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Ensign Roy L. Lee Missing After Airplane Crash Friday

JOHNNY QUILLEN, Petty officer third class arrived last Thursday to visit his mother Mrs. Fowler. He left Wednesday on his way back east. Johnny will go to sea in a short time now.

"DOC" MINYARD had the luck to get to spend Sunday not so long ago with Jack Montague. They are stationed some thirty miles apart on an island in the South Pacific.

PVT. KELTON NEWMAN, stationed at the Lubbock Army Air Base, was operated on for appendicitis at the Camp Hospital in Lubbock a week ago Sunday. He is nearly ready to be released. His wife and daughter have been spending the past week in Lubbock.

WORD FROM GEORGE MARTIN, via the grape vine route, is that he has been in personal contact with the enemy on the front. It is presumed that he is in New Guinea.

L. B. LOUDERMILK, GMI-c writes to the editor, "Dear Roy — Just a few lines to let you know my address won't be changed after two months as I had expected. I graduated at the head of my class and have been ordered to remain here as an instructor in the school. This is a very nice duty compared with the last year at sea.

I look forward to receiving the paper every week. It is much better to receive it three days after it is printed instead of three or four months as it was while on sea duty. Keep up the good work. Next to a letter from home the home town paper is the best."

PFC. RAYMOND GREWE in writing to his father Carl Grewe gives him a vivid description of the Hawaiian girls. It goes as follows: "Dear Father — Just a few lines to let you know I am O. K. and well. I don't know of anything to talk about that would get by the censor.

Well lets talk about Hawaii. I didn't think it was so grand. I picked me out a hula girl before the boat could land. Pretty red lips, pretty brown legs with dimpled knees. Two brown arms, they know how to squeeze. She's got here she's got it there, she's got everywhere. A perfect form and I am so hard to please. I am going to pick me out one of these hula girls and bring her back home with me.

Oh! Dad I only wish you were here so you could take a look for yourself and see."

Mary Tom Bomar was honored with a luncheon on her birthday last Wednesday. Guests included her grandmother Mrs. Mollie Bomar, Mrs. Pearl Simpson, and Jo Lee Bomar, Mrs. John Hutchinson, Mrs. Alton Steele, Mrs. Bernice Welch, and Miss Anne Lee Anderson.

WANT-ADS

FOR SALE - Table Model Matie Radio and Phonograph. 1940 model. Several records. Electric and I've moved to country. BAILEY HILL 40-1tp

WANTED - responsible person housekeeper and general care home. Good place for right person. Good pay. 39-1tc MRS. CHAS. K. HERNDON

High school graduates if you want to secure your future enter training school for nurses. A-Plainview Sanitarium 40-2tc

FOR SALE - Dayton counter top. Self computing for both work and customer. In A-1 condition in every way. Will take less than half price. 35-1t H. ROY BROWN

FOR SALE - 1934 Chevrolet. Better than average tires. cash. 40-1tp W. H. Newman

FOR SALE - Barley seed 80c bushel. 36-6tp D. H. Davis

FOR SALE - 1 regular Farmall tractor on good rubber; also two pieces of equipment. See me at Cap Station. 39-2tp M. E. SMITH

FOR SALE - Line of Fuller shoes. See them at the drug store. 23-1tc Bomar Drug Store

ON THE HOME FRONT

Farmers of the nation have emerged in the last week as the No. 1 soldiers on the Home Front, and in the Southwest where the planting season is here or soon will be, agriculture is being mobilized everywhere to help win the war with food.

Food is an important weapon in total war and the record crop produced last year on American farms represents a major victory for the United Nations.

Calling on farmers for unprecedented production in 1943, President Roosevelt has said that food already sent to the people of North Africa is saving the energies and the lives of American troops there. Similarly all over the world food from our country's farms is helping the United States toward victory.

From the South Pacific to the winter front in Russia, from Africa to India, American food is giving strength to the men in the battle lines, and sometimes also to the men and women behind the lines.

The vital place that farmers hold in the entire war strategy is shown by the fact that, in addition to the foods they are requested to raise instead of non-essential surplus crops, their long staple cotton will go into parachutes; their oils will go to paints for the ships and planes and guns, and their grains into alcohol to make explosives.

The farmers also are vital factors in supplying food to earn the friendship of people in liberated areas and to serve as a promise and an encouragement to the ones who are not yet free. On top of last year's record production, it is going to take a lot more to win the final victory and win the peace that will follow.

