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**Oil's Opportunities**

According to E. DeGolyer, internationally known petroleum geologist and engineer, opportunity exists for American individuals and small companies to engage in oil exploration and production in foreign countries.

"The oil industry has been a rapidly expanding one," he says. "It now appears that the domestic industry, in the old pattern at least, is in a period of lessening opportunity. There is opportunity ahead, however, if you are trained and prepared to take it."

There are numerous differences between oil field operations in foreign countries and in the United States.

"Consider the stability of government, economic conditions, legal concepts in foreign countries, and reckon with increasing tendencies toward nationalization. Consider alliances, foreign alignments and outside pressure. Most of all, consider the people of the country. If you do not like them and cannot get along with their institutions, you had better stay out of the country."

**The Cost Of Tools**

A large oil company announced recently that it requires \$25,000 in fixed assets and \$5,000 in cash to provide a job for each worker in its employ. In other words, the owners of the company lend to the workers "tools" worth that amount in order that the worker may have a job.

This is a phase of elementary economics often overlooked these days and one worth repetition. It embraces all business, from the one-man store to the largest corporation.

In a one-man business, the worker supplies his own capital—that is, his own tools. If that business prospers, the owner supplies capital—tools—for others. If it becomes a large business, the owner sells stock in it to other people who have money to invest, thereby providing jobs for more and more people who do not have money to provide tools for themselves.

If the 16,000-odd workers in the oil company discussed had \$30,000 apiece—plus the technical and business know-how—they could form their own oil company and provide jobs for themselves. Lacking that, they must use other people's tools, for which the owners of the tools are entitled to a profit. Without a profit, there is no incentive for them to invest their funds.

American industry today is owned by practically all of us. Just about every adult American, through direct investment, ownership of insurance, or retirement funds, is an investor in American enterprise. Thus when American industry is hamstrung, all of us are damaged and damaged in the pocketbook.

A worker without tools can't accomplish much. It behooves us all to keep this nation's tools in working order.



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**REGIONAL ROUNDUP**

BY JAMES CARLL

**PECOS**—County Judge W. E. Bell of Reeves County has recommended to the Commissioner's Court that a bronze war memorial tablet be placed on the front of the Reeves County Court House inscribed with the names of all men from Reeves County who were casualties of World War II during the official period of hostilities, from Dec. 7, 1941, to Aug. 14, 1945.

**FT. STOCKTON** — A special group, "The Wranglers," has been formed within the Fort Stockton Chamber of Commerce to provide a membership group and an organized committee to form an official welcoming and booster group for the city. The organization will dress in western regalia for all special occasions and will for the nucleus of booster groups and good will trips as well as work actively on membership throughout the year.

**WINK**—Sixteen FHA houses, with prices ranging from \$6,030 to \$6,450, which are now being built in southeast Wink, are now available for purchase, according to the building corporation. All World War II veterans will be given preference in the sale of these houses which may be financed under the FHA plan of long time period with a very small cash down payment.

**ALPINE**—Work was begun last week on a playground for old and young, a program being sponsored by the Alpine Lions Club, just east of the golf course in the north edge of Alpine. The Lions Club committee expects to have the project, which is being developed on a seven acre tract owned by the city, ready for use this summer. The Lions Club has funds available for all the improvements planned at the park with the exception of the playground equipment, with approximately \$200 remaining to apply on this project. No donations will be asked by the club, but it is hoped that sufficient funds can be raised through a minstrel show later on to complete the entire project.

**MIDLAND**—Taylor Cole, president of the International Jaycees, was welcomed back to Midland Sunday night at an informal dinner held in his honor at the Scharbauer Hotel.

Junior Chamber of Commerce and Senior Chamber of Commerce officials and representatives attended. With Cole as the honored guests at the dinner were: A. E. (Red) Tarrant of New Zealand, International Vice President; Ed Cunningham, editor of Pic Magazine; Roland Harvey of Pasadena, Calif.; and Cliff Cooper, a national director of the Jaycees, Pasadena.

