

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Halls of Afton, were in Spur Saturday attending to business and visiting with friends.

Miss Billie Dee Bell left Monday for San Antonio, Texas where her husband is an Aviation Cadet at Kelly Field.

Olin Campbell, Childress, spent the week-end in Spur visiting with his mother, Joe Christal, Sgt. Maflon Christal, and Pat Christal.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Smith of Crosbyton spent the week-end in Spur visiting in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Murray.

Mr. W. J. Elliott and daughter, Miss Dollie Elliott of Spring Creek, were business visitors in Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Eldridge of McAdoo, were business visitors in Spur Saturday.

Ted Brannen left Tuesday for Fayetteville, Ark., to participate in Rush Week at the University of Arkansas where he will be a senior student this year.

Miss Genevieve Taylor left Tuesday for Lubbock where she will enter Tech this fall.

Bill Gruben, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Gruben, enlisted in the Army Air Corps in Dallas the first of this week.

James Fox, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Franklin, left this week for San Diego, Calif., where he will be stationed in the Naval Base.

Mrs. C. N. Myers of Peacock is the guest of her mother in Spur this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Black and family of Los Angeles, Cal., arrived Friday for a week's visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Black, of Elton, and other friends and relatives.

Mr. Black was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur Office and paid his subscription for the coming year.

Mrs. Lee Petty, Spur is assisting with the tax returns in Guthrie. Mrs. Petty works in the only Abstract Office in King County.

Mrs. Dick Loflin accepted a position as night nurse with the Nichols Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Webber Williams and children of Slaton, spent Sunday in Spur guests of his sister, Mrs. W. S. Campbell, Mr. Campbell and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Senning returned Wednesday of the past week from a vacation spent in El Paso, Texas, Juarez, Mexico, and Carlsbad Caverns.

Mrs. Maurice Goodwin and little son are visiting relatives in Lockney. Mr. Goodwin is co-owner of the Goodwin Gin, East Afton.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ensey and baby have moved back to Spur from Crosbyton and will be associated with the Spur Laundry-Cleaners. Mr. Ensey worked for the Spur Laundry-Cleaners before moving to Crosbyton.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ensey of San Angelo arrived in Spur Sunday to spend Labor Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ensey and Mr. and Mrs. Bill McClung.

Milton Raspberry, of Croton, was in Spur Saturday attending to business.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bennett, of Elton, spent Saturday in Spur shopping and visiting with friends.

W. B. Ford Jr., of Kalgary, was a business visitor in Spur Saturday.

T. B. Haney, of Afton, was a business visitor in Spur Wednesday.

Mrs. Paul Braddock, of Afton, spent Saturday in Spur shopping and visiting with friends.

George Goodall and family of Girard spent Saturday in Spur.

Buy Bonds and Stamps Today.

Winter Legume Crops Urged For Nitrogen Increase

Facing a shortage of 20 to 30 per cent in the supply of nitrogen for fertilizer in 1943, farmers are being urged to replace as much of it as possible by obtaining nitrogen from the air through summer and winter legumes.

According to E. A. Miller, agronomist for the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service, when legume crops are plowed

under the nitrogen, gathered from the air by means of bacteria in the nodules on the roots, becomes available for the succeeding crop and increases the productivity of the soil.

Miller says that vetch produced an average of about five tons of green matter an acre for plowing under at College Station, six to seven tons at the Tyler substa-

tion, and seven to eight at Nacogdoches. These amounts contained 80 to 125 pounds of nitrogen an acre, or an abundance for an average crop of cotton or corn.

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To Sell Both Goods and Services at LOWER PRICES It's a fact! Actual experience shows that average prices item for item, are LOWER in the medium size city... like Spur... than in larger cities or in smaller towns.

Why? Because towns like Spur are big enough to do a big VOLUME of business, yet small enough that OVERHEAD COSTS are low.

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To Conserve Your TIME, GASOLINE AND TIRES For 75 per cent of Dickens County, Spur is the NEAREST city big enough, yet small enough to offer all these advantages.

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"Your Home County Newspaper For 33 Years"

Advertisement for The Texas Spur newspaper, featuring a large image of a man in a suit and various headlines about the town's size and benefits.

Advertisement for O. B. Ratliff, Attorney-at-Law, Spur, Texas, and a section titled 'Farms and Ranches BOUGHT AND SOLD'.



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7 Farmer-District Agreements Signed In Past Two Weeks

The following statements were made by Mr. Clarence Roberts in the July issue of the Farmer Stockman:

"We are full of excuses about the matter of soil saving. We have always lived on the natural store of fertility, and can't easily take on the idea that farming is a give and take matter—a business in which an investment must be made in fertility in the soil with dividends in the form of crops. "Much of what we call farming doesn't deserve that title. A better term is 'soil selling'. A system of tillage that takes all from the soil, and adds nothing, is merely a process of selling off what nature stored in the soil. "When to such selling of the

soil we add loss from erosion, will wreck any piece of sloping land. "So far as this generation is the result is fatal. Such procedure concerned a piece of farming land can be ruined, for farming, just once. Hence, to destroy the land is to destroy, economically, the family living on that land. And many a family is being so destroyed. "To save our soil—and ourselves—we must create a new plan, or concept, of what farming really is. "Those who are fighting land that is staying put can look to a better farm future. Those farming land that is eroding away are faced with eviction. And nobody will tell them to move. "During the past two weeks, seven farmer-district agreements, covering a total of 2511 acres were signed by the following land owners: T. W. Woodson, Ebbie Jones, J. M. Moore, W. H. Harris, Chas. McLaughlin and J. W. Bankston. A total of 3.3 miles of terrace lines were run last week. Applications for complete soil and moisture conservation plans on 728 acres were also received during the past two weeks."

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy McClanahan, of Brownfield, spent Wednesday in Spur visiting her mother, Mrs. O. T. Johnson, Mr. Johnson, and his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Ab McClanahan.

Mrs. Rose Elkins accompanied Mr. C. Hogan, of Abilene, to Spur for an overnight visit with friends and relatives. Mrs. Elkins returned to Abilene Friday from New York where she has been this summer visiting her son, Henry Elkins and family.

WE BUY GRAIN

Threshed Grain and Kaffir Maize Heads

Kimbell Elevator Spur, Texas

Meat Rationing To Cause No Hardships Secy. Wickard Says

Secretary Wickard's announcement that this country will experience meat rationing within a few months will mean fair sharing of the nation's supply and should not bring hardships to anyone.

"We'll be on shorter meat rations than we have been recently, but we have enough meat and other protein foods to keep American families well nourished," says Louis Beryant, specialist in home management for the A. and M. College Extension Service.

To make meat go farther, she suggests that homemakers use more of foods which are plentiful and less beef and pork. Fortunately, there's an abundant supply of protein foods. Supplies of cheese are at an all time high, and there are more chickens than ever before. Although beans are not an exact substitute for meat, they make a good nourishing dish, the specialist says. Beans, too, are plentiful.

"If every American family has a cheese dish instead of pork chops more often than usual, or chicken instead of steak, the pressure on beef and pork supplies will not be so great", Miss Bryant suggests.

Other ways of making meat go farther include serving more stews and hashes. It is a good idea, too, to save all trimmings both of fat and well-flavored lean tidbits. Meat bones may be saved for making soup. Here are other helps: Always keep meat clean and cold so none will go to waste from spoilage or poor flavor. Cook meat according to cut and fatness, and with modernistic heat. And finally, use different seasonings in meat dishes for variety.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Higginbotham of Post, Texas were weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hogan.

Miss Martha Nichols and Miss Leta Underwood left Monday for Houston and San Antonio where they will visit friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Duke Daniels of Dallas spent last week in Spur the guests of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Andrews.

Ira Sladin and wife of Espuela, were business visitors in Spur Saturday.

OUR NEW ARMY

Now we all have our troubles But I don't think we should fret I'll tell you about our little place: The 8th Cavalry foggin' ve's We are on our toes in the morning About a jump ahead of time We've finished grooming horses Just as the sun begins to shine. Then we have a little sick call About eight hundred I suppose There is always something ailing them

From their tail up to their nose. Then while we are resting We just keep moving on our way

As our Uncle is short on money We must try to earn our pay. Now when they have inspection Just what for nobody knows We have full fifteen minutes To shine up, put on our clothes. But me, I'm not complaining I have not a thing to say Because I'm with those foggin' vets

Pride of all the U. S. A. W. J. Copass

One Year In The Army

One year ago, I raised my hand, To the stars and stripes for what stand

As there waving high, over land and sea, There waving just for you and me. One year has passed since I've been gone, For from my friends, my folks at home.

To march the fields of each coming day, And to do my best for old U. S. A. We know not pain or hardship, So why should we complain, While other countries suffer, It's freedom we remain.

As the years may come and onward go, Through rain, through hail, through sleet and snow For all the years that I may stay, I'll be cheering for old U. S. A. By W. J. Copass

SON BORN TO WINSTON BRUMMETT'S SEPT. 3RD

A son and heir was born to Mr. and Mrs. Winston P. Brummett September 3, 1942 at the Lubbock Hospital.

The young man weighed 7 pounds and has been named Winston Philip Jr.

Mrs. Neitha Campbell and son, Sherran, returned to Spur Sunday after a two weeks visit in Vernon.

