and in the crowd was a small, meek-looking woman who waited her turn to make a purchase very impatiently. When she reached the table, her face flushed with excitement and she burst out, "Oh, Madame Lehmann, I'm so glad I heard your last concert—it was such a worth-while experience." She paused a moment, then went on, "You know, I was beginning to get worried about you. Your concerts before were such disappointments—but your last one restored my faith in you." And that is Madame Lehmann's current favorite story about herself.

**Canned:** Police of Manhasset, L. I. rushed to a house in which neighbors the other afternoon heard sounds of a gun fight and struggle. The officers sired their way to the front door, forced their way in and, to their amazement, found, instead of a raging battle, merely a peaceful family scene. It seems that Jay Jostyn and his wife had been listening to a recording of the radio program in which Jostyn plays the little role and the neighbors had mistaken the canned revolver fire for the real thing.

## Hitching Post Permit Sought by Merchant

ST. LOUIS.—Business has increased at Walter Newell's cowboy store to such an extent he has applied for a city permit to erect a 20-foot hitching post out front for "horseback riding" customers. Newell specializes in "dude ranch" equipment for city dwelling cowboys.

## PLAINVIEW SCHOOL TO OPEN

Plainview, May 22.—Possible United States attacks will be trained by June 1 at an Army Air primary training school.

The Government has contracted to Clint Breeders to back to maintain and fund used at the school, the course set up for a 90-day period.

The school will offer a course in special phases of using light planes. The course is in charge of from three regular army officers who are expected here next week. Five to six civil service employees will be used and from 25 to 30 pilots.

Students will be enlisted who have had some primary training. They will be given 30 flight and 60 hours of ground school. Men and officers will be quartered at the Hilton Hotel. Army and transport trucks will be personnel back and forth to the air field. The municipal airport will be the main base of operations. The planes to be kept there and other fields have been contacted.

The school is one of two to be established in the United States by June 1, other Texas schools are in Spring. The Plainview school is the third largest of the 19.

Capt. G. A. Gilbert of the Coast Air Forces Training Center has been sent to Plainview, Albuquerque, N. M., to inspect planes which will be used in training course. He will be here until officers arrive.

While it is expected that the school here will tie in with the Air Forces plans to train pilots, light planes instead of jets are to be used here.

## Possom Kingdom Lake Will Open June First

The folks down in Possum Kingdom Lake will open pretty hard to settle down in days, so goes the rumors in that way.

For the fishin' season on Possum Kingdom Lake opens June 1st, and the lake is reported competent biologists to be of the best bass fishing "pools" the entire Nation.

They say this because of the nature of the lake, and because the beginning it has been well managed and stocked under the supervision of the Chief Aquatologist of the Game Department, his staff. Proper stocking of water is vital. Some lakes woefully overstocked; others get enough fish. The Department biologists studied the water quality and attempted a scientific stocking at Possum Kingdom. The nature of the lake is equally important. It is a winding lake with long shore line abundant with aquatic vegetation that provides adequate food. The winding shore also provides more than spawning grounds.

A special license costing \$1.00 required of all persons over 16 fish in Possum Kingdom Lake. In addition, all persons, regardless how old they are, who use licenses must purchase a \$1.10 lure license.

Special regulations govern fishing in this lake. They are posted around the lake, or may be obtained from Game Warden sporting goods stores.

A further precaution: No fishing will be permitted within one-half mile of the dam in the lake.

## REGISTRATION FOR YOUTH CALLED FOR JUNE 30

On May 22 President Roosevelt summoned about 3,000,000 of America's young men to register on June 30 and complete the survey of power available for fighting or for the weapons for combat.

The final batch of registration under the Selective Service Act will be youths of 18 and 19, plus those who have become 20 years old on the first of the year.

Four previous registrations have care of men 20 through 64 years of age—nearly 40,000,000 of them.

Those 18 and 19 years old will be drafted for military service under existing law, but some of them might be mobilized along with men for service in war plants. The bureau of research and statistics of the Federal Security Agency estimated that as of April 1 there were 2,483,000 men in that age group while probably 600,000 who turned 20 also will register on June 30.