**MARFA**—Dr. R. A. Clifton, a former minister in McKinney, has been named as director to supervise development work at Paisano Baptist Assembly's "Paisano Encampment." Dr. Clifton will make his home either in Marfa or at Paisano. Money that will be used in this project is the \$50,000 made available this month by the state board of the Baptist Convention of Texas.

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

**Q**—Am I eligible to receive a pension or compensation if I signed a statement at the time of my discharge saying that my disability existed prior to my enlistment?

**A**—Under the Servicemen's Re-adjustment Act (G. I. Bill) any statement of this nature which you have made at the time of discharge is considered null and void.

**Q**—If I am eligible for three years of schooling under the G. I. Bill, does that mean three school years or three calendar years?

**A**—If you are entitled to three years of education or training under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act (G. I. Bill) you are eligible to three calendar years (36 months) of education or training. This may be used up in four ordinary school years of nine months each.

**Q**—Am I entitled for education or training if I was in the army less than 90 days during World War II and was discharged for a service-connected injury?

**A**—Yes.  
**Q**—May a veteran of World War II who is receiving retirement pay pursue a course of training or education and receive subsistence allowance?

**A**—Yes, if he is otherwise eligible.

**Q**—Does VA have to approve my course of education under the G. I. Bill?

**A**—No. An eligible veteran may elect his course and choose any state-approved educational institution in which he is able to enroll.

**The Treatment of Childhood Diseases**

AUSTIN, Tex., March 7, 1947.—With the incidence of chickenpox more than 50 per cent higher than records indicate for a seven year median, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, issued a statement today declaring, "It is a great mistake to treat even the light cases of childhood diseases such as chickenpox, measles, mumps, scarlet fever or whooping cough as though they did not amount to much. That sort of treatment makes it possible for these diseases to spread and cause serious outbreaks among children and their resulting impaired resistance makes them easy victims to other forms of infection."

"Some of the most serious outbreaks of chickenpox which we have had, have been traced to mild cases—that is, to cases too light for the doctor to be called. In some instances the children have continued to go to school and to associate and play with other children. In others, after they have been kept at home for a few days, they have returned to school and have scattered the germs around among their school-mates. Eventually a group of cases—sometimes very serious ones—have developed from the carelessly-handled mild case. The result was another epidemic that could have been prevented."

The State Health Officer said that the family doctor is the best judge of the seriousness of such childhood diseases, and suffering and anxiety will be avoided if the child is put to bed and a doctor's advice sought and followed.

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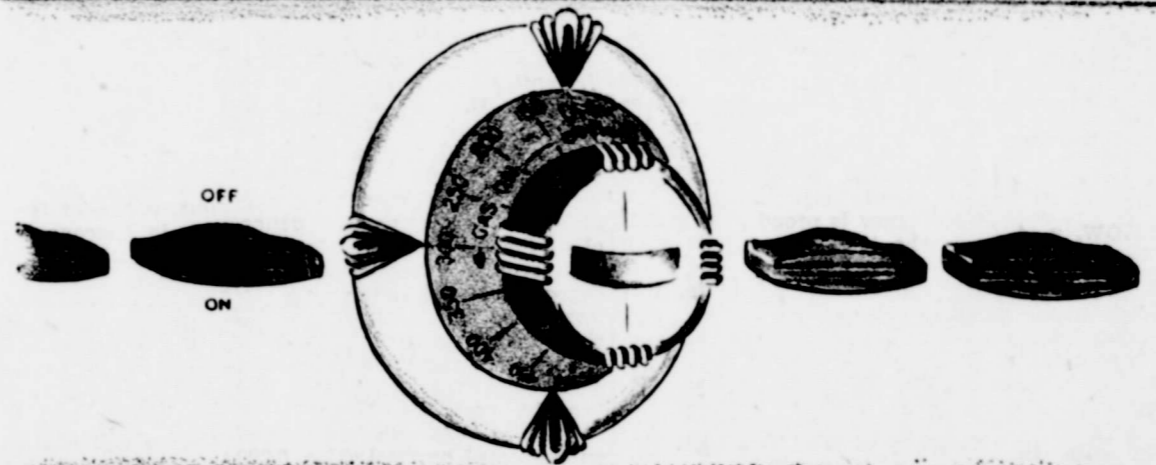
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### Dallas and Fort Worth War Assets Regional Offices Are Merged

As of the close of business on Feb. 28, the Dallas and Fort Worth regional offices of WAA were officially merged. The new regional office, with administration over territories formerly administered by the two regional offices separately, will be known as the Grand Prairie Regional Office of the WAA, with offices in the "B" plant of the North American Aviation plant, Grand Prairie, Texas.

