

With fear and trepidation, and a certain amount of apologies, the editor and staff submit another issue of the home paper...

But we find the public more and more considerate and forgiving, in spite of war nerves suffered by us and other individuals at times...

Before someone else tells about it, the editor must admit that he tossed a pebble at one of his wife's flock of pigs and shocked it so that it died immediately of heart failure...

One thing that started the editor off wrong this week, besides ugly weather, was a statement in an article he read in Reader's Digest...

Can this be true? Have the boys scattered around over the globe been pulling somebody's leg when they say they want their home paper?

After missing out two issues on a story about the new funeral home across the street, we present herewith in this issue the details...

Then there was the story Myrt (Mrs. Herman Leach, who departed Monday to join her husband at Fresno, Calif.) about a lost girl who showed up here last week end...

The editor's wife began making eyes at a cow and calf advertised for sale in last week's paper, after she heard so many local dairymen were going out of business...

At that we haven't had as much hard luck in the office as one of our neighbors, Estelle Herrin, efficient and hard-working employe in Williamson's Cafe...

R. F. Wiseman, home from a tussle with the sawbones up at Dallas and looking fit enough for a game of golf just any time, drove up in front of the office with his son-in-law, Late Creath...

Relief and delight came instantly, however, when Mr. Wiseman produced the name of the young lady who had been especially nice to him...

Hope Lamp Woodward is in a cold humor with the editor again. He was started to read a few weeks ago about firemen finding liquor near his place...

We were assembling a lot of dope on local Victory Gardens, after learning of efforts of Bobby Bates and Mr. and Mrs. Suddy Handala...

Some time you tell us about your folks and other troubles.

Methodists Answer War Need In Three-Fold Dedication



Across the nation in 42,000 Methodist churches during the Week of Dedication, February 28 to March 7, eight million members of the denomination will be called by their bishops and pastors to rededication of 'self, service and substance'...

Public Invited To Try Again In Slogan Contest

Residents of Hico and trade territory will now have the opportunity to win \$10.00 in War Stamps in the extended slogan contest sponsored by the Hico Chamber of Commerce...

Fort Worth: "Where the West Begins." Waco: "In the Heart of Texas." Dallas: "The City of the Hour." Garland: "The City of Beautiful Homes." Greenville: "The Blackest Land and the Whitest People."

1983 Registered For Rationing At Hico High School

A total of 1983 representatives of family groups were accommodated at the Hico High School gymnasium last week end when they came to bring their consumers' declarations and receive their new War Ration Books No. 2...

Lasater also announced this week the engagement by the board of Rev. Floyd W. Thrash to act as elementary school principal and teacher for the remainder of this term...

Many Girls From This Section Enter War Work of NYA

Through the facilities of the Waco War Work Center, the War Manpower Commission has trained 11 young people from Hico and vicinity in the past few months...

At the Waco and other War Work Centers, according to Government officials in charge, a young person, male or female, married or single, between the ages of 16 and 25, may receive free training under the supervision of skilled factory-trained mechanics plus free board and room while doing so...

The following people from Hamilton county have completed their training at the Waco Center and are now working in war industries: Ruby Lee Ellington, Hico; Wanda L. Moore, Willodean Lloyd, Adeline Looney, Margaret J. Onstead, Opal F. Smith, Jewel I. Oustad, Edna L. Ashmore, Christi N. Havens, Hamilton; Mary Louise Wilder, Evans; and Nova H. Bryan, Pottsville.

Those persons interested in receiving training for essential war jobs should contact Mrs. J. R. McMillan at the city office, or write direct to the Waco War Work Center, P. O. Box 1129, Waco, Texas.

Grand Jury, In Session Two Days, Submits Report

To the Hon. Ernest Belcher, Special District Judge: We, the Grand Jury for the March, 1943 term of the District Court of Hamilton County, Texas, submit the following report:

We have been in session two days and have examined 12 witnesses and have returned three bills of indictment, all of which are felonies. The decrease in offenses committed is very great, and we are glad to report that the people of this section are united in doing everything possible in our war effort to the end that we may remain a free people and assist in stamping out crime and aggression from the world.

We wish to thank Your Honor for your services to Hamilton county during the illness of our own Judge R. B. Cross, whom we join the other people of this District in wishing an early and complete recovery. We wish to thank all of our officials for their services, and to ask their continued cooperation at all times with the officials in order that this county may become a better and better place to live.

We have inspected the jail and find it to be well kept and in good condition and very empty. Having completed our labors, we respectfully ask that we be discharged.

B. & P. W. Club Votes to Discontinue Monthly Banquets

The Business and Professional Women's Club met in regular monthly session Tuesday evening at the Home Economics cottage on the school grounds. Twenty members were in attendance, with Miss Thoma Rodgers, Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Randalls acting as hostesses...

The evening's program, which was humorous as well as instructive, was enjoyed by all. At the business session it was voted to discontinue the monthly banquets for the duration and each regular meeting will be at the Red Cross rooms and the members will do whatever work is assigned at this time.

The club gave \$10.00 to the Red Cross drive.

NOTICE TO PETIT JURORS All persons summoned for Jury service for Monday, March 8th, are excused and need not appear, there being no Jury demands for that week.

OPA Heads Study Point Rationing System



Here three of the Office of Price Administration heads in Washington are shown studying chart which will control canned food purchases of the American housewife for the next year and a half...

WITH THE COLORS

It has been suggested that pictures of all local service men be collected and displayed in some public place. Grady Barrow has offered a show window at the furniture store for this purpose...

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Price received a telegram last Saturday from their son, Pfc. E. M. Price, saying he had just returned to his base at Tampa, Fla. This was the first time they had heard from Mutt in over two months.

Hico friends have heard recently from G. C. Clapp, a former Hico High School teacher, saying he is now in the Coast Guard and stationed at the air station at St. Petersburg, Fla. They also were advised that he is now married, but further details of his wedding have not been received here.

Sgt. and Mrs. W. H. Brown came in Tuesday from San Antonio for a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown. They left Wednesday for a visit with her parents at Pochontas, Arkansas, before returning to San Antonio where he is attached to the 11th Air Base Squadron.

Walter Ramey and Baby Bruner left Thursday for San Diego, California, to enter naval training. Walter enlisted for six years, and Baby for the duration. They were taken to a train in Abilene by Mrs. G. C. Keeney and son, Billy, who were also accompanied by Mrs. C. W. Cook for a visit there with her sister.

William M. Hodnett, seaman 2nd class at San Diego, California, has finished his basic training and is now attending a special school. He has been in the service and stationed at San Diego for about two months. The information about his training came in a letter received last Saturday by his mother, Mrs. Eva Hodnett.

Thursday's Fort Worth Star-Telegram carried a picture, along with the following news about a Hico-reared service man: "Lt. Col. Byron W. Hughes, son of Mrs. T. G. Hughes of Hico, who is stationed at Camp Hood. He is a graduate of Texas Christian University and the University of Texas."

WASHINGTON, March 2.—The Silver Star has been awarded 11 men for gallantry in the Solomon Islands area in the South Pacific, the War Department announced. Among those winning the award is Floyd R. Blair, Spur, Texas.

Corporal L. E. Williamson, from Poyte Air Base, accompanied by Mrs. Williamson and son, came in Wednesday morning for a visit with homefolks. L. E. says he has had a lot of trouble explaining to men from out of the State, freshly arriving at the new camp, that "Rattlesnake Junction" as they call it, is not typical of the whole State of Texas...

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Red Cross War Fund Drive Gets Off to Good Start

"Over the top" was the report made at 4:24 Thursday afternoon by the committee checking up on solicitations for the Red Cross. H. E. McCullough reported by telephone that the drive that day had brought in a total of \$694.66, with two teams still to be heard from.

The local Red Cross War Fund drive got off to a good start on its \$562.50 quota on Thursday morning of this week, a team of men working the business section and six teams of women working the residential section.

Local chairman, Rev. Floyd W. Thrash, urges that everybody give liberally, even to the extent of doubling last year's contributions to this cause. The workers are doing their best to see everybody, but if anyone is missed in the drive he may leave his contribution at the First National Bank with E. H. Randalls Jr., local treasurer for the drive.

"We will need several large contributions of \$25 or more, several more twenties and tens, a large number of fives, followed by a flood of dollars in order to make the proper showing. Mr. Thrash stated at a workers' meeting Wednesday afternoon, "Those who give to the War Fund Drive are giving to Humanity. We cannot afford to do less than our best," he told the editor of the News Review as the drive got under way Thursday.

Children Warned Against Dangers Of Flying Kites

A soaring kite dives into a power line. A small boy climbs a pole to untangle it. Suddenly there is a flash and a limp little body hurries to the ground. Dozens of times each year this tragedy is enacted in communities throughout the land. Dozens of little children annually lose their lives or suffer painful injuries in accidents involving kites and wires—either through lack of knowledge of the hazards involved or because of a youthful disregard of danger.

- 1. Don't use fine wire or metallic string. 2. Don't use wet string or fly kites in damp weather. 3. Don't use metal kite sticks. 4. Don't climb poles to get kites caught in wires. 5. Don't poke sticks at tangled kites or attempt to pull them down by their tails. 6. Always fly kites in open fields, clear away from power lines and busy highways.

Services Here For Alex Smith, Died In Houston

Funeral services were held last Friday, February 26, at 3 p. m. for M. A. (Alex) Smith. The services were held at the grave in Hico cemetery, conducted by Rev. John P. Cundieff, pastor of the Iredell Baptist Church. Sudden death from a heart attack came to the well-known and respected former Hicoan on Wednesday night at his home in Houston, after a day's work at a produce company where he was employed.

JGE GISH

Advertisement for JGE GISH featuring a cartoon character and the text: 'THERE WOULD BE MORE SUCCESSES THAN FAILURES IN THIS WORLD IF ONLY WE WERE MORE SUCCESSFUL IN OUR BUSINESS AND THEIR PRODUCTIONS'.

The Mirror

Published by Students of HICO HIGH SCHOOL

SENIOR NEWS

The Seniors are especially proud of themselves for having been so helpful over the rationing days. We were proud to help the faculty, and any time you need more help, just call on us "Seniors."

Today we are going to interview another one of our intelligent girls, Lola Mae Hendrix. We are proud of Lola Mae, not only because she is intelligent, but also because of her sweet disposition and her good sportsmanship. Now suppose we ask Lola Mae her opinions on some things:

Favorite food? Fried chicken. Sport? Basketball. Subject? None. Song? "I've Got Gobs of Love For the Navy."

Hobby? Writing to Navy men. Boy friend? Well, Lola Mae is like a few of the other Seniors, she sorta likes the lower classmen. But I believe he is a Soph. Say, it couldn't be Clovis Grant, could it? Well, yes, it could, folks. How did you know? Lola Mae is 5 ft. 4 1/2 in. tall, weighs 127 pounds, and is 16 years old. Oh, yes, I might add for the benefit of all you "Navy" boys, she is going to join the "Junior Waves" if she can get some help in organizing such a thing. Say, Joyce, I bet she could have all your support and bottom dollar, too.

JUNIOR NEWS

We are all glad to be through with six weeks' tests. We are almost inclined to agree with Martin Luther in saying they are like a trial for murder.

We enjoyed the two holidays last week caused by the registration for rationing. You can't say that was doesn't bring some good things!

We hope you are all helping us to collect paper. We really will appreciate it if you do.