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Political Column

Those whose names appear below have authorized the Floyd County Plainsman to announce their candidacy for nomination for the office under which their name appears, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary Election of July 25th, 1942:

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FOR COUNTY JUDGE: G. C. Tubbs B. E. (Bass) Cypert Morgan Wright

FOR COUNTY CLERK: Douglas Hollums H. F. (Blondie) Finley

ASSESSOR AND COLLECTOR OF TAXES: Geo. B. Marshall

FOR COUNTY TREASURER: Mrs. O. M. Conway

FOR SHERIFF OF FLOYD CO.: H. L. (Lee) Howard Fred N. Clark J. N. Kedd

FOR DISTRICT CLERK: Mrs. P. G. Stegall

COMMISSIONER PRECINCT No. 4 H. J. (Hugh) Nelson C. M. Lykes Grover Smith

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GLIDER SCHOOL TAKES SHAPE AT ENGLISH FIELD IN AMARILLO

By Raymond Holbrook (News Staff Writer.)

Amarillo's newest defense project, a temporary Army Air Corps advanced glider school is rapidly taking form at English Field and in only a little more than a month will be training pilots for Uncle Sam's motorless aircraft.

Already a tent city has been erected at the field. Rows upon rows of tents, with concrete floors and plumbing facilities, have been set up to house the men and construction has started on a frame kitchen and mess hall. Existing buildings on the field have been utilized for office quarters.

OPENS JULY 1

Commanding officer of the new field is Lt. Col. E. H. Underhill of the Army Air Corps who comes to Amarillo from Brooks Field. Lt. Col. J. F. Thompson, who will be director of training, is expected to arrive here this week-end.

The glider school, which will start its training program about the first of July, is a temporary one and will be in operation only until the permanent school at Dalhart is completed. Although no definite date for the opening of the Dalhart school has been set, it is expected to be completed about October 1.

An advanced school, the Amarillo training center will complete the instruction of men who have had the army's basic course in motorless flight. When in operation, approximately 60 men will be given instruction here, Col. Underhill stated.

TENT CITY SPEEDED

In addition to the advanced trainer gliders, the school will have planes for towing the motorless craft aloft. Power winches will also be used to launch the gliders, Col. Underhill said.

The tent city is now nearly complete although a few more tents are to be erected. The enlisted personnel of the school, which now numbers 53 men, have been temporarily quartered in a hangar.

The very winds that should make the Plains an excellent glider training area necessitated the construction of the mess-hall. The wind proved a little too much for the outdoor cooking equipment of the school and the hall, which is now being built, will provide the necessary protection.

In addition to Col. Underhill, a number of officers are already at the training base.

THREE OFFICERS ON DUTY

Major E. K. Ellis is the executive officer of the school and Major G. M. White is commanding the squadron school. Capt. D. R. Johnston, who has been at the Vernon air school, is the adjutant and public relations officer and Capt. C. H. Huffman is the quartermaster. Lt. J. B. Kittrell is the medical officer.

Three pilot officers who will serve as glider instructors are already at the field and during the construction period have special assignments. These officers and their present posts are Lt. E. H. Gravenhorst, provost marshal; Lt. L. D. Rice, mess officer; and Lt. J. J. Brown, special service officer.

FEDERAL COTTON MAY BE TAKEN OFF MARKET

Washington—Government stocks of raw cotton soon will have to be withdrawn from the market unless there is a change in the 1938 Agriculture Adjustment Act, agriculture department officials disclosed this week.

The government owns about 3,700,000 bales which were acquired under grower loan programs. An additional 1,185,000 bales are stored under loans.

The government has been selling from its own stocks. However, the 1938 farm act limits such sales to 1,500,000 bales during a calendar year. Sales made so far this year total 1,322,364 bales, leaving only 177,636 bales to be sold during the remainder of 1942.

Sales, which have been averaging about 260,000 bales a month, amounted to 195,105 bales in May. Reflecting the demand for such cotton, the department received bids for 588,050 bales during May.

Officials have not indicated whether the government may seek a change in the law to permit the sale of more cotton. They recalled, however, that President Roosevelt has interpreted the law as giving the government authority to release its stocks to the army and navy. Under this interpretation textile mills filling military orders could, it was said, receive government raw cotton in payment.

Since 1834, members of the Pilgrim Predestinarian Regular Baptist Church have held continuous worship on the site of their present church building one mile west of Elkhart, Texas.

