

Society-Club News

Jennie Lou Hale And R. A. Paskel Marry July 17th

Miss Jennie Lou Hale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hale of Kalgary, became the bride of R. A. Paskel of Lorenzo Saturday night, July 17, at 9 o'clock in the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Grizzle. Rev. Grizzle officiated with a single ring ceremony.

The bride wore a blue sheer dress. Her shoes and bag were black patent leather, with white hat and gloves. She wore a white corsage. Mrs. Jim Blagg and Mrs. Orion Bristow, sisters of the bride, attended the wedding.

A reception was held in the home of the bride. Cake and punch was served to friends of the couple. Assorted summer flowers and candles decorated the home.

Mrs. Paskel is a graduate of Crosbyton high school with the class of '41. She attended Texas Tech one year. Mr. Paskel is a graduate of Lorenzo high school and attended Texas Tech, also.

The couple will make their home in Crosbyton.

E. L. McAlpine Host To 'Old Cronies' With Domino Party

Last Monday afternoon, July 30, E. L. McAlpine was host to a group of his old cronies with a few names added to the list, with a farewell domino party and watermelon feast, in the back yard of the Clemmons home.

Father Time has thinned the ranks of this group of friends but a number still get together now and then for a game of dominoes. Beginning at 2:00 and playing until the shadows were lengthening, the crowd was well able to do full justice to the huge pieces of watermelon which were served by the host.

Those present for this occasion were W. A. Johnson, W. W. Garner, Jim Albin, T. H. Moore, E.

L. Smith, W. F. Cathey, W. S. J. each, D. C. Carlisle, and the host, Mr. McAlpine.

Mr. McAlpine is leaving soon for Corpus Christi where he will be with his son, Neal G. McAlpine.

Mrs. James B. Reed Entertains With Party for Daughter

Mrs. James B. Reed entertained last Friday evening with a back yard supper, honoring her daughter, Mrs. E. E. Baker of Columbia, S. C., and a gift shower honoring Mrs. W. B. Francis Jr.

After the evening meal, which consisted of fried chicken, potato salad, stuffed eggs, pickles, olives, potato chips, hot rolls, ice cream cones, and coca-cola, was served, Mrs. Reed presented Mrs. Francis with a lovely selection of "small gifts."

Friends present for this treat were Mmes. Hansford Ousley of Oakland, Calif., W. P. Foster, J. F. Moore, W. M. Hilly; Misses Joyce McCulley, Helen Patterson, Bonnie Campbell, and the two honor guests, Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Francis, and Mr. and Mrs. Reed.

Tri-Community Club Discuss Crocheting

Tri-Community Home Demonstration club met with Mrs. Arner Watson Thursday, July 23.

Learning how to crochet was the topic of the evening. "Be sure your needles and thread correspond as to size, and learn to read directions," said Mrs. Joe Watson.

Members present were: Mmes. Joe Watson, Alvis Wilson, H. L. Persons, S. Clark, and the hostess, Mrs. Watson.

Edd Aikens Attends Family Reunion

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Aiken attended a family reunion at the home of Mr. Aiken's parents, Mr. and



Fred MacMurray and Rosalind Russell are seen as stars in R-K-O's picture, "Flight For Freedom," with Herbert Marshall and Eduardo Ciannelli.

South Pacific Mystery Basis Unique Picture With Rosalind Russell as Noted Woman Flier

The amazing revelation of a woman's last flight for her country forms the dramatic theme of RKO Radio's new Rosalind Russell-Fred MacMurray vehicle, "Flight for Freedom," Sunday-Monday at the Palace.

Unfolding a great story of patriotism that could not have been disclosed before Pearl Harbor, the picture tells vividly what happens to a famous woman flier when she sets out to perform a tremendous service for her nation, a service no other person in the world could do.

That task is to lose herself while flying over certain islands that the Japs are secretly fortifying in the South Pacific. High Navy officers arrange to rescue her later from a lonely island where she is to land, but in the meantime Navy planes searching for the noted aviatrix can photograph and may the suspected area, and thus get information of incalculable value in case of war

Mrs. S. J. Aiken of Tahoka, last Sunday, where 58 kinsmen gathered for the annual family affair. This is an event that is held the first Sunday in August each year, with each member of the family trying to be present

between our country and Japan.

The girl, already enmeshed in a hectic romance with two men both of whom are in love with her, agrees to make the attempt, and only when it is too late to turn back discovers that the Japs have learned of the plan and are ready to nullify it. This discovery leads to the dramatic climax of the stirring picture.

Herbert Marshall and Eduardo Ciannelli head the featured cast of the David Hempstead production, which is said to be one of the most powerful offerings of the year. Lothar Mendes directed.

Personal

Mrs. Ike Walker of Winkler is here visiting her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Carlisle, of the Steel Hill community.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Thomas were visitors in Spur Friday from Ralls.

Mrs. J. H. Hardberger of Lubbeck visited her sister, Mrs. C. H. McCulley and family, here last week.

Mrs. Lois Jo Ford of Kalgary, was a business visitor here last Friday.

Mrs. Hayden Pierce and two children, Delbert and Elizabeth Ann, of California, are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Abernathy, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Kearney and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Garrett of Guthrie, left last Thursday for Roswell, New Mex., to visit Mr. Kearney's and Mrs. Garrett's sister, Mrs. N. Rucker. They returned the last of the week.

Herbert Love has recently purchased the old Manning place west of Spur and is having it reconditioned throughout with new floors, sheetrocking and papering the walls, and will add new bath room fixtures. They will move out in about two weeks.

Mrs. O. L. Harris of Croton, is spending the week with her daughter, Mrs. Buss Evans.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Lambert of the Wichita community were here last Thursday visiting their daughter, Mrs. J. P. Legg and family.

Mrs. Elmer Rogers and daughter, Mrs. Clarence Littlefield and little daughter, Dana Beth, of Los Angeles, Calif., are here for an extended visit.

Miss Winfred Lee and sister, Mrs. Sam Augustine, returned to Spur last week after the close of the summer school at Texas Tech where Miss Lee was a student. They will spend the remainder of the summer here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Woods have returned to their home in Fort Worth after a week's visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moore and small son, Ruddy, on the White Moore ranch.

Miss Sylvia McCain left Monday for Big Spring to visit her uncle, Marvin Smith, for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Fuqua of the Cat Fish community left for Temple Saturday where Mrs. Fuqua entered the hospital for medical attention. On their return trip they will stop in Hamlin where all the kinsmen will meet for a family reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McCain were in town Monday morning from the Cat Fish community, and stated although they could use some rain the crops were not suffering.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. King of Girard were trading in Spur Saturday.

Mrs. S. H. Jones and Mrs. Kate Powell left Monday morning on receiving a telegram that their nephew, J. L. Floyd, had passed away at Smyer.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Legg of the Croton community, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Legg, were business visitors in Spur Thursday.

J. E. Boykin of Fort Worth, father of Mrs. Jack Godfrey, is here visiting in the Godfrey home for a few weeks.

Raul English went to Haskell Saturday night to return Mrs. English and children home after a month's stay there.

Judge E. H. Bodecker and small son were in Spur Monday to negotiate for a little sugar for canning fruit.

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Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Sullivan of Abilene, spent last Sunday here with Mr. Sullivan's mother, Mrs. Fannie Sullivan.