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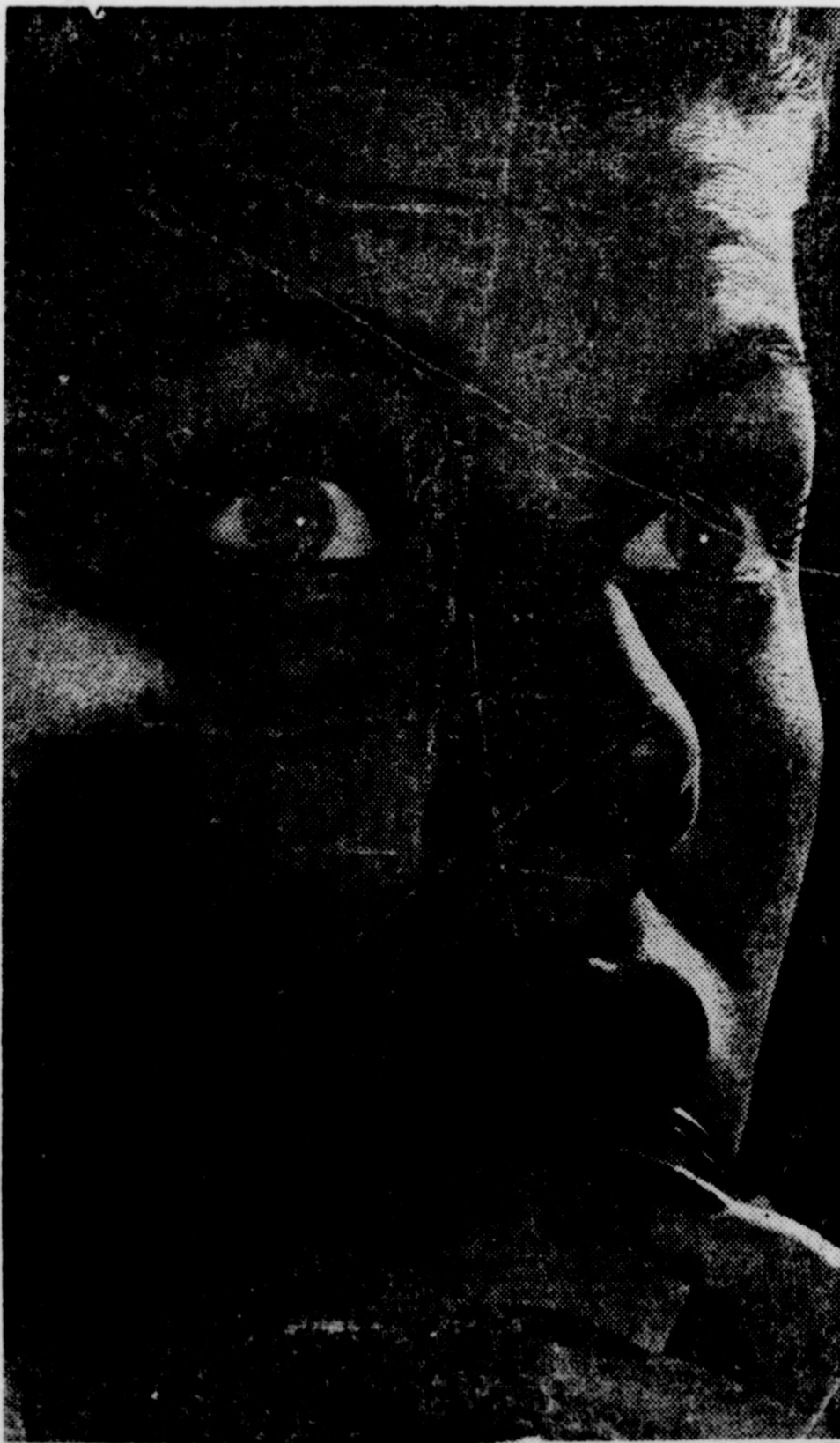
Admiration Coffee	2 1/2 LB. CAN	89c
FOLGERS COFFEE	LB. JAR	33c
WAMBA COFFEE	PREMIUM FREE LB.	32c
BORDENS HEMO	LB. CAN	53c
MOTHERS' COCOA	2 LB. BOX	23c
CRYSTAL WEDDING OATS	3 LB. BOX	23c
CAMPBELL Corn Flakes	11 OZ. BOX	7 1/2 c
SEA-FOAM Flour	48 LB. SACK Guaranteed	1.59
PACKARDS BEST FLOUR	48 LB. SACK	1.75
LIGHT CRUST FLOUR	48 LB. SACK	1.98
PACKARDS CREAM MEAL	20 LBS.	59c
BLUE DOT Laying Mash	100 LB. SACK	2.75
INTERNATIONAL BINDER TWINE	8 LB. BALL	90c
GRAVENSTEIN APPLES	LUNCH SIZE DOZEN	19c
SEEDLESS GRAPES	LB.	10c
EAST TEXAS YAMS	4 LBS.	25c
YELLOW ONIONS	3 LBS.	10c
SPICED PEACHES	JAR	33c
SLICED PEACHES	NO. 2 CAN	18c
Halves or Sliced PEACHES	No. 2 1/2 CAN	28c
PECAN VALLEY Beans & Potatoes	2 No. 2 CANS	25c
UNCLE WILLIAM Pork & Beans	8 OZ. CANS	6c
KUNNERS HOMINY	2 No. 2 1/2 CANS	25c
BEVERLY Potted Meat	No. 1-4 CAN	5c
SUN RAY CRACKERS	2 LB. BOX	17c
KRISPY CRACKERS		10c
SLICED OR PIECE BOLOGNA	LB.	15c
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The average West Texas family gets twice as much electricity for its money as it did 10 or 15 years ago. It's made it possible for most families to enjoy the comfort and convenience of many more time and labor-saving appliances.

This has been accomplished under the American tradition of freedom. Freedom of business management under government regulation—freedom to make our own laws... live our own lives... freedom to invent, invest and produce more for everybody's benefit. That is the American Way—the absolute opposite to the Hitler system of political management and state slavery.

The American Way has made this the most powerful nation in the world today... proving that practical business management is meeting the needs of our way of life.

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THE TEXAS SPUR

"Your Home County Newspaper For 33 Years"



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For The Splendid Showing They are Making In Help-
ing The War Effort, By Putting Forth Every
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*Cotton - Beef - Pork - Poultry and Eggs
Dairy Products and Other Things
So Vitally Needed By The*

**United Nations To Carry Out The War
Effort To A Successful Conclusion...**

VICTORY



PEACE

ON THE HOME FRONT

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FROM OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ABOUT THINGS WHICH AFFECT THE PEOPLE AT HOME

As the tempo of war increases and the machinery of war production moves at a faster clip, the effects are felt increasingly on the Home Front. This has been especially true in the last week.

Announcement of immediate allocations of meat for civilians with full-fledged rationing to follow as soon as details can be arranged heralded the fact that it won't be long before the nation at home gets further into the war than just "ankle deep." During the week also, War Production Board actions showed a general tendency of tightening up on the civilian. Additional restrictions were applied to civilian use of materials that are also needed for war, and on some restrictions already in effect additional squeezes were applied.

A development on the price control front during the week emphasized the fact that the government means business in keeping the cost-of-living down. This came in the filing of more than 100 court actions against major meat packers and wholesale distributors in 18 cities.

Seeking injunctions to force compliance with OPA regulations, the government charged violations of price ceiling orders in sales of beef and veal. Most of the suits are concerned with so-called "up-grading" whereby inferior meats have been stamped and sold at higher grades. Many of the suits merely allege overcharging.

This nation-wide drive against violators is the outcome of extensive investigations by OPA and Department of Agriculture investigators. In this six-state Southwestern OPA region, suits were filed against companies in St. Louis and Kansas City, which operate throughout the region.

As for meat rationing, so that all may share, and share alike, while demand exceeds supply, the national food requirement committee was asked to speed up plans for equitable distribution. Pending working out of rationing details, which may take four months, it was announced that the War Production Board would issue orders for allocation of meat by packers and wholesalers to retail outlets. Also, in the meantime, voluntary "rationing" through adoption of a "meatless days" plan will be suggested.

The proposed ration is 2 1/2 pounds of meat per person—about the same as average consumption during the late 1930's. This is far greater than present rationing in Europe. Britons get a little more than a pound a week, while Italians are allowed 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 ounces per week.

Meat rationing will be a result of increased buying power: Our supply has reached the record-breaking total of 24 billion pounds a year, but even greater record-breaking demand resulting from military and lend-lease needs and increased civilian consumption now is estimated at 27 billion pounds.

Also pertaining to distribution of commodities and supplies, and in line with the tightening-up trend, it was announced that the WPB has approved a plan to regulate inventories of finished civilian goods in the hands of wholesalers and retailers.

This form of distribution and inventory control, when finally ordered, probably will call for quarterly inventory and sales reports, and limitation of stocks to a "normal inventory."

In its announcement, the WPB said that it was recommended that the plan include general exemptions for businesses with an annual volume of less than \$100,000 and whose inventory on September 30, 1942, at the end of any subsequent month was less than \$25,000 at cost value, in addition to a general exemption for merchants primarily engaged in the food business, second hand stores, service establishments, grain and feed stores, farm implement dealers, merchants handling fuel, and other specific lines.

One of the most important actions in tightening old restrictions was the amendment of the WPB construction order. Now, WPB permission is necessary for residential construction costing more than \$200. The old limit was \$500. For multiple residential construction to house more than five families, however, the limit was raised from \$500 to \$1,000. Agricultural construction limits without permission stay at \$1,000 and industrial construction up to \$5,000 may continue without permission.

Most drastic was the reduction of the limit for certain types of commercial construction from \$5,000 to \$200. Included among specified types of construction are buildings designed for clubs, lodges, auditoriums or assembly halls, and buildings for selling or dispensing of goods, food drinks or services.

The reason for cutting the limits was to put more construction under control of the WPB, because the great drain of materials that are former limits were allowing too

vitality needed for war and for essential civilian construction.

Added to these new orders, bicycle production was limited to two of 10 plants with the other eight plants to produce war materials; materials allowed to manufacturers under the Production Requirements Plan were forbidden for use in plant improvement or expansion; used laundry and cleaning equipment were placed under restrictions, manufacture of men's and boys woolen long-sleeved robes was forbidden, and storage battery production was ordered limited to a replacement rate only.

Storage Batteries Restricted
In a move designed to save millions of pounds of primary and secondary lead and substantial amounts of secondary antimony for war production, WPB has issued order L-180, which will limit production of storage batteries to the number necessary for replacement in passenger cars, trucks and other vehicles during the remainder of this year.

Cotton Linters "Frozen"
Cotton linters, essential in the manufacture of explosives, plastics and other war materials, now may be sold by producers only to the Commodity Credit Corporation, under an amendment to WPB general preference order M-12. Commodity Credit Corporation also will be the only supplier to consumers, under direction of WPB. Through the amendment, all sellers of linters are offered an immediate market, at fixed prices, and all obstacles to maximum linters supply, such as transportation and prices, are removed.

Fabric Waste Probed
WPB officials plan an investigation of violations of the men's and women's clothing simplification orders by manufacturers making "zoot suits" for men and "juke" coats for women. Worn mostly by jitterbug dancers, the "zoot suit" features a coat which comes almost to the knees and trousers that have a high rise and are full at the knees. The "juke" coat is a very long jacket. Large amounts of fabric are wasted in both garments.

WPB Controls Machinery
Used laundry and dry cleaning equipment and tailors' pressing machinery having a value of more than \$100 now are brought under WPB limitation order L-91, which restricts the distribution of such machinery. The order formerly applied only to new and rebuilt equipment.

Construction Equipment Tabbed
During the month of September more than 2,000 owners of construction equipment in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana will be required to register each piece of their equipment with the War Production Board. The information obtained will be coordinated in the WPB region office at Dallas after the September 30 deadline, and later will be available to construction contractors at WPB district offices. These offices are located at Houston, San Antonio, El Paso, New Orleans, Shreveport, Tulsa, and Oklahoma City.

Price Adjustment Pleas Open
Retailers whose ceiling prices are out of line with those of their competitors to such a degree that they are suffering substantial hardship now may apply to the OPA region office at Dallas for adjustments through simplified procedure. Region Administrator Max L. McCullough has announced. Region OPA administrators also have been authorized by Price Administrator Henderson to delegate to state and district OPA offices the power to grant or deny such applications from retailers, but until formal announcement of such delegation is made, Mr. McCullough said the region office at Dallas would continue to handle the applications.