GOVERNMENT TO TRY EAST COAST BARGES TO DELIVER PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

Washington—There were indications that the government would attempt large scale movement of oil and gasoline to the east coast by barges operating on the inland waterway.

A spokesman for the maritime commission said invitations to bid on construction of a number of shallow draft wooden barges had been distributed. The exact number was not disclosed, but that it was large was indicated by the fact that invitations were sent to some 700 firms.

Simultaneously, it was announced that the coast guard had amended its regulations to permit transport of inflammable cargo in barges constructed of materials other than iron and steel.

However, officials have emphasized repeatedly that increased barge movement alone would not go very far toward meeting the eastern petroleum shortage.

Secretary Ickes, the petroleum coordinator, has said the only solution he could see was construction of a pipeline from Southwest producing fields. President Roosevelt disclosed recently that he had this question under study, and congressional leaders said after a call at the White House that the studies were progressing.

It was announced that fall shipments of petroleum to the east were continuing to rise. Ickes said the railroads delivered a record average of 684,482 barrels daily in the week ending May 16.

With the war production board considering nationwide gasoline rationing as a move to conserve rubber, Senator Lee, Oklahoma Democrat, urged that before any such action was taken President Roosevelt call a conference of the governors of all oil-producing states and of oil company representatives.

Lee also told the chief executive in a telegram that the situation should be "fully explained to our people," adding:

"Then if gasoline rationing will contribute rubber to the war effort and a reasonable explanation is given our people, they themselves will enforce it."

TEXAS SHIPS 1,301 CARLOADS OF EGGS IN APRIL SURVEY INDICATES

Texas chicken farms are still boosting production to meet the increasing demand for eggs, as 1,301 carloads were shipped to market in April, almost three times the shipments of a year ago, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reports.

Of the total April shipments, 447 cars were intrastate movements, while 854 cars went to other states. The out-of-state shipments went in greatest numbers to the Eastern states of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut, which received 395 carloads—almost half of the total inter-state shipments.

Contrasted with the increasing shipment of eggs was the sharp decline in poultry shipments. The number of carloads of dressed chickens fell from 43 a year ago to 11.5, and of dressed turkeys from 10 in April, 1941, to 3.5.

HOUSTON PASTOR IS NAMED HEAD OF BAPTIST SEMINARY

Houston—Dr. E. D. Head, pastor of the First Baptist Church since 1932, has announced to his congregation that he is accepting the presidency of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth.

From the pulpit he offered his resignation as pastor of the church, effective July 1, and said he would preach for the last time as pastor on the last Sunday in June.

NO LETUP ON JULY 4th NOISE

America now may celebrate July 4 in the traditional fashion—with fire crackers, rockets, Roman candles and other fireworks.

The Bureau of Mines has amended regulations of the federal wartime explosives act to permit manufacture and sale of these pyrotechnics, of limited size and variety, for public use in patriotic and similar observances.

Director R. R. Sayers said the principal reason for the relaxation of the order was to permit disposal of stocks of fireworks already on hand.

91 members of the University of Texas Naval R. O. T. C. unit will take a summer cruise June 8-26, going out each day from a station at the Naval Air Base at Corpus Christi.

Credit courses in physical training for women will be offered at the University of Texas this summer for the first time in history, as part of the University's war-time speed-up program, Miss Anna Hiss, department chairman, has announced.

In contrast to a normal drop of 1.5 per cent, sales of 83 Texas department stores during April surpassed those of March by 8.8 per cent the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reports.

Although Texas showed a larger percentage of gain in population from 1930 to 1940 (10.1%) than the United States as a whole, the gain was smaller than any in Texas history.



From where I sit...

by Joe Marsh

Every Friday night a bunch of us fellows get together over at Bill Webster's place. We wouldn't miss those weekly get-togethers for anything.

There are seven in the group—Bill Webster, Judge Cunningham, Pete Swanson, Old Doc McGinnis the dentist, and young Doc Mitchell the M.D., the government man Bob Newcomb, and myself.

We don't play cards. We don't sing or carry on.

We just sit quietly and talk—and drink a glass or two of beer.

I guess we discuss just about everything under the sun—politics, business, family affairs, music, farming, hunting, fishing, and what not.

But mostly we like to chew the fat about life's experience and a man's philosophy in these times.