DIRT COLUMN

Wonder why Margie Lee S. and Louise N. changed a certain song to "You'd Be So Nice to Walk Home With"? Is it a secret, girls?

Wonder where Mona Tess L. and Mary Emma L. went with those Gum Branch heroes last Saturday night.

Wonder why Ada Lee hated to move to another desk. It couldn't have been because she would have to move away from Roy P. and Leave Mona Tess by him, could it?

Everyone in the second period study hall was afraid Mrs. Segrest would faint when she found Lloyd studying.

Spy Jr. is going to resign if you kids don't do more things and let me know 'bout them.

Frank Gano is singing a song that goes like this: "Beware, take

care, of the very cute girl with the dark red hair." No doubt he means M. R.

Wonder what Paul K., Don Dale, Jackie G., Lloyd, and Patsy did Friday night? Couldn't have gone to a snug little party for six?

Paul K., did you have to walk home Sunday night after you took Jackie home?

Wonder why Billy Jean and Mildred R. always laugh when minutes and seconds are mentioned?

Wyonna, did you get mad at a certain girl Saturday night?

Mary Jane and Mildred sure can think up a lot of meanness to do.

Joyce and Jimmie are sure having fun. What say, girls?

SOPHOMORE NEWS

All the Sophs enjoyed the holidays very much. It was nice to have a rest from the excessive mental activity we go through with in the name of Education. Following is an account of what the Sophomores did during the holidays:

Mary Jane — Read "Rebecca" without stopping.

Donald H. — Rode horseback. Virginia C. — Studied Algebra. Mildred R. — Studied Maynard.

James Ray — Loafed, as usual. Elvena — Worried about grades.

Don G. — Enjoyed himself at a party.

Mary Nell J. — Planned a League program.

Wayne H. — Strutted around in a green Chevrolet on Sunday, as always.

Pat P. — Enjoyed a party also.

Altman

By Mrs. J. H. McAnelly

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Upham and Mrs. Stuart Partain were Stephen-ville visitors Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Corby and little daughter, Waynell, of near Carlton visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Corby, Sunday.

James Horace Clifton and Bobby Moore of John Tarleton Agricultural College, Stephenville, spent the week end with homefolks.

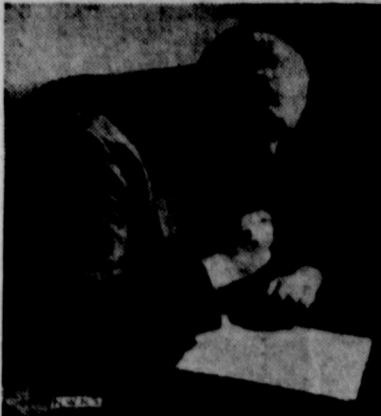
Mrs. John McCoy and two children of Glen Rose visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Moore, from Wednesday until Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harve Yoakum received a telegram Saturday that Mrs. Ira Parrish had passed away at Dallas Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Jones visited Mrs. J. H. Goad in Hico Sunday afternoon.

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'Pay-as-You-Go'



An intimate study of Beardsley Ruml, originator of the pay-as-you-go tax plan that would put the paying of federal income tax on a current basis instead of paying taxes on income already spent, Mr. Ruml appeared before the House Ways and Means committee to give legislators first-hand information about his plan.

Faithful Forever



This police dog seems unable to understand why his beloved pal, a black chow, will not rise and frolic with him again. But a traffic accident in Washington, D. C., ended their friendship forever.

Toy for a King



Little King Feisal II, seven-year monarch of Iraq, is delighted with his newest toy—a perfect imitation of one of our efficient medium tanks. This is the type tank which he christened "General Lee." He recently joined the ranks of nations united against the Axis.

March 15 Deadline for Income Tax; Millions to File for the First Time

Many Deductions Allowed; Can Credit Farm Expense

March 15 will be a big and busy day in the United States, for on that day income tax returns and payments will be due from millions of American citizens, many of whom will be facing Uncle Sam, as a tax collector, for the first time. It is particularly important to remember that tax returns and payments, in whole or in installment, must be made March 15 or, if convenient, before. This fact has been pretty much confused by all the talk about putting income taxes on a pay-as-you-go, or weekly income deduction, basis. No such law has been passed and there are possibilities that even if it is passed, it will be passed in a different form. But the fact is, no pay-as-you-go law exists, and an income tax return must be filed and whole or partial payments made March 15. Lower exemptions and increased employment will bring millions of new taxpayers into the fold. Figures, of course, are dry, but they are interesting in that government agencies estimate that approximately 58 million people will have earned an average of almost \$1,600 in 1942.

Farmer's Income Large. Farm income alone has been figured at approximately 16 billion dollars, giving America's 6 million farmers an average intake of \$2,800. All these figures are average, of course, and do not specifically apply to individual cases. Besides renewed industrial activity and higher wages, one of the main reasons more people will pay an income tax for 1942 is because of the lowered exemptions. A single person, or a married person not living with their spouse, do not have to pay any tax on the first \$500 of their income. A married man and his wife are allowed to take off \$1,200 for themselves and \$350 for each child under 18. The "head" of any family supporting one or more dependent individuals closely related to him by blood relationship, relationship by marriage, or by adoption, is allowed the \$1,200 exemption, plus \$350 for every dependent except one.

causes, upon which the holder had no insurance, are deductible.

Medical Expenses:

Medical and dental expenses can be deducted only if they exceed 5 per cent of your income. Any expense over 5 per cent up to a maximum of \$1,250 for a single person or \$2,500 for a family may be taken off. Such expense can include hospital bills, treatments, diagnosis and other charges connected with medical or dental care.

Armed Forces:

Besides the regular personal exemption, servicemen are entitled to take off an extra \$250 if they are single and \$300 if married.

Contributions:

Contributions made to charitable, religious, scientific or literary organizations up to 15 per cent of net income are deductible.

Can File Two Forms.

Farmers are given a chance to file returns and make payments on the cash receipt or accrual basis. If the farmer chooses the cash basis, he figures (1) the amount of cash or the value of merchandise or other property received from the sale of livestock and produce which were raised during the taxable year or prior years; (2) the profits of sales from livestock or any other items which were purchased, and (3) gross income from all other sources.

On the accrual basis, gross profits are obtained by adding to the inventory value of livestock and products on hand at the end of the year the amount received from the sale of livestock and products, and other income as from hire of teams or machinery, etc., during the year. Against this, the farmer deducts the value of livestock and other products he had at the beginning of the year and the cost of livestock and products bought during the year.

The income taxpayer pays two taxes, surtax and normal. The surtax, which amounts to 13 per cent on the first \$2,000 of taxable income, is paid before the taxpayer deducts the earned credit exemption of 10 per cent from the amount on which he must pay his tax. The normal tax of 6 per cent is paid after the 10 per cent exemption has been taken.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Bible Teachings Against Drunkenness.

Lesson for March 7: I Samuel 5; 16-17; Isaiah 28:1-4, 7; Galatians 5: 19-21.

Golden Text: Isaiah 24:9.

The Bible often mingles illustration with the truths it declares; especially is this true of the woes it pronounces upon drunkenness, as in passages grouped in the lesson text. When the Amalekites had burned Ziklag and carried away many captives, including those of David's household, they celebrated in a great feast, with carousing and drunkenness. Then it was that David and his warriors fell upon them and in a great battle that lasted from twilight to twilight slew all their enemies except 400 young men who escaped on swift camels.

The men of Ephraim were valiant warriors but Isaiah prophesied their ruin because of drunkenness. Even debauched priests and prophets in Judah staggered with strong drink, erred in vision, and stumbled in judgment.

The "works of the flesh," condemned in the New Testament, include "drunkenness and revelings," and the warning is given that such will prevent men from inheriting the kingdom of God.

It is tragic now to see the multiplied liquor shops, but the present lesson is aimed directly at those who patronize the shops. Let our sailors, soldiers, fliers, and all of us on the home front beware of that which does not mix with gunpowder, the split second of decision that will determine life or death, or with the morale of a brave people. And we fight with the final objective the kingdom of God on earth. In that kingdom drunkenness can have no place. And our first great concern is for the characters and souls of our people.

The total annual expenditure by the Texas government for educational purposes exceeds \$58,000,000.

Black Markets Threaten Food Supply

Heavy Demand for Goods Spurs Deliveries on Sly

Many Retailers Pay Say Food Trucks Extra Money for Meat Supplies Hi-Jacked; Many Goods Upgraded

America has a "black market." That, in short, is the name that has been pinned on the illegal distribution of commodities throughout the country since the government began to regulate production and establish price ceilings.

For the most part, the "black market" has existed in meat, so much so that Secretary of Agriculture Claude Wickard warns that unless operations cease, civilians will get less than two pounds of meat a week when rationing starts. Increased employment and higher wages have put more spending power in the pockets of the people. Those who are used to eating well don't feel like changing their habits now, and the army of new workers in busy war industries build up big appetites and get bigger pay checks to spend.

But army and lend-lease requirements are taking a large portion of American meat production, particularly in pork and beef, and the government has set slaughtering and packing quotas for civilians, approximating 70 per cent of 1941 consumption. This means civilians can purchase about 30 per cent less meat than they could two years ago, even though the demand has increased since that time.

With this condition prevailing, a host of illegal practices have come into being. Some violations have been unintentional, arising from an ignorance or misunderstanding of the law. But a good many others have been deliberate efforts at underhandedly supplying the demands of the trade.

Cattle Killed in Country Sold to Retail Outlets

Fanciful stories have arisen about the old Capone gang's dealings in restricted commodities to reap illegal revenues recently lost from gambling and labor racketeering. But more factual, although less exciting, practices have been revealed.

Some of these practices concern farmers of country slaughter of animals and sale to small town retailers. In such cases, just several, or maybe even one, head of cattle are involved; but federal officials

OPA was said to have received confessions from some butchers in the eastern states of New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland and Delaware that they connived with distributors in obtaining illegal supplies of meat.

According to these confessions, the butchers paid higher prices than invoices showed, paid for meat not delivered although listed in invoices and paid for higher grades while receiving lower grades. OPA said that the butchers claimed it was necessary for them to engage in such practices if they wanted to get their ordinary quota of meat from distributors to keep their shops operating.

One of the common procedures in the "black market" has been in the upgrading of different cuts of meat. By upgrading lower grades, of course, operators have been able to obtain higher prices for their sales.

Hi-Jackers Dilute Coffee; Bootleggers Get Sugar

Large quantities of beef, coffee and sugar are reported to have been hi-jacked. It is said that stolen coffee is stretched by mixing cheaper brands with the best, with the mixture being sold at top grade prices.

Sugar hi-jacking has been for the benefit of illegal distillers, it is said. Rationing of sugar is supposed to have cut deeply into the inventories of alcohol bootleggers. To get the necessary stocks to keep their stills going, they have resorted to hi-jacking.

Capitalizing on the increased demand, certain "black market" operators are reported to have sold inferior or substitute goods to consumer outlets. Horse-meat is supposed to have been sold as beef. Hamburger sold in low-price restaurants has to undergo regular tests by government chemists in some districts in an effort to maintain healthy quality.

About the only solution of the problem might lie in increased production of food; but with army and lend-lease requirements up, and with farmers beset with problems of labor and machinery, little relief can be expected from this direction. In fact, state agricultural commissioners predict a 10 per cent decrease in crops from last year.