Bicycle Dealers Warned
OPA has warned dealers selling used bicycles that their sales are regulated by the General Maximum Price Regulation and their ceiling prices must therefore be the highest prices charged in March this year. As there were no restrictions on the sale of new bicycles in March, prices for second-hand machines were considerably lower at that time than the prices for new bicycles.

KAF Film Available
"Target for Tonight," a five-reel picture telling the story of six British flyers on an RAF bombing mission to Germany, now has been produced in 16 mm. size and is available for group showing, the YMCA Motion Picture Bureau at Dallas has announced. This film and others made available by the Office of War Information may be obtained at no cost except minimum service charges, from the YMCA Motion Picture Bureau, 1700 Patterson Ave., Dallas, Texas, official Southwestern distribution agency.

Ginners Must File Prices
The 6700 cotton ginners in OPA's

VISITING FROM MISSISSIPPI

Mr. and Mrs. Mildred Hudson and Mrs. Young, of West Point, Mississippi, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. John Hazelwood. Mrs. Hudson is a sister of Mr. Hazelwood.

John A. Hazelwood, Jr., who is stationed at Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls, and has been in the hospital for some time has been released, and came to Spur the latter part of the week to visit with home folks.

Maximum prices for sales of softwood lumber from distribution yards have been set by OPA in Maximum Price Regulation No. 215. The new regulation governs prices on more than 90 percent of the softwood lumber normally handled by distribution yards. Maximum mill prices have been set in previous regulations.

Young Dempsey Assists Father With Gin Work

Although young Thomas Keith Dempsey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dempsey, of the Croton community, is only five years old he is a great help around the Dempsey Gin.

In fact the Texas Spur has a snap shot of him painting numbers on bales of cotton for his father. This picture will appear in The Texas Spur soon, and would have this week but the engraver had used up his quota of zinc.

Young Thomas Keith is not only the pride of his parents, but is one of the favorites in the Croton community, and from the start is making a gin helper, he will be an experienced ginner by the time he is grown.

Thomas Keith furnishes the men around the gin office lots of amusement at times. He is a mighty clever little fellow.

John Hazelwood, pioneer drayman of Spur, recently stuck a nail in his foot and for the past several weeks has been walking on crutches, but he stated Monday that he laid the crutches aside and that the infection was much better.

Lacy Armstrong Produces First Bale '42 Cotton

The honor for the first bale of Dickens County produced in 1942 went to Lacy Armstrong of the Dickens community who had the bale ginned last Friday at the Dickens Gin.

The first bale contained 1860 pounds of snap cotton and turned out 606 pounds of lint and was produced on the Armstrong farm.

The second bale was close on the heels of the first as it was also ginned by the Dickens Gin and was produced by W. E. Ball.

The ginning was contributed by the gin on the first bale and a cash prize was gotten up for Mr. Armstrong.

Donors on the first bale at Dickens included: Ben Overstreet, 25c; Frank Speer, \$1.00; Meador and Street, \$1.00; C. A. Aldridge, 50c; H. B. Lewis, 25c; S. T. Johnson, 50c; E. H. Ousley, \$1.50; H. H. Swaringer, 50c; Dickens Lumber Co., \$1.00; C. A. Gladish, 50c; Sam Koonsman, 25c; Rock Inn Service Station, \$1.00; Meador and Street Service Station, 50c; Fred Christopher, \$1.00.

Hit Hitler With Scrap

Assurance Is Given Farmers May Obtain Feed Wheat

Farmers in any Texas county can obtain feed wheat this year.

Feed wheat will be distributed directly by the Commodity Credit Corporation or through the regular channels of trade, B. F. Vance, chairman, Texas USDA War Board.

Producers may have wheat delivered at their customary shipping point upon proper certification that it will be used for feeding livestock and poultry, but purchase of wheat at some delivery point outside the immediate community will require proper approval and identification from local county AAA committee.

"Producers who truck livestock and produce to a point outside their immediate territory may find it advantageous to bring back wheat on the return trip," the War Board chairman said.

Large distributors and processors will be required to designate the area they propose to serve, Vance said and explained that a nominal feed wheat price will be established for the point at which CCC makes delivery. Refund claims may be made by the distributors and processors if the county feed wheat price at final point of delivery is less than their feed wheat cost plus appropriate

About People You Know

J. B. Richbourg, pioneer citizen of Dickens county has accepted a position with the Clover Farm store.

Ralph Lewis, experienced grocerman has accepted a position with the Clover Farm store. Mr. Lewis for a number of years operated a store for himself and prior to that time was with the Bryant-Link Grocery.

John A. Cargile, of Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls, and Mrs. Cargile of Spur visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hazelwood. Mrs. Cargile is employed in Lubbock, while John A. is serving with the armed forces.

Slap A Jap With Your Scrap!!!

transportation cost. Through recent Congressional action, 125,000,000 bushels of CCC wheat at 85 percent of parity price for corn, have been released for feeding purposes.

Hit Hitler With Scrap

"For These are the lasting, truthful things.."



This is an American Soldier. He goes to war not with any fanatical theories of race superiority, of any special "place in the sun" nor any desire to rule the world by fire and by sword. He fights for something greater. For decency—for his loved ones—for his Country, not as some warlike symbol, but as the one great refuge in this world where the humble, the meek, and the righteous may live and work in peace.

This is why he must win. For these are lasting, truthful things. They are not temporary drugs for the mind, but steadfast things of the heart and the soul. And when the flame of fanaticism finally flickers and goes out, the fires of American decency and honor will still burn.

It is this same sense of decency and honor that has bound us all together. We know we cannot all fight. But there is something we can do—and are doing—to help. We can help provide the guns, the planes, the tanks, and the ships to put might behind the right. By the tens of millions, Americans are saving for Victory in the War Bond Payroll Savings Plan. Every payday we employees, workers and bosses are putting aside 10% of our pay—a dime from every dollar—and every time these savings amount to \$18.75, we get a War Bond. And—because this is the free American way—our money is working double. First it goes in a mighty flow for the instruments of Victory, then—ten years later—it comes back to us, four dollars for every three we've put into War Bonds—\$25 for every \$18.75.

Now look at the picture again. Then imagine that this soldier were your brother, your son, or your sweetheart. Would ten percent of your pay, in War Bond savings, be too much to help him win—and live?

- 5 Reasons Why**
1. By investing in War Bonds you help provide the planes, the tanks, the guns and the ships we must have to survive and conquer.
 2. You prove that you are a patriotic American.
 3. You aid the morale of our fighting men, by showing them that the entire Nation is behind them.
 4. You prove to our enemies that we are a United People.
 5. You protect your own financial future, as every \$18.75 you invest in a War Bond brings you back \$25 in 10 years. You make the world's safest investment, by buying a share in the world's most powerful country.

EVERYBODY — 10% IN WAR BONDS EVERY PAYDAY

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YOUR HOME COUNTY NEWSPAPER FOR 33 YEARS
To America's All-Out War Effort

Dempsey Gin At Croton Looks Forward To Big Cotton Season

With all of the machinery in tip-top shape and a bumper crop maturing, the Dempsey Gin, owned and operated by Jack Dempsey, of the Croton community is ready to care for the ginning needs of the farmers in that area.

This will be the 12th season for the Dempsey Gin; however Mr. Dempsey did not purchase the gin until 1931 when he bought it from McRee and Sanders.

The personnel of the Dempsey gin and came to the Dempsey Gin men including Ben Brownlow who has had 30 years experience at one gin and came to the Dempsey Gin last year as ginner; Clyde Pernel, who has been with the gin 5 years as engineer; Ray Guyer, suction; Bill Allen, press; R. L. Allen, trucker; R. O. Gage, assistant at the press; Mrs. Dempsey, bookkeeper; Peyton Legg, assistant bookkeeper; and H. W. Barrett, yardman.

Mr. Dempsey was engaged in the ginning business in Oklahoma and at Floydada, before he came to Dickens County.

With crop conditions excellent the gin expects to turn out from 1700 to 1800 bales during the season.

Limited Sugar Supplies And Canning Budget

By Home Demonstration Agent

By Careful planning, says the Dickens County Home Demonstration Agent for the Extension Service of A. & M. College, the homemaker can meet the needs of the family food preservation budget despite the limited amounts of sugar she can obtain. A new APO regulation allows home canner to obtain 8 pounds of sugar for each person in the family per year. In addition one pound per year per person in the family may be obtained for making jams, jellies, preserves, and fruit butters.

Stretch Your Sugar Allowance by Thinner syrups for canning fruits and fruit juices will have to be used; it will be necessary to dry some fruits; fewer jars of preserves and jams than usual will be made; and jelly—as the least nutritious of the list—should be made last after the remainder of the budget has been filled.

By using corn syrup or honey the limited amount of sugar can be made to go farther. Both of these can be substituted for some or all of the sugar in almost all of your favorite recipes.

to ½ cup water. Other directions in canning fruit are given in B-85, Canning Fruits and Vegetables. Corn syrup is fair in making preserves and jams when it is used with an equal amount of sugar. It is not so good for jelly because it takes longer to jell and is then somewhat sticky.

Corn Syrup—Corn syrup is quiet good for canning because it doesn't mask the flavor of the fruit. To make a light syrup use ½ cup corn syrup

Honey for Canning—When honey is diluted sufficiently it is good for canning. About 3-4 cups of water to 1-4 cup honey makes a good syrup for canning most fruits. First, bring the water to the boiling point, add honey and stir. Again let come to good boil, remove scum and pour over fruit. Follows other directions in B-85.

For Preserves and Sweet Pickles—Honey is much better in preserves and jams than in jelly. If possible use 1-3 sugar and 2-3 honey for preserves. Honey is especially good in sweet pickles, better probably than plain sugar.

For Jelly—Honey makes a good texture of jelly. Substitute it for sugar cup for cup. The color of the jelly is darker, however, and it takes it longer to cook by about a minute. The flavor is in most cases stronger with honey. If it is necessary to use honey in making jelly, it is best to use ½ sugar and ½ honey. Be sure to use a large kettle because honey foams considerably and there is danger of its boiling over.

Consider the Cost—When bought, honey is 2½ times or 3 times as expensive as sugar and corn syrup about twice as expensive.

How to Make Invert Sugar—A Florida experiment station scientist recommends making invert sugar to make it go farther. To do this mix one cup of sugar and 14 tablespoons of water. Add 1-4 teaspoon of tartaric acid (which you can get at any drug store.) Cover this sugar, tartaric acid and water mixture and boil gently for 30 minutes. Allow to cool. Then you have invert sugar syrup. Each cup is equal in sweetening to a cup of sugar. In other words it is about 1 3-4 times as sweet as the same weight in plain sugar.