The mailing address will be Grand Prairie Regional Office, P. O. Box 6030, Dallas 2, Texas. All inquiries regarding surplus property will henceforth be directed to the new regional office at the above address.

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rected to the new regional office at the above address.

More than 600,000 surplus all-wool Navy dress and undress jumpers will be offered for sale on a competitive bid basis, WAA has announced. Bids will be accepted by the two regions in which the jumpers are located until 5 p. m., March 19. Most of the dress jumpers are located in the naval supply depot at Clearfield, Utah. The remainder are in the naval clothing depot, Brooklyn, N. Y.

All jumpers are packaged 14 to 18 of one size in cardboard boxes. The garments are suitable for use by manufacturers of clothing, particularly children's clothing.

All inquiries should be addressed to the Customer's Service division, WAA, P. O. Box 6030, Dallas, Texas.

WAA announced today that approximately 13,000 unused surplus hospital and laboratory type sterilizers that originally cost the government \$2,800,000, will be offered in a competitive bid sale from March 10 to April 7. Included in the offering are many types of items, ranging from instrument sterilizers to large hospital type batteries that combine autoclaves, instrument sterilizers, utensil sterilizers and water sterilizers.

Priority buyers, hospitals, universities, colleges, hospital and laboratory equipment manufacturers and distributors and exporters should make inquiries of the Customer's Service division, WAA, P. O. Box 6030, Dallas.

A sweeping three-fold plan to liquidate all remaining salable aircraft has been announced by WAA. The salable planes—comprising types which can be converted for use in civil aviation—still remaining in surplus stocks number about 3,000. All of them will be offered by WAA in three distinct but concurrent sales during March.

WAA is offering to all priority claimants concurrently electric motors and starters, nails, plywood, hand tools, electric chain hoist, compressors, paint pressure units, blowers and air conditioning equipment in a site sale to be conducted at the Bluebonnet Ordnance Works near McGregor, Texas, 20 miles southwest of Waco.

### President Truman Sponsoring Effort To Cope With Fire Menace

Faced with an average toll of 10,000 deaths from fire, together with property loss which exceeded \$560,000,000 in 1946, President Truman is sponsoring a nationwide effort to cope with the fire menace.

The President's Conference on Fire Prevention is now past the formative stage and a volunteer staff is at work preparing for the meeting, which will be held on May 6-8, in the Departmental Auditorium in Washington.

Representatives of municipal and state governments, Federal agencies, and of non-official organizations with a basic interest in fire prevention have been organized into a coordinating committee to draft an agenda for the conference and to appoint committees which will prepare recommendations to be submitted to the conference as a whole.

Especially because of his past experience as Chairman of the President's Highway Safety Conference, held last May, President Truman has appointed Maj. Gen. P. B. Fleming, Federal Works Administrator, of the Office of Temporary Controls, to be General Chairman of the fire prevention conference. W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner of Public Buildings, Federal Works Agency, has been named Chairman of the Coordinating Committee, and A. B. Bielaski, assistant general manager of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, has been named Executive Director.

"The action program adopted at the President's Highway Safety Conference is being increasingly applied throughout the country," Gen. Fleming said, "and the ratio of traffic fatalities to miles driven has been greatly reduced. I am confident the same sort of concerted effort will drastically reduce fires, which, during the last decade, have resulted in an average of 10,000 deaths a year.

"The fire toll has been rising since 1934, and 1946 was the most destructive year in our recent history with a property loss of \$561,487,000. This was 23 per cent greater than in 1945. December, 1946, showed the heaviest fire loss for any single month in the last 16 years, \$58,094,000. This unnecessary, appalling waste of lives and property can be re-

duced, by an all-out, nation-wide effort.