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THIS AND THAT

By JOE SMITH DYER

DREAMS THAT LIE AHEAD:

What would we do, or what could we do in this world of ours if it were not for the dreams ahead?

If you are tired of it all and troubled, close your eyes and see mentally the flowers that bloom in the summer-time and hear the birds that sing after the rain has gone.

See, too, the mossy lanes, sheltered trails, and the solitude of the woods.

True, these things are only "dreams ahead" but life is largely made up of anticipation and expectation. The pleasure of the latter is better by far than poor possession. When your present environment promotes no enthusiasm, just vault with your mind over into the future when the year will be at its best and then the troublesome things of the present, that worry you, may be conveniently put aside and with this you will gain the wisdom of dreaming of the anticipated pleasures ahead.

ALPHABET'S MOST POPULAR LETTER:

The twenty-second letter of the alphabet is the most popular of the entire twenty-six today. It is seen everywhere—on newspapers, in magazines, on book jackets, on posters and bill-boards.

Much use of it is being made in dress, millinery, jewelry and novelty shops throughout the land. It adorns everything from markets to dinner tables. Its significance is known to every man, woman and child. It stands for the VICTORY for which our nation is fighting, working, sacrificing, hoping and praying and confidently expecting.

That V, not often used until the war brought it into prominence, will not disappoint us.

NEW MAP:

The Field Marshal, Generalissimo, or Chief of Staff changes his war map every hour as new battle lines are formed and now you may do the same thing on the new Flag Plus World Map combination which has just been recently introduced.

The combination consists of a large map of the world including all the places that have figured in the War since December 7th, 1941 or of those places that are likely to become war objectives before it is over. In his Washington Birthday address on the radio President Roosevelt urged everyone to follow his remarks on a large field map and this is the kind of map he had in mind.

The surface of this new map is heavily lacquered so that you may use china marking crayons to indicate the battle lines. These markings are easily removed and changed from day to day or from hour to hour. With each map come eighty paper flags for marking the progress of each warring nation. The flags are to be moved about over the map in accordance with each day's headlines. This is both fascinating and instructive.

DID YOU KNOW THAT: Robert Burns' "Tam O'Shanter" was the greatest piece of humor ever written? In 1789 when the Bastille was destroyed it contained only seven prisoners? At the start of the Revolutionary War, Philadelphia was the best lighted city in the world? Halle Bellesse's daughter, the Princess Tzahal, is one of the world's greatest ivory carvers? Jesus was brought to the judgment seat in the place that is called Lithostrotos, and in Hebrew Gabbatha, in about the sixth hour? That Broadway in New York City once was called Heere Street? Little Lord Fauntleroy once resided in Brooklyn?

LOOK UP - NOT DOWN: The person who stops to measure with his eye the height of a mountain, seldom climbs up all the way. He gets discouraged before the top is reached, and that is a mental handicap. The best you can do while climbing is to take one step at a time, and anyone can do that. So don't stop to look up the mountain. Climb it first, and then look down! Be too big to worry over trifles, too dignified to throw a fit of temper, and too calm to let quarrelsome people bother you.

JOE GISH... I WISH SOMEONE WOULD INVENT A CLOCK THAT RUNS AT THE SAME SPEED IN THE MORNINGS AS IT DOES DURING WORKING HOURS.

"Meet the People..."

(Each week in this space will be presented a picture and word portrait of someone whose name is news.)



Madame Chiang Kai-shek

Direct, business-like and as modern as the new China toward which she is constantly striving, Madame Chiang Kai-shek has retained, in spite of the urgency of her hurried existence, the serene and delicate charm we have learned to expect of Chinese women. Wife of China's indomitable generalissimo and sister-in-law of the late Sun Yat-sen, founder of the Chinese republic, Madame Chiang works tirelessly for the social and economic good of her people. She personally supervises the care of war orphans, helps dress the wounds of China's fighting men, and is the directing force behind plans, like the "New Life" and "Thrift" movements, to better the lot of the Chinese by making the most of their resources. A graduate of Wellesley college, in Massachusetts, Madame Chiang is familiar with American customs and speaks fluent, but dignified English. To meet the many demands on her time she has found it wise to dispense with much of the elaborate ritual of Chinese etiquette, but visitors say that she is always unaffectedly gracious and immaculately groomed.

IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Mrs. Rance Phillips was in Stephenville Hospital a few days this week. Her infant son was ill. She and the baby returned home Friday, and he is better. Miss Kathaleen Hughes, who is working in Fort Worth, spent the week at home. She had her tonsils removed the first of the week at Stephenville. Mrs. Andrew Jackson returned Wednesday from Fort Worth where she had visited relatives. Tom Conley of San Antonio spent the week end at home. Harris Tidwell, who is in the Navy and stationed at New York, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tidwell, this week. Mrs. Clanton, Mrs. Hayden Sadler and baby, and Mrs. James Wyche and children were in Waco Friday. Mrs. Retta Sanders spent the week end in Meridian. Mr. and Mrs. Phinis Graves and sons of Bay City spent the week end with his mother and other relatives. Mrs. T. P. Oliver was taken back to Stephenville and underwent an operation Saturday. Pvt. Jake Tunnell, who has been in Camp Wolters, was given an honorable discharge and came home Friday. He has made his home with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Loader for several years. W. H. Loader Jr., of Grand Prairie spent the week end at home. Saturday afternoon, Feb. 20, while Mr. and Mrs. John Chowning were in town, some one or ones took the little screws off of the license plates of their car. They want them brought back. Little Miss Beth Anne Stroud spent the week end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hudson. Her parents work at the Pettit Ranch. Billy Royce Newsom of Temple visited here this week. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stephens and son of Hutto visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Oldham, this week. Norma Jean Cavness of Waco spent the week end here. Randall Mitchell is working in Gatesville. Mr. and Mrs. Howell McAden and baby of Dallas visited here this week. Mr. Jap Falls, who works in McGregor, spent the week end at home.

Mrs. Freeman has returned from a visit in Mexia. She and Mr. Freeman live in Spring Creek community. Mrs. Hayden and daughter were in Waco this week. Mrs. Wince Perkins spent the week end in Paluxy with her brother, Leonard Kincannon, and family. Mrs. Georgia Warren of Killeen is visiting her mother, Mrs. Blanche Royal. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gordon of Fort Worth visited his sisters, Mrs. Sawyer and Miss Mittie Gordon, this week. Mrs. Howard of De Leon is visiting her son and daughter-in-law. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Richards of Lamesa spent the week end with their son-in-law and daughter, Rev. and Mrs. Cundieff. Mr. Tom Laswell is on the sick list. Mrs. Vella Harris and daughter, Helen, of Fort Worth spent the week end here. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Winger and Susie of Burnet, Texas, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson. They were accompanied by Patsy Riggs, also of Burnet. Mrs. Frances Parrish left Sunday for Dallas. Paul Patterson of Meridian spent Sunday with his parents. Mrs. Dorothy Clepper of Dallas spent from Sunday till Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tidwell. Jack and James Harris and Andrew McDonald were honored Wednesday night, Feb. 24, with a birthday party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lester. Several games were played. Hot chocolate and cake were served. A good crowd of their young friends attended the party and had a fine time. The boys received many nice presents. Mrs. John L. Tidwell gave her Sunday school class of girls a 6 o'clock hamburger dinner at the Tidwell Cafe on Sunday. Pvt. Stewart Hayden of Walnut Ridge, Arkansas, visited his parents this week. Miss Charlene Conley of Dallas spent the week end with her parents. A fine time was enjoyed Friday at the home of Mrs. Mary Squires, the day being her 85th birthday. While some of the guests were fix-

ing the many good things to eat on the table, the others were engaged in conversation. Three little girls went into the dining room and sang to the honoree, "Happy Birthday to You." Rev. Greenhorn returned thanks and the eating of the many good things began and there was plenty for all and some to share. Mrs. Squires received many nice gifts, of which she is very proud. She is a fine old lady, loved and respected by all, and her many friends wish for her many more happy birthdays. Those that enjoyed the dinner were Mrs. Henrietta Lassiter and children, Friene and J. F., Mrs. Sam Looney, Mr. and Mrs. Loughlin, Mrs. Deatherage, Mrs. George Squires, of Longworth, Mrs. Gladys Oliver and daughter of Nolan, Mrs. Maurine Gregory of Hamilton, Rev. and Mrs. Greenhorn and children, Mrs. Horton and children, Mrs. McCadoo, Mr. and Mrs. John Pruett, Miss Stella Jones, and the honoree, Mrs. Squires, and her daughter, Mrs. Phillips.

A good crowd was present Sunday to hear Mr. C. M. Tidwell's talk. His theme was "A Good Layman," and all enjoyed it. Miss Louise Hensley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hensley of Iredell, is working in San Antonio. A clipping from the Randolph Field paper has the following to say of her work: "Miss Hensley has broken all precedents by being the first woman to have charge of the shipping and receiving department. She and her staff are responsible for every piece of property that receives action in this department, and they are adhering to the usual high standards which are observed by the members of Randolph Field's sub-depot supply." Louise, as she is called by her many friends, was born and raised here. She graduated from high school here a few years ago. Her many friends are glad she has this fine position. Rev. and Mrs. Cundieff were in Waco Tuesday. Mrs. W. R. Gosdin has returned from Stephenville Hospital, and is some better. Mrs. George Squires and her two daughters came in on Tuesday and remained with Mrs. Squires and her daughter till Saturday. Mrs. Squires is Mrs. Mary Squires' daughter.

The W. S. C. S. is growing in interest and attendance. All members should come. We meet every Monday. SORE THROAT - TONSILLITIS! Your doctor would recommend a good Mop and Anesthesia-Mop will give instant relief from pain. Does not blister or injure throat membranes. Applicators furnished with each bottle. Corner Drug Store. (Adv.-28-15tc)

Napoleon Lajoie, a present member of the Hendersonville, N. C., food rationing board, is 67 years old. His major league batting average, covering 21 years, was .338. Col. Matt J. Winn says the Kentucky Derby will be run in Louisville May 1, if there are only a dozen spectators at Churchill Downs. Three times during his 23-year career, Ty Cobb finished the circuit—from first to home—on three steals. He holds the record. Contented cows on the farm of Gene Sarazen, well-known golfer and agriculturist, produced 150,000 quarts of milk last year. The bulk of it went to an aircraft plant at Brookfield Center, Conn. A total of 215,292 deer hunting licenses were issued in Michigan in 1942. Don Hutson is chairman of the War Chest committee for Brown county in Wisconsin. Baltimore may have a ten o'clock curfew on night baseball games this year because street cars will be needed downtown for war workers after that hour. Maj. John L. Griffith, commissioner of athletics in the Western conference, says the Big Ten is confident it will have intercollegiate football next fall.

Anderson Co., Tex., was named for Kenneth R. Anderson, the last vice-president of Texas Republic.

