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War Fund Over The Top

Judge G.C. Murrell, chairman of the Sterling County War Fund Drive, announced this week that the quota had been reached and passed. The quota was \$1353.00 and \$1417.00 was raised, jubilantly reported Murrell.

The chairman and the other members of the committee (Mrs. Tommie Johnson, Seth Bailey and Jack Douthit) expressed their appreciation to the people who so generously gave and made the campaign a quick success.



CAPT. REGGIE PEARCE



CAPT. HOMER PEARCE, JR.

They're Both Captains

Pictured here are the two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Pearce. Both boys are Captains in the U. S. Army Air Forces stationed in the 4th A.A.F. Headquarters in San Francisco, California.

Captain Homer Pearce, Jr. will have been in the Army three years in December. He went into the Army as a 2nd Lieutenant and has since risen to a Captain.

Captain Reggie B. Pearce has been in service for almost four years. He married since he got in the armed forces, and he and Mrs. Pearce (the former Eleanor McAllister of California) have a little one and one-half year old daughter, Charlotte Ann.

Both boys are graduates of Sterling City high school, and both boys took degrees in electrical engineering at Texas A. & M.

Stock Shipped

Of the 20 cars of stock shipped Sunday, October 22 over the Santa Fe A. C. Pearson shipped 2 cars of sheep to Texas points; Jeff Davis - 6 cars of sheep to Texas points; J. T. Davis - 1 car sheep to the Fort Worth market; George Porter - 4 cars cattle to Texas points; Quinn Walker - 5 cars sheep to Texas points; E. D. Webster - 2 cars cattle to Houston.

Oscar Meyer bought the Webb Hudson home this week.

Wimodausis Club

The Wimodausis Club met on October 18, in the home of Mrs. Harvey Glass. Fifteen members responded to roll call.

Mrs. Herbert Cope and Mrs. Lester Foster were appointed as art scrap-book chairman and publicity chairman, respectively.

The club members voted to send a book to the War Service Library at Washington. Also books to the USO at San Angelo were requested of members.

With Mrs. Harvey Glass as leader, a discussion on Timely Topics was held. Numbers on the program were as follows: "What Do You Think of the Candidates?" - Mrs. O. T. Jones; "How Can China Put Her House in Order." - Mrs. E.F. McEntire; "How Can Italy Be Rescued from Chaos?" - Mrs. C.N. Crawford.

Announcement was made of an art exhibit from Chicago to be held at the St. Angelus Hotel on October 24.

The club will meet on November 8 with Mrs. H.L. Hildebrand.

Lions Club

The Sterling City Lions Club met in the State Hotel dining room at their luncheon Wednesday. Miss Jacqueline Everitt played two piano solos for the program. R. P. Brown received the prize - two packages of Camels.

Mrs. Tommie Johnson reported that the National Fund had been oversubscribed; J. T. Davis reported that about \$1400 more in War Bond purchases was needed to complete this month's quota; Roland Lowe reported that the subscription of \$30 for Boys Ranch had been reached.

LOCALS

Will Edwards had a truck load of cows in the San Angelo auction Monday. Others having a load each at the auction included W. M. Key and Martin Reed.

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Claude Collins shipped out 400 cows on Thursday of last week.

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H. W. Hart shipped out 125 head of cattle Sunday. Ed Webster of San Angelo received them at the local shipping pens.

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Jeff Davis shipped 2200 lambs over the Santa Fe last Sunday. The lambs had been bought from Foster Sims Price, J.T. Davis and Vernon Logan. Jeff also shipped three double cars from Midland the same day.

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Glass and Everitt moved two truck loads of sheep from Crane to their ranch here Monday.

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Ed Webster received two cars of heifer calves here from Bill and Lee Reed Sunday.

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John Reed shipped 300 lambs to Plainview Sunday for winter wheat field pasturing.

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Mrs. Stencil Hunt and little son of El Paso visited the Lee Hunts here last week.

Short Session of District Court

Methodist Pastor Returned

Rev. Ed. Lovelace, pastor of the First Methodist Church for the past eight months, was returned here for another year at the conference last week in San Antonio. Rev. and Mrs. Lovelace are well-liked and the people of the community are glad to see them return. He also serves the Water Valley charge.