"The Highway Safety Conference found that education, enforcement and engineering are the keys to highway safety. I believe these 'three E's' also are the keys to fire prevention. We need widespread education in the methods of fire prevention and control, more adequate laws and their rigid enforcement, and better engineering to make buildings fire-resistant."

A staff under Commissioner Reynolds' direction, with offices in the Federal Works Agency Building, will handle details relating to the Conference. Invitations will be sent to governors, mayors and city managers, State fire marshals and municipal fire chiefs, and law enforcement officials, and to representatives of non-official organizations working in the fire prevention field. Committees will be appointed to make advance studies of special aspects of the fire prevention problem, including enforcement, law revision, building codes, inspection, fire fighting services, education and publicity, and to draft recommendations for the Conference, General Fleming said.

More than 2,000 delegates are expected to attend the Conference, representing Federal departments, state, county and municipal governments and business and civic organizations with a basic interest in the fire prevention problem.

The Conference will be in session for three days during which, it is hoped, a coordinated program will be formulated that will revitalize the national effort to reduce death and financial loss from fire.

### Surprise Birthday Dinner For Mrs. J. G. Herrington

On Friday evening, Feb. 28, Mrs. J. G. Herrington was surprised with a birthday dinner at her home given by a few of her close friends and members of the family.

The table was decorated with red tulips and Mr. Herrington did the honors of the evening by preparing delicious western style barbecued steaks.

Those present were Misses Julia Tullis, Eleanor Voigt, Mr. Herrington, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Meier, daughter and son-in-law of the Herringtons, and their children.

During the dinner Mrs. Herrington received a long distance telephone call from her son, Dillon, in Tulsa, Okla., who was unable to be with his mother on this occasion.

### Additional Good Fire Record Credit For McCamey

Effective March 1, 1947, McCamey property owners will get an additional 5 per cent good fire record credit on all fire insurance within the city limits, according to notice received by local fire insurance recording agencies. This brings the total good fire record credit up to 20 per cent. The additional 5 per cent credit will mean a saving of approximately \$1,500 to McCamey citizens, according to C. G. Forester, the local agent. Much credit is due the McCamey Volunteer Fire Department for the good fire record maintained by the town.

### Mexican Supper For Birthday Celebration

On Friday evening, Feb. 28, a Mexican supper was given in the home of Mrs. N. C. House for the teachers in the Primary Sunday School Department of the First Baptist Church, and their husbands.

The party was given in honor of Mrs. Marion Crow, Mrs. Lee Shipman and Mrs. Joe Hudson, who have recently celebrated birthdays.

Those attending were Mrs. Marion Crow, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schnaubert, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Shipman, Mrs. Joe Hudson, Mrs. Glenn Husted, Rev. and Mrs. W. I. Lee, Mrs. W. E. Walker, Mrs. Bess Moorman, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. House and Kenneth House and Kenneth Roan.

"FIRST LADIES OF THE TURF"—Who will be America's next first lady of the turf? Mrs. Isabel Dodge Sloane, heiress to automobile millions, or Elizabeth Arden Graham, who made her fortune in cosmetics. You can read this exciting story in the American Weekly, the magazine distributed with next Sunday's Los Angeles Examiner.

Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Thompson entertained Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adkisson and Mrs. Adkisson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. White, of Denton, Texas, Saturday evening, March 1, in their home.

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### Students of Mrs. Cox Presented in Music Recital Thursday

Mrs. C. H. Cox, assisted by Miss Frances Shafer, Mrs. J. B. Henderson and Miss Helen Fry, presenting the following students in a music recital at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening, March 6, 1947, in the First Presbyterian Church of McCamey: LaJuana Swafford, Brylene Henderson, Gene Scott, and Kenneth House.

The program was as follows: In the Gloaming (Annie Harrison)—LaJuana Swafford, Brylene Henderson, Gene Scott and Kenneth House.

Melody in F (Rubinstein)—LaJuana Swafford.

Arminta (Greenwald)—Gene Scott.

Puppet Show (Josephine Trott)—Brylene Henderson.

Peggy O'Neil (Harry Pease)—Kenneth House.