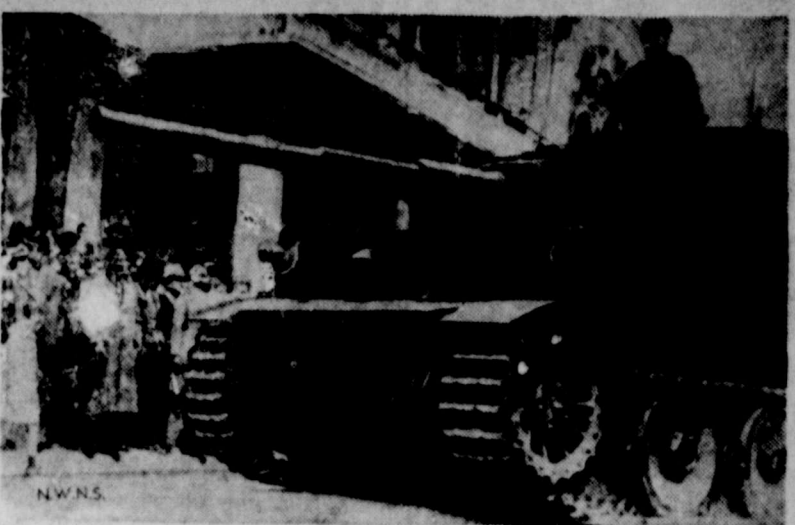
The KNOTHOLE

Three backfield regulars on Northwestern university's 1940 football team who enlisted together in the U. S. navy air force recently received their pilot commissions at the Corpus Christi training center. They are Ensigns Dick Richards, Ike Kepford and Ollie ("Red") Hahnemstein. When the Cardinals trained at Jackson, Miss., in 1912, the players walked four miles daily to and from the ball park. The father-in-law of Bobby Feller, former Cleveland hurler now in the armed services, invented air conditioning for sleeping cars.

Curly Lambeau, coach of the Green Bay Packers, believes there will be sufficient players available next fall to guarantee a full campaign for the National Football league. Sidney Wooderson, Great Britain, is the recognized world record holder for 880 yards. His time is 1:49.2. Marchy Schwartz, former Notre Dame man, is teaching tennis at Stanford. Only seven men gained 100 yards or more in one game in the National Football league last season. Lieut. Col. Larry MacPhail has lost 25 pounds since joining the army last September. Men and women past 55 years of age would get fishing licenses free under a bill introduced recently in the Pennsylvania legislature.

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Enemy Tank Facing Allies in Tunisia



A heavy German tank rolls through the streets of Tunis, according to caption which accompanied this picture, which was received via neutral Portugal. This monster with its long snouted gun is part of the Axis force facing American, British and Free French in the North African fighting.

Opening Round in Tunisia



This map indicates the various phases of activity in the opening battle between U. S. and Axis troops in Tunisia. It was in the initial phase of this action that the extended lines of the American troops were cut by Rommel's strong tank detachments. One Nazi column smashed forward from the Maknassy region (2 on the above map) and reached beyond Sbeitla (1). Gafsa (4) fell to the Germans and Feriani (3) also had to be surrendered. This opened the way for the Nazis to push on and take the vital Kasserine pass. Here a furious struggle took place and the superior fire power of the enemy forced a U. S. retreat. Military experts contended that all of this activity resulted from the German desire to create a diversion from activity of the British eighth army striking at Rommel further south—through the fortified Mareth line.

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TODAY and TOMORROW By DON ROBINSON

TAXES... guess-work Next to the Bible, probably the best selling books in the country today are those volumes purporting to explain how to pay an income tax.

With over 30,000,000 people obligated to fill in a return and make a payment to the Collector of Internal Revenue by March 15, the number of man hours which are now being spent on tax arithmetic would probably be enough to build thousands of bombers.

Personally, I think it might be easier to build bombers than to figure out the right answer to what anyone actually owes Uncle Sam. For a bomber is built according to exact specifications with accurate blue prints to go by, but an income tax is invented as we go along—a sort of a medley of legal confusion, hearsay and imagination.

INSTRUCTIONS... theft Most of us never see the Revenue Act itself—and anyone who does get a glimpse of it steers away from it as quickly as possible. Only a legal authority or an accountant who anyone actually owes Uncle Sam.

So we rely for our enlightenment on the brief instruction sheet sent out with income tax blanks plus hints we pick up from explanatory books or conversations with friends. We cross our fingers while we enter deductions we are uncertain about, hope we haven't missed too many major ones which we are expected to take, and finally drop our report in the mail box with the feeling that, no matter how honest we have tried to be, we will soon be suspected of theft and dragged into court by revenue agents.

SIMPLICITY... goal The new pay-as-you-go plan, whereby income tax would be deducted from our pay just as the Victory Tax now is, could be a worthwhile simplification of income tax problems.

But actually, the chances are that we will continue to have to file a complicated report in order that the treasury department will know if the right amount has been deducted from our pay.

There may be no way to get around the complications of income tax reports. But when we consider the many millions of dollars of our tax money which are spent by the government for collecting and auditing the tax, simplification should certainly be the goal of any new tax program.

If the tax rate increases at the rate it has recently, perhaps the simplest way would be to turn our entire income over to the government and let them figure out how much to pay back to us.

DEDUCTIONS... average The special form for incomes of under \$3,000 a year is a real step toward simplification, but many people find that they lose money by using the simplified form. I believe that this form allows for average deductions of slightly under 10 per cent, but there are many with incomes of under \$3,000 who would normally be entitled to deductions far exceeding that amount.

Perhaps one solution would be to give taxpayers a choice on each possible deduction of either reporting it in detail or taking a small percentage without accounting for it. Thus, the government might continue to permit proven deductions up to 15 per cent for charity, but let any of us take 5 per cent for charity without accounting for it at all. The same could hold true with business expenses, medical deductions, tax deductions, etc.

Although this might not increase the accuracy of reports, it would prevent many a headache among tax-payers, would lessen the temptation to "invent" deductible expenses, and would undoubtedly result in just as much revenue to the treasury.

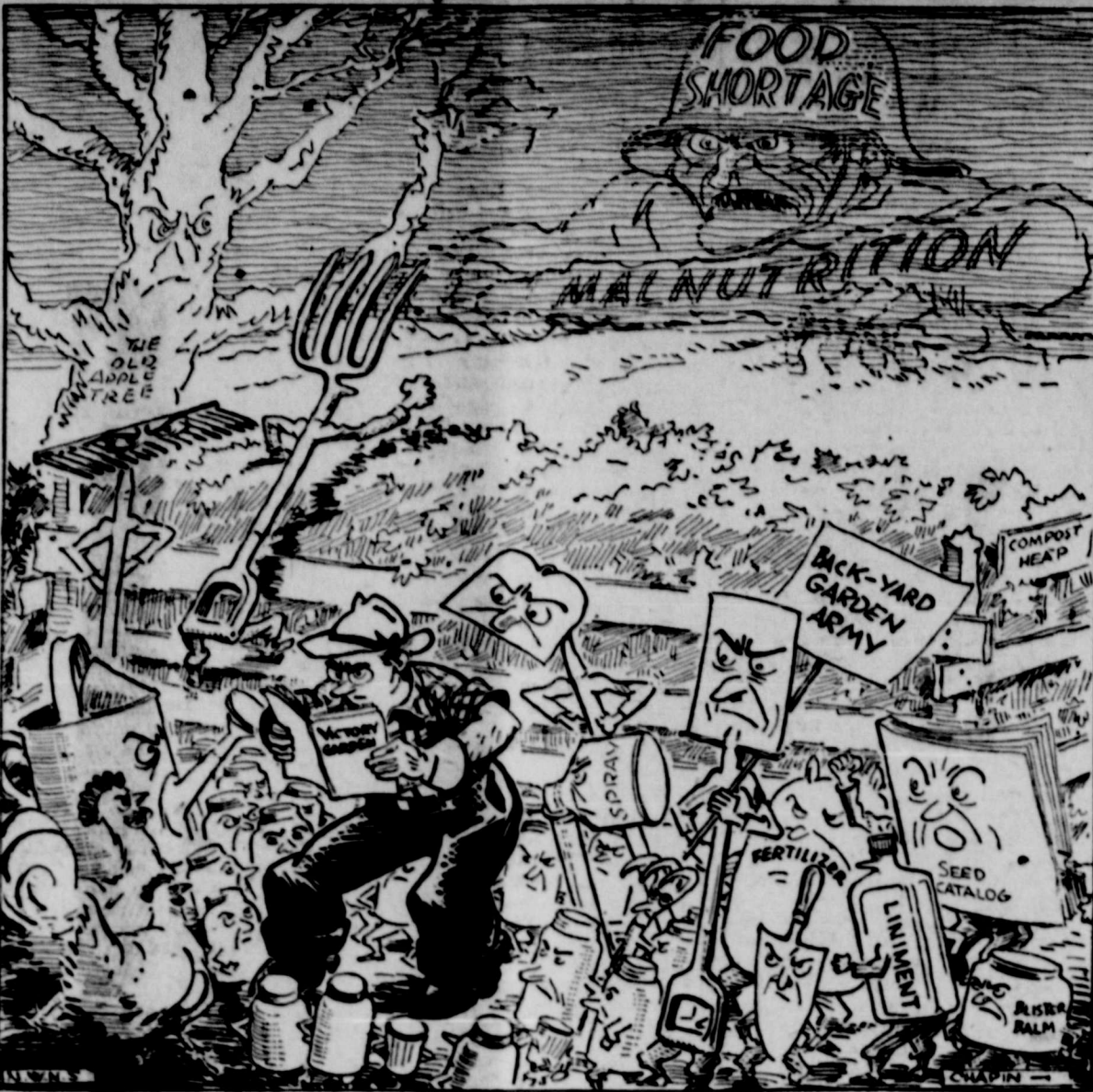
Heroine of Bataan



Lieut. Ethel Veley, U. S. Army nurse, veteran of the heroic resistance on Bataan and Corregidor, is shown shortly after she arrived in Seattle to recruit nurses for the army.

Are you entitled to wear a "target" lapel button? You are if you are investing at least ten percent of your income in War Bonds every pay day. It's your badge of patriotism.

The Enemy on the Home Front



ABOVE the HULLABALOO



By LITTLE HULL The Hard Coal Strike

The strike in the hard coal mines may be over when this goes to press, but it is going to be a long time before the one hundred and thirty million Americans who are not members of the United Mine Workers of America—but who happen to be serving their country in one way or another—are going to forget it.

This strike, in one of the most vital of the war industries, was called ostensibly in protest against a 50 cent increase in dues to the union. In time of peace—and when it would not endanger the health of the public—a strike might conceivably be the easiest way to settle a matter of this sort, as under our present laws there is no proper provision for protecting the laborer from the union bosses.

One union official is quoted as saying that "This is a fight for principle"; and "Men in my local have sacrificed on the average \$75 each over this issue of 50 cents." The balance of the 130 million Americans are sacrificing considerably more than \$75 apiece: some of them are sacrificing their lives—and for a "principle" which does not involve a 50 cent raise in dues.

This Week in WASHINGTON

Washington, D. C. (NWS)—"The thing that amazes me most about Washington," said a prominent member of the government, "is that in spite of all the fights, the confusion, the waste, the fast-changing regulations and the many changes in personnel, we still seem to be getting things done."

That statement expresses a general attitude in Washington. Practically everyone here is extremely conscious of the many muddled and complicated situations, but they are optimistic in the belief that we can accomplish more, in spite of muddling, than other nations can accomplish no matter how efficiently their war program is managed.

The most dangerous fight, of the many pitched battles going on in Washington, is that between the army-navy leaders against the War Production Board. As it stands now the WPB has the upper hand in that it has been given power by the President to direct the scheduling of munitions output—a function which the war and navy departments are convinced should be given to them. This fight has reached the point, said one military official, where chairman Nelson of WPB will either be forced to quit or the under-secretaries of war and navy will resign.