Rev. Lovelace was sent to Sterling City from the Hackberry Methodist Church of San Antonio in March of this year.

North Concho River Soil Conservation District News

Board of Supervisors:

Zach Jones, Chairman
L. R. Reed, Vice Chairman
Foster S. Price, Secretary
J. R. Mims, Supervisor
J. W. Cox, Supervisor

W. M. Key, Jr. is killing out two large prairie dog towns this week. By eliminating the dogs, he will grow more grass for his livestock. Key has recently worked out, with the aid of the Soil Conservation Service, a conservation plan on his ranch. During 1945 he plans to run 33 animal units per section and has already reduced his livestock below this figure. His objective is to increase the vigor and percentage of the more palatable and higher feed producing grasses such as buffalo and side oats grama.

John Reed has an excellent growth and wide variety of grasses on a pasture which he has deferred this summer. On the hill side, such grasses as side oats grama, and little bluestem constitute a high percentage of the total vegetation and in the headers buffalo and side oats grama are the dominant grasses. There is a minimum of needle grass over the entire area. Reed has a reserve of good feed which cured exceptionally well, stored in the form of mature grass in the pasture.

H. G. Garlington has a fair stand of Hubam clover which he planted with oats in September.

Roy Foster has a vigorous growth of buffalo, hairy grama,

Red Cross Workers

Red Cross workers Monday night were Mmes. Henry Malloy, Frank Cole, John Walraven, Lester Foster, T. F. Foster, S. M. Bailey, Roy Foster, Lee Augustine, Bill Reed, R. A. Garrett, Hal Knight, Sterling Foster, Ed. Lovelace and W. S. Nelson.

Workers Tuesday were Mmes. Henry Malloy, E. B. Butler, R. P. Brown, Frank Cole, Rufus Foster, Bill Reed, Lura McClellan, D. Hall, Lester Foster, W. B. Allen, Hal Knight, S. M. Bailey, H. W. Hart, Sterling Foster, and J. A. Revell.

The Red Cross surgical dressing quota for November and December has arrived. Your help is needed, please come.

Taxpayers must pay their taxes by October 31 in order to get the 3% discount on state taxes, reminds Bill Durham, deputy tax assessor-collector.

Sgt. Barney L. Echols, with the 1st Cavalry, was one of the first men ashore in the invasion of the Phillipines, according to dispatches from the front.

side oats grama and little bluestem on the Askey pasture which he has been deferring during season for three years. The practice of summer deferment was initiated to reduce the bitter weed infestation and has proved very effective. The grass cover has improved to the extent that much of the bitter weed has been choked out. This fact is evident by the occurrence of scattering last years bitter weed plants in areas now completely covered with grass which gives the young seedling bitter weed plants little chance to survive.

Sterling War Bond Quota for October

QUOTA \$5,900

SALES \$4,697

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No Criminal Cases

District Court opened here last Monday morning with the convening of the grand jury. No bills were found and the grand jurors were out within an hour's time.

C. C. Ainsworth was appointed foreman of the grand jury by Judge Sutton. Other grand jurors were M. E. Churchill, Robert Foster, Herman Garlington, Fred Hodges, Julius Bade, Aaron Clark, E. Fowler McEntire, Ralph Bynum, Dan Ritter, David Glass and Ed Bynum.

Sutton charged the grand jurors that it was their responsibility to investigate any law violation, be it ever so small. He said that he had come to the conclusion that if misdemeanors were more promptly punished, there would be less felonies.

No criminal cases were on docket. In civil matters Judge Sutton granted Anna Rusk a divorce from C. E. Rusk. G.C. Murrell was attorney for Mrs. Rusk. Foster S. Price had a land title cleared and Sutton continued the case of B.W. Smith vs. Jack Nations in a suit to clear title to some land held by Smith.

Seen in Sterling

Little "Rich" Davis, son of the sheriff, playing cowboy and killing every passerby. . . . The grand jury meeting Monday at the courthouse. . . . Judge Sutton, Bob Hughes, C. D. Profit and B. W. Smith out from San Angelo for court. . . . John Phillips and A. W. Dearen being sworn in as bailiffs. . . . Homer Pearce putting up the flag over the service men's honor roll each morning. . . . Mrs. Jim Hinshaw working in Meyer's grocery. . . . The Lions Club meeting at the State Hotel again. . . . Cigarette buyers being handed a package furtively by the clerks. . . The courthouse lawn being cleaned up. . . . Tom Onstott with two bearings burned out in his pickup. . . . George McEntire with parcel post labels printed "Chewing Tobacco-to-Sgt. Barney L. Echols, etc.". . . .