The museum in the art building of Texas State College for Women at Denton contains the collection of historic gowns of wives of the presidents of the Republic and Governors of Texas. This collection was presented to the college by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Slap A Jap With your Scrap!!!
BUY WAR BONDS and STAMPS

Highway Patrolmen Needed By State Police

The State Police are looking for qualified young men to help police the wartime home front. With more than 100 of his officers on leave with armed forces, State Police Director Homer Garrison has announced the appointment of 40 Drivers License Examiners and issued a call for applicants to fill 70 vacancies in the Highway Patrol.

The License Examiners, who play a vital part in keeping down costly accidents that sap the state's productive and economic strength, will report to Camp Mabry September 7 to begin a two-week training school devoted entirely to examination work. There is insufficient time, Garrison said, to give them the full seven-week State Police training course.

Applications now are being taken for prospective Highway Patrolmen. A statewide examination will be held soon in each of the 13 Highway Patrol District headquarters. On November 1, the 70 top-ranking applicants will begin their strenuous seven-week training course at Camp Mabry.

Peacetime requirements for Patrol applicants are still in force, Garrison noted, "because a lot of this war is being fought on the home front, and we've got to have capable men."

Applicants must be between 23 and 35 years old and not less than five feet eight inches in height. They must weigh not less than two nor more than three pounds per inch of height at the time of appointment, have a high school education or its equivalent, and be able to pass strict physical, mental and moral scrutiny.

Application forms are available by writing to Col. Homer Garrison, Director, Department of Public Safety, Austin.

The great live oak near Lamar, Aransas County, is frequently referred to as the largest tree in Texas. Its trunk two feet above crown roots has a circumference of 29 feet, six inches. Maximum spread of limbs is 102 feet. It is known as the Lamar Oak and also as the Taylor Oak, from General Zachary Taylor who camped under it during the Mexican War.

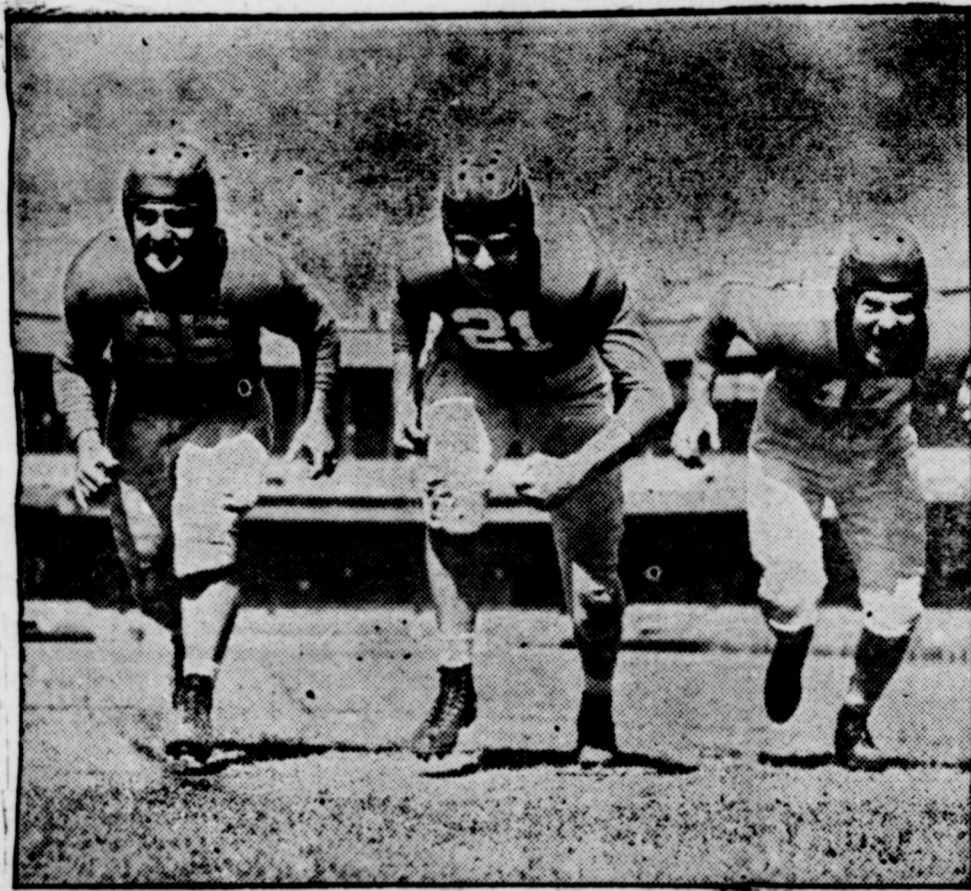
In the Chisos Mountain in Texas are found rare species of juniper, not known to exist elsewhere.

Trapped Under Bombed House



German planes bombed this house in a south coast English town, trapping a number of people in the wreckage. Note crater in foreground where heavy bomb exploded.

Tackle Japs Later



Awaiting their call to service with the Marines, this trio is getting into condition at workouts of the New York Giants pro football team. Left to right, Charles Avedisian, guard; Jim Lee Howell, end; Bob Troccoli, back. All have enlisted.



Let's Get Behind The Men At The Front . . .

Our Army and Navy, with their Air Forces, can lick the pants off Hitler and the Japs . . . IF . . . We get behind them with our Cotton, our Bond and Stamp buying. . . . That bale of cotton, that Bond or Stamp that you Buy today, May Write the Finish to a Horrible story that is all over Europe. . . . It may mean the finish of one of the bloodiest battles ever written in History. . . . Let's Get Behind the Men Behind the Guns, with every Boll of Cotton, Every Penny that we can possibly spare to buy a Stamp. . . . It is Our Only Way of stamping out that World of Horror. Come on, Americans, They are depending on you, and me.

We have "put our House in Order" for your cotton ginning this Fall. . . . Everything has been done, to give you the best possible service. . . . The best possible sample. . . . May we have the pleasure of serving you?

East Afton Gin

J. A. GOODWIN, Owner
MAURICE GOODWIN, Co-Owner-Manager

We Are Ready To Roll 'em!

BETTER
GINNING
MEANS
BETTER
TURN-OUT
AND
THAT MEANS
A
BETTER
PRICE
PER
BALE

Our machinery is all set for the Fall season. We have made the necessary adjustments, on all parts to give you the Best Possible Service, and the Best Possible Turn-Out. We know we have the Right Men at the wheels here to keep 'em Rollin' Our interest in the cotton this year is greater than ever . . . because it is vital to the War Industry. . . . No gun can be fired without some Cotton. . . . Let's Keep the Men at the Front in Supplies by Keeping 'em Rollin' at Home. . . . And Buy a Bond or Stamp every pay-day.

Dempsey Gin

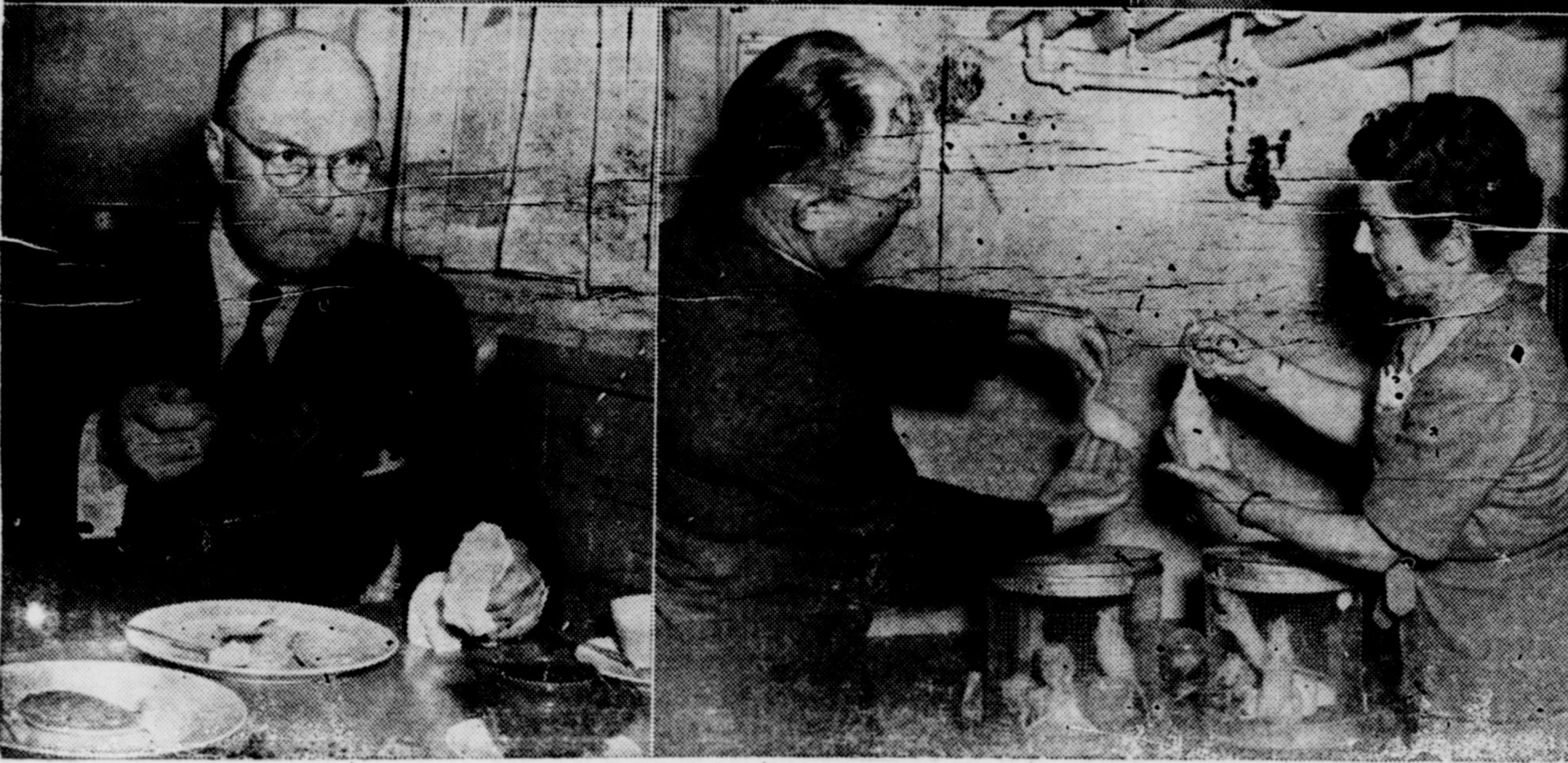
JACK DEMPSEY, Owner and Manager
CROTON, TEXAS



West Texas grown sorghums make their debut at a tea in the Texas Tech home economics tearoom. Shown in the top picture are Mrs. Neva Deen Bavousett, research assistant; Dr. A. W. Young, head professor of plant industry, who furnished grains from the college farm; Dr. Mina W. Lamb, who conducted

tests on food value of the new flour; Dean Margaret W. Weeks; Miss Ellen Kleppe, who with Mrs. Bavousett developed tested recipes; and Miss Jonnie McCreery, department head. Lower left—President Clifford B. Jones gives sorghum flour batter-cakes the real test with coffee,

and butter. Lower right—Dr. R. C. Goodwin, director of scientific research, and Mrs. Lamb compare a white rat fed on synthetic diet deficient in Vitamin A and with one fed the same diet plus two grams of milo maize per day.