Mr. Nelson, however, has indicated that he has no intention of quitting nor of giving in to the army and navy—and he has strengthened the power of WPB by giving Charles Wilson, his executive vice chairman, practically the same powers as he wields himself.

The army and navy are also battling with congress over the selective service. Congress feels strongly that there is no need to draft fathers until all other available men have been drafted, and it favors legislation to provide that no fathers in a state shall be called

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SUCCESSFUL PARENTHOOD

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

CHILDREN AND MUSIC

If the world has failed to consider us a musical nation it has not been the fault of American parents. In no other country does the yearly expenditure for music lessons even approximate ours, which runs into millions.

But the need for music goes even deeper than enjoyment. Rose Heylbut, author of "Like Softest Music" points out that it is a basic need of the human race. Primitive peoples, babies, old people who have never learned to read and write can still express their emotions through rhythmic sounds.

But perhaps the most important consideration of all is choosing your child's music teacher. Eventually there comes a time to stop music lessons if the child has failed to become interested or has proved lacking in skill or is tone deaf or deficient in a sense of rhythm.

ruptions and gives your thoughts a free mental space of their own in which to grow into ideas. Finally, the study of music requires application and self-discipline which are bound to contribute to character growth.

So much for the desirability of music in your child's formative years. How are you going to persuade children that the advantages are worth the time and concentration practicing requires? Mostly by building around them an atmosphere that music is fun now, not just an advantage for their later years.

For instance, a child's natural interest should dictate the choice of instrument. Because you always wanted to play the violin is no reason why your child will prefer that instrument. Suppose he has shown in his play a distinct liking for some one type of musical creation—say, he has made himself an instrument with a box and strings, or delights in blowing on every kind of toy wind instrument, or has shown a genuine curiosity about the piano keyboard—take the hint, buy him the real thing at the appropriate age, and let him start music lessons, even if he later changes to some other instrument.

DALE CARNEGIE Author of "How to Win Friends and Influence People"

A JOB LOST, A FUTURE WON

In 1915 a young man in Birmingham, England, went for a walk. That walk changed his life. It made him a rich man. His name was Frank Irving Fletcher.

Crossing a railroad track, he saw a scrap of newspaper which was being blown about by the wind. He idly picked it up; was about to throw it down; then looked at it more carefully; a want-ad page from a newspaper. He needed a job, so he read the ads one by one.

He found one that appealed. Then he looked sharply. The job was in New York. But it was the kind of job he wanted. The salary was \$18 a week.

But New York was 3,000 miles away! The glow faded from Fletcher's eyes. Fears and misgivings swept over him. Suddenly his spine stiffened. He'd go to New York!

He borrowed some money and five days later was on a boat, landing in New York practically broke. When he went after that job he had come 3,000 miles to get, it had been taken.

Fletcher set his teeth, put his head down, and charged. Result a job, at \$10 a week. Now he could eat!

Two weeks later he got a better job, at \$12; pretty soon another at \$15; then one at \$18; all in two months! The Thompson-Starrett Company, Inc., a great construction firm, advertised for a secretary. Fletcher applied. He was competing with a string of other applicants, but his air of invincible confidence in what he had to offer—the mark of the born salesman—got him the job.

A few months later the company wanted an advertising man and they told Fletcher to look around for one.

He wanted the job for himself, but he had never written an ad; knew nothing about it. He knew it would not do the slightest good to say he could fill the job. He would have to prove it. He decided to write sample ads to show them.

He knew the policy of the company, but he didn't know their writing style, so he got all the back ads he could find and studied them. He sat up all night, and produced sixty short, snappy ads. He turned them in to one of the officials, saying he believed he had a knack for ad-writing, and asked him to read them. The official read them and was so pleased that he got into his car and drove to the addresses of two other executives to show the ads to them. Fletcher got the job. Salary \$2,500.

U. S. Wounded From Tunisia Stretch Legs



At a west country hospital in England, United States infantrymen and paratroopers are recovering from wounds sustained in battles in Tunisia. Here, out for a morning walk, are six soldiers and two of their American nurses.

Governor of Algeria



When high commissioner Henri Giraud announced the appointment of Marcel Beyrou as governor general of Algeria it created quite a stir in Algeria, which later subsided when the Allied Nations, France see the new Algerian governor general seated at his desk executing the duties of office.

Personals.

B. D. Corrigan of Hamilton was in Hico Wednesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hanshaw spent Sunday in Iredell visiting with his mother, Mrs. J. C. Hanshaw.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bailey returned Wednesday from Abilene, where they had been visiting for several days.

Mrs. J. J. Harvey of Hamilton spent the week end here with her son, Tullon Carpenter, and family and old-time friends.

Mrs. Harold Stevens of San Antonio visited the first of this week with her mother, Mrs. Frank Mings.

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A. A. Brown, a civilian employe in the store room at Camp Howze, near Gainesville, came down Sunday for a short visit with home-folks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Gandy and children, Billie and Patsy, of Fort Worth spent the week end here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Gandy.

Mrs. Herman Leach left Monday morning for Fresno, Calif. where she will join her husband, Pfc. Herman Leach, who is stationed at Camp Pineale near Fresno.

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Miss Annie Pierson was in Alvarado last Friday to attend the funeral services held for Mrs. Joe Morrison.

Reese Jones and son, Doyle, from Sweetwater, spent last Friday night with his brother, J. D. Jones, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Meador of Abilene spent Sunday here with her sister, Mrs. Ernie Jacobs, and Mr. Jacobs.

Little Judy Cunningham of Fort Worth is visiting this week with her grandmother, Mrs. F. M. Mings, and Mr. Mings.

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Mrs. Lester Grisham and sons, Jan and Roger, left Monday to make their home in Fort Worth, where Mr. Grisham is employed in the drafting department of the Consolidated aircraft plant.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Alexander and daughter, Barbara Joyce, of Garland spent the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hanshaw, and her brother, R. N. Hanshaw, and wife and little son, Ray Lynn.

Mrs. Winfred Driver and daughter, Linda Ruth, of Salem spent Saturday here with her mother, Mrs. Lucile Snyder. Mrs. Snyder spent Sunday with her brother, Pvt. John L. Wilson, and wife at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McClatchy south of town.

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Mrs. Elbert Phillips and Miss Loretta Lane of San Antonio visited here Tuesday and Wednesday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lane. They have been employed with the Gulf Refining Co. for several months and recently received promotions to assistant managers of service stations, being the only girls with the Gulf company in San Antonio to hold such positions.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Shelton and daughter, Delores, of Sabinal spent the week end here with his mother, Mrs. C. W. Shelton, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Thomas. Other week-end visitors in the home of Mrs. Shelton were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Wall and little son, Richard Lynn, of Brownwood, and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Rainwater and daughter, Nancy Jane, of Brady. The Rainwaters also visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Rainwater.

J. V. Doty, writing this week, says: "Maybe this will be the last time I will have to bother you about my mail, but on account of additional boxes on this route they have changed our box number to 195, Route 1, Grand Prairie, Tex. I got a transfer this week from Plant A to Plant B, the new plant just opened up. I am in Department 232, Tail Section Assembly, and am making Liberator B-24 Bombers. Would like to hear from all our old friends there."

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Cheek of Austin spent the week end here with friends. They were accompanied by Hico by Mr. and Mrs. Julius Jones and son, Bobby, also of Austin. Bobby, who is employed with an insurance company and is attending State University, returned with Mr. and Mrs. Cheek to Austin Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Jones remained over Monday for a visit here with her mother, Mrs. R. J. Farmer, and to meet their other children here. They were Mr. and Mrs. Toy Jones and daughter, Loretta Ann, of Dallas; Sgt. Julius Jones, Majors Field near Greenville; Master Sergeant Jewell Jones, Duncan Field, and Lt. and Mrs. Guy Willie of Fort Benning, Ga.

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Church News

Methodist Church

"The Week of Dedication" services being held at the Methodist church this week will come to a close with the Sunday evening service.

During the day Sunday, members of the church will lay a special free-will offering on the altar of the church. This offering will be used for Overseas Work and for Work on the Home Field. Under the head of Overseas Work two main items are: (1) Evacuating and re-establishing missionaries, and (2) Emergency projects in South America. Under the head of Work on the Home Field special items included are (1) For the Chaplains' Commission and work in Army Camps, and (2) For Work about defense centers. Much of the money for Overseas Work will be used in feeding and clothing refugees in the war-torn countries.

The Lord's Supper will be observed Sunday at 11 o'clock.

Final sermons to be preached are as follows:

Friday, March 5, 8:15 p. m.: "How Christians Know They Are Saved."

Saturday, March 6, 8:15 p. m.: "What Every Christian Must Have."

Sunday, March 7, 11 a. m.: "The Perils of Apostasy"; 8:15 p. m.: "The Terrible Alternative."

The entire community is invited to participate in these meetings.

FLOYD W. THRASH, Pastor.

Church of Christ

Meets each Lord's Day at 10 a. m. for Bible study, in classes. Preaching at 11, communion service at 11:45, preaching at 7:45 p. m. each Sunday.

Ladies' Bible study each Thursday at 2:30 p. m.

Preaching each first and third Sundays by Eld. Stanley Gleeske; each second and fourth Sundays by Eld. Oran Columbus. You are welcome to all these services.

Baptist Church

Sunday morning services as usual. Training Union at the regular time, 7:30. There will be no preaching service as we are dismissing to attend the Methodist meeting. We urge you to be present for the T. U. and we will dismiss in time for the other services.

Wednesday evening, R. A. and G. A. fellowship at 7, program at 7:30, and prayer meeting at 8. Bring your Bibles as we are studying Romans 3:16.

Our Spring revival begins March 24 and will close April 4. Morning services the last week only. All are invited to come worship with us during these services.

W. M. S. meets at the church at 3. This is a Royal Service program.

Don't forget Tuesday as Red Cross afternoon, 2 o'clock. Said

Jesus, our Master: "I was sick and ye ministered unto me... Inasmuch as ye have done unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto Me."

Pentecostal Church

Prayer meeting and Bible study will be held every Wednesday night at 7:45.

Sunday school on Sunday morning at 10:30 and the evening worship at 7:45. Hear the old-time gospel and singing. Everyone invited.

Victory Prayer Meeting

Prayer meeting will be held every Tuesday afternoon from 2:00 until 3:00 o'clock for the duration of the Pentecostal Church.

The prayers at these meetings will be especially for the safety and return of our husbands, sons and other relatives and friends and victory for our nation.

Everyone who is concerned is urged to be present who can have the force of each other's prayers.

DOLLY LINTCH, Pastor.

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LETTERS from Readers

TELLS ABOUT TRIP

Hico, Texas, March 2, 1943.

Dear Mrs. Holford: I'm sending you a little sketch of my visit down in the Rio Grande Valley with my mother and two sisters.

I returned last week from Donna, where I enjoyed a two-weeks' visit with my sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Whorton, and my mother who makes her home with them. My other sister, Mrs. Cecil Dansby of Galveston, met me there and we celebrated my mother's 87th birthday. We were met there also by two cousins, Mrs. Charles Diltz of Sabinal, Texas, and Dr. Una Carey of Long Beach, Calif., who were also visiting in the Valley at that time.

The highlight of our visit was the birthday party which my sisters and I arranged for our mother on the 12th of February. My sister's home was beautifully decorated with pot plants, gladioli, and other lovely flowers which grow the year around in that climate.