The Old Refrain (Fritz Kreisler)—LaJuana Swafford, Mrs. C. H. Cox.

La Golindrina (Narciso Serradell)—Gene Scott.

Minuet in G (Beethoven)—LaJuana Swafford.

Vocal (That Is How I Spell Ireland)—Brylene Henderson.

When I Dream of Old Erin (Leo Friedman)—Kenneth House.

Simple Aveu (Francis Thome)—LaJuana Swafford.

Under the Double Eagle (J. E. Wagner)—Brylene Henderson, Mrs. C. H. Cox.

Spring Song (Mendelssohn)—LaJuana Swafford.

Over the Waves (Rosas)—Brylene Henderson.

Perfect Day (Carrie Jacobs-Bond)—LaJuana Swafford, Mrs. C. H. Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ott attended the funeral of E. E. McNally of the Southern Union Gas Co. in Pecos last Sunday, March 2. Mr. McNally had been in the hospital in Dallas for some time and died as the result of an operation for a tumor.

Mr. and Mrs. Ott were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Patillo of the Southern Union Gas Co. in Pecos and also spent a while with Rev. and Mrs. Bernard Guy after the Sunday evening church services.

Mrs. John Holt of Baird, Texas, is visiting with her son, C. O. Holt, of the Rio Pecos Station.

### J. S. Wade, Jr., Celebrates His Ninth Birthday

On Saturday afternoon, March 1, J. S. Wade, Jr., was honored with a party at his home on his ninth birthday, by his mother, Mrs. J. S. Wade. She was assisted by Miss Dot Wade and Gloria Turner.

Favors were balloons and bubble gum. Art Burnette won the first prize for blowing the largest bubble; Jimmy Patton won second prize. Charles Jones blew his balloon the largest in the balloon contest; Kendall Rose tied with Art for second place. The children were entertained with baseball and hide and seek; winkum and bumpety-bump were also played.

Pictures were made of the following guests: David Parker, Kendall Rose, Art Burnette, Ronald Cummings, Sonny Parker, Freddy Baker, Charles Jones, Jimmy Patton and J. S. Jr.

Mrs. Dorris and Joe Young sent a gift.

The boys were served pink angel food cake, ice cream and pineapple punch.

Books for all ages at the News.

### Livestock Show

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Rambouillet ram lamb: Amaryllys Harral, first. Aged Rambouillet ewe: Buddy Calcote, first. Rambouillet ewe lamb: Branch, first.

Results in the horse show: 4-H colt show: David Pauley, first; Fields Branch, second; Bob Johnson, third. Thoroughbred: Jack Meeks' "Bitter Creek," first; J. L. Cooper's "Ranch Rider," second; Breeding and Gillette's "Texas Biff," third.

Yearling colts: Elrod Ranches' "Rickey Red," first; B. B. Ingham's "Buck," second; Paul Perner and Sons' "Shagnasty," third. The second two horses are from the Ozona country.

Half-breeds (any age): Joe Elliott's "Sweet Pear," first; Elrod Ranches' "Little Abe," second; Schnaubert's "Booger Boy," third. Three year olds and older quarter stallions: Elrod Ranches' "John Nixon," first; Henry Neal's "Chubby N," second; Joe Elliott's "Honey Waggoner," third.

Quarter mares (any age): Elrod Ranches' "Emma J," second; David Pauley's "Cookie," third. The "Gypsy" is an Ozona horse.

OFFICIALS LISTED  
Committees and superintendents of the show were: planning committee, Ed Guy Branch, Walton Harral, Henry Neal, Tommy Johnson, T. A. Pauley, Raymond Hale; finance committee, Tom Workman, Bill Nix, Andy Mitchell, Oliver Jacobsen, Pauley, Howell Johnson; show committee, Joe Conger (adult sheep), Pauley (4-H sheep), Raymond Hale (colt show); barn committee, Dr. J. L. Cooper, Burley McCollum, Randolph Moore; sales committee, Sam R. Tanner and