As President Roosevelt said, we must produce all we can of every essential farm product; we must divide our supplies wisely, and use them carefully. We can not afford to waste either our products or our agricultural energies; we must use both where they will do the most good.

Emphasizing all of these facts, Home Front developments in the last week center around agriculture and agricultural products.

The OPA froze corn prices at January 11 levels to halt further sharp advances and averted the danger of a squeeze on hog production, thus checking the danger of an upward break-through on meat prices.

Inasmuch as the pork requirements are the greatest on record, the upward pressure on corn prices already had caused them to pass parity. The price control benefitted the consumers in addition to the producers.

A sore spot in the retail distribution of pork also was relieved when the OPA completely revised pricing methods for the slaughtered animal without increases to the consumer.

To help agriculture toward the 1943 goals, the War Production Board has approved an increase in the production of repair parts for farm machinery and equipment.

The WPB and the Department of Agriculture also reached an agreement to streamline their relationships so the food program can benefit. In general, the USDA will exercise full responsibility and control over the production and distribution of food, while the WPB will exercise similar authority over materials other than food and over facilities.

During the week, the OPA brought under price control for the first time feeds used for poultry and livestock. Not only will this benefit poultry and livestock raisers, but the step was an important move towards lessening the pressure against price ceilings on such vital cost-of-living items as milk, butter, cheese, eggs and many meats.

Effective January 23, the new mixed feed ceilings will apply at producer, wholesale and retail levels. For producers, ceilings are established on present costs plus the individual producer's historical markup. For wholesalers and (continued to next column)

THIRTEEN LEFT MONDAY FOR ARMY INDUCTION

Thirteen Briscoe County boys left Monday for the induction center and are now in the army. The boys were:

Lewis Melton Fanning
J. W. Rowell
Earl Emery Patrick
Fred W. Brannon
Robert Lee Barrow
Thomas M. Wilson
Dewie W. Everhart
Orville P. Ballard
George B. Chavez
Vernon Ray Austin
Fred L. Smith
Olin Frey Patrick
Charles Lee Grundy

Grady Martin was slated to leave, but had already enlisted in the Navy. Two boys failed to arrive in time to leave, because of car trouble. The draft board has not said whether or not there are any others to leave this month.

TULL INSISTS ON EARLY ORDERS FOR REPAIRS

M. C. Tull, McCormick dealer, called the writer today and asked if we had any ideas on how to impress it upon the farmers that parts must be ordered earlier than ever before. We do not — except to relate what he told us.

Tull said, "Regulations for obtaining parts are very strict. For instance: When the allotted number of parts we have on hand for each quarter is sold, no more can be ordered until a definite order is placed by the user. Then, if it is a 'critical part' the serial number of tractor and a certificate of need must be furnished before we can even order."

That's why Tull and every other implement dealer is worrying for fear some farmers will wait too late to check up on needed repairs for summer work including harvest equipment.

COLDEST WEATHER OF YEAR FIRST OF WEEK

The coldest weather of the year, in fact of several years, was recorded here Monday night with the unofficial readings ranging from 2 degrees below zero to 12 below. Tuesday warmed up a bit, but the mercury dropped to within two or three degrees of zero.

Little damage has resulted to livestock, largely due to advanced warnings issued Friday of last week. The cold wave was a couple days late but farmers and ranchers were prepared when it did strike. Town folks were caught napping and many pipes were frozen.

A slight rise in temperature is expected now, with another drop on the way for sometime over the weekend.

retailers, ceilings are determined by the addition of specified dollar markups to list prices.

In the southwestern OPA region, including the states of Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana, the recent region-wide milk price order is important to agriculture. The order, setting specific monetary ceilings at wholesale and retail for milk in every community of the region, was intended to restore the balance of milk distribution and in many areas to restore market balance that would allow price adjustments to producers. This order was the first of its kind attempted by the OPA in the battle against the high cost of living.

To help meet the increased goals for meat, poultry, and dairy products out put this year and to relieve the farm labor shortage, WPB during the week partially lifted its ban on new electrical connections to permit short extensions of rural distribution lines.

The extensions will be approved only to operate specified farm production equipment, including water pumps for livestock, milking machines, milk coolers, incubators, brooders and feed grinders. To qualify for an extension, a farmer must receive certification from his local County War Board that the electrical connection will result in a substantial increase of production and a substantial saving of labor.