There were some thirty guests who called during the afternoon. Coffee was served with a slice of the birthday cake which was decorated with flowers and candles. My mother received many lovely and useful gifts, of which she was very proud. But I think the fact that all her daughters were with her for the birthday made her happier than anything else could, and it was certainly a very happy occasion for all of us.

Very respectfully,
MRS. J. P. OWEN.

IMPROVING RESIDENCE

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Woodard are having extensive repairs and improvements made on the residence in the north part of town which they recently purchased from Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Marcum.

Included in the improvements are repairs to the porch, painting, erection of a car shed and chicken houses at the rear after the barn is torn down.

Falls Creek

By Virginia Coston

Mrs. W. M. Coston of Stephenville and Mrs. Jess Rainwater and daughter, Joan, visited in the Grady Coston home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allen visited Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Hunter of Hico a while Saturday night.

Margaret Ellis of Hico visited Virginia Coston Sunday.

Mrs. H. G. Coston and Grandmother Chumney spent a while Monday with Mrs. A. A. Fewell and Mrs. Pierson of Hico.

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HOUSE AND HOME

By Mary E. Dague

By MARY E. DAGUE
Author of Sister Mary's Kitchen.

Precious, irreplaceable woollens must be protected this year as never before. Blankets and garments should be taken care of to the very best of your ability in order to prolong the life of these articles just as long as possible.

Aside from the inevitable wear that all woollens receive and with moths comes the problem of storage.

Even before woollens are safely packed away for the summer months there are certain precautions it's necessary to take.

First of all, everything must be scrupulously clean. All woolen articles should be washed or dry cleaned immediately before storing. Make it a point to be ready to take care of your woollens at once.

If you wash your blankets yourself it's a good idea to add a moth proofing compound to the last rinse water. Many commercial laundries will do this for you if you send your blankets out to be washed. Laundries will also seal your blankets in moth-proof paper wrapping for a small extra charge.

Many dry cleaning establishments put clothes through a moth-proofing process and seal the garments in light bags so that you can be reasonably sure such clothes are safe for the coming months.

When it comes to the actual storage of woollens they must be put in air-tight containers.

If you are considering the purchase of a cedar chest there are several points to keep in mind.

As an article of furniture, nowadays a cedar chest doesn't have to be just a box with a lid. You can choose from ever so many styles that will add definite beauty to various rooms.

But whatever type of chest you select be sure that you are getting plenty of red cedar in its construction. This means that the chest should be made of at least 70 per cent of three-fourths-inch cedar. It's the aroma of red cedar that's moth-repellent.

If you buy a chest with a lid look for a self-sealing lip around the lid so that it fits tightly on the chest, thereby keeping the cedar pungency in and the dust and moths out.

A chest with drawers should have this same self-sealing lip around each drawer and for the same purpose.

Inspect the fastenings, too. These should be strong enough to hold the lid or drawers firmly against the chest.

Of course you want warp-proof construction that insures against sticking of drawers or lid and loosening of joints.

Grapes are a splendid fruit to grow at home. Even a small backyard can accommodate several varieties because you can plant them to grow on the fence and they take up very little root space.

There's a new grape called the Van Buren that is very early, ripening almost a month earlier than the standard variety Concord. This Van Buren grape is of the Concord type but of superior quality. Its earliness makes it especially valuable where seasons are short.

The Fredonia is another early grape of the Concord type.

Seneca is an early ripening grape that is suggestive of the California fruit. This is a golden-yellow grape, very sweet and firm fleshed. It ripens about two weeks earlier than Concord and hangs on the vine in good condition until just before a frost. Then it can be picked and stored in a cool place until Thanksgiving.

Aside from the virtue of earliness these grapes keep well in storage so that you can enjoy them for several months.

The Portland is said to be the earliest white grape but of course the Niagara is the best known and most popular. Both are sweet and juicy and delicious.

Concord is the grape to grow for juice and preserves but remember that it won't keep in storage as well as the newer grapes that have been developed within the last few years.

There are many other varieties of grapes, red and blue, all hardy and prolific and very much worth while for home production. The vines are truly decorative, the fragrance of the blossoms is delightful and the fruit is delicious.

Old felt hats are well worth saving because they can be put to several useful purposes around the house. If the pads on the bases of book-ends and door stops are worn out cut a piece from a felt hat exactly the size you need and glue it firmly on the base. One or two thicknesses of felt glued to uneven table legs make adequate lifts and solve the teetery table problem. You can make good pot-holders by covering felt with gingham or chintz to match your kitchen. If you need a door-silencer in case of illness cut a square of felt large enough to cover the latch and stitch two pieces of tape on opposite sides of the square. The tapes tie around the door knobs on each side of the door and do an effective and neat job.

EVERYBODY EVERYWHERE

U.S. WAR BONDS

THE HOUSE OF HAZARDS



—by Mac Arthur

The JADE GOD

By Mary Imlay Taylor



London nodded. "Served a term."

ed Mark, but not for an instant had he imagined this!

Banks went on to elucidate his statement, to add a little color to it.

"Killed his old uncle fifteen years ago; that's why it's sort of forgotten-feelie thing," he explained breathlessly; "knocked him on the head with a brick, or something like that; a perfectly beastly murder!"

Landon folded his arms and straightened himself a little. Still he said nothing, and his fixed stare disconcerted Banks.

"Look here, old chap," he said nervously, "it's a bally kettle of fish; what are you going to do about it?"

"Do?" Landon's face reddened. "I'd like to hang you, for one thing," he replied bitterly. "It's that fool wagger! As for this fellow--" his lips tightened--"I'll see to him!"

"If you know Foadick says he's making love to Pamela Rod--"

"Shut up!" Landon snapped. "You leave her out of it; you've done enough!"

"Oh, if you're going to foist all the blame on me!" Banks began angrily, but he got no further; Landon thrust him out into the hall, docketed the door of his apartment and started downstairs on a run.

He was aware of Teddy's angry squintings toward him, but he took no heed. He found the taxi waiting outside and commandeered it. He had found out, in the early stages of the affair, where Mark had his lodgings. He had cast the taxi there now, and threw himself back into the corner of it to think.

The strongest feeling that possessed him at the moment was a kind of fierce exultation. He had not forgotten the smoking room and Mark's defiance and contempt. He had his weapon now and he meant to use it mercilessly. The manner of doing that most thoroughly and swiftly was the only thing that greatly concerned him; for a while he discounted the probable consequences to himself. He had seen Mark's first meeting with Pamela Rodney, and he had been utterly unprepared for the rush of his progress. Landon, a product of social conventions, a dandy of the ballroom, but fully determined to marry Pam, the heiress, had never dreamed of making love to her with eyes that had the kindling flash of Mark's. He could not. He had not the power or the will of a man who had suffered. Destiny had cast Mark into a fiery crucible, he had come out of it something of a pagan, but the pagan in him was clean and strong. He had never loved any woman before; in prison at seventeen he was heart whole, and the rush of passion smote him—as it might a pagan—mightily.

Such love burns like a flame. The flame had caught Pam, as fire touches the lovely wings of a butterfly and brings it down to earth. Landon, looking on, knowing how and why he had brought them together, raged at the thought. He was helpless, too. If he told the truth, Mrs. Lynn would certainly exclude Mark altogether, but she would just as certainly exclude the man who had made the wager; she would, indeed, exact the heaviest penalty from him, and Landon knew it. While Mark stayed away from the house he had breathed more freely; he had begun to believe that threats had taken effect, or that Mark himself had reserve enough to forbear from further transgression. Then, by accident, he had seen him emerge from the tearoom with Pam and had leaped to the conclusion that they had met often. The thought had maddened him; he was furiously jealous, and an ill-advised, ineffectual attempt to warn Mrs. Lynn had only made Pam equally angry. Then Landon, possessed, as he felt now, by some demon of ill luck, had put his fate to the touch on the spot and asked the girl to marry him. He had been refused so absolutely to leave any hope at all. Pam was a modern; she took her matter calmly and gave him a list answer.

"See here," Foadick called after him, "you tell Landon I want to see him--hear me?"

But Banks was already at the elevator. He was panting like a man who had been running. He reached the pavement in time to hail a taxi and filling an address at the driver. Once inside he relaxed enough to think. His amazement had, at first, dulled his other faculties. But now he realized that he was well out of it; he might be initially to blame, for he had made the wager, but he had been already turned down--frozen out; he was a scapegrace of sorts, and Mrs. Lynn could not visit her wrath upon him. Landon would get it--if she and Burleson found out! In the gloom of the taxi, Teddy Banks grinned ruefully. He was not an ill-natured youth and he pitied Landon, for it was borne in upon him that Landon would be betrayed; not that he meant to betray him, but there was Foadick! As for Burleson--

In his excitement he paid the taxi-driver to make better speed by a side street and reached Landon's lodgings in the nick of time; he found him just leaving.

"Hello, Ted," said he coolly, "I'm going out--got anything to show to keep me?"

"You bet your sweet life I have!" Banks seized him by the arm and drew him away from the door. "You come back to your rooms; I've got something that'll knock you cold!"

Landon, who had never forgiven him for the result of the wager, turned back reluctantly and unlocked his door. Once inside the room, Banks shut the door and leaned his back against it.

"See here, Archie," he said hoarsely; "that fellow--that wagger fellow, I mean--he's an ex-convict; he's committed murder!"

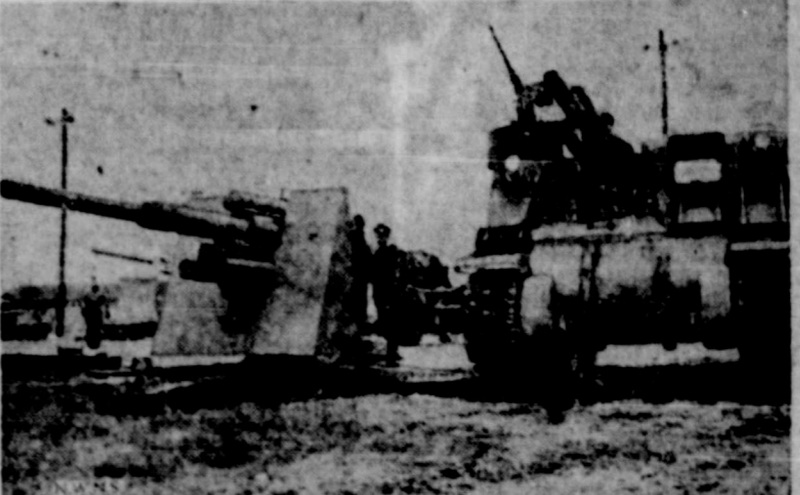
Landon stood still. He had nothing to say, but he felt the blood pulsing in his brain. He had not

Flies to Nowhere



The navy is teaching the WAVES how to operate the Link trainer, the device that enables aviation students to learn operation of a plane without leaving the ground. Above you see a WAVE in the cockpit of a trainer at the naval reserve aviation base at Atlanta, learning the "how" of it from the Link trainer instructor.

Opposing Sluggers in African Warfare



At left, above, is the German 88-mm. gun that played such havoc with tanks of the British imperial army when it was first taken from under its wraps as a surprise weapon. At right is the Yankee trick that took its measure, the American M-7 tank destroyer, mounting a 165-mm. gun howitzer. The M-7 is a favorite with the British forces of General Montgomery.