Miss Nadine Brewer of Wayland visited her mother, Mrs. Olin Brewer, here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mason and son, Jimmie, visited Mr. Mason's mother, Mrs. Annie Mason of Sweetwater last Sunday.

Mrs. George Erath of the Steel Hill community was trading with Spur merchants Saturday.

Fred Harrison of Dickens was a business visitor in Spur last Saturday.

R. T. Smith left for Smyer Monday morning to attend funeral services for a nephew, J. R. Floyd, who had passed away Saturday.

Representative and Mrs. Albert Powers visited Mrs. Powers' sister, Mrs. Ellis Dean in Abilene, last Sunday where they had a short visit with their son, Lt. Billie D. Powers, who is stationed there.

T. E. Milam and A. C. Hull left Tuesday on a business trip to Fort Worth.

Mrs. R. A. McDaniel, Udell and Patsy Jo, have returned from Bisbee, Ariz., where they have been visiting Mrs. McDaniel's daughter, Mrs. George Murphy and son, George Howard.

Lee Womack of the Comptroller department at Wichita Falls and C. W. O'Day Comptroller from Big Spring, are here looking over the business in this area for two or three days.

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Mrs. Sam Clemmons and two daughters, Elizabeth and Sue, are located in Spur for the duration and will occupy the Kitty Powell house on Willard St. Mrs. Clemmons has accepted a place in the Spur schools for the coming term.

Shorty Hogan and Bob Hale of Kalgary, left Monday afternoon to spend a few days outing near Anson where they will fish, loaf, and let the rest of the world go by.

Dr. O. R. Cloude was a business visitor in Lubbock Wednesday of this week.

Frank Vernon, student at Texas Tech, was home for a week end visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Foy Vernon.

Mrs. V. M. Hand was in Spur shopping Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stovall are in Temple this week where Mrs. Stovall will have a checkup in Scott and White sanitarium. Mrs. A. O. White accompanied them as far as Lott, for a visit with relatives for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Powell and Mr. and Mrs. Cleave Ensey visited in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Graves, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dennis at Big Spring over the week end.

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TOWN FARM

RATION REMINDER

Gasoline—"A" book coupons No. 7 good for four gallons outside the East Coast shortage area, must last thru September 21.

Sugar.—Stamp No. 13 good for 5 lbs. through August 15. Stamp No. 14, good for 5 lbs. becomes valid August 16 and remains good through October. Stamps Nos. 15 and 16 are good through October 31 for 5 lbs. each for home canning purposes. Housewives may apply to their local ration boards for more if necessary.

Coffee.—Ration stamps no longer necessary.

Shoes.—Stamp No. 18 (1 pair) is valid through October 31.

Stoves.—Purchase certificates now issued and normally valid for 30 days from date of issuance, will be invalid after August 23, by which time it is expected the new nation-wide stove rationing plan will be in effect.

Meat, Etc.—Red Stamps T and U, now valid, expire August 31; V is valid August 8, expires August 31; W is valid Aug. 15, expires Aug. 31.

Processed Foods.—Blue stamps R, S, T, became valid August 1 and will be good through September 20.

THIRD WAR LOAN DRIVE

Fifteen billion dollars is the goal for the Third War Loan which President Roosevelt has proclaimed will be launched September 9. In his proclamation the president said, "Our need for money now is greater than ever, and will continue to grow until the very day that Victory is won; so we must ask for more sacrifice, far more cooperation than ever before."

ARMY PHOTO SERVICE GROWS

The Army's radio photo service, which made it possible for the public to see newspaper pictures of the assault on Sicily on the same day that the invasion was launched, will be augmented in the immediate future by the same type of transmission from the South Pacific theatre, the War Department has announced. Personnel of the U. S. Army Signal Corps, with their equipment, are now in Australia, finishing preparations for the new service.

SUPPLY OF FATS, OILS

Despite heavy wartime demands on the supply of edible fats and oils (principally lard, butter, shortening, and margarine), 44 pounds per capita—about 5 pounds less than in 1942—will be made available to American civilians during the 12 months ending June 30, 1944, the War Food Administration has announced. Of the total civilian allocation, approximately 9 ounces per week per capita will be available for direct purchases, and an additional 4 1/2 ounces for indirect consumption in such items as restaurant meals, bakery products, mayonnaise, etc.

COST OF LIVING DROPS

With other living costs relatively stable, a drop in fresh vegetables and butter prices cut the cost of living for city workers by 0.2 per cent in the month ending June 15—the first month to show a reduction since a year before Pearl Harbor, the U. S. Department of Labor reported recently. Food prices as a whole, making up over 40 percent of the cost of living index, declined 0.8 percent. The cost of living index now stands at 124.8 percent of the 1935-39 average. Food prices are 45 percent above January 1941 and more than 16 percent above May 1942.

HOME CANNERS WARNED

Home canners have been warned by the U. S. Department of Agriculture against the use of "canning powders" and other chemical preservatives. W. G. Campbell, Commissioner of the Federal Food and Drug Administration, said that use of some of the "canning powders" constitute a definite health hazard. The term "canning powders" includes boric acid and its compounds and substances like metabisulfite which yield sulfur dioxide when brought in contact with an acid-reacting food product. The safe way for the home canner is to process foods adequately with heat and not to use chemical preservatives. For safety's sake,

rely on thorough heat sterilization.

GAS COUPONS CHANGED FOR TRIPS

Motorists can use their "A" ration books for trips into, or out of, the Eastern gasoline shortage area, according to rules recently announced by OPA. Since July 21, Eastern motorists have been using "A-6" coupons, while those outside the East have been using "A-7's". To overcome these difficulties in travel "across the border" a new amendment to the Gasoline Rationing Regulations permit "A" ration holders to exchange any of their valid "A" coupons for other coupons that may be used in the area in which they expect to travel. Exchanges may be made and further information secured at the War Price and Rationing Board.

POINT REDUCTION CONTINUED

The provision permitting retailers to make emergency reductions in the point values of rationed meats, fats and dairy products in imminent danger of spoiling, which was to expire July 31, has been extended indefinitely, OPA has announced.

MASS MAILING FINISHED

Approximately 122,000,000 copies of War Ration Book Three had been mailed by the first of last week. OPA announced that: (1) anyone who does not receive his War Ration Book Three should apply at his local board between August 1 and 10. (2) a plan is now being set up to distribute War Ration Book Three to members of the armed services who are eligible for ration books; (3) persons receiving War Ration Book Three should sign their names and addresses in the spaces reserved for that purpose on the cover.

BINDER TWINE SUPPLY

An adequate supply of binder twine is available for this year's harvest of grain crops, the WPB Binder Twine Sub-Committee has reported. This ample supply has been made possible through the blending of cotton with henequen to produce a new twine which has proved satisfactory.

INCREASE SHOE SUPPLY

To increase the supply of children's and infant's shoes, and men's work shoes, WPB recently amended order M-217 (Footwear) to permit a 25 percent increase in the output of shoes for boys, misses, children, and infants. Production of men's work shoes may be increased by 15 percent and men's safety shoes by 25 percent. The order also will permit increased production of shoes at price levels where there is greater consumer demand.

FEWER NEW TIRES

Smaller quotas of new passenger car tires for August and larger quotas of used and recapped tires have been announced by OPA, based on rationing allotments assigned for the month by the Office of Rubber Director. The August quota for Grade 1 tires is the lowest since last April. OPA officials warned that drivers who are eligible for new tires may accept used or recapped types as long as the quota of new tires is low.