The Texas Spur To Present Lots Of Local Pictures

From time to time The Texas Spur will present lots of local pictures of interest to our readers. We had a number of interesting gin pictures which we had planned to use this week, but due to a delay in a shipment of zinc to our engraver, the pictures could not be reproduced in time for this issue. The Texas Spur invites your cooperation and will appreciate your assistance in securing interesting local pictures of events and people. Anytime that we can get a picture which figures in the news, we certainly want to use it.

W. B. Francis Gin At Girard Has Ginned Seven Bales Of '42 Cotton; Has Experienced Crew For Season

The W. B. Francis Gin at Girard has turned out seven bales of 1942 cotton already this year and is in excellent shape for the season with an experienced gin crew on the job. This business was established in 1929 and has been owned and operated by W. B. (Buddy) Francis since the death of his father in 1937. Mr. Francis attended the University of Texas, taking cotton classing and grading courses and majoring in business administration, which has been very helpful in the management of the gin. He is an expert cotton classer, which accounts for the fact that he spends most of his time buying cotton. The gins at Girard expect to turn out some 2,500 bales this season.

We Are In This War TO WIN!

We know that we have the equipment. . . . We know that we have the men. . . . The Planes. . . . The Tanks. . . . The Ships. . . . And The Guns. . . . Now it is up to us, on the Home Front to keep the stuff there for them to use. . . . In every shell that is fired, there has to be Cotton. . . . In everything that the soldiers wear, there is Cotton. . . . In practically everything that is used, there is a certain amount of Old King Cotton. . . . That is where we come in. . . . We have the Cotton, and the equipment to put it in shape for them to use. . . . Let's Keep 'em Rolling with Cotton. . . .

Our ginning equipment is now Ready. . . . We have gone over it from floor to roof to put it in shape for the Fall season. . . . We know we can help you solve your ginning problems. . . . We feel that we can get you a better sample. . . . Give us a Trial! . . .

New Belts and New Saws— All Other Equipment Overhauled

W. B. Francis Gin
GIRARD, TEXAS

A Week Of The War

Gen. MacArthur's Australian headquarters reported in a special communique August 31 that Japanese invasion troops have suffered a disastrous defeat in the Milne Bay area of New Guinea. A force of Australian shock troops had been secretly concentrated along the Bay in anticipation of the Japanese landing August 26, the report said, and as a result the Japanese landed in a trap. The Japanese lost all of an "enormous quantity" of heavy material they landed, including tanks, and except for a few troops evacuated by an enemy cruiser and eight destroyers, the enemy land force was annihilated.

The Navy announced that Marines holding six islands in the southeastern Solomons had killed or captured all Japanese troops attempting to retake the islands. The Navy reported August 30 that seven enemy planes were shot down when they attempted to raid the airfield facilities which the Marines had captured on Guadalcanal, bringing the total enemy planes shot down in the Solomons fighting to 78. The Navy also announced the Marines, with Navy support, raided the Japanese base on Makin Island in the Gilberts, killing all but two of an estimated 330 enemy garrison. U. S. losses were less than 1 to 10 of Japanese.

In the European theater, U. S. Flying Fortresses bombed the air-drome of Wevelghem, near Courtrai in Belgium, in the eighth straight operation without loss. In other precision bombing raids, the Fortresses attacked the Rotterdam shipyards and an airplane factory at Meaulte in northern France. Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell announced August 31 in Chungking, China, that U. S. Army planes based in China have made heavy and successful attacks on Myitkyina and Lashio, the two large Japanese bases in northern Burma. The Navy announced the sinking of five more United Nations merchant ships by enemy submarines in the Atlantic.

Joseph C. Grew, former Ambassador to Japan newly returned from Tokyo, said in a radio address the Japanese will fight "with all the force and power at their command. . . until they are utterly crushed." Mr. Grew stated "We are up against a powerful fighting machine, a people whose morale cannot and will not be broken even by successive defeats, who will certainly not be broken by economic hardships, a people who individually and collectively will gladly sacrifice their lives for their Emperor and their nation, and can be brought to earth only by complete defeat in battle."

Controlling The Cost Of Living
President Roosevelt said he

would announce his new anti-inflation program in a nation-wide address the evening of Labor Day, and would send a message to Congress earlier the same day. He told his press conference that forthcoming steps to control the cost of living will include stabilization of farm prices as well as wages, because neither could be stabilized without the other. He said wage stabilization would be flexible and would not amount to flat freezing of wages and salaries. The President also said the Government is considering one meatless day a week as a plan to be used largely as a means of saving oceanic shipping space for the total war effort. He said under the plan American meat could be shipped to nations in need, and this would make 30 to 40 Allied ships available for hauling war necessities to world-wide theaters of United Nations war activities.

Stabilization Of Farm Prices
The Office of Price Administration announced it is planning a price ceiling for live hogs and similar prices is contemplated soon for cattle prices. The ceiling would be worked out in conjunction with representatives of livestock producers. The Office said "vigorous steps" are being taken to enforce quality grading provisions of its beef regulations to prevent upgrading as an evasion of price levels. The Agriculture Department reported a 3-point advance in farm prices from July 15 to August 15, raising the general level to 163 percent of the pre-World War 1 figure, 32 points higher than a year ago.

Rationing
The OPA ordered re-examination by local boards of all supplemental gasoline ration books, particularly C books for motorists in 14 designated occupations and S books for operators of commercial vehicles. New books will be issued for the amount the operator is fairly entitled to, if present coupons are found in excess, and deliberate violations of regulations will be prosecuted, the Office said. The OPA announced 35,500 new passenger cars will be made available for rationing in September, compared with 13,250 in August, but all unused quotas were recalled and no carryovers will be permitted in the future. The quota of 90,000 bicycles for September is the same as for August.

All rented standard model typewriters manufactured since January 1, 1935, were ordered returned to rental agencies by September 15 to make them available for purchase and use by the Armed Forces and Government departments. Persons eligible to purchase machines under existing OPA regulations are not affected.

Transportation
The Office of Defense Transportation issued an order effective immediately, governing the operations

of at least 50,000 automobiles used as taxicabs. The order (1) banned use of taxicabs for "social or recreational purposes of the driver or operators"; (2) established a national taxicab speed limit of 40 miles per hour "or any speed above that prescribed by competent public authority"; (3) prohibited use of taxis for making "commercial deliveries of property"; (4) limited to 10 miles the distance a taxi may be operated beyond the corporate limits of the municipality in which the trip originates; (5) banned seeking cab passengers by "cruising"; (6) limited to 25 miles the distance which may be traveled on any one trip; (7) prohibited vehicles not marked distinctly as taxicabs from being operated as such.

The Armed Forces
The War Department raised from 45 to 50 the maximum age at which men "who have character, skills or aptitudes which make their enlistment desirable and who are otherwise qualified" and who have draft board permission may enlist in the Army. They will be assigned to overhead units or installations where they will release younger men for general military service, and if fit, they will be used for combat duty, War Secretary Stimson said.

Marine Corps enlisted men, as well as Navy enlistees, may now apply for Navy patrol blimps to sea-men awaiting rescue, before they are actually picked up by rescue vessels.

Strategic Materials
War Production Chairman Nelson said 2,000,000 cars from automobile graveyards have been converted into 400,000 tons of steel scrap a month during the last four months, but the steel industry is now consuming approximately 4,800,000 tons of scrap metal a month, about four times as much as it took in 1938. The Office of the Petroleum Coordinator reported New Englanders and other East Coast consumers will obtain only 75 per cent of their fuel oil requirements under normal weather conditions this winter.

Texas farmers and landowners obtained 833,900 trees in 1940 for starting new woodlands. The trees were distributed by the U. S. Forest Service under provisions of two congressional acts.

War Workers Are Badly Needed

An immediate need for additional civilian war workers in several occupations was stressed today by the Tenth United States Civil Service District. Nurses, automobile advisors, student instructors for Army and Navy Air forces, stenographers, and typists, and expeditors for the Maritime commission are all critically needed for the war effort.

Junior graduate nurse, graduate nurse, public health nurse, and assistant nursing educational consultant positions are open for qualified applicants, with salaries ranging from \$1620 to \$2600 per year for duty in the various federal hospitals and health agencies. Under a new announcement which completely modified requirements, student and junior instructors for the Army Air Forces Technical schools and Navy Aviation Service Schools are being sought for instruction work in radio operating and repairing, engineering, airplane mechanics, mechanic shop work, welding, sheet metal work, photography. Student instructors receive \$1620 a year; junior instructors, \$2000 a year.