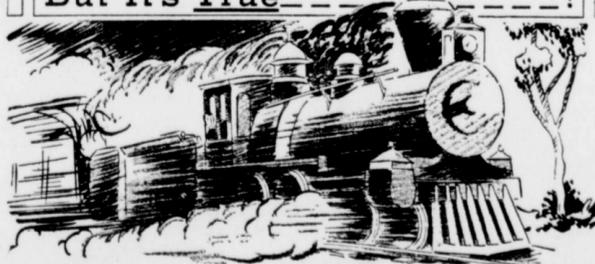


PVT. TED DAVES

Wounded in Action

Pvt. Ted Daves, son of Mrs. Mary E. Daves, was wounded in action last July in Afua, New Guinea. Mrs. Daves' message said that he was slightly wounded and that she would be notified all along as to his condition.

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YOU'LL NEED Scotch cellophane clear tape when you start wrapping your Christmas presents. A limited supply available at the NEWS-RECORD Shop.

Billy J. Littlefield, son of the J. C. Littlefields, reported to the U.S. Navy Tuesday for assignment to boot camp. Billy J. did not know just where he would be sent for his boot training.

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Adding machine paper at the News-Record.

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JAMES AARON SMITH, MM 2c

Sea Bees Are Busy People

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC —

The Sea Bees are an impatient lot; they often start working before the firing has died down, says Machinist's Mate First Class James Aaron Smith of Sterling City, Texas, and now serving with a Naval Construction Battalion in the Admiralty Islands.

Machinist Smith, who has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action, is a bulldozer operator who came in behind assault troops of the First Cavalry Division in a drive to take a strategic airstrip on Los Negros Island, in the campaign for the Admiralty Islands.

"As soon as the LST dropped its doors, we took our dozers off and started building ramps for the unloading of food and ammunition," says Smith. "The Cavalry had just finished securing the beach, and was pushing in towards the strip."

Then while Cavalrymen and Japs sniped at each other across the disputed strip, the bulldozers moved onto the field to start filling in the bomb craters and leveling the field.

"It got pretty hot at times," recalls Smith. "In the afternoon, the cavalry had crossed to the other side of the strip, but they were up against heavy underbrush and cocoanut trees. On a request from them, we moved our bulldozers out in front of the firing line, and cleared away the brush and trees so they would have a clear field of fire. Then we filled in old foxholes and removed everything that might give the Japs cover enough to infiltrate during the night."

The driver of the 'dozer next to Smith ran over a group of enemy land mines, but was unhurt. Smith was not so lucky, and was put out of action by a burst of shrapnel. After recovering from his wounds, Smith rejoined his outfit and is now operating a "motor patrol" which grades and levels roads.

Machinist Smith is the husband of Lillie Maud Smith, of Sterling City. In civilian life, he was a bulldozer operator for one of the road patrols of the C. Hunter Strain Construction Company.

A graduate of the Robert Lee High School, Smith joined the Navy and went to Camp Endicott in Davisville, Rhode Island, in 1942. He there joined his battalion and came overseas in 1943.

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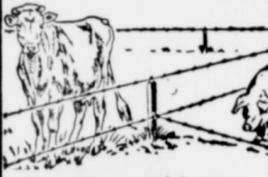
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Grade School News

Quite a number of donations have been made to the White Elephant sale, the country store, and the bingo room at the Halloween carnival. Those wishing to donate anything, please do so at once.

Practice on the program for the carnival is in full swing.

The princess and her escort from the eighth grade are Margaret Ritter and Dick Bailey.

The room mothers of the fourth and fifth grades, Mrs. Jeff Davis, Mrs. J. R. Turner, Mrs. Bill Blair and Mrs. W. B. Welch, gave a party honoring those having birthdays in October. The ones honored included Mary Davis, Charlene Drennan, Bobby Blair and Marcella Greggston. Cake and ice cream was served. Bobby Womack is moving back to Ozona this week.