War Not To 'Black Out' Baylor's Near Century-Old Record

WACO, Aug. 4.—Declaring that war will not black out Baylor university's 98-year record of continuous service, President Pat M. Neff has announced that the doors of the oldest institution of higher learning in Texas will open as usual for civilian students on Tuesday, September 14.

Presence on the campus of a unit of pre-engineers in the army specialized training program will not alter plans for beginning Baylor's 99th year, President Neff said. The soldiers, having separate courses, teachers, schedules and quarters, do not conflict in any way with the regular routine of college life. Adequate living space for boys and girls will be provided in university dormitories and houses, he stated.

Baylor university was chartered under the Republic of Texas and has weathered five wars without closing her doors for a day, the school's president said.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D., Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

Lesson for August 8

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GOD SHOWS HIS PEOPLE THE WAY

LESSON TEXT—Exodus 13:17-22; 15:17-22a.

GOLDEN TEXT—The Lord is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation.—Exodus 15:2.

The destinies of the nations are in the hands of God. Warriors are mighty in battle, counselors are quick to declare their wisdom, and diplomats are clever in the manipulation of wealth and people. But when they have all exercised to the limit their ingenuity and power they have only succeeded in bringing us "blood, sweat and tears" as the portion of a "mankind."

Israel was about to be delivered from the bondage of Egypt, and God through His leader Moses was ready to be their guide. Even so He guides every believer in Christ. We may learn three things from this lesson.

I. God Has a Plan (Exod. 13:17-19).

There was a direct, easy road along the coast of the Mediterranean up to Canaan, but God with His pillar of cloud and fire did not lead out in that way.

How strange that He should take them by a longer, more difficult way! Not at all. He knew the danger of the easy way. It was there that the warlike Philistines would be lying in ambush. Such immediate conflict would discourage Israel and tempt them to return to the fleshpots of Egypt. So He took them the other way.

Note that God's guidance for them was one of intelligent planning, not just impulse or chance. He knew what to do, and He did it, for their good.

God has a plan, not only for the nations, but also for individuals, for your life and mine. Let us find His will for us, for it is good, acceptable and perfect (Rom. 12:1, 2).

Note the honoring of the faith of Joseph in God's promise (v. 19). The memory of his assurance was a blessing to his descendants, and they honored it and him. What will our descendants have to say about our faith in God?

II. God Provides Guidance (Exod. 13:20-22).

God's plan is made known to His people as they follow Him step by step. This means that there must be guidance, moment by moment, if His plan is to be worked out. He gives such guidance and it is only when His children fail to follow it that the pattern of life becomes confused.

The field of divine guidance is one in which Christians have widely divergent experiences. Some know the sweet, unconfused daily experience of God's hand upon them, caring for even the minor details (or are they minor?) of life. Others have known the directive power of God in some life crisis, but not in the ordinary affairs of life. Many, and perhaps most, think of divine guidance as a spiritual theory of which the preacher talks, but know nothing of it in their own lives.

What makes this great difference? Faith—or the lack of it. Those who trust God accept and receive His blessed leadership moment by moment. It is as simple as that. Others reach out and take it when the pressure of life makes them cast themselves on God. Others simply muddle along "doing their best," which is not their best, for God is not in it.

The pillar of cloud, which became luminous at night, was ideal for the guidance of Israel. It provided shade by day from the hot sun, and a sure guide in the darkness of the night.

III. God Gives Joyous Victory (Exod. 15:17-22a).

Israel soon came against the insurmountable barrier (humanly speaking) of the Red sea. Then Pharaoh, regretting that he had released them, came up after them—an impossible situation, and the people began to berate Moses. This time he stood fast in his faith and said: "Stand still and see the salvation of Jehovah"—and it came!

Then followed the song of victorious joy, which Moses wrote and the people sang. Deliverance brings joy, and forget it not, God is able to deliver those who put their trust in Him.

The application to our spiritual lives is a blessed one. Setting out on God's way does not mean that one will not have trials. They come, and quickly. We do not get farther than our Red sea when the world sees an opportunity to draw us back and comes charging at us from the rear, like Pharaoh. What to do? Trust God, and He will drown the Pharaoh who pursues you in the very Red sea which is now your difficulty. He will bring you through dryshod if you count on Him.

Fearful, fretting, fussing Christian, why not "stand still" and let God work out your salvation. You cannot bear the burdens of all the world. He can, and will set you free so that you too may go forward for Him.

Ax for Old Roosters Is Advise of County Agent Chas. Taylor

Older roosters should be sold as soon as the hatching season is over. This is the advice of Chas. A. Taylor, county agricultural agent. Young cockerels should be separated from the pullets and laying hens until the next breeding season.

Better eggs and bigger money returns to producers result from selling roosters. Germ development is rapid in fertile eggs in summer months. Due entirely to that cause, about seven per cent of the eggs reaching the market daily are a total loss for food. This is equal to more than three hundred thousand eggs a day in Texas.

Fresh eggs comprise one of our most valuable articles of food. You can realize that these huge losses every day take a big bite out of the food supplies of our soldiers and civilians, and the food we can spare to our fighting allies. It also means less money for you. Moreover, price ceilings are set on "the basis of graded eggs. So be sure that yours are quality eggs."

Two simple precautions will cut these losses to a minimum. First, remove all male birds from the flocks during summer. This assures production of fertile eggs. Second, see that the eggs are cooled out before being placed in cases and kept in a cool place until marketed. These steps will reduce loss to less than one percent within two weeks.

If all roosters in Texas, except those in hatchery flocks, were sold it would add about six and one half million pounds of meat to our supply, and save about thirty million pounds of feed during the next three months. Market prices on roosters are very good at present.

More than 624,000 pounds of metal were recovered from the boiler pits at a large electric plant.

Washington Snapshots

By JAMES PRESTON

After nineteen months of war, directors of the war production program are taking stock of the nation's potential resources. Some preliminary conclusions have been reached and while these do not indicate some expected sensational shifts they promise a steady and gradual ebb and flow of emphasis to meet essential needs—military or civilian.

The presence of overwhelming supplies at world battlefronts, these officials point out, proves that there is no longer any argument about the fact that industry has successfully met and surpassed the war challenge.

While the lid is being raised gradually to take care of the more pronounced demand for civilian goods, there will be no general breakdown of restrictions. Modest amounts of materials and labor are going to be released for the home front but the increase will be small and hardly obvious from day to day.

Farmers and food processors appear to be getting the edge in this reallocation. New orders and revisions that permit the making of more of such things as knives, tools, batteries, and shears—that were thrust aside early in the war effort—are in evidence.

Opposing any resumption of civilian production the armed services contend that every scrap of material and every available man and woman are needed for combat or war production. War production officials however, who have found the military and naval appetites insatiable have been wringing from them a considerable amount of water and a modest "kitty" of materials and labor

is thus being provided for essential civilian output.

Congress, a close observer of this military-civilian competition has set up four committees which have been described as "watchdogs of the civilian economy." These are the Senate War Investigating Committee, the Senate Military Affairs Subcommittee, and the Senate and House Small Business Committees.