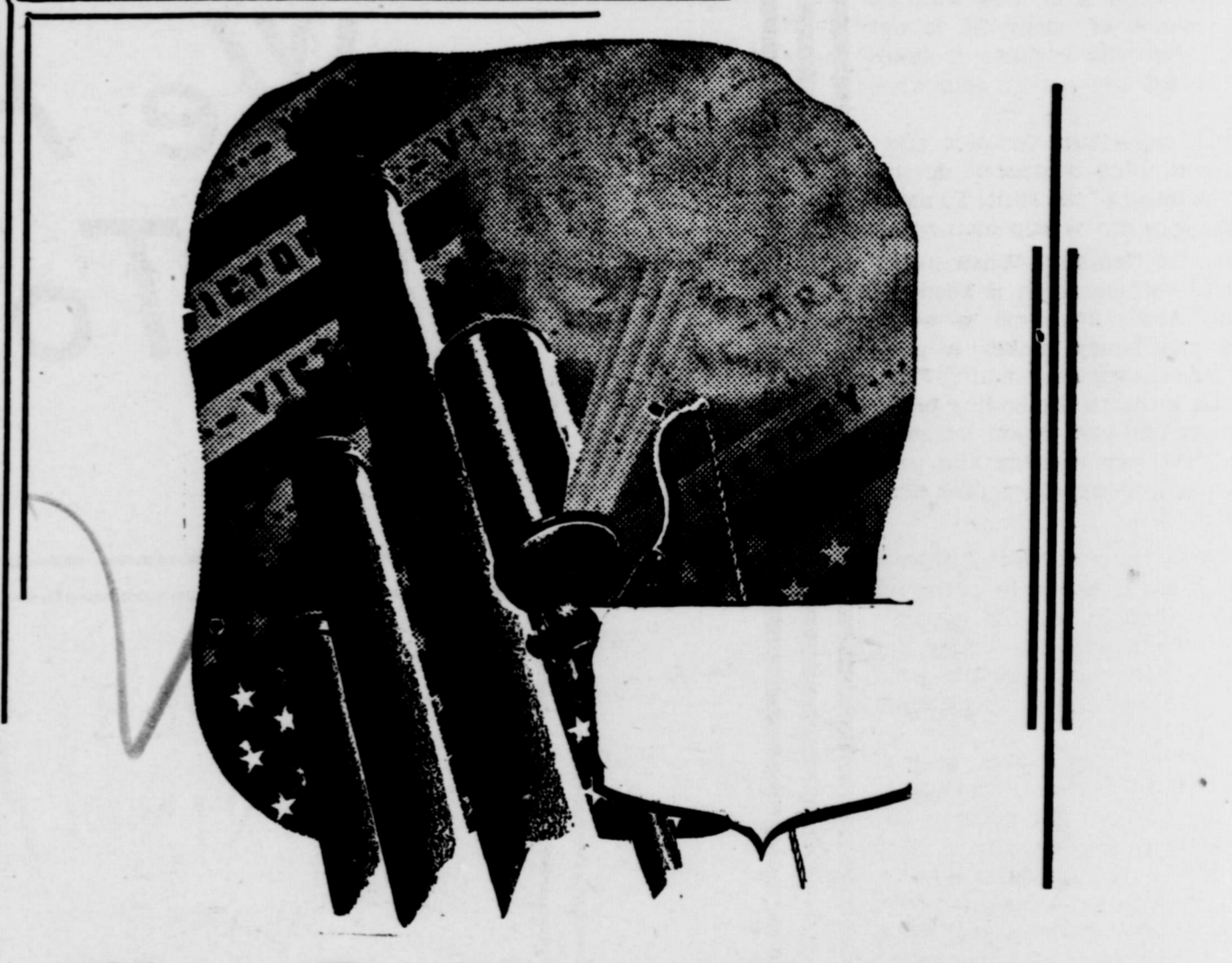
Stenographers who can take dictation at the rate of 95 words per minute, and typists who can type 35 to 40 correct words per minute are needed immediately in Washington, D. C. Entrance salary is \$120 per month.

Automotive advisors in various grades with responsible technical experience in supervising inspection, repair, and maintenance of automobiles and trucks are urgently needed by the Army. Salaries range from \$3200 per year to \$5600.

Expeditors are needed by the Maritime Commission as contact men with manufacturers to speed the production of marine propelling and outfitting equipment, and to report on the economic status and practical ability of a manufacturer to produce. Positions pay \$2600 to \$3200 a year, and in a few cases, \$3800 a year. Full information concerning all of these positions may be obtained from the manager, Tenth United States Civil Service district, Customhouse, New Orleans.

The black bear, panther, bobcat, lynx and deer inhabit the Big Ticket, an area in the southern part of the East Texas Forest Regions.

Farm families in Wilbarger county have delivered 66 carloads of scrap metals for delivery to war smelters. The county extension agents, W. W. Evans and Nannie Hill, say the "human chain system of communication" proved equally effective in the recent collection of scrap rubber.



"Keep 'Em Hummin'". . . .

Our gin is now ready for your cotton. . . . We are happy in the fact that we have done our job, of getting everything in shape, to give you a good job of ginning. . . . Our experience, plus the best of skilled labor, plus good equipment, is your assurance that you will get a better turn-out and a better sample. . . . May we serve you this year?

The Factory Whistles Must Keep Blowing. . . . The Motors and Engines Must Keep Hummin' if we are to win this war. . . . To keep that going. . . . It is up to every American, large or small to do their parts in this great world crises. . . . We are proud of the showing that the "Working Men" of Dickens and Dickens County have made. . . . We are proud to have them as neighbors. . . . Let's keep up the good work.

Cotton, plays one of the most vital parts, in war industry. No gun could be fired without Cotton. . . . The soldiers could not be clothed without cotton. . . . Therefore it is essential to war. . . . Let us do all in our power, to get the most of the crop, out and in a safe place as early as possible. . . .

Citizen Gin
O. D. THOMPSON, Manager
DICKENS, TEXAS

C. Ray Williams Announces That Girard Gin Is In First Class Shape For Fourth Season

The Girard Gin has a fine modern gin plant in a well constructed building built in 1937 on the site formerly occupied by the Williams-Miller gin in the south part of town. C. Ray Williams, who was a partner in the old firm, is now the manager of the Girard Gin and has assisted farmers in that community a lot during his years of service.

The gin plant was completely overhauled this summer and is now in tip-top shape for the coming season and already the gin has turned out a number of bales for this season as the cotton is beginning to pop open in that community. A. C. Dickerson is the ginmer at the Girard Gin. The complete crew has not been announced as yet.

West Gin Of Spur Installs Latest Model All-Steel Gin And Is Completely Overhauled For Season

T. N. Morgan is starting his 11th season in the gin business as manager of the West Gin of Spur which has installed new all-steel latest model gin saws. The gin has been completely overhauled and is in first class condition. The West Gin was built by the late J. W. Baker, just a few years after the founding of the town of Spur and the re-reinforced concrete building which was visualized by Mr. Baker continues to house the modern plant which is now installed. The gin was known as the Wil-

liams-Baker Gin, the late Sam Williams of Elk City, Oklahoma, being the other partner. When Mr. Baker passed away in 1927, Mr. Williams sold the gin to the West Texas firm which now owns it. W. R. Terry managed the gin for a number of years and Mr. Morgan moved here from Sweetwater in 1933 and has operated the gin since. Everything is in complete readiness for the season, according to Mr. Morgan.

Ski Troops Become Mountaineers



A new branch has been added to Uncle Sam's Army—a full-fledged Mountain Regiment. Last winter these men were the first organized ski battalion in the United States. During summer months they are undergoing rigorous training as Mountain Infantry. Here they scale vertical wooden climbing ramps, 40 feet high and nailed at intervals for hand and toe holds.

Browsing With Our Neighbors—

Nothing can make a town look old and dirty quicker than neglect of the downtown store buildings. Some business men in Tulla need to look at the front of their place of business from a critical angle. Although many repairing materials cannot be obtained, paint is still on the market and can do wonders for a store front. Also, we know that nearly every business man can arrange to get his weeds hoed, if he is bothered with such.—TULLA HERALD.

Those who think 10 per cent too much to put into War Bonds and Stamps may ponder on this thought sent in to us: "I complained because I had no shoes until I met a man who had not feet."—PLAINVIEW TRIBUNE.

Lumber for the building of the Federal Prison Camp southwest of Hereford was being moved to the camp site this week and the Contractor is expected to arrive here within a week or ten days. No other information is available. Engineers in charge term all such information a "Military Secret."—HEREFORD BRAND.

W. M. Knight, of Sandhill community, (Floyd County) is growing a variety of corn that produced at the rate of 100 bushels per acre in 1941. Each stalk in his field has from two to eight ears and has heavy foliage which accounts for such high production. Mr. Knight says it requires only three days from dough stage to hard seed.—LOCKNEY BEACON.

Peanut farmers believe there is better than an even chance for a better crop than last year. The acreage in the county this year is about 40,000 acres. On the basis of an average yield that will mean a total crop of one million bushels, and crops of that magnitude at prevailing prices will spell prosperity for many in this class.—STEPHENVILLE EMPIRE TRIBUNE.

The constant flow of letters from the boys in the Armed Forces who get the Leader continue to be both a surprise and a pleasure to me. Dr. E. W. Jones now is paying subscriptions that go to the men in service and it runs into money. There are some parents who feel that they are able to send subscriptions and they are carrying that themselves.—DESKIN WELLS, Wellington Leader.

"You will meet, if you have not already encountered, many of the worshippers of what was, who shrink from participating in what is, and are afraid to contemplate what is to be. They spend hours sighing over the good old days. Don't let them contaminate you. They are the people who feel short-changed if they are asked to face change of any sort. They are the status quers; the foolish folks who waste the present and jeopardize the future by prattling about the good old days, without having the sense to realize that the good old days are always those days which are safely beyond recall. They forget the good days—the really good days—are the days of the present, when the blood runs warmly in the veins."—LAMESA REPORTER.

One of Texas' most famous flowers, the Drummond Phlox, now planted in many parts of the world, was discovered in 1833 in Texas by the botanist, Thomas Drummond, who collected Phlox seeds and distributed them widely in other parts of the country.

The Bluebonnet was adopted as the state flower of Texas by Legislative action in 1901.

The larger part of the deer and wild turkey found in Texas are in the eastern half of the Edwards Plateau of Southwest Texas.

About 4,000 different native flowers thrive in Texas soils, giving the state a reputation as a "wild flower paradise."

The East Texas timber belt is today capable of yielding 87,000,000 cords of wood pulp, more than six times the total pulpwood requirement for the entire United States in 1930.

Texas State College for Women at Denton has a larger enrollment than any other state supported women's college in America.

Seed dealers in Hunt County, with the advice of county extension agents have selected 18 varieties of vegetables suitable for Victory gardens in the county. Packets are made up for various size families.

Head Spanish War Vets



Cornelius S. Kelly, left, of Chicago, has been elected commander of the U. S. Spanish War Veterans. Guy Boyle, right, of Indianapolis, was elected senior vice commander.

Remember . . . Pearl Harbor !!

The cry that was heard around the World. . . . "Remember Pearl Harbor" That eventful day, on December 7th, of last year. . . . The most dastardly crime ever committed against a Nation. . . . Hundreds of Americans lost their lives for the Democracy we now enjoy Are we going to let them get away with it? As, one American to another . . . we will NOT. . . . All our hopes, our joys and our very life, is centered in the outcome of this War. . . . It is up to us to help the boys at the Front, to keep on Keeping on. . . . And it is a privilege and a pleasure to know that we live in a community where there are people, who will resent such a crime. . . . Who will fight to the last for the peace of our Homes and loved ones. . . . Let's all get behind the men in the Front Lines, with our cotton, our dollars, and our scrap, and we will help them to "Keep 'em Flying."

We have "put our house in order" for your Fall ginning Season. Everything has been done that can be done, to make it "perfect" for your ginning. . . . We feel that we can give you one of the best samples, ever, and this year, more than any other year in history, due to the cotton being used in the war effort That cotton has to be taken care of, we know. We Know How. . . . Come to see Us.

Girard Gin

GIRARD, TEXAS
C. RAY WILLIAMS, Manager

TIME OUT Only To Eat . . .



That's The American Way In A Crisis . . .

In a crises, such as the Nation now faces. . . . You can always depend on the American Laborer to take time out, only to eat. . . . Where seconds, and minutes count. There are times in the big factories, the manufacturing centers, and even in the cotton fields, that minutes mean plenty. . . . And at such a time. . . . The American Way, is to finish the job in the least possible time. . . . We are glad to be a member of that group of working men. . . . To you, we say, we are proud of you, and of your buddies, who have joined the Armed Forces of Uncle Sam and the United Nations.