Details Of Crash Are Unknown— Reported That He Bailed Out Before Ship Crashed

Ensign Roy L. Lee is still missing after a plane crash over the sea at New Oregon Inlet, North Carolina on January 15. Word was received here Saturday by his mother, Mrs. George Lee from the Fifth Naval District. The telegram read "We regret to inform you that your son Ensign Roy L. Lee is missing after a plane crash January 15. We wish to send our sympathy. Further details will follow by letter."



ENSIGN ROY L. LEE

Mrs. Lee has received no further word at this is written (Wednesday) but a wire to Mrs. W. Coffey, chairman of the Red Cross confirmed the first telegram, and added that the crash occurred over New Oregon Inlet, and that the search was continuing.

The following letter was received today by Mrs. Lee from Len's Flight Commander, Lieut. P. H. Torrey, Jr.: "... the airplane was on a routine gunnery training flight approximately twenty miles southeast of Oregon Inlet, North Carolina when the crash occurred... you may be assured that any further information will be forwarded to you immediately."

An Associated Press dispatch in the Amarillo News said that it was reported that Lee had bailed out before his plane crashed.

No further details are known, but little hope is held for his safety. The best chance, is that he may have bailed out in time to float over land. If the young flier landed there it may be possible that he will be found in safety within a few days.

Len received his wings and Ensign's commission in the Navy last August. He was an accomplished flier and was attached to a Fighter Squadron, ready for action. His ship was the Gruman "Wildcat", rated as next to the fastest ship the Navy has.

Probably nothing further will be known until a definite letter is received by Mrs. Lee. The telegram stated that the letter would follow and it is presumed that it will not be sent until the aviator is found or all hope abandoned.

RED CROSS REPRESENTATIVE HERE THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

Mrs. Lydia Hoffman, Field Representative for the Red Cross will arrive in Silverton Thursday afternoon for a two day visit with the local chapter.

There was a board meeting of the chapter Thursday night at 8 o'clock in the County Court rm.

INVITATION TO THE PUBLIC

The local Red Cross Chapter extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend open house Friday afternoon honoring Mrs. Lydia Hoffman, field representative. The hours are from 2:30 until 4:00 at the Red Cross Workroom located in the Welfare Office in the basement of the courthouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bomar, Mrs. George Lee and Glenna and Mrs. W. Coffey spent Wednesday evening in Canyon with their respective son and daughters.

Mrs. Biffie Fort, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Castleberry of Amarillo were here Monday for court.

DRAFT BOARD RELEASES NAMES OF SIXTH REGISTRATION

Names of the boys who registered in the sixth registration were released this week by the local draft board. These are the boys who became eighteen years of age between June 30 and January 1st. Boys who are seventeen now, are to report on their next birthday for their registration.

Here are the boys who registered in the last group registration: Clifton Guice — Silverton Texas
Glynn D. Barrett, Quitaque
Willie Amel Smith, Silverton
Charles H. Williams, Quitaque
William L. Hester, Quitaque
Walter R. Grimland, Silverton
Bobby Lee Olive, Silverton
Guy W. Tyler, Quitaque
Richard Martin Bean, Silverton
J. Walter Brannon Jr., Silverton
Joe Frank Hill, Vigo Park
Earnest D. Stephens, Silverton
George E. Long, Silverton
Lloyd C. Jackson, Silverton
Floyd B. Jackson, Silverton
Bryan R. Smylie, Quitaque
William C. Harris, Brice
H. C. Peugh, Silverton
Garland F. Francis, Silverton
Frank Toler Jr., Quitaque
Charles V. Cain, Quitaque
Charles H. Hammer, Gasoline
Charles W. Phelps, Quitaque
Carl Dean Bomar, Silverton
Billy Joe Sachse, Quitaque
Rayford O. Payne, Quitaque

RATIONING AT A GLANCE

Ration Books

WAR RATION BOOK NO. 1 — Used for sugar and coffee, will be required to obtain Book No. 2.

WAR RATION BOOK NO. 2 — to be issued soon, will provide for rationing on a "point system".

MILEAGE RATION BOOKS — Books A, B, and C used for passenger car gasoline; D and E books for non-highway uses; F, for motorcycles; T for trucks and commercial vehicles.

Rationed Food Commodities
SUGAR — Stamp No. 10 in Book No. 1 good for 3 pounds until midnight, January 31, 1943. Stamp No. 11 good for 3 pounds until midnight March 15, 1943.
COFFEE — Stamp No. 28 in Book No. 1 (for those 15 or older on the date the book was issued) good for 1 pound until midnight Feb. 7, 1943.

MEAT — Voluntary share-meat program sets limit at 2½ pounds per person per week. Meat will be rationed under the "point system" after Book No. 2 is distributed.