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Lloyd McKinney; publicity, James Carl. Four-H Club boys and girls entering were Joe Garner Loftin, Buddy Calcote, Gentry Holmes, Ted Yocham, Frank Smith, Jimmy Smith, Field Branch, Mona Sue Branch, James Gamblin, Janet Pauley, Roger Langford, Bill Johnson, Dean Acker, Wayland Acker, Amaryllys Harral, James Franklin, John L. Schlagal, Beverly Wartenbach and L. B. Wartenbach. McCamey and Rankin 4-H Club

girls under the direction of Mrs. J. R. O'Callaghan, served food and drinks at the stock show. Working on the project were Pat-sy Copeland, Florence O'Callaghan, Paula Osborne, Martha Gillespie of McCamey, and Mary Beth Shipp and Amaryllys Harral of Rankin. President of the McCamey 4-H group is Susan Rowell, sponsor of the Rankin 4-H unit is Mrs. J. D. Shipp.

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### Friday, March 7, 1947

EDITOR VISITS  
J. L. Werst, editor of the Mezon Star, and son of Lee Werst, of the McCamey News, was a weekend visitor in McCamey.

A daughter, Ellen Louise, was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Woods Feb. 28.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Walton, Jack Reeves, Jimmy Mabry and Bernice Sikes went to the rodeo in San Angelo this week end. They report a very enjoyable time.

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Friday Round-Up



Hogs reached all-time highs, and grains went up sharply, as most other SW farm products sold at steady to strong prices last week, according to Production and Marketing Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

ces during the past week, except oats which remained fully steady. Friday's price on wheat was \$55.60 per bushel, bulk, for No. 1 ordinary at Fort Worth and Galveston; corn reached \$1.83-84 for No. 2 white, and \$1.69-70 for No. 2 yellow; sorghums \$2.60-71 per hundred.

Eggs held firm last week despite increased supplies. Most SW points paid around 36-37c per dozen. Houston and Baton Rouge paid 40c. Fryers and broilers remained steady, but hens strengthened last week. Heavy hens were quoted 27-28c per pound at Dallas, and a few as high as 29c at Fort Worth.



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Lumber held firm last week despite increased supplies. Most SW points paid around 36-37c per dozen. Houston and Baton Rouge paid 40c.

Sheep held fully steady at San Antonio and gained mostly 25c to 75c at other SW points. Good and choice spring lambs at Fort Worth realized \$21.50 to \$22.50; and good and choice club lambs brought \$22 at San Antonio.

More selling of revalued Texas wools was reported. Mohair was contracted more actively in Texas at prices 1c to 2c higher.

Prospective entrants into this field are advised to look thoroughly into the business that interests them before taking the steps. Sources of information helpful in choosing a business are listed in an appendix.

Mrs. V. V. Randall honored Miss Doris Jean Robbins on the occasion of her approaching marriage at a miscellaneous shower and breakfast at 7:30 a. m. on Friday, Feb. 28, at her home.

The living room was beautifully decorated with spring flowers and the individual breakfast tables were laid with linen cloths and centered with pink carnations. The gift table was laid with a lace cloth and the centerpiece was formed with spring flowers of various kinds.

Harold Green, teacher in the McCamey Schools, was also present at the Mid-Texas Education Association meeting in Brownwood last Friday, Feb. 22.

New Business Opportunities In Aviation Field

Aviation, which developed amazingly during World War II, offers opportunities for experienced and qualified persons in a wide variety of business lines, according to a book, "Opportunities for Establishing New Businesses in Aviation," just released by the Department of Commerce.

The book, according to T. U. Purcell, District Manager of the Department of Commerce at El Paso, was prepared in response to thousands of requests received by the department for information on business opportunities in this expanding industry.

Most of the businesses described in this book are called fixed-base, or aircraft service, operations. Both terms designate the same thing. Those discussed in separate chapters in the book follow:

- 1. Repair services—aircraft, engine and propeller overhaul, and repair shop; aircraft radio repair shop; aircraft instrument shop.
2. Training services—flying school; mechanics' training school.
3. Sales services—airplane sales agency; used plane and part business; aircraft accessory store and distributorship.
4. Flying services—charter service; contract cargo service; agricultural flying—spraying, dusting, and seeding; aerial patrolling of pipe lines and electric lines; aerial photography; airline service.