We Are Now Ready FOR YOU

We have put our house in order for the Fall Ginning needs. . . . We have gone over everything from floor to roof, and have just installed a set of new loose roll ginners, which meet the Government requirements, and when Your bale goes in it will come out on the other end as near a perfect bale, as is possible for us to make it. You have a standing invitation to visit us anytime. . . . We promise you the best there is. . . . And we know, we know how. Come to See Us!

West Gin

T. N. MORGAN, Manager

SPUR, TEXAS

Means of Obtaining Greater Production Of Long Staple Cotton Are Discussed

Despite shortages of labor, machinery, chemicals and other essentials, American farmers, down to the last man, are going down the line for greater production this year. E. D. White, assistant chief of the Agricultural Adjustment Agency, told farmers and U. S. Department of Agriculture officials at a meeting in Waco.

White was principal speaker at a meeting called to discuss means of obtaining greatly increased production of longer staple cotton which is needed for the production of war materials.

"We have practically doubled production of peanuts for oil over last year; have nearly doubled the acreage of soybeans for oil; have produced the second largest wheat crop in history, and are producing large quantities of corn, flax, rice and cotton, as well as other crops needed in the war effort such as dried peas, beans, potatoes, and certain canned vegetables; furthermore, farmers are feeding more hogs, milking more cows, and producing more eggs than ever before," he said.

White warned, however, that although production of war crops must continue on a large scale, it will have to be accomplished with still smaller supplies of labor and equipment. "Therefore, it will be vitally necessary to the war effort that farmers next year maintain and increase their production wherever possible of war crops, and to use the ingenuity of their pioneer forefathers in meeting and defeating obstacles," he said.

Speaking particularly to cotton producers, White pointed out that there is already a huge carryover of cotton. There are large supplies of short-staple qualities, but the staples from 1-3 inches and above, the demand is strong and no surpluses exist. He urged, therefore, that there be a continued shifting from the short staples into the middle lengths and from the middle length into the longer ones, wherever practical.

In stressing the importance of food in this year, he said that farmers in Egypt, oldest cotton-producing country in the world, have reduced their cotton acreage by more than half so that food can be produced on Egypt's limited acreage.

Almost fifty percent of the world's spindles are in the Axis-dominated countries. Shipping difficulties prevent much cotton from reaching these spindles. This is causing the piling up of stocks in foreign producing nations. If the Axis wins this war, the outlook for exports of American cotton after the war appear gloomy, he said.

"The course which the cotton farmers must take is clear, therefore; they must help produce the things that are needed—that is the way they can win their part of this war," he added.

I. W. Duggan, director of the AAA's Southern Division, told the group that mill margins (the spread between the price paid for raw cotton and the price received by the mill for the cotton goods) are larger now than they ever have been. Net profits of 41 cotton mills jumped from between three and four million dollars to between 28 and 30 million dollars over a three-year period, he declared.

"The mills can afford to pay the farmer a fair price for his cotton and still not raise the price of cotton goods to the consumer," Duggan said.

Dickens County's Oldest Ginner Celebrates 50th Anniversary In Business This Season At McAdoo

From the standpoint of service in the gin business, Robert Nickels of McAdoo is Dickens County's oldest ginner as he is celebrating his 50th anniversary in the gin business this year as the cotton begins to open up in the northwest part of the county.

Coincident with this anniversary is the 48th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Nickels. Mrs. Nickels assists her husband by keeping books and is an enthusiastic helpmate.

Prospects are bright up in the McAdoo community which is served by the Nickels Gins, but the total production will be governed considerably by the insects. However, farmers are using every precaution to cut their damage to a minimum. Estimates are that from 1500 to 2000 bales will be ginned there.

As yet Mr. Nickels force is incomplete, but those who are already on the job include: Gene Wade, ginner; Pearl Cox, engineer; Buck Robinson, press; Mrs. Nickels bookkeeper and R. E. Nichols, general yard man.

Before moving to McAdoo in 1912 Mr. Nickels was engaged in the gin business in Central Texas. He and his sons built the present gin at McAdoo in 1924.

He is a great believer in modern ginning equipment, so that accounts for his gin being one of the best equipped in the county. He installed a new cleaner and dryer last year.

All of the equipment has been put in first class condition for this season's run.

Dickens Gin Turns Out First Bale Of Cotton Grown In County

Greater Use of Cheese Urged By Wickard

"We urge American consumers to eat more cheese," state Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard. "It is a rich source of food elements that are vital to good health." Furthermore increased consumption of cheese will encourage production which is essential right now to keep up needed food supplies according to Secretary Wickard.

With nearly 170 million pounds more cheese in storage than the average for this season of the year, the National Dairy Council points out that every man, woman and child in the United States could eat an extra pound of cheese and still have a lot more cheese in hand than is normal for this season of the year. Furthermore cheese production is far in excess of any previous time. During the first five months this year more than 387 million pounds of Cheddar cheese were manufactured in this country. That compares with 255 million pounds of Cheddar cheese manufactured during the same period last year and with an average production of 176 million pounds during those five months in the past ten years.

Since cheese contains practically all of the ingredients of milk, it is recognized as one of the most important of all protective foods. Secretary Wickard gives added emphasis to the important part cheese plays in improving nutrition and national health today with this additional statement, "It is of great importance that present high production be maintained to meet war-time needs both at home and abroad. We may need even more before long. We must keep right on making cheese without any let-up. By using more cheese we can lighten the load on meat supplies which will be short for the next couple of months."

RETURNED FROM TEMPLE

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Shugart returned the latter part of the week from Temple, where they had been for a check-up at the Scott & White Hospital. Mrs. Shugart is an employee of the Spur Security Bank and Mr. Shugart is manager of the Rule-Jayton Cottonoll Company.

Among the principal species of trees planted in Northwest Texas are the Chinese and American Elm, Cottonwood, Honey and Black Locust, Walnut, Soapberry, Green Ash, Bois d'Arc, Hackberry, Ailanthus, Mulberry, Apricot, Russian Olive, Plum, Sycamore and Flowering Willow.

In the National Forests of Texas, the Federal Government has constructed eleven 100-foot lookout towers and 500 miles of telephone line for fire control work; five dams and recreational areas around the resulting lakes; and 800 miles of forest roads.

Hit Hitler With Scrap

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Suggestions On Harvesting Peanuts

If the growing season was good, the time for digging peanuts will have arrived when the vines begin to turn slightly yellow and practically all of the nuts are mature. According to E. A. Miller, agronomist of the Texas A. & M. College Extension Service, maturity of the nut is indicated by a coloring on the inside of the shell with darkened veins showing. Directing his counsel to inexperienced growers, Miller advises digging peanuts in field afflicted with southern blight as soon as they mature. An ordinary wide-angle heavy sweep on a riding planter is considered a good digging implement. It should be run just deep enough to get all of the nuts, and not too fast to shake the nuts loose.

A few vines first are hung over the cross pieces for a foundation, and the stack then made by placing the vines around the pole, with the peanuts to the inside pressing the vines down. Occasionally a vine should be divided and hung around the pole to bind the stack together. Keep the center about a foot higher than the outside in order to shed water. When nearly completed, the stack should be drawn to a point and a few vines crowded down over the pointed end of the pole, and then capped with a small amount of grass or hay.

Slap A Nap With your Scrap!

The Dickens Gin under the management of Marlin Rogers turned out the first bale of Dickens County cotton grown this year, last Friday. The premium bale was grown by Lacy Armstrong and weighed 606 pounds. 1860 pounds of seed cotton was picked for this initial bale.

Right on the heels of the first bale was one produced by W. E. Ball of Dickens and which was ginned by the Dickens Gin also on Friday.

Mr. Rogers says that the gin is in excellent shape for the 1942 season and all necessary repairs and replacements have already been made. Complete personnel for the gin this year includes the following besides the manager: Floyd Bradley, ginner; R. D. Holley, press; Marshall Brooks, suction; and Mrs. Marlin Rogers, bookkeeper.

The Dickens Gin has a very interesting history since it is probably the results of the first gin built in Dickens by B. Y. Love which was destroyed by fire in the early thirties. However E. M. Brussett purchased the gin and operated it a number of years before it was destroyed. Farmers of the Dickens community rebuilt the gin and later sold it in 1937 to its present owners. Mr. Marlin Rogers has been a farmer in that community for a long time.

MOVED TO NEW LOCATION

Jas. B. Reed moved the National Farm Loan office, Monday from the Wendell building to the building formerly occupied by the John A. Moore Tailor Shop. The building has been remodeled and redecorated and is located on East Harris street.

It Takes COTTON TO WIN A WAR

Most every piece of War Equipment, contains Cotton, in some form. That is why it is a Vital part of the materials of War. . . . It is up to us, here at home to see that they have plenty of Cotton, over there, and over here for the manufacture of such materials that are required. . . . We are proud of the way that the people of Spur and Dickens County have responded to the calls thus far. . . . We are happy, that we can live in this great little community, and be a part of its "laboring class" of people. . . . Because of that fact, we say, "Let's Go, Americans, and Stand Behind the Men Behind the Guns."

Farmers: We are ready now for your cotton. . . . We have gone over our ginning equipment from top to bottom, and it is in perfect shape, to give you complete service, in the quickest possible time. Our employees are expert in their jobs, and we feel that we can please you. . . . Come to See Us.

DICKENS GIN

MARLIN ROGERS, Manager

DICKENS, TEXAS



A Happy Dickens County Farmer . . .

And He Has

A RIGHT TO BE HAPPY . . .



He has worked in the Cotton field all year, plowing, chopping, cutting the weeds and grass, and at last his final reward . . . a Bumper Crop . . . and its in the Bank and in Stamps and Bonds . . . Helping his Uncle and the rest of the boys hit at Hitler That's why he is Happy. . . . And we are happy for him because, he has done his job well. . . . He is an American, who believes in His God, His Country, and His Family and Friends. . . . He is the man that will eventually win this war. . . . and We are proud to be associated with him. . . . Let us help you to get the most out of your Cotton, by giving you a better Ginning. . . . Meaning better samples, and More Money for your Crop.

We are ready for you, Our Equipment is in the best of shape—Everything has been done that can be done to get it in shape for your ginning needs. . . . May we have the pleasure of serving you This Fall?

NICKELS GIN

McADOO, TEXAS



Farmers Coop Society No. 1 At McAdoo Offers Farmers Of That Section Complete Farm Service

J. L. Goode, manager of the Farmers Coop Society No. 1, at McAdoo, stated Monday that their gin was in first class condition for the coming season which promises to move a bumper crop.