The sixth grade is missing Henry Bliznak, who is out of school to be with his mother from New Orleans. Donn Gann's brother Henry has been visiting his family here from North Carolina. Elizabeth Hildebrand has been absent because of illness. Inez Littlefield visited in Brady last Friday.

The pupils in the second grade enjoyed candy served to them Monday by Mrs. J. R. Barton. Jenny Ruth Davis is the second grade princess. Her escort is to be Bobby Joe Walker.

The first grade was served with ice cream cones last Friday afternoon by Mrs. Kenneth Garms, one of the room mothers.

Carnival News

EAT AT THE BLACK KAT CAFETERIA (Sponsored by the Home Economics Classes) Located in the Home Economics Department, Tuesday night, October 31, Open—6 to 8 p. m.

Dinner 50c
Meat Loaf—Tomato Sauce
Mashed Potatoes—English Peas
Apple and Cabbage Slaw
Bread
Coffee or Ice Tea
Dessert

Pie or Cake 15c Coffee or Tea 5c

P.T.A. Meeting

The Sterling Parent Teacher organization met Thursday of last week for the regular monthly meeting. The program consisted of the following numbers:

Song by the audience—"America, the Beautiful"—Mrs. A. L. Davis at the piano.

"On the Road to Mandalay"—a piano solo by Betty Jane Donalson.

"A Secret"—a reading by Peggy Hinshaw.

The Purpose of the P. T. A. by Mrs. Leah Wyckoff.

The seventh grade won a prize of one dollar for having the greatest number of parents and teachers present for the meeting.

The next meeting will be held on the second Thursday in November at 3:45 p.m. All parents and interested patrons are extended a welcome to attend all meetings of the P. T. A.

Freshmen Elect Officers

Last Tuesday the freshman class met to elect officers for this year. The following were elected:

President, R. B. Mitchell; vice-president, Donald Gill; secretary-treasurer, Carolyn Foster; reporter, Ira Dees.

The room mothers and sponsor for the freshmen, as previously elected, include Miss Evelyn Vernon, sponsor; and Mrs. Webb Hudson, Mrs. Roy Foster, Mrs. J. C. Littlefield, Mrs. Cledis Smith, Mrs. Herman Everitt and Mrs. Joe Mitchell.

Junior Class Play

"Street of Dreams"

The members of the junior class announce that they have completed casting for their production of "Street of Dreams", and rehearsals are now well under way.

Miss Mildred Atkinson, who is in charge of production, announces the following cast:

Bonnie Griffith-Beth Abernathy
Cecily Ware-Ruby Lee Martin
Jean Weaver-Peggy Jean Hinshaw
Olive Daniels-La Vone Allen
Anastasia Gregorski-Ruby Langford

Ingrid-Ernestine Cole
Virginia Snow-Jean Mathis
Mrs. Stockton-Billye Faye Cook
Evelyn Jones-Mary Ann Bynum
Linda Eastman-Betty Jane Donalson

Tony Barton-Joe Snead
Roscoe Myers-Billy Rusk
George D. Justin-Billy Findt
"Street of Dreams", the three-act comedy sensation by John Rand will be presented Thursday night, November 9 at 7:30 in the high school auditorium.

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Back to Alaska

Sgt. Jean Durham, son of the W.W. Durhams, left Monday for his Army post in Alaska after having spent a 20-day furlough here with his parents. Sgt. Durham will catch a plane at Great Falls, Montana for Nome, Alaska.

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Local Items

The Junior Class of Sterling high school is sponsoring a bake sale in the Palace Theatre Saturday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock, announced Betty Jane Donalson this week.

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Oran Ballou and his son, William, of Albuquerque, New Mexico were visitors at the Marvin Churchills last week-end.

Adding machine paper at the News-Record.

Mrs. W.W. Durham, Sergeant Jean Durham, Jackie Durham, Mrs. Rosemary Ducote and her little daughter, Linda Jean, spent last week-end in Abilene visiting relatives and friends.

Horace Donalson, owner of the Palace Theatre, has bought the picture show at Eldorado, and his father will operate the show for him.

WOULD you like to learn to be a telephone switchboard operator? If interested, call Webb Hudson, manager of the San Angelo Telephone Co., Sterling City, Texas.