Nest - Egg for Jackie



Jackie Shea, son of the late naval commander who wrote the great inspirational letter to him, receives \$350 in war bonds from the mayor of Cambridge, Mass., in behalf of the Comdr. John J. Shea memorial committee.

Rationed Shoes Go Like Hot Cakes



Shoe shops throughout the country did a gold-rush business immediately following the two-day "freeing" of shoe sales preliminary to rationing of footwear. Continuing until June 15 a pair of shoes may be purchased upon presentation of Stamp No. 17 of War Ration Book No. 1. Photo shows a shoe store in New York doing a rushing business with Stamp No. 17.

Undersea Raiders



Grand Admiral Erich Raeder, commander-in-chief of the German navy, is now admiral inspector of the navy, and Admiral Karl Doenitz, submarine fleet commander, succeeds him as grand admiral of the fleet. They are pictured together here, Raeder left and Doenitz right.

Maybe They See What's Coming to Them



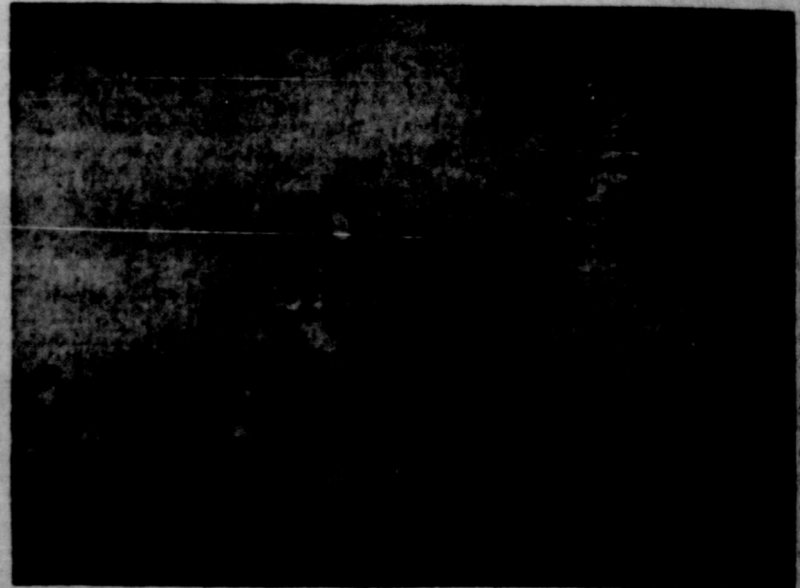
Hermann Goerring, Adolf Hitler, Count Ciano and Jacob von Ribbentrop, left to right, presented this sad-looking picture at one of a series of important war meetings held at the German imperial headquarters. The meetings were probably caused by the liquidation of the Italian empire in North Africa. In background, right, is Dino Alfieri, Italian ambassador to Germany, now said to be in disrepute with the Nazi party.

African Air Chief



Prominent in the lineup of Allied leaders in the African war theater is Air Marshal Sir A. W. Tedder (above), of the British Royal Air Force, who heads all the Allied air forces in this area. Tedder is credited with directing the aerial phase of the Libyan campaign that climaxed in the rout of the Afrika Korps.

French Battleship to Be Refitted Here



The Richelieu, second of French warships, landed into New York harbor with only three of her low pressure operating and her hull pierced. The 35,000-ton battleship, shown above, will be repaired and tested before going to sea against the Axis. Accompanied by U. S. and French destroyers, the Richelieu rode out a severe North Atlantic gale.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Your BRAIN BUDGET

1—Fald Pass, scene of recent fighting between German and Allied troops, is in (1) Egypt, (2) Libya, (3) Tunisia?
 2—Andrew Jackson was known as (1) The Great Commoner, (2) The Great Emancipator, (3) Old Hickory?
 3—Getulio Vargas is president of (1) Brazil, (2) South America, (3) Cuba?
 4—Before he became chairman of the War Production Board, Donald Nelson was (1) a lawyer; (2) a business executive, (3) an army officer?
 5—The new American medium tank is known as the (1) George Washington, (2) Mark VI, (3) General Sherman?

ANSWERS:
 1—Tunisia. 2—Brazil. 3—A business executive.
 4—Old Hickory. 5—General Sherman.

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Gets Navy Cross



Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox presents the Navy Cross to Capt. Edward J. Moran, USN, for service as commanding officer of the cruiser, Boise, during the battle of Cape Esperance, in the Solomons, October 11-12. The Boise and several other U. S. warships engaged a superior Japanese task force and sank six enemy warships in heavy, close range fighting.



TODAY and TOMORROW
By DON ROBINSON

VICTORY gardens

A lot of Victory gardeners didn't take victory gardening very seriously last year, but in spite of weeds, drought and bugs the Victory gardens of 1942 are estimated to have yielded a \$250,000,000 crop. This year the whole aspect of the gardening situation has changed. Whereas last year it seemed a little silly to wear ourselves out taking care of tomato plants when we could get all the tomatoes we wanted for five cents a pound at the nearest road stand, this year it is quite possible that we must either grow our own tomatoes or go without them.

For there is no doubt that representatives of the government, who are required to gather up enough food to supply our armed forces as well as to satiate the appetites of millions of people in other lands, will greedily grab all of the produce they can get their hands on from the legitimate farms. Although efforts will be made to supply the needs of our country's civilian population, the plans for doing this will initially depend on hundreds of thousands of families getting their food from their own back yards instead of from the markets.

DOLLARS food
The government is now planning a campaign, which will be launched within a month, to make us all so Victory garden conscious that anyone who doesn't have a patch of his back yard dug up by spring will feel like a saboteur.

In a country which has always had more food than it knew what to do with, it is going to be a hard job to convince people that some of us are suddenly apt to go hungry unless we become amateur farmers. For the first time in our history, having the money to buy food won't be any guarantee of getting it. The dollar, which has always guaranteed fulfillment of all our needs, is now rapidly becoming only a promissory note for the delivery of goods after the war is over.

From now on the only assurance of food will be an adequate supply of ration points—and even they may not give us enough to satisfy our appetites. There will be many scarce foods which will be too expensive in ration points for anyone to buy and there will be other scarce foods which will probably disappear from the markets altogether.

But anyone who has a few square feet of land can be assured of a good supply of fresh summer vegetables if he is willing to spend a few hours a week digging, weeding and spraying.

SUPPLY perils

Nobody really knows how perilous the food situation here will become. In the first place, since successful crops are so dependent on weather conditions, the most careful estimates of food production can be knocked completely awry by storm, drought or frost. In the second place, although steps are being taken to supply labor to the farmers, there is a good possibility that the shortage of farm help may keep farmers from planting or harvesting many crops. The department of agriculture is counting on farm production equal to that of last year—but there are few farm leaders who think this will be possible. They point out that last year was ideal from the weather viewpoint and we can't expect two ideal years in a row; that since the manpower problem has not yet been solved, many farmers will be forced to plant less than usual; and the farm machinery and fertilizer problem have reached a point where crops which are planted may be lost because of insufficient care.

The farmers and the government will have to work out these major problems the best they can. But meanwhile the best "esting insurance" which any of us can have for this year is a well-cared-for Victory garden right next to the kitchen door.

* In Briscoe County, Texas, which lies partly on high level plains and partly on the Cap Rock escarpment, the elevation drops as much as 1,000 feet within the distance of a few miles.

Millerville

By
Chas. W. Gleescke

It looks like Winter had just begun, as Tuesday was a disagreeable day. A good rain would be appreciated. A few farmers are planting corn.

Earl Shaffer was in our midst Monday dealing in cattle. Earl Norrod, who has been working at Camp Hood the past six months, came in for keeps to begin preparations for another crop.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Phipps of Meridian was over Tuesday to visit his father, G. W. Phipps. The elder Mrs. G. W. Phipps, who is at Bisbee, Arizona, says their daughter who underwent a major operation a month ago, is slowly improving.

C. H. Miller is spending a few days at Waco.

Mrs. Zola Johnson of Dallas was buried here last Saturday. Services were held at the Church of Christ in Hico. She was reared in this community, being a daughter of the late Elder and Mrs. J. C. White. She was also a sister of Mrs. Hayden Glover of Hico.

Mrs. M. E. Gleescke has been on the sick list for the past several days. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gleescke and daughter, Elvena, were visitors at the Gorman Hospital last week.

Randals Brothers have sold their farm in this community, known as the old Shipman farm, to a Mr. Mayhew, formerly of Sweetwater, Grafton, Warren and family will remain on the place this year.

Buck Springs

By
Lorene Hyles

(Too late for last week)
Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Knight and family visited Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Griffiths at Hico Sunday.

Mrs. Wilmon Rich and daughter, Donnie Nell, of Alice, Texas, visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hendricks last Saturday night.

Bro. Thrash of Hico preached here last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hyles and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hyles and family Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher have moved from our community. We regret their moving, but wish them much success. The place they were living on sold.

Mrs. Churchill is still on the sick list, but we wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Shook and daughters, Mary Frances and Betty Ray, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jess Oakley and daughter, Annetta, Sunday.

John D. and Elizabeth Slaughter attended the ball game at Carlton Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Parker and daughters, Margie Lee and Lavonne, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Parker and daughter, Mary Joyce, visited Mrs. Parker of Hico Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McLendon and family visited Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Houser and daughter Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chaney and son and Mr. and Mrs. Derrick and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Carol McLendon Sunday.

Clairette

By
Mrs. H. Alexander

Rev. Hogg filled his appointment here Sunday at 11 o'clock, and our regular fourth Sunday night singing was enjoyed Sunday night by all present.

Miss Baylor Durham of Abilene spent the week end here with her mother, Mrs. S. O. Durham. Mrs. Leona Phillips and baby who have been visiting relatives at Greenville for some time, returned home last Friday.

Miss Florine Havens of Fort Worth visited over the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bird Havens.

Miss Lila Sherrard of Mineral Wells spent the week end in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sherrard and family.

Guests Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Johnson were J. H. Alexander and family, Henry Mackey and family, also Ray Stipe and family.

Mrs. Eddie Sherrard and son, Billie, and Mrs. Josie Alexander visited at the bedside of their brother, Judge J. B. Salmon, who is ill in the Kermit Hospital suffering of a heart ailment. They returned home Tuesday and report their brother some better.

Mr. John Salmon who has been in the Stephenville Hospital for some time, was brought home last Wednesday and is improving very nicely.

Mr. Milton Cozby of New Mexico visited his brother, George Cozby, and family during the week end.

Mr. Eldon Haley and Cleo Mayfield, who are working at Gainesville, spent the week end here with their families.

Mr. Eldon Haley and family have moved into the residence owned by Mrs. Alice Fenley of Fort Worth.

Mr. Glen Lee and Hub Alexander made a business trip to Stephenville Saturday.

The Busy Bee Sewing Club met last Thursday with Mrs. Homer Lee. Besides the members present, she had as a visiting guest, Mrs. Lynn Johnson of Big Spring, Texas at Houston, and Y. hm hm hm Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Martin have as their guests a son, Morgan Martin Jr., who has just finished naval training at Houston, and his wife, Mrs. Morgan Martin Jr. of El Campo; also Mr. Onstott and daughter of Fort Worth.

PARTAINS CELEBRATE 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Partain celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary, February 28, at their home five miles northeast of Hico on the Hico and Chalk Mountain Highway. The couple was honored with many presents and an anniversary feast at the noon hour, which was enjoyed by all.