Supercharged political atmosphere was cleared somewhat by the personality development in the OPA and in the field of international economic warfare. The resignation of OPA Deputy Administrator Lou R. Maxon was said to be the result of "young lawyers" so binding up OPA in legalistic red tape "that Houdini himself couldn't untangle it." He prescribed a "drastic reorganization, a strong, clear direction, and liberal transfusion of common horse sense" for the Office of Price Administration.

Amused at Mr. Maxon's outspoken indictment, many Congressmen commented that what he said was what many of them have been saying for some time, namely that there are elements in the administration working day

Coast Guard Wants Men Between 17-18

The United States Coast Guard wants men who have passed their seventeenth birthday and who have not become eighteen. There are many openings in the coast guard for these seventeen year old men who are desirous of joining its ranks. The men who enlist will be sent to the coast guard training station, St. Augustine, Florida. All men who desire to enlist should write the United States Coast Guard Recruiting Office for full information and an appointment for physical examination. The address of the coast guard office in Lubbock is Coast Guard Representative, Room 217, P. O. Box 1142, Post Office Building, Lubbock, Texas.

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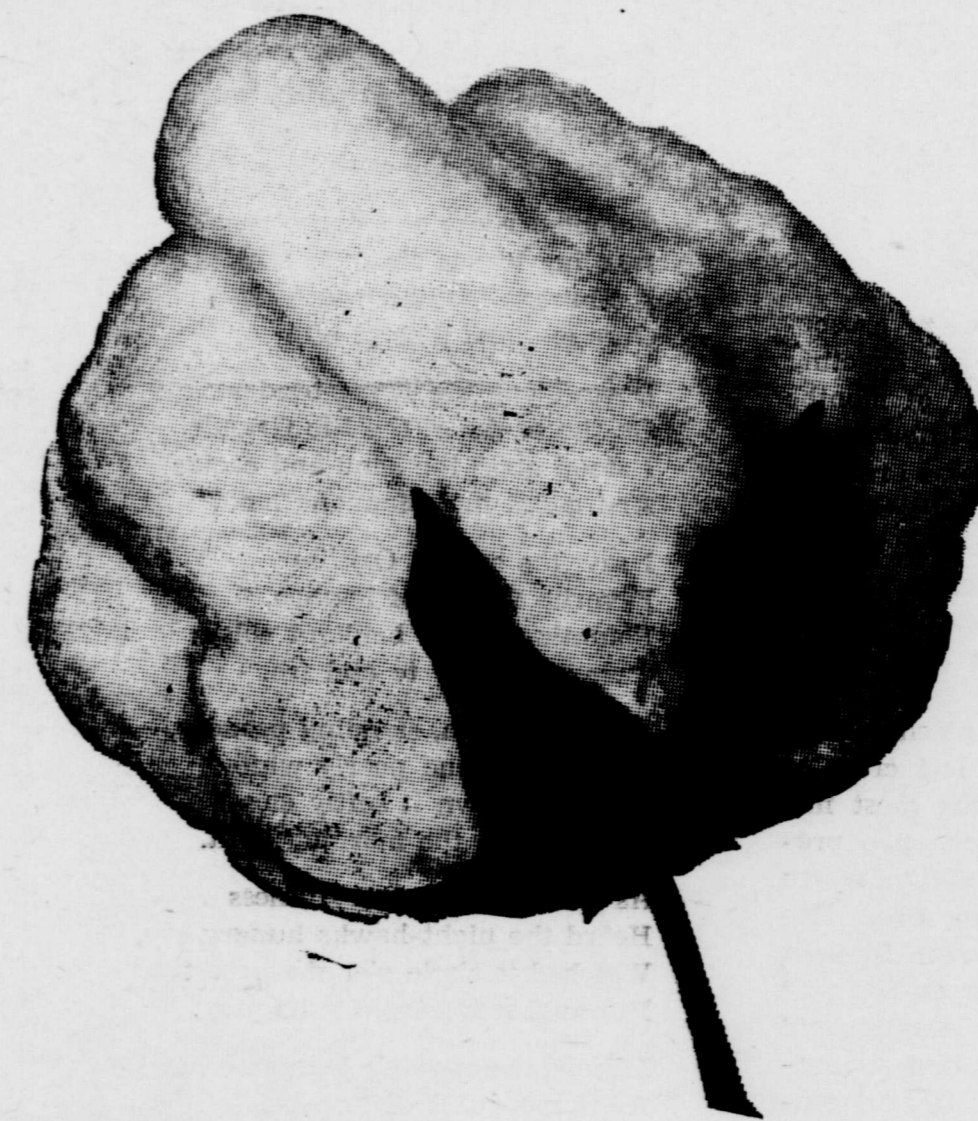
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Sad Commentary

Behind the official bickering and confusion revolving around controlled distribution of civilian necessities, a few facts are all too apparent to the retail merchant.

The public is warned not to pay more than "legal prices," indicating that where price tags do not jibe with the decreed legal price, something shady is going on. Consumers are led to believe that these legal prices are set by a simple procedure based on experience and knowledge of the problems; that all the merchant has to do is follow the law, like the driver of an automobile. Actually, about the only resemblance of "legal price" measures to other laws, is that the offender is subject to heavy fines and jail. Rationing and price laws have been imposed, not only with no precedent as a guide, but by men with little or no practical knowledge of retail distribution. The advice of the merchants has seldom been sought in the formulation of the rules under which they must operate. As a result, the controls are cumbersome, vague, and often unworkable. Infractions have been unavoidable, in spite of the best efforts of the merchants, who fully realize that wartime controls are necessary.

It is a sad commentary on the situation when a representative of one of the nation's leading stores feels impelled to point out that: "Retailers are fully patriotic, in the main, as those who have been giving them the dictator runaround. Retailers are paying higher taxes. They are contributing generously to every phase of the war effort, with money, time and energy." He could have pointed out that without the full support of retailers, the price and rationing laws would collapse. Yet, retailers have been treated with suspicion and distrust by the very officials whose dependence upon the distribution industry is second only to that of the consuming public.

Real Conservation

Americans are learning the meaning of conservation. They are learning from an exacting teacher—war. War has in a matter of months switched this country from a nation of abundance to a nation of scarcity, as far as civilians are concerned. And where there is a scarcity, there must be conservation. Automobile owners cannot burn up their cars with speed as they were wont to do a few years ago. Housewives cannot carelessly demolish household appliances, or toss out surplus food.

The new effort to conserve must reach farther than slow driving and eating the last crust of bread. It must reach into one of the most important existing fields of conservation—fire prevention. Several hundred millions of dollars worth of property is destroyed each year by fire. The bulk of that loss is sheer criminal waste, brought about by indifference and carelessness on the part of individuals. This carelessness can be eradicated by education; by learning that preventing a property-destroying fire is as great a step toward conservation as driving your auto slowly to save tires. Fire prevention authorities have emphasized that: "The development of a safety awareness that will control the daily actions of the individual is necessary if preventable fires and conflagrations are to be reduced to a minimum."

Until our individual conservation efforts are effectively directed toward curbing fire hazards in the home, in the factory, on the farm and every place else where life and property are involved, we have not learned the lesson of conservation.

Throw Them Out!

Lou R. Maxon, high official of the OPA, has resigned with the declaration that: "There is a strong clique in OPA who believe that the government should manufacture and distribute all com-

modities. They are using the war as a means of furthering their reform ideas and will continue to use honest men in OPA as a front for their efforts. "If this group isn't curbed, we are going to lose a good slice of the very freedom we are fighting for."