MILEAGE RATIONING
GASOLINE — Value of each coupon in A, B, and C books is 4 gallons. First 8 coupons in A book expired at midnight Jan. 21, 1943. Second 8 coupons are good until midnight March 21, 1943. Those who think they are eligible for supplemental rations should see their local board.

TIRE INSPECTION — All "A" book holders must have first official tire inspections by March 31, 1943 (changed from January 31). Subsequent inspections for A book holders will be once every six months. (changed from four months). "B" and "C" book holders and owners of bulk coupons for fleets must have first official tire inspection by February 22, 1943 (changed from Jan. 31). Subsequent inspections for "B" book holders will be once every four months (changed from two months). Subsequent inspections for C book holders will be once in every three months (changed from two months). "T" ration book holders must have first official tire inspections by Feb. 28, 1943 (changed from Jan. 15). Subsequent inspections for T book holders will be once every sixty days, or every 5,000 miles, whichever comes first.

TIRES — If official tire inspector recommends a tire replacement or recap apply to the local ration board for tire or recap certificate. Tires and recaps will be rationed to all on the basis of tire inspections and county quotas available, with most essential mileage to come first.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Brian, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Vaughan, Mrs. Lottie Henderson and Dwane, Mr. and Mrs. Elma Seaney, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ledbetter, Curtis Wimberly, and Maggie Lee Brian were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn.

Plans Being Made For President's Celebration

MARY COWART TO BE CROWNED WTSC 'VICTORY QUEEN' FOR 1943

Miss Mary Cowart, freshman class candidate, was selected as "Victory Queen" of West Texas State College for 1943 after a week's contest last week in which votes were gained by the sale and purchase of defense stamps and bonds.

The contest was sponsored by the Student Senate in cooperation with the defense stamp committee of the college. The drive netted \$12,499.30 in sales of defense stamps and bonds by the students of West Texas State College. By classes, the sales were: Freshman \$6,249.10; Sophomores, \$2,853.05; Juniors 2,539.30 and Seniors, \$1,037.85.

The date February 4th has been set as the tentative date of crowning the queen at assembly. The queen will be shown in the 1942-43 Le-Mirage, college yearbook.

NEW SUBSCRIBERS ADDED

Several new subscribers have been added since the close of the special offer the first of the month as well as several renewals. There are several subscriptions expiring the last of the month and we will appreciate prompt renewals. Curtailment of newsprint and a threatened shortage make it more impossible than ever, to continue your subscription after it has expired.

If your paper is running out, drop in and renew. For the \$2.00 you can renew and send it to some boy in service free. Nearly 100 Briscoe County men are now getting the home paper — and many as a gift from friends or relatives.

Here are our latest subscriptions:
G. R. Dowdy
J. N. Neatherlin
W. T. Diviney
Woodroe Grimland
Albert Foster
B. E. Wilson
Dan Dean
Edna Boland
Sgt. Martell R. Grover

FIRST HIGH SCHOOL PAPER IS PRINTED

Volume One, Number One, of the Owlet was issued Monday, January 18 by the students of the Silverton High School. The little newspaper is four pages each page being four columns wide and 13 inches long.

Clyde Mercer, Silverton Senior, is editor of the Owlet. Other members of the staff are: Jean Northcutt, Assistant Editor; Literary Editor, Winona Francis; Sports Editor, Freddie Garrison; Society Editor, Ruby West; Business Manager, Travis McMinn; and Assistant Business Manager, Jo Webb. The two sponsors of the paper are Miss Louise Linton and Miss Leota Rampey.

For interest, the Owlet contains some of the best material we have seen in a high school paper, and the staff is to be congratulated. They promise that the Owlet, which is to be published monthly, will in the future be even more interesting.

The paper is printed in the Briscoe County News plant.

Miss Anna Lee Anderson, Mrs. Alton Steele, Mrs. John Hutchinson and Mrs. Bernice Welch were in Tulia Saturday having dental work done.

Try our want ads

War Stamp Sales Over \$559,777,000

WASHINGTON, D. C.—According to a report released by the Treasury Department today, sales of War Savings Stamps totaled \$559,777,000 for the period from May 1, 1941, through November, 1942.

Stamp sales have risen from less than three million dollars per month when they were first introduced to the public presage of about fifty million dollars per month at present time.

It is predicted that sales of War Savings Stamps will reach a new high during January and February as the result of a concentrated drive by the Treasury Department to get more than one hundred million partially filled Stamp Albums to complete these albums and convert them into War Bonds.