Bill and Antonio Gaitan reported to Fort Sam Houston on the 26th for their pre-induction physical examinations.

Palace Theatre

Double Features
Friday and Saturday

Popcorn 8c; 2 for 15c

DOUBLE FEATURE

Fri. & Sat. Oct. 27 and 28

'Chip off the Old Block'

Donald O'Connor-Peggy Ryan

'Oklahoma Raiders'

Tex Ritter-Fuzzy Knight

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday

Oct. 29, 30, 31

'Jane Eyre'

Orson Welles-Joan Fontaine

Wednesday & Thursday

Nov. 1 & 2

'Tarzan's Desert Victory'

Johnny Weissmuller-Nancy Kelly



Based on the Batman Comic Magazine feature appearing in Detective Comics and Batman Magazines

Fr. & Sat. Nov. 3 & 4

'Sailors Holiday'

Arthur Lake-Jane Lawrence

'Cowboy Canteen'

Charles Starrett-Jane Frazee

SUNDAY MATINEE

3:00 P. M.



TOMMIE JOHNSON, MM 2c Somewhere in The Southwest Pacific

Tommie Johnson, Machinist Mate 2c, U.S. Navy Sea Bees, is now on an island somewhere in the Southwest Pacific. He left Hawaii on September 23 and has since landed on an island somewhere in the South Pacific, he has informed his wife.

Tommie joined the Sea Bees in May, 1943 as a machinist. Before joining he was a clerk in the Davis Drug Store, and prior to that he was employed by Sterling County. He is a graduate of Bluffdale high school and attended John Tarleton College at Stephenville.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Johnson, he is the husband of the Sterling City postmaster, Mrs. Anna Lee Johnson.

Books to Library For War Dead

J. T. Conger of San Diego, California has sent three books to be placed in the Sterling County library in memory of three of our World War II honored dead. The following list is his donation:

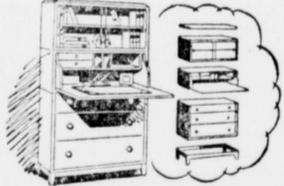
"Since You Went Away" dedicated in memory of Durwood Rhoden;

"Meet Me in St. Louis" dedicated in Memory of Henry J. Henley;

"A Tree Grows in Brooklyn" dedicated in memory of Jack. W. Mathis.

RUBBER STAMPS at the NEWS-RECORD.

Your Home
By Frances Ainsworth



GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.—I have just seen a wonderful new furniture idea. This new idea is furniture made up of "units" so that you can have your furniture exactly to fit your personal needs. It isn't sectional furniture. It's a new "flexi-unit" idea.

For instance, suppose you want a secretary cabinet for your living room. Do you want drawers (narrow or deep) or cupboards (open or with doors) for the bottom part? Do you want a desk unit—or would you prefer a built-in radio-phonograph with place for records—or more drawers or glass front cupboard?

I have seen how with these "flexi-units" furniture, all one solid piece, beautifully finished, can be made up exactly as you want it—for your needs—personally, individually for you, just you.

This revolutionary, modern idea has been worked out for dining room and bedrooms, too.

And, if you have just a small home, or live in an apartment, you can start with just a few "units," adding more later, as you move into a larger place or as your family grows.

WAR BONDS in Action



Signal Corps Photo

Bonds for mercy! Bandaging a wounded comrade in Italy is a commonplace scene on every fighting front. Much of the money you lend your government by buying Bonds goes into medical aid for your fighting relatives and friends. Keep up your Bond buying. Buy an extra Bond today.

U. S. Treasury Department

John Walraven has bought John Cass's house, and John plans to move somewhere on the Gulf coast.

CARBON PAPER at the News Record.

Mrs. W. P. Meyer is still in an "up and down" condition. It is thought that a nerve is being pressed in her vertebrae, causing her illness.



But It's True



JOHAN MILES-

DIED BELIEVING HE HAD WON A ONE-MAN WAR AGAINST THE U.S. . . . AFTER HIS DEATH AN ORGANIZATION OF 4,000 DECLARED HE HAD BEEN RIGHT. HE DIED AT MONTREAL IN 1852

WIND Service !!!



A DOG WAS ELECTED MAYOR OF LINCOLNVILLE, OKLA. . . . IN NOVEMBER, 1904 . . .

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