Mr. Maxon's charges are similar to those of leading retail distributors, who have reiterated many times that the distribution industry faces total disruption unless the pet theories of extremists are relegated to a back seat.

With inflation gaining inexorably, the spectacle of one of the principal agencies established to combat rising prices experimenting with the doctrines of socialism, while the destinies of a hundred and thirty million people hang in the balance, is intolerable.

The production and distribution system in this country has been developed to a state of perfection never before attained in history. The result has been evident in every American home. Why, in the name of heaven, should this system be scrapped when we need it most? If given a chance, our farms and factories and our merchants will feed and clothe the country. They will do it, inflation or no inflation. The only thing that could conceivably stop them would be hopelessly complex domination by so-called "war agencies," who would rather see Americans growing in rows than fighting for victory.

Statistics Don't Tell All

It is irritating to farmers to be informed by statisticians that agriculture is making a financial killing out of the war. If the statisticians would leave the city long enough to take a look at the way a farmer must try to operate under present conditions, they would go back and toss their statistics out of the window.

For example, a lot of ballyhoo has been published about the "flood" of men going back to the farms. One dairy farm was recently subjected to the flood—at seventy-five cents an hour per man. Two men, one a civil engineer professing to help the farmer in a pinch during harvest time, the other an ex-stevender looking for easy money, went into the field to load hay. At the day's end they had arrived at the barn with one load. Two other loads had been dumped by the wayside, one through the front door of a grocery store. They were paid off. Net results: Twelve dollars in labor costs for a couple of tons of hay.

This is merely a sample. But it shows why the country is going to go hungry if the pencil pushers that make the rules don't quit writing fairy tales.

Mannana Land

Looked across its miles of desert
To the mountains standing high,
Grim and silent, silhouetted
There against the evening sky.

Tumbled rocks and dry arroyo's
Rustling leaves abruptly still,
A Shurra standing sentinel
On a low and distant hill.

Down along the Texas border
On the banks of the Rio Grande,
I stood amid the sand and cactus
And gazed into Mannana land.

I saw the scarlet Ocotillo
Favorite flower of Mexico,
Flaunting all its brilliant colors
Swaying gently to and fro.

And the Yacca, standing proudly,
Stately tall, and pearly white,
With the dawn it softly closes
Fading with the morning light.

As I stood in perfect stillness
Heard the night-hawks hungry cry,
Watched it circle o'er the desert
Hunting, searching, for its prey.

I heard the coyote's lonesome howl
As if mournful of its fate,
Echoing across the waistland
Calling to its lonely mate.

Felt the night-wind, soft, carressing,
Bringing scent of sage and rain,
As I gazed in startled wonder
On that lonely, wild terrain.

Scurrying clouds across the heavens
Twinkling stars and moonlight shewn,
Seemed to cast a spell of magic
O'er this strange and peaceful scene.

All of this, as if a picture
Painted by an unseen hand,
Seemed to whisper, "You'll remember,"
Always, this Mannana Land.

—By Madaline Ward Faulkner.



LOOKING AHEAD

BY GEORGE S. BENSON
President, Harding College
Searcy, Arkansas

CONGRESS IS AWAKE

Newspaper war-maps in each successive edition show the United States and her allies closer to victory. Pardonable pride expands the chest of every patriotic American. But there is even better news: Our national freedoms for which the choicest men of this nation are fighting seem less in danger than for many months. Congress, the legal and traditional custodian of national welfare, is wide awake.

Useless, non-defense, federal bureaus are falling before congressional fire like cast-iron ducks in a shooting gallery. The WPA and the CCC are gone. The NYA has the rest of this year and what's left of \$3,000,000 to liquidate.

A Wholesome Sign.

A most heartening piece of news broke on Capitol Hill in the early days of July. The Senate Committee on Post-War Planning headed by Sen. Walter F. George of Georgia launched an investigation of restraints placed on business, to forecast their probable effect on the nation's shift from a war-time to a peace-time economy. Nothing could be more important than this to the future of America, and the job is in good hands.

My confidence in Senator George is enormous. He has been called the greatest intellect in the Senate. I believe he wants to steer America back to permanent prosperity such as is possible only under the Private Enterprise system, and I believe he knows how. It will not likely take his committee long to foretell what will result if today's restraints on the oil industry are continued. That would be a dark prospect indeed.

OPA On Defensive.

Rep. Wesley E. Dinsey of Oklahoma quoted some figures to the House of Representatives on July 8 which made the oil industry's restraints clearly understandable. "The nation is rapidly approaching a man-made oil shortage," he said. Then he declared that only one agency remains complacent in the face of grave public concern; only the OPA opposes the idea that America should safeguard its oil supply, by maintaining prices in keeping with the cost of obtaining supply.

A serious oil shortage, even though it came after complete defeat of America's enemies, would be the next worst thing to losing the war. With automobile factories and oil refineries idle, with automotive and tire service dead, with highway traffic practically paralyzed, what would America be? With four major industries shackled, how could 20 million jobless war workers and service men be put to work? In an oil famine are fertile seeds of revolution, and this nation (not just Oklahoma) may thank Disney for his good work. Depending on imported oil has too many disadvantages for consideration.

Long Range View

Rep. Hatton W. Summers, chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the House, recently proposed two amendments to the United States Constitution. One would remove the two-thirds majority requirement for passing a law over the President's veto. The other would prohibit appointing any member of Congress to office during the term for which he was elected, and for two years thereafter. The calm Texan failed not, in either case, to offer a rich contribution to the cause of Democracy.

What the people's representatives have done recently, giving the nation cause to rejoice, is not a story to be told in a 20-inch column; these are only a few examples. Some say that Berlin laughs and London shudders when our Congress opposes the Executive Department, both friend and foe calling it "the weakness of democracy." There is a short answer for that one: Congress makes our government a democracy and it's up to Congress to keep it so. May the democratic mule continue to kick at every autocratic shadow that falls across his path, whether at home or abroad.

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By GENE CARR



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Speaking of Health

By DR. VICTOR G. HEISER
MEDICAL CONSULTANT,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS

What's New With Teeth

Many of us long ago learned that the road to good teeth was reached before we had to sit in the dentist's chair. As a matter of fact, it may be achieved even before we are born. This may all sound like a puzzle, which it is not.

Have you ever heard of the influence of diet on dental health? And haven't mothers, and fathers, too, who read this, been told by the family physician about the importance of proper food for the yet unborn child? We often tell pregnant women what foods to eat. The wise ones follow medical advice; the others are neglectful or follow old wives' tales.

Proper Diet Important
Now along comes a new scientific report on the prevention of tooth decay. This study tends to indicate that tooth decay is preventable through measures directed not toward the tooth but toward the improvement of nutrition. It is based on a long study of a group of children who were under complete medical control. The degree of freedom from caries (cavities) depended on how

long each child received the proper diet. All those children who had a proper diet before the age of six years, and continued till they reached the age of 13, were found to be entirely free from cavities. This is some achievement!

There was nothing mysterious about the diet. A quart of milk a day, one or two eggs, meat, fish, chicken or liver, liberal servings of vegetables, fruit, and a teaspoon of cod liver oil. The physicians who carried out this prolonged experiment are convinced of the importance of the proper diet if we are to save the teeth of our children.