The capital needed for each type of business has been estimated conservatively. The figures given are more than enough rather than less. There are many instances in which the operator in such business started on a shoe string and has been successful, the book points out.

Opportunities for Establishing New Businesses in Aviation was prepared by R. H. Rush, under the direction of H. B. McCoy, Director of the Office of Domestic Commerce, in cooperation with a large number of men in different branches of the industry and in related lines who contributed to the book without compensation.

Copies of the book may be obtained at the Department of Commerce office in the Chamber of Commerce Building, El Paso, at the price of 40c each.

Harold Green, teacher in the McCamey Schools, was also present at the Mid-Texas Education Association meeting in Brownwood last Friday, Feb. 22. Mr. Green went on to Fort Worth after the meeting to spend the week-end with his parents and friends. He reports a very enjoyable week-end.

Margret Elliott's Ninth Birthday Celebrated

On Saturday afternoon, March 1, from 2:00 to 4:00 p. m., Margret Elliott was honored with a birthday party on the occasion of her ninth birthday. The party was held in the home of Mr. Elliott and carried out the St. Patrick's Day theme.

Santa Fe Railway Traffic Report

Santa Fe System carloadings for the week ending Feb. 22, 1947, were 25,246 compared with 22,311 for the same week in 1946.

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### McCamey to Play In Basketball Finals

Glen Wagon's McCamey high school Badgers bolted their way to a 28-22 win over the Lake View Chiefs Saturday in the Bobcat gym for the basketball championship of Region 2-A and the right to compete for the Class A state championship this week end in Austin.

McCamey had advanced to the final game with a 24-23 win over Hamilton and Lake View had climbed up there with a 36-30 setback of Throckmorton.

Throckmorton and Hamilton were to have played Saturday for third place in the region but Throckmorton pulled out, went home and left Hamilton holding the sack so far as game action was concerned.

Director Joe Forrester of Balinger said that automatically made Hamilton the region's third place victor.

Bill Wilson sparked the McCamey advance against Lake View with 12 points. W. Gregory of McCamey scored six.

Billy Joe Kiser of Lake View tabbed 12.

The all-tournament team selected was:

Billy Joe Kiser of Lake View  
Bill Wilson of McCamey  
Denham of Throckmorton  
Gene Bullard of Hamilton  
Joe McClure of Lake View

The championship final:

McCamey:	FG	FT	TP
Wilson	2	2	12
Curry	2	0	4
W. Gregory	3	0	6
Pauley	0	0	0
Allen	0	2	2
Oney	0	0	0
Ruble	1	2	4
Totals	11	6	29
Lake View	FG	FT	TP
Kindred	1	1	3
McClure	1	1	3
Kiser	4	4	12
Baldwin	1	0	2
Dyer	0	0	0
Tunnell	1	0	2
Richardson	0	0	0
Totals	8	6	22

Referee, Rusty Smith; Umpire, Lawrence.

Mrs. C. G. Forester left Tuesday, Feb. 25, for a two-week visit with her sister in Los Angeles, Calif. She will also visit Mr. Forester's sister and family in El Centro, Calif.

Daily gauge books at the News.

### News From Veterans County Service Office

#### Local Prescriptions

Recently the Veterans Administration entered into a contract with the State Pharmaceutical Association, the principal objective of which is to expediate prescription service to eligible veterans and to relieve V. A. pharmacy activities of the heavy burden imposed by the volume of prescriptions of designated and fee basis physicians.

Fee basis physicians or directors in the VA clinics, where they do not have pharmacies in existence, may write prescriptions for eligible veterans, using their regular prescription blanks. Where possible, the physician should include the veteran's C-number on the face of each prescription. All prescriptions must be dated the date written and this date must be in the period of authorization to treat this specific beneficiary. The physician must sign his name on the back of such prescription over the legend, "I am authorized to treat and prescribe for the above named Veterans Administration patient." This signed statement of authorization, which may be made only by designated or fee basis physicians for a veteran authorized to be treated for a service-connected disability, constitutes authorization to any participating pharmacy to fill such prescriptions within ten days of the date written and to receive reimbursement from the VA.