All of the children were present. They are as follows: L. L. Partain, San Antonio; Mrs. Ila Ledbetter, Dallas; Mrs. J. C. Guinn, Hico Rt. 4; C. R. Partain, Dallas; Mrs. Maxie Center, Dallas; C. F. Partain, Dallas; H. O. Partain, Hico Rt. 4; Mrs. W. C. Perry, Walnut Springs; and J. D. Partain, Hico Rt. 4.

Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Gibson and Charley Wilhite of Carlton were also present.

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MT. PLEASANT INDUSTRIAL MET WEDNESDAY, FEB. 24
 The Mt. Pleasant Industrial Club met February 24 with Mrs. W. T. Slater. The ladies quilted on two quilts.
 The ladies present were Mrs. S. N. Akin, Mrs. H. G. Shields, Mrs. Walter Abel, Mrs. Emmett Anderson, Mrs. B. T. Slater, Mrs. Cecil Parks, Mrs. B. L. Hargrove, Mrs. Ovee Clark, Mrs. A. B. Clark, Mrs. Coyt Clark, Mrs. Leslie Arrant, Mrs. Elbert Lambert, Mrs. Essey Sheppard, Mrs. Ella Sheppard, Mrs. Stella Wilson, Mrs. Guy Vaughn, Mrs. Minnie Arrant, Mrs. H. R. Brummett, Miss Nora Abel, Miss Willola Slater, and the hostess, Mrs. W. T. Slater.
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time. He added that he has learned to grin and take it when the boys razz him about Texas, after seeing only that small portion of it.

Pvt. John L. Wilson, who has been stationed at Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Ark., accompanied by Mrs. Wilson, came in Sunday for a short visit. Mrs. Wilson will remain here for the present, as her husband is being transferred to Camp Hood, where he was a civilian employe before entering the service.

LT. Guy Willie came into town last week wearing a gold bar. But just before he and his wife left Tuesday to report back to Fort Benning, Ga., Guy was notified by telegram that he had had the silver put to him. In other words he will now be a first Lieutenant. He is a graduate of the O. C. S. at Fort Benning. His brother, Big Jim Willie, is now at Fort Knox, Ky., he said.

Collin Sellman from Los Angeles, Calif., who has been working in the personnel department of Lockheed Aircraft Corporation, the past eighteen months, has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Sellman. He is leaving this week to be with his brother, W. C. Sellman Jr., who is a Senior in Baylor Medical College, a few days before entering army service on March 5th.

"Tell Mr. H. I still get the paper, give him my new address, and tell him we can get Coca-Cola now," was part of the message contained in a recent letter from Jake Eubank, received by his dad, J. T. Eubank Sr. Also he naturally mentioned his wife, Armon, and son, "Butch," who are staying in Fort Worth for the duration. A previous letter from Jake bore the news that he had eaten dinner at the Panama Canal. He gets around so much we can't begin to keep up with him.

S. J. Cheek Jr., who has been away from Hico in the service for almost a year, most of which has been spent at Fort Lewis, Washington, came in Tuesday morning for that visit home which he has been expecting for over a month. S. J., now a Sergeant Technician, also will visit his parents at Austin while in Texas. He found a way to stretch a 10-day leave, by accompanying a detail of soldiers to Fort Sill, Okla., where he will report back to return to Washington. S. J. says army life is O. K., although some of the fellows up at his camp are not in love with the idea of being served coffee and tea mixed together.

1210 Irma St.,
Brownwood, Tex.,
Feb. 26, 1943.

Dear Mr. Hord:
Here's another letter. I have just found out where my husband is. I had a telegram from Washington, D. C. the other day that my husband had been accidentally injured. He is in a hospital off of the continental U. S. He fractured his ribs, collar-bone, and ankle. If any of his old friends around Duffau and Hico will write to him, I am sure he will appreciate it as he will be in the hospital for some time. His address is Sgt. Jeff K. Strother, U. S. Army, Navy No. 602, care of Fleet Post Office, New York, N. Y.

Yours very truly,
MRS. JEFF K. STROTHER.

MRS. T. U. LITTLE HAS
MESSAGE FROM SON
VIA AIRCRAFT PLANT

(Stephenville Empire-Tribune)
Mrs. T. U. Little, West Sloan Street, upon receiving a letter last week from the Wright Aeronautical Corporation, Paterson, New Jersey, wondered why she was being so honored as to have had a letter from this well known and well established business, until she had opened and read it.

Her natural wonder was completely satisfied when she read that Wright's had received a letter from her son, Staff Sgt. F. S. Little, overseas, thanking the employees of the company for cigarettes which they had sent him at Christmas. Wright Aeronautical Corporation employees had contributed to a fund that paid for 27,500 cartons of cigarettes that

went to General MacArthur's men in the South Pacific.
At the conclusion of his letter to Wright's, Sgt. Little said, "Say hello to my Mom in Stephenville, Texas, for me" and they did that very thing.
Mrs. Little was happy to receive the message from her son which reassured her of his safety and well being at the time.

Pvt. William Clay Collier, with a veterinary evacuation hospital, recently wrote his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Collier, Route 4, Hico, to let them know he was well and doing fine in a "climate somewhat warmer than he had been used to." He said that more than likely his parents had been advised of his safe arrival, and that he could only add that he was in Australia. "This is a very nice country," he said, "somewhat like where Ernest and Opal live. I have been to town once since I arrived, and it was rather awkward at first as everything is backward here." Clay said he had received no mail, and was anxious that a number of his friends write as he would like to hear from home.

Camp White, Oregon,
February 28, 1943.

Dear Mr. Hord:
It is with kindest appreciation that we have been asked to write your paper this short letter; appreciation on our part for the desire of those back home to hear from us who are fortunate enough to be a part of the service.

Even though we are situated in the Theater of Operations, our experiences thus far have been very minute to what we hope they shall be in the end. It is not that we like to fight because we do not. That is not our way of believing. It is not America. We believe in peace, comradeship throughout, and cooperation and friendliness among all people. But much stronger than even peace, we believe in freedom. And for that freedom and the things of which it is made we deem it a privilege and a sacred right to fight. Fighting is our determination and our aim, and fight we shall until the day that complete victory is ours.

My greatest appeal in this war is to the people back home; to have courage, faith, and patience; for it is only with such that the best job can be done. Many times we grow impatient ourselves in having to train and spend time when time means so much. We have the desire to plunge ahead, fight the war, and "get it over with". But our desires do not always prove to be the most effective. (I am jealous of every minute of the training period for my men, because just one minute may at some time save many of their lives).

We are of the opinion that we could throw partially trained and inexperienced soldiers into this conflict, mass the movements, make a desperate "all out" drive and have the war won in a short while. But then is that best? Many boys would be meeting situations unknowingly, situations in which they would not have the proper chance of survival. More of them would never return home than if we take a little more time, give them the advantage of complete training and harden them into the real soldiers they rightly deserve to be—capable to meet any situation with which they may be faced.

Massiveness cannot win World War II. That has already been demonstrated on numerous occasions. Rather it requires complete knowledge of the capabilities of our men and machines, coupled with the proper strategy in their

use. A fighter cannot defeat a boxer because the boxer uses his head as well as his might. We hope we may become boxers instead of fighters. And we hope that those of you back home will never have to be troubled with bathing our swollen eyes.

Give my regards to the many friends.

Sincerely,
ALVIN A. PRICE,
1st Lt., 362nd Inf.
Commanding.

Space will not permit printing a great deal of the poetry that comes to a weekly newspaper office. But in the case of the following ditty from Bertice Barnett, with a parachute infantry division at Camp Toccoa, Georgia, we break over a standing rule and make space for the lines about a new part of Uncle Sam's fighting forces. At least none of our readers can say the poem was rehashed from World War I days, and that they had read it before.

Shine up your boots
And pack your parachutes.
Buzzing around like a bee,
Then you step into a plane
For you're going up to train
In the parachute infantry.

Oh, you shout "Geronimo"
As out the door you go,
Fighting to keep our country free,
Oh, there's lots of nicer things,
But you can't beat silver wings
In the parachute infantry.

Oh, you hook your static line
For you have to be on time,
"Take position, bend that knee,
Then the sergeant pats your rump,
And you know it's time to jump."
In the parachute infantry.

Then you feel the opening jerk,
And you're happy that it worked.
Look up and check your canopy,
And if everything's in hand,
Pick yourself a place to land.
In the parachute infantry.

Keep your back to the wind,
It's a foe, not a friend.
Careful, now, don't land in a tree,
When you're almost to the ground,
Grab the risers, pull 'way down,
In the parachute infantry.

Bend your knees, on your toes,
Careful now, don't skin your nose,
Everything's still like it ought
to be.
Then you tumble, it's a thrill—
Now you'll keep on jumping still
In the parachute infantry.

Along with the above poem, young Barnett wrote a very interesting letter to his father, B. C. Barnett, telling a little about his training.

"Well, this leaves me feeling well; tired, though, but it's a feeling of satisfaction, knowing I've completed another day, and it's a day I'll never forget. Wait—I'll tell you why.

"This morning we got up as per schedule. Then we went down to the drill field and instead of taking our exercise first, we did something new: tumbling, and that is all right. It's what some day I hope to do without furnishing my own power; let gravity attend to that. Then we exercised, doubled back to the barracks, and fell out in time to have some extended order drill. It was really rough. Say, Dad, you remember how those blackberry vines used to be behind the garden on the Razor place? Well, we had to crawl through a lot of briars and vines then. Scratched myself a lot, but that's all right. Who knows—they say there are lots of trees around Benning, so I have to get tough. What a laugh!
Then came dinner and the big-

gest event since I got here (unless it was the jump from the mock-up tower). I felt the same way both times. Anyhow as I was saying, I had a big event. They lined us up right after chow and a certain Major had us brought up one at a time. Us being the 'mumps,' naturally we were last. Well, I stood there waiting, sweating (for it was warm today), running the words through my mind that I was going to say. We had been warned in advance to tell him our name, age, and time in the service, and to stand by for any questions he might ask. Finally my turn came. Helmet tucked under my left arm, I doubled up to him. (I hardly ever walk any more, so if I come tearing down the sidewalks of Hico some time, don't be surprised.) I caught his eye, rendered a snappy salute (yeah?) and stood at attention. Then I started. Our conversation went something like this: "Barnett, sir, age 21, sir, service 2½ months, sir." I rattled it off. My voice sounded unreal, like it came from a distance. Guess it was the blood pounding in my ear-drums. Then he asked me if I hadn't been having some trouble on my runs. "No, sir," I replied. "I haven't fallen out a time." He seemed pleased. Then he asked me if I wanted to stay. "Yes, sir," the words came automatically. "Why?" was the next question. "Because I love it. Why do you love it?" he asked, and before I could reply he asked me if it would break my heart to be shipped. I shuddered momentarily at the word, then these words came truthfully, "Yes, sir, it would!" "Okay, then" I almost forgot to salute when I left. Of course a Major is only human, but he was a big guy, a lot taller than I, and it doesn't exactly make you quaver before a Major when you are a private, but you don't really feel at ease. I bet you wouldn't get their undivided attention in many other branches of the service.

After describing other phases of his training, which young Barnett described as really tough, he reiterated his statement that he was really in love with his work, and then passed on to personal matters, displaying his continuing interest in the folks at home. For fear of divulging some of his romantic secrets, we desist from further quoting his statements. Suffice it to say that he would be glad to hear often from home-folks, especially a "certain party" about whom he seemed rather inquisitive.

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