There may be other factors responsible but both physicians and dentists are giving increasing attention to nutrition as an important, a very important factor in health maintenance.

It is just as cheap, or costly, depending on one's income, to serve children the nourishing and protective foods, as to give them other foods not so rich in these qualities.

Seek the help of your professional advisers if you have or are

I GIVE YOU TEXAS

BY BOYCE HOUSE

There was a traveling-piano-player who used to stop at the small hotel in the West Texas town where I ate. He was a good checker player and was very serious about it. One night, I declared I could give him the full 12 checkers and I would take only four, not "kings," either, and wouldn't let him reach the king row.

He accepted the challenge and a group gathered around. He placed his men in regular position for the start of a game and I put my four in a line just one move from the front line of his men. It had been agreed that the first move would be mine, so I moved a checker forward and he jumped it. Then I moved another, which he jumped, while looking closely for a "trap." When I moved the third one to be jumped, everybody in the room (except my opponent) saw what I was doing.

Then I shoved the fourth and final man forward to be jumped and all the onlookers roared. I hadn't said I would beat him only that I would not let him reach the king row. For a moment he glared across the board. Then the humor of the situation struck him and, as he jumped the last checker, he chuckled, "That's one on me, all right."

My very first chum was the mascot of the town band. One day, he went to the bayou with an older boy, who was a good swimmer, invited Stewart to climb on his shoulder. A treacherous undertow drowned them both. At the funeral of the little fellow, the band played softly "Nearer, My God, To Thee." You can understand why, all through the years, that song has been associated with the tragic remembrance of my friend.

Wise sayings:
Useless laws diminish the authority of necessary ones.
Mockery is often only the poverty of wit.
The scalded cat dreads cold water.
A hungry belly has no ears.

One of the richest men in our town would pay a bill only when he had to. Maybe that's the reason he was rich—he kept his money so long. It is related that he put in a hilarious weekend and was sleeping late on Monday morning. Someone knocked at the door. Gotrox yelled, "Sue and be d---," then rolled over and went back to sleep.

expecting children. It will repay you greatly to follow the good advice you get. Healthy teeth are a priceless possession.



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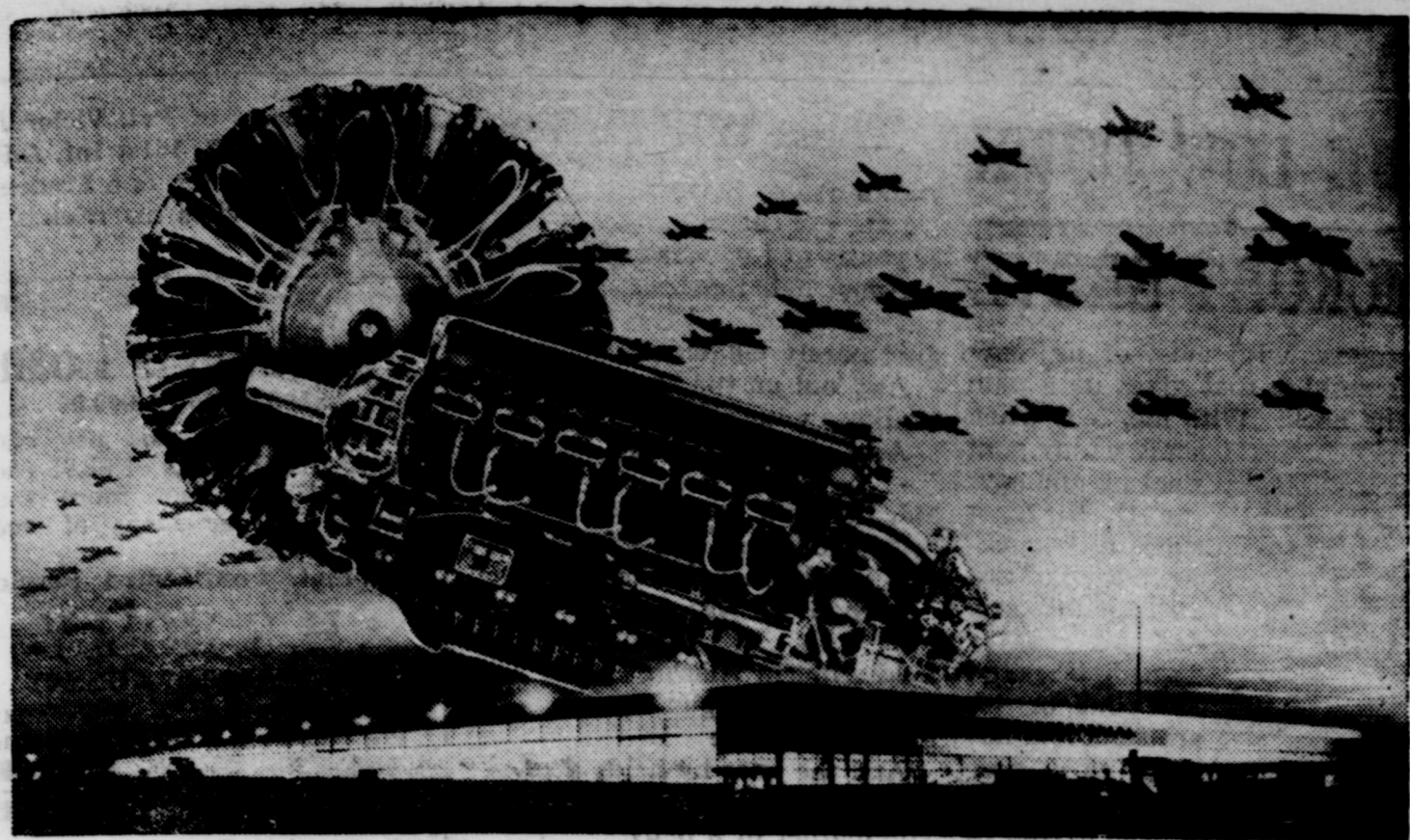
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Air Power from Production Teams to Combat Teams

Automotive and Aviation Men Pool Their Skills To Boost Nation's Volume of Aerial Horsepower

At Wright Field a few days ago, in a Navy aircraft factory in Wisconsin a few weeks ago, in a one-time automobile factory in New York State several months ago, or at any number of plants in the automotive industry during the past eighteen months, a group of men, once industrial rivals, could be seen putting on a technical "love feast."

Their brief cases, bulging with blueprints and descriptions of manufacturing methods, were open to all. Their ideas, refinements of a lifetime of planning and making and shaping of hard physical things, were tossed out for all to hear and heed and use. Their plants were open for study and inspection by anyone in the automotive or aircraft production field.

Their single purpose: to turn out more horsepower for air power for the United Nations.

The significance of the pattern of industrial teamwork these men have developed is world-wide. Bombers dropping block-busters into German industrial centers are powered with engines which men in this group helped build.

The thunder in the clouds of Allied fighters on Axis horizons is the product of their ingenious minds and capable hands. More thunder from engines is on the way—faster, because of their cooperative effort.

Unknown to the average American, the names of these men are famous wherever internal combustion engines are produced in this, the world's greatest power-producing and using nation. Master mechanics, engineers, production experts, metallurgists, from the aircraft and automotive industries, they deem internal combustion horsepower "their dish."