Envelopes should be addressed to Out-Patient Service, Veterans Administration, Regional Office having custody of the veterans file.

#### LOCAL TOPICS:

We note with interest that more veterans of Upton County have quite a lot of complaints that are being turned in to your Veterans County Service Office. These complaints have to do with the faults of the Veterans Administration.

You should report any complaints you have to this office at once, waiting will only slow down anything that might be done to help you. Have you received your compensation check on time? Have you heard from your claim that has been filed? Has your claim for compensation been refused? Have you found out the exact reason it was refused? These and the hundreds of other questions can be answered at this office. Come in today if you have a problem on Veterans affairs.

I have been getting lots of questions by mail lately. Those inquiries are answered the same day they are received. I want to give you the service you cannot get by long range correspondence from the VA offices. Write to your Veterans County Service Office, Box 682, McCamey.

### Girl Scout Training Course At Ector County Park, Odessa

Application blanks are being mailed all leaders, assistant leaders, troop committee members and board members throughout the Permian Basin Area Council of Girl Scouts for registration for two training courses, to be presented at the Ector County Park in Odessa March 12 through March 15.

The two courses, outdoor activities and troop camping, are being given in order to acquaint Girl Scout workers with activities for the out-of-doors, in order that they may teach their troops the joys and benefits of outdoor living. Included in the courses of study will be crafts, nosebal feed, cook-out, overnight camping and campfire program.

Registration fee will be 50c for each course. Equipment must include scissors, Girl Scout knife or axe, flashlight, notebook and pencil and bedding for overnight camp.

Those attending the courses have been invited to attend a Mother-Daughter Tea to be presented by the Midland Girl Scout Council from 4 until 6 o'clock on the afternoon of the opening day.

### Pauline Edwards On John Tarleton Honor Roll

Pauline Edwards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Edwards and a senior home economics student at John Tarleton Agricultural College of Stephenville, is on the semester honor roll published this week.

Pauline was also on the honor roll in her first year at John Tarleton.

She is a member of the D. S. T. social club, Aggettes club, home economics club, Fine Arts club, and the College Annual staff.

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### VFW To Hold Annual Election of Officers

Young-McCollum Post 5071 will hold their annual election of officers at the business meeting on Wednesday, March 12. All

members are urged to be on hand at this important meeting.

Obligations will also be given to seven new members. Veterans with overseas service are urged to attend this meeting and get your application cards filled out, if you have not already done so. The local Post is out to get

as near 100 percent of the county's eligible veterans on the membership list by March 26 as possible. The goal is in sight and should be reached soon.

Mrs. Claude Brown spent the week-end in San Angelo shopping and visiting.

# 1947 Auto Licenses

Will Be On Sale, Monday, Mar. 24

They must be on all cars by midnight of April 1st, 1947, or owners will be subject to a fine, and must pay a penalty for not buying their plates on time.

License tags will be on sale at the Justice of the Peace Office in McCamey from March 24 through March 29.

It is unlawful to put 1947 license tags on your car before March 1.

License tags must be bought in the county where you live.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

You must have certificate of title and bring your 1946 license receipt, bearing same number as title. Bring them with you when you come after license plate.

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### KITE FLYING THROUGH THE CENTURIES


As far as is known, kites were invented by the Chinese about 400 B.C. In China, the ninth day of the ninth month still is "Kite's Day," when men and boys fly colorful kites of many shapes and designs—birds, beasts, dragons and fish.

Through the years, kites also have been used for meteorological and military purposes. Carrying small cameras to great heights, kites have been flown over forts to obtain "bird's eye" view photos of enemy installations. In 1894, Captain B. F. Baden-Powell of the Scots Guards constructed a series of kites fastened together, with which he lifted a man 100 feet! And in 1905, the Prussian aeronautical observatory flew a kite which attained a height of four miles!

It is not known when or where kite flying was first introduced in America, but the sport has become widespread. The kite flying season is here again. Youngsters who want to enjoy the sport *in safety*, should carefully adopt the four good rules urged by Reddy Kilowatt.

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