The Farmers Coop Society at McAdoo was formed in 1929 and has grown continuously and now has an excellently equipped gin plant. This makes it possible for service of the highest type to be rendered.

Officers and directors of the organization include: R. R. Jones,

Chas. McLaughlin, vice president; L. C. Hickman, secretary; directors are, A. C. Rose, O. S. Harvey, V. C. Finney and C. R. Edinburg.

Complete personnel to operate the gin this season has not as yet been named according to Mr. Goode, the manager.

This gin was originally built in 1923 and was purchased in 1923 by A. M. Guthrie, who sold it to the cooperative in 1929.

Prospects Are Good At East Afton For Bumper Cotton Crop; Gin Is In Tip-Top Shape

Maurice Goodwin, partner and manager of the East Afton Gin, says that the prospects are bright for a bumper crop in that community and that his gin has been completely overhauled and put in first class condition for the coming season.

The East Afton Gin is owned by Maurice and J. A. Goodwin, and was established by the late H. H. Goodwin, a prominent citizen of that community.

J. A. Goodwin has been associated with the gin since 1927 and Maur-

ice since 1937 when he came out to buy cotton and assist with the bookkeeping. He purchased an interest in the gin last year and has been active manager.

Personnel for the gin this year includes besides the manager: J. O. Allison, ginner; H. D. Edwards, press; Walter Lewis, suction; Bill Middleton, trucker; and Miss Doris Sams of Lockney, bookkeeper.

Maurice Goodwin is the cotton buyer at the gin.

Citizens Gin At Dickens Ready For 15th Season

With prospects good for a bumper crop, O. D. Thompson, manager of the Citizens Gin at Dickens, announced this week that the gin was in first class condition and ready to begin its 15th season.

Personnel who will operate the Citizens Gin this year in addition to Mr. Thompson include O. D. Woody, ginner; Joe Holder, press; Fay Slough, suction; Wallace Con-

away, trucker and Mrs. Thompson, Bookkeeper.

Mr. Thompson is an experienced gin man and has associated with him a very capable corps of workers.

The gin at Dickens was built in 1928 by Monroe Hargrove while he was in charge of the Citizens Gin at Spur. Later it was taken over by the present management.

All of the machinery has been checked and repaired, so that it is ready for the rush season, which will probably see the gin turn out from 1500 to 2000 bales of cotton.

Water Is a "Must" For Laying Hens

When laying hens don't drink enough water, egg production will drop off as fast, or faster, than when they fall off in eating, says George P. McCarthy, poultry husbandman of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service. The drop in consumption of water in summer most often is traceable to the drinking fountain being left in the open, exposed to the open afternoon sun. Normally, hens drink more liquids in hot weather than at other times of the year, but if the water in the fountain gets too hot the birds will not drink enough. A decline in consumption of water also results in a reduction in the size of the eggs, McCarthy says. Placing the water fountain inside the chicken house, or under shade nearby, will induce the chickens to drink more freely.

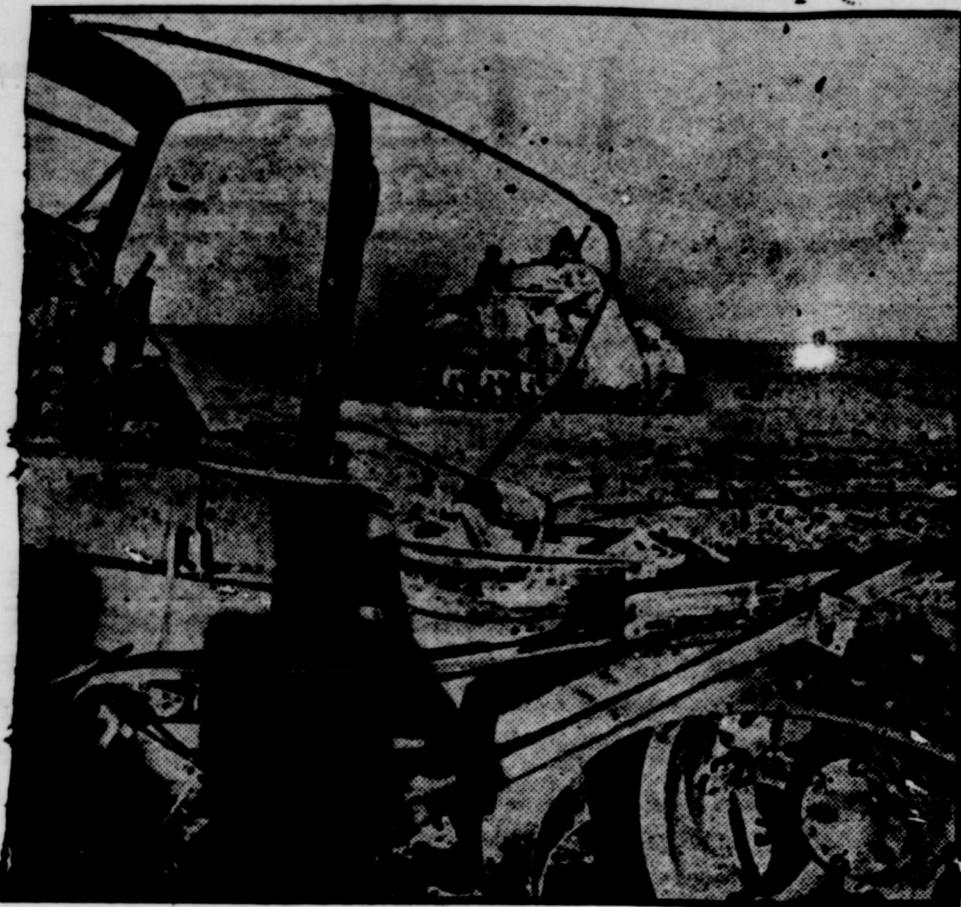
Advancing summer has still another reaction upon eggs. Usually, McCarthy explains, when green feed begins to dry up thin shells begin to appear. As a corrective he suggests adding at least three per cent more of good quality dehydrated alfalfa leaf meal to the ration. In addition, a handful of fresh oyster shell should be sprinkled over the mash at least every other day until the shells of the eggs become normal. It is also a good practice in placing shell in small hoppers to use only small amounts and change it whenever it becomes dusty or litter accumulates in the hopper.

Turpentine In the War



Gum farms in southern states are producing valuable crops for a variety of war uses. A turpentine worker is shown "chipping" a tree for a fresh run of gum. The average worker can perform this operation as many as 18,000 times daily. Pine trees also furnish synthetic camphor which we formerly secured from Formosa.

'General Grant' Moves Up



Framed by the wreckage of a lorry, a "General Grant" tank of the British 22nd Armored Brigade moves up to the firing line, south of El Alemein, Egypt.

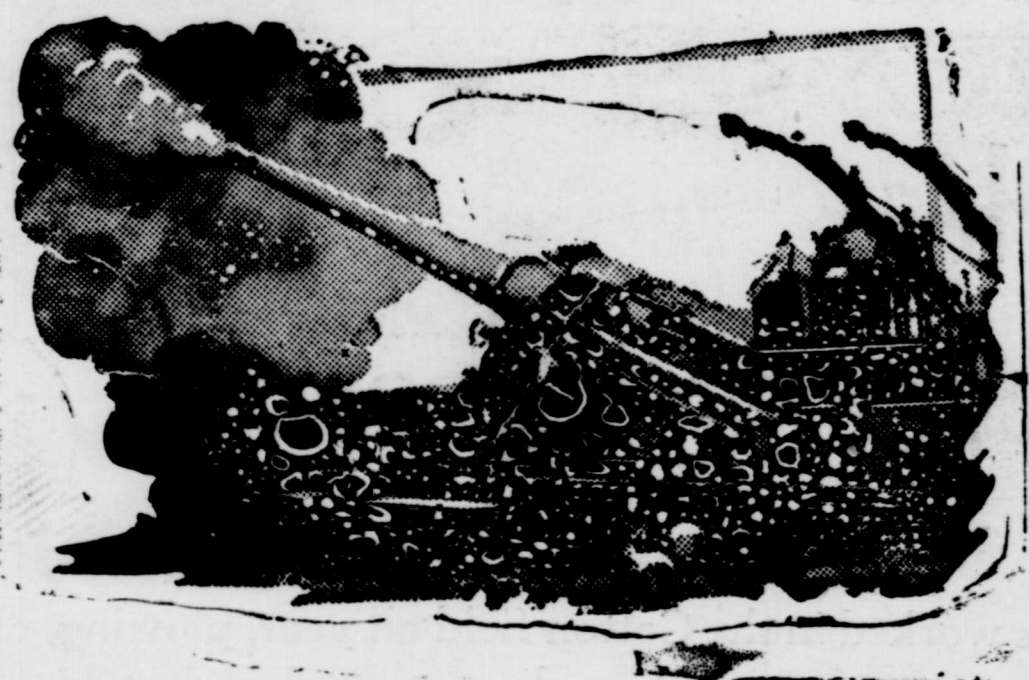
Fishermen Take No Chances



Fishermen in Grundsund, Sweden, protect their craft from attack by belligerent ships by painting "Neutral" and "Sweden" on the side of their boat.

Buy War Bond Regularly

Another Bale of Cotton For Hitler



Each time "Old Betsy" heaves a load from the Muzzle, it takes Hundreds of pounds of cotton. No gun can be fired, without a certain amount of cotton. . . . That's why it is of great importance to all War activities. . . . We must have cotton to win this war. . . . We Salute the farmers, and the laboring men of Spur, and Dickens County, on the fine efforts that they are putting forth in the interest of our Nation's safety. . . . We Salute you, you who are in the Fields, in the Factories, and in other defense work. . . . Our business is helping you to get the most out of your cotton. . . . It is our earnest desire to get you the most lint from the seed. . . . Give you a better and Cleaner sample. . . . Return your seed, or we will pay the highest Market price for them, as they are dumped in our bins. May we have the pleasure of seeing you here often thru this ginning season. We are sure that we can please you.

Williamson Brothers Gin

MARTIN POPE, Manager
SPUR, TEXAS

We Can!

We Must!

We Will ...



Win This War!

But

We Must All Do Our Share!

Our job here at home, is just as important as those at the Front. . . . We have a Big Job to do . . . all of us . . . because each and every gun that is fired requires a certain amount of cotton. . . . That's where we come in. . . . Dickens County has the Cotton. . . . We have the gin to put it in order . . . and the boys at the Front must have it if they win, and win, we must. . . . So let us Salute the Men in the Fields. . . . The men who toil the year 'round . . . to bring to us one of the most essential war products . . . King Cotton . . .

WE ARE NOW READY FOR YOUR
GINNING PROBLEMS:

We have the right equipment, we have the men who know their jobs to run the machines, and we know we know how to get you a better sample. . . . So, may we have your first bale, and we feel like you will be a regular customer. . . . Yes, we will pay the highest market prices for your seeds.

Farmers Co-op. Society

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