This is the Aircraft Engines Committee which, organized by the Automotive Council for War Production just after Pearl Harbor, has now become an important segment of the recently organized Central Aircraft Council. The pattern of its teamwork is the evolutionary result of a suggestion offered by leading airmen of the U. S. armed forces back in the summer of 1940, when the Axis plan of conquest starkly revealed itself as a blueprint for a

war of horsepower.

At that time it was proposed that our hard-pressed aircraft industry be backed up by our automotive industry's productive facilities, especially its motor-making facilities.

To foster the program, the participants had to sacrifice much. Strong traditions, nurtured by years of competition, had to be forgotten. Hard lessons in cooperation had to be learned. The aircraft industry's master craftsmen gave away freely the priceless accumulation of "know-how" about their art which they had laboriously acquired during a long period of lean and frequently profitless years.

Slowly, at first, but later at a progressively accelerating rate, the old suspicions died, the new lessons were learned, and the group became a team. Its meetings, held once a month, have been attended by more than 150 men, representing 19 different companies engaged in manufacture of aircraft engines and parts. These men assemble, not in a quiet board-room for conversation, but out in the shops, where processes are inspected and copied for mutual improvement, and where questions that would once have been impertinent are frankly asked and freely answered.

In the past year these men have met in nine different factories, invariably with either Army or Navy officers in attendance to facilitate liaison between the men who build engines and the men who fly them. In addition, members have held countless unscheduled sessions in each others' plants, as result of friendships made or invitations issued in "formal" committee meetings. On occasions contractors have even returned to plants once visited, bringing with them supplies, so a wide network of companies have been encompassed in these cooperative activities.

The benefits that have resulted from this free interchange of information are incalculable. Machining methods have been improved. Production time has been telescoped. Inspection processes have been standardized. The life of cutting and inspection tools has been extended. Exchanges of critical parts have prevented slow-downs and shut-downs. Most of the examples of this mutual aid are never publicized because cooperation has become so matter-of-fact. When they do emerge, it is by accident, in conversation overheard as the men assemble in some shop.

Thus, not long ago, the men responsible for the recent conversion of a Wisconsin motor car plant admitted that, without the help they had had from the other members of this team, their pro-

duction of powerful engines in quantity for a new type of Navy fighter could not have been attained until next fall. And, in a tour of this plant, the men whose help had been instrumental in getting it started were richly rewarded when they observed how much their own techniques and methods had been improved by the fresh viewpoints of the new users.

Best illustration of this progressive refinement of borrowed techniques is the case of a device for safeguarding inspection gages. About a year ago, one company, faced with a critical shortage of gages, sought to conserve them by building a simple holder for them. Observed in one of the early plant tours of the committee, the holder was widely copied. But, as subsequent tours revealed, each copyist added an improvement, peculiarly his own. Today, virtually every plant has holders which are composites of all the improvements, and the resultant total savings in time and labor and material are immeasurable.

Because of such teamwork, horsepower for air power is rapidly becoming the major product of that department of the U. S. arsenal once known as the automobile industry.

Personal

Mrs. George Lisbenby returned last Saturday night from Camp Ard, Calif., where she had spent a month's visit with her husband, Pvt. G. Lisbenby, who is stationed there.

Miss Evelyn Green came in Wednesday morning from Monahan to spend a two weeks visit with her father, S. R. Green, and friends here.

Mrs. Joe McDaniel and son, Billy Joe, left Wednesday morning for a two weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. Emmett Burchitt of Seminole.

Rev. J. C. Ramsay is spending a few weeks in South Texas, where he will rest and recuperate while looking after other interest.

Joe Long and Tom Jones of Jayton left Wednesday for Waco to look after business affairs. They will return Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Howe are here from Lubbock, for a few days stay with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dickson are visiting their son and daughter-in-law and small daughter Marcia, at Muskogee, Okla., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Douglas of Fort Worth who visited his

brothers, Roy and Fred Arrington here last week, returned Monday to their home in Fort Worth.

Miss Patsy Arrington returned Monday from a month's visit with her sister, Mrs. Dean McInroe at Denton, and with an uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Douglas, also of Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Shugart left Monday for Roswell, New Mex. for a two week's visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dot Sargent.

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"THE HUMAN COMEDY"

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SYNOPSIS: In the little town of Ithaca, California lives the loving, human Maccauley family. The eldest brother Marcus is away in an army camp. Sixteen year old Homer (Mickey Rooney) with his job as messenger boy is proud that he is now head of the family... growing up, learning about life. Today is one of excitement. He is running the two-hundred hurdles, out to win against Hubert Ackley, Homer's rival for the affections of Helen Elliot (Rita Quigley).

NOW READ EPISODE THREE—BELOW



"Look at this swell medal I won in the 220 hurdles."

Amidst the spectators' cheers, Homer hits the finish tape first. He runs straight to the office to tell the manager, Tom Spangler (James Craig) and the telegrapher Mr. Grogan (Frank Morgan) the good news. Rich Diana Steed (Marsha Hunt) who's "chasing" Spangler, is there. Homer is chagrined when she calls him "little boy."



They kiss goodbye, in all young innocence.

It is a rainy night. Bess (Donna Reed) and Mary (Dorothy Morris) Marcus' sweetheart, meet some soldier boys far from home. They all have a gay, human evening at the movies together. The boys mean no harm. The girls have only kindness in their hearts. At the end of the evening the boys leave, taking warm memories with them.



"So you're the woman who's Diana's mother."

Tom Spangler has always distrusted the rich. They're not real people to him. Unwillingly he shows up at Diana's dinner party at seven sharp. He hates doing things sharp. But he submits to the tie Diana gives him to wear. It's her father's. Then he's surprised to find that her mother (Katherine Alexander) is a charming person.



"Make it just a little more mellow Homer."

Back at the office, Homer wonders whether Tom Spangler will fall for that rich, spoiled Diana Steed. A telegram comes through for Helen. It's a birthday singing message from his rival Ackley—a mean trick on Homer. He'll have to sing it to Helen and Hubert will be there to listen. He practises on Grogan. Don't miss tomorrow's episode.



GOVERNOR STEVENSON'S PROCLAMATION URGES RETURN OF DEPOSIT BOTTLES. In the proclamation, just issued by Governor Stevenson, Texans are urged, during the month of August, to conserve the existing supply of returnable deposit bottles by returning them promptly to the dealers. Governor Stevenson's proclamation points out that the general public, by returning idle milk, carbonated beverage, and beer bottles, which can be sterilized for civilian re-use, will permit the glass industry to re-use even more of its facilities for the manufacture of glass containers for food, and other items, required by the armed forces at home and abroad. Mrs. Margaret McDuffie, the Governor's personal secretary, was photographed with him at the time the proclamation was signed.

Food Administrator

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year than in 1943.

The farmers in the Duck Creek Soil Conservation District are still working on their soil and water conservation program.

Plans were completed the past week on farms of Hobart Lewis, J. L. Karr, and C. H. Raspberry.

Terrace lines were run for Hubert Karr, J. L. Karr, Hobart Lewis, W. J. Collier, and E. A. Petty.

Terraces were built the past week on the farms of Hubert Karr, J. L. Karr and J. S. Clower.

Stock tanks were staked for O. M. McGinty, Mrs. White Moore, and E. L. Caraway. The stock tank on O. M. McGinty's place was completed this week.