To sort of help out the conversation, we've found mellow beer particularly relaxing. Every one of us likes the tangy taste of beer... and now and then Judge Cunningham insists on ale for everybody.

You mightn't think that just settin' and talkin' would be so much fun. But it is. Particularly when a man begins to get around to the age of reason. Like us.

And it's wonderful how a few glasses of good beer help bring out good talk and good sense when men get together. There's something peaceful and friendly and human about beer that brings out the best in a man.

They call beer the "beverage of moderation." That "moderation" idea is good philosophy... maybe that's why good beer and good fellowship go together so well.

Seems to me there ought to be more of this quiet talk over a glass of beer. It sure straightens out a man in his thinking.

Anyhow, men ought to get together and be friends. That's the way we were made. Why not try it more often—all of you?

Joe Marsh



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### Small Raft With 3 Fight Sharks and Storm; Beat Sea

Tell Greatest Tale of Men Against Sea That Has Come Out of War.

PEARL HARBOR.—Three sunburned sailors of Uncle Sam's Pacific fleet sat in an officers' lounge here and casually told the greatest story of men against the sea that has come out of this war.

These three men, armed at the last only with a pocket knife and provisioned with ingenuity alone, sailed 1,000 miles in a rubber life raft, 8 by 4 feet over all.

They lived for 34 days on two birds and a couple of fish they were able to catch, and drank rain water wrung from rags.

They drove off leopard sharks with their bare fists and went through one of the worst hurricanes the South Pacific has ever seen without even a stitch of clothing for protection, having lost them when the raft upset while they were bailing with them during the storm.

Finally they made land on a tiny island, and struggled to march erect so that if the Japs were on the island, they would not have to crawl to the enemy but would be shot down honorably like better warriors.

**On Scouting Mission.**  
Spokesman for the trio was Aviation Chief Machinist's Mate Harold F. Dixon, 41 years old, of La Mesa, Calif. He was their captain on the long, hungry voyage. With him were Anthony J. Pastula, 24, aviation ordnance second class, of Youngstown, Ohio, and Gene D. Aldrich, 22, radio man third class, of Sikeston, Mo.

The three were on a 500-mile scouting mission January 18 in a bomber plane from a ship in the American naval force in the southwest Pacific. They flew the lonely wastes of their ocean patrol for several hours, then headed for home. But home was not there. In clouds and rain squalls, they had lost their mother ship.

Dixon set the plane down upon the water, but it sank quickly, the trio being unable to salvage any stores and barely being able to float the raft itself.

Then began the 34 days of men against the sea. Dixon recalled that one night Aldrich put his hand in the water. A shark grazed his teeth across four fingers of Aldrich's left hand, badly tearing the nail of his index finger.

**Stabs Small Fish.**  
With a length of half-inch Manila line, and a jacket, Dixon rigged a sea anchor which he said gave the crew excellent control of their craft. For water, the men used their underclothing as sponges to soak up rain. Aldrich, who had a pocket knife, one day stabbed a small fish, and the trio ate the liver, all the "innards" and some of the flesh.

One night an albatross landed on the stern of the raft and Aldrich shot it with a revolver they had managed to save.

One morning Aldrich stabbed a shark, the revolver having corroded into uselessness.

Dixon had read that shark livers store up vitamins, so they ate the liver with relish. "It was very tasty," Dixon said. In the shark's stomach were two sardines, which Dixon remarked must have been partly digested because they tasted as if they had been cooked. One day a tern-like bird lighted on the raft, was caught and devoured on the spot.

After finally reaching the island, the emaciated trio was cared for by natives until rescued by an American naval ship.

"How do you find the food in Honolulu?" Dixon was asked at conclusion of his tale.

"Pretty regularly," he replied.

### Flying Doctor Can Land A 'Hospital' by 'Chute

SPOKANE.—A flying physician, ready to land or parachute to the scene of an airplane crash with folding operating table and surgical instruments, is a member of the Civil Air patrol in Spokane.

F. R. Schiller, C.A.P. transportation officer, said that two expert parachute men who learned their work fighting forest fires from the air in the Rockies are working with the doctor, who asked that his name be withheld.

### Dairying Proves Best Product for Farmers

WASHINGTON.—Milk, cream and butter brought more money to American farmers than any other products in 1941. According to the department of agriculture, dairy products made up 17 per cent of the cash farm income from the sale of all crops and livestock combined.