Getting off to a very late start, the plans for the Celebration of the President's Birthday are under way. T. T. Crass has been made Chairman of the Celebration events and Wednesday night appointed his community chairman. These folks are expected to make what ever plans they see fit, and to appoint whatever committees they need to help them. Appointments are:

Quitaque — Jim Baird
San Jacinto — Mrs. Bill Malone
Antelope — Mrs. Roy Allard
Francis — U. D. Brown
Rock Creek — W. W. Martin
Lakeview and Wallace — Mrs. W. W. Douglas
Haylake — H. B. McClendon

In Silverton plans are being made for both a dance and a banquet. Both will probably be held the same night. Appointments for the work in the Silverton community are:

Dance Committee — Frank Havran, D. O. Bomar and Joe Mercer.
Banquet Committee — Mrs. H. S. Sanders and F. M. McCarty
Silverton Sales Chairman — Mrs. Clay Fowler

Advertising Committee — Joe Mercer and Roy Hahn
The chairmen and committees are asked to meet with Chairman Crass Monday night to go over their final plans in order to give the event as much publicity as possible. The meeting will be held at the court house.

Last year's efforts topped any county in this area, regardless of size or population. An earlier start was made however, and if as good a showing is made this year, it will call for more concentrated hard work than ever before on the part of the chairmen and committees. Let's give them all the help we can!

FARMER DIES OF HEART ATTACK

Tom L. Littlefield of west of Silverton dropped dead Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Evans. He had just started the engine of his car and died instantly of a heart attack.

Mr. Littlefield was a cousin of Mrs. E. L. Gardner, and moved here from Cone, Texas last fall. Funeral services were held Wednesday at Cone, Texas.

M. E. SOCIETY MEETS

The Society of Christian service met with Mrs. T. G. Craft in an all day meeting Tuesday.

The morning was spent in quilting. At noon a delicious covered dish luncheon was served. The afternoon was spent mostly in quilting. The group decided to meet regularly on the second and fourth Mondays at the Red Cross work room to do Red Cross work.

A program on Puerto Rico was presented by Mrs. H. S. Sanders. At the business session the resignation of Mrs. R. M. Hill as chairman of the society was accepted, and Mrs. Billy Dickerson was elected to fill the vacancy. Other officers elected were Mrs. H. S. Sanders vice-chairman and Mrs. W. Coffey Jr. secretary.

Mrs. Dickerson gave an inspiring talk and urged that the society adopt as their slogan "Every member a worker."

Wyona Lee of Canyon come Saturday night to be with her mother Mrs. George Lee. She returned to Canyon to take her semester finals Sunday. She will come home Thursday for a few days between semesters.

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THE THING that is on most folks' mind is Len Lee, and whether he will be found. Red has always had that peculiar faculty of making friends. And if he does not show up, every single person that knew him is going to feel that they have lost him personally—like one of their own family.

YOU CAN PUT some things on paper that you can't say personally, and I'd like to tell Mrs. Lee that if that old kid of mine will turn out to be pretty much like Len, then I will be completely happy—and I will know that I have raised a boy far better than myself.

IF THEY WOULD let me run the war, it would no doubt last until the turn of the century because of the boneheads. On the other hand, that fact might qualify me for a berth in Washington. BUT one of the things I can't see is the machine program. They make just a few new machines and ration them out to the various sections of the country—but in quantities so small that they could be of very little good for the practical farm production program. And parts are so restricted that this year there are going to be plenty of hours lost because of the red tape and delay in getting repairs. . . . Well why make any new machines at all right now? But why not turn the manufacturers loose on repair parts and make them easier to get than ever before. With all the parts at hand, any farmer can keep his machinery clicking for several years. As it is . . . oh well, I'm not in Washington, and I guess the Washington boys never lived on a farm.

AND WHITESIDE tells me that there are to be no more civilian overalls made for the duration. Which proves that it's going to be a short war, or else we're going to have a lot of farmers working in the breeze.

AS FAR AS it being a short war, one hates to dispute Admiral Halsey who says it will all be over in 1943. We had another naval commander who before the war, said he could "whip the Jap navy any Wednesday morning and meet you for lunch that afternoon."

BUT WHEN YOU feel like letting up on your efforts, think of these things: The war has been going now for over three years. The world was amazed at the speed with which Hitler overran Europe. It was more than amazed at the way the Japs took Singapore and the South Pacific. And yet that has taken the Axis something over three years. But we, (when we let our optimism run over our common sense) are going to recapture all that, and give the mortal stroke in just eleven more months.