OUR BOYS

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Leonard Wilson, David Hull, and Billy T. Smith, who enlisted in the Naval Air Corps last week, arrived in San Diego, Calif., last Saturday and have signed up for immediate sea duty they have advised their parents.

Captain D. C. McWhorter, with the 45th Division, writes his mother that he had taken part in the recent invasion of Sicily. Capt. McWhorter, was employed at the Experiment Station here at the time of his enlistment.

Corp. Jessie A. McClain, in the Supply Department of the Armored Division, is stationed at Pine Camp, N. Y. Corp. McClain is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McCain of the Cat Fish community.

Corp. John Mac Putman of the Marine Air Corps, has recently been transferred from Illinois to Camp Cherry, N. C.

Pfc. Thomas W. Settle, stationed in Camp Barkley, Abilene, is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Settle, on a 10-day furlough.

Sgt. Clinton Sonnemaker has returned to his station at Shepherd Field after a three days visit here with his parents.

Pvt. R. W. Crockett of Pampa visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Crockett, here last week on a three day pass.

No Greater Glory

No greater glory does the Red Cross seek than to serve humanity wherever there is need. Below is an excerpt from a letter written by Ensign Trudeau, an executive officer on a sub-chaser operating along the coast of Africa, and his letter was mailed from North Africa.

"Much happens and many people help to make things easier. Among them is the Red Cross. All petty squabbles are gone over here, and to us it is our haven and our one contact with life as opposed to existence. Let me tell you a few things they do. At the American Red Cross we can get a piece of American bread with fresh butter on it; we can hear dance music of the best variety that Africa can produce; we can sit down and read a newspaper from the states; we can play cards with the officer-nurses. In case of death in a family we can get a round-trip cable through in eight days. It is the only place that a lonely homesick boy feels that any one gives a damn about him as a person, with what it involves, and not just as a fighting machine.

"You can never know how much this can mean. Though boys will hitehike all the afternoon for an evening at the Red Cross, oddly enough it's least drawing card is the American girls who work there. Every one admires and respects them as the hardest working women of the war, but they are not there as companions or physical attractions to the men. The whole organization is basic and understanding, not wanting any thing but to serve, and there would be millions of men in this theatre alone who would be much unhappier, and much more at loose ends if it were not for the Red Cross. It stands as one physical symbol in this mess over here of what we are fighting for."

The Red Cross wishes to remind you that it is not too early to begin to think of the Christmas packages for American prisoners of war.

Since it takes from four to six months for a food package made up at the Red Cross packing center to reach a prisoner of war in the European camp.

Latest Japanese regulations, the bulletin states, permit each civilian internee in Japan proper to dispatch one letter per month of not more than 100 words in English.

The number of cards or letters that can be mailed by prisoners of war in Japan and Japanese-occupied territory is determined by the authorities in each camp.

Efforts are being made to increase the number of letters that may be sent.

DICKENS NEWS ITEMS

A twister struck Dickens last week removing four or five roofs and tearing away the porch from Ralph Roseman's house and damaging some out buildings.

Henry Palmer has recently accepted the contract to carry the mail between Dickens and Paducah and entered upon his duties last week.

Mrs. Lola Drennan is visiting her mother in Hamlin this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Harkey received a message Monday that Mrs. Harkey's father, J. M. Chamley, had passed away in Phoenix, Ariz. Mrs. Harkey left immediately for Phoenix.

J. D. Allen was taken to the hospital at Matador Sunday afternoon after suffering a heart attack in the morning. Monday afternoon it was reported he was improving.

R. C. Littlefield returned Monday from a week's visit with Murry and Jerry Gay in Paducah.

C. C. Hale of Afton was a business visitor in Dickens Monday morning.

Sheriff Fred Christopher left Saturday for California, where he will attend to legal business.

S. T. Johnson is quiet ill at his home in Dickens at this time. It was reported Monday morning that he was resting more comfortably.

W. J. Collier of Afton was a visitor in Dickens Monday and spent some time visiting with the court house crowd.

Commissioners' court will meet next Monday to discuss the budget which is on file at this time for public inspection. The budget reveals that taxes will not be raised for next year. This will certainly be welcome news for Dickens county taxpayers.

A. Z. Hays, new superintendent for Dickens schools, with his family, have moved to Dickens and will occupy the Wayland Lee house. Mr. Hays was high school principal of Patton Springs school last year and is well known in school circles.

While passing through Dickens Sunday morning a group of Boy Scouts from Grand Prairie, en route to Fillmore Park, New Mex. stopped at the Methodist church for the Sunday school hour and took part in the worship program. Three sponsors accompanied the boys on this vacation trip. During the Sunday school hour one boy mentioned having lost his purse with \$7.00 in it and one of the good women of Dickens slipped a \$10.00 bill to their collection to help them along.

Kenneth Street, one of the outstanding Boy Scouts of Dickens, returned from Fillmore Camp, New Mex. Saturday night, where he had been for the past month. Kenneth lacks only a few hours work being an Eagle Scout.

Uncle Sam Wants Help In G. P. O.

To permit additional printers to apply for positions in the government printing office, Washington, D. C. as estimators and jacket writers, the U. S. Civil Service Commission extended its deadline for accepting applications to August 17, L. S. Wilson, local civil service secretary said today.

Men or women with at least eight years of experience in printing, two to four years of which were spent estimating printing costs or specifying production method are urged to apply.

Appointees will be chosen on the basis of a written test to be given throughout the country.

Entrance salaries are \$3928 and \$3628 a year including overtime compensation for the 48 hour work week.

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THE LOW DOWN FROM HICKORY GROVE

I guess with most of us there is something that gives us a pain in the neck. With me, it is when some windy gent rises up and says the U. S. A. is such a bogged-down kind of unmanageable and difficult country that we gotta look out or we are sunk and nobody can save the day except the ones who have been saving it. If the ones who have been saving it have let it go to the dogs, almost—how come they can save it some more? That is where I get riled.

Jeffries or Fitzsimmons or Dempsey—none of them were champions forever. Better and new men always showed up, to put a haymaker on the slipping champions.

But I am straying off my subject of a pain in the neck. When I stop to think that these talkative gents take me for a sucker, my blood pressure zooms. The world will be revolving 2000 years hence—and no living person will be there then to give it super-management.

With 130 million people in our U. S. A. I can't savvy how any one person can be indispensable—dingbust if I can. Fact is we could dispense with a few—and I would not overlook the ones telling us they are our only hope and salvation.

Yours with the low down,
JO SERRA.

A new giant-size camera capable of making 800 negatives a day, many of them six feet high, is so large that the photographer actually works inside it.

The Army is utilizing parts from discarded alarm clocks to make oversize bombsights for classroom instruction.

Improvements in motors, gears, and electrical machines are now being accelerated through use of a new lacquer coating test that reveals strains quickly.

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And crouching around.

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To the Army, she said,
She didn't know where
Perhaps he was dead.

Soldiering in Alaska
Or maybe Algier,
Fighting for life
And the ones he holds dear.

The mother of a baby
Just two months old,
So sweet and so tiny
More precious than gold.

She had left it with someone
She didn't say where,
Maybe cold and hungry
She didn't much care.

For that brave young soldier
So far from his home,
And that wee little Angel
Deserted and alone.

My heart sobbed with anguish
And tears filled my eyes,
I thanked God that all women
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—By Madaline Ward Faulkner.

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