### Ash Hauler Lucky; Truck Takes Fire Near Station

COLORADO SPRINGS.—The fire department here claims it has made the shortest run on record. An ash hauler's truck, belching smoke and eddie from stem to stern, rolled up to the back door of the fire station. A driver rushed inside to summon the firemen to the rescue. They drove the big pumper half around the building, attached a hose at a nearby plug and soon had the flames extinguished.

### The Anti-Inflation Battle Front Is Forming

College Station, May 28.—The government's new program to keep the cost of living from spiraling upward ranks with mobilization of man power and physical resources and the current transportation bottleneck as one of the three current major programs to win the war according to Director H. H. Williamson of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service.

He announced that the Texas Extension Service is giving leadership to the general educational work to acquaint rural people with the General Maximum Price Regulation, especially as it will affect farm and ranch families. The Office of Price Administration will administer the order and State and County USDA War Boards will cooperate.

"No Texas farmer or farm woman can be left in the dark about the necessity of our fighting the battle of inflation and how we can win it," he said. The information will be sent to every farm and ranch family in the state by means of the new human chain which County Agricultural Victory Councils and the Extension Service have set up in every county. Thousands of community and neighborhood leaders designated in the past three weeks will help spread the facts about the inflation menace.

This new educational job is right in line with extension's streamlined war-time job, the Victory Demonstration, Director Williamson pointed out. One objective of the Victory program is to assist in winning the war by helping farm and ranch families "understand the 'why' and 'how' of adjustments rural people must make to the war-time situation."

Field workers of the various agricultural agencies will hear details of the program at some one-day conferences scheduled in Dallas, June 1; Houston, June 2; San Antonio, June 3; and Big Spring, June 5.

The Texas Rangers today comprise one division of the State Department of Public Safety. They are charged with the enforcement of laws governing major crimes, riots and insurrections.

### \$3,500 In Prizes to Be Given at Stamford

Stamford, May 28.—Approximately \$3,500 will be given in cash prizes and premiums in the various events in the thirteenth Annual Texas Cowboy Reunion to be held here July 2, 3, and 4. Entrants in the rodeo events last year totaled almost 200 cowhands.

The Quarter-Horse show, which is the official show of the American Quarter-Horse Association, and which is the official show of the American Quarter-Horse Association, and which has proved very popular the past two years will again be held. Prize money totaling around \$600 will be awarded in this exhibit.

In addition to daily cash prizes, special premiums will be given the champions in the bronc riding, calf-roping, and cow-milking contests. A valuable premium will also be presented the winning cowgirl sponsor, the winner in the cutting horse show, and the champion steer-rider.

Best entries in the grand parade and winners in the old fiddler's contest will also be included in the cash prize list.

Tentative plans are being made to enter the cutting horse show as part of the regular rodeo events of each afternoon and night performance, with finals to be held at one of the shows on July Fourth. This unique feature of the Texas Cowboy Reunion is judged on the ability of the horse and the performance and ability of the rider.

Three performances will be held daily in the arena, a matinee at 8 o'clock each morning and the regular shows at 2 p. m. and 8 p. m.

The program, in addition to rodeo contests, will include trick and fancy riding and roping and the rodeo clown who is always popular with the crowds.

The Cenotaph, a monument honoring the heroes of the Alamo, was erected in 1936 in San Antonio at a cost of \$100,000.

The Alamo, "Cradle of Texas Liberty," and other old mission structures at San Antonio are among the most historically interesting buildings in the United States.

### Men 20 to 45 May Enlist in Air Corps

Good news came this morning for men who have reached their 20th and not their 45th birthday and who desire assignment to the Air Corps. This Corps Area will be making weekly shipments of considerable size of enlisted men to the Air Corps Replacement Center, Sheppard Field, Texas, during the next six weeks.

All men enlisting for army of the United States, Unassigned, and making a score of 100 or more on the Army General Classification Test, have an excellent chance of obtaining such assignment after being processed at a reception center.

Men 18 and 18 years of age may now select and enlist directly in the arm or branch of service of their own choosing.

Application may be made for attendance at Officers' Candidates Schools after three months service and the minimum age limit for Commissioned Officers is now eighteen years.


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