I PRAY THAT that may be done. But while I'm doing that praying and wishing, I know that every dirty Jap is going to have to be personally thrown out of

every nook and cranny that he has occupied. And every blood-thirsty Nazi is going to have to be pushed back off the soil he has defiled—clear back to his homeland. — And to do all that in this year, that is 1-12 gone—when I think of those things, then it is that I know that we have barely begun.

IF FOR NO OTHER reason than the self satisfaction it gives—get out that half filled stamp book today and finish it out for the bond. The Treasury Department says that if every stamp book were completed now it would bring in ONE BILLION dollars to our war fund.

THE TIRE BOARD is getting its dander up. There's is far too much overloading, far too much speeding. They asked me to mention it—and it is mentioned. Continued abuse of your tires makes it impossible for replacement and may even result in the loss of your gas coupons.

I WONDER WHAT Mr. Roosevelt has up his sleeve now on the big insurance plan. It has just been hinted at but he has some kind of a social reform in mind that will take care of us all—from the cradle to the grave. It probably won't be pressed much at present and just the framework is being made.

WHATEVER IT IS—it will be costly—just as all the prewar social planning schemes were costly. America doesn't need a cover-all social insurance program—now or after the war. What America needs is just a chance to be Americans and to make something for themselves. The right of private enterprise is the best insurance Washington could offer the American Public.

AMERICA IS OVER-reaching herself in one phase of after-war planning—that we will feed and clothe the world. Get out the old geography and look it over. The old U. S. isn't so very big compared to the rest of the world and regardless of the fact that we have almost unlimited resources there should be a stopping place, or at least a slowing-down when we talk of our plans for the rest of the world. We have heard tales of want and privation in other parts of the world, in war time and in peace time, since the beginning of our own country. Unless some of the bright pictures (for the rest of the world) are modified somewhat, those tales of privation and want are going to be of our own children and grandchildren.

THE UNITED STATES cannot feed and clothe the rest of the world indefinitely after the war any more than Briscoe County can furnish the flour and cotton for the rest of Texas. We've got it to do for the duration of the war—but along with post-war plans should be included plans for installing a stop light on our lending and leasing.

THERE ARE NO doubt many times when you wonder why a certain article is not in the Briscoe County News. It is illustrated very well by the story of the fastidious (but nose) old lady who was visiting the zoo. She became very interested in front of the hippopotamus cage. There was just one hippo in there and she asked the keeper, "Can you tell me the sex of this animal?" "No ma'am, I can't," said the keeper. The old lady went on grumbling about such ignorance and after a while she came back to the cage again. "I must say," she berated, "That it very funny that you do not know whether this hippo is male



On a coast position in the Solomons marine gunners camouflage themselves with palm leaves, covering the beach with a .50 caliber machine gun. Fifteen \$100 War Bonds would have bought the weapon.

or female." The keeper was irritated to say the least and he said "Well, lady I don't know. And what's more I do not see personally why it should interest anyone in the world—except another hippopotamus." Well, once in a while that's the way Yours Truly feels.

HOW MANY OF youse guys came out as well as Yours Truly on gasoline. With tickets left to fill my tank and one ticket to spare. For the benefit of the gas board I wish to state that my Olds is making about 50 miles to the gallon in most places and a little over 20 on lonely roads. And I haven't had any emergency eye operations, no teeth work done, and have burned but very little of my type wash in the car.

PERSONAL to John T. Haynes—I cashed the check today. Am busy right now but will send the receipt as soon as possible.

STUDENTS HAVE A PART IN SCHOOL GOVERNMENT

One of the changes made in the Silverton School System made by F. M. McCarty, superintendent of schools is the organization of Student Government. Here is the story as told in the Owllet, school newspaper:

Student government has been installed in Silverton High School with the election of a Student Council composed of two members from each high school class, and one member elected as a representative from the sixth, seventh and eighth grades.

The Council's object is to benefit the school and the students in any and every way it can. Its officers, elected by the Council, are: President, Joe Earl Deavenport; Vice-president, Clyde Mercer; Secretary and Reporter Margaret Thomas. The members elected will serve the whole year and Mrs. King has been elected



NATURAL GAS

SO EASY TO USE

SO IMPORTANT TO SAVE

We realize Natural Gas is so easy to use that it is sometimes wasted unintentionally.

In the territory we serve the demand for this fine fuel has greatly increased, due to one phase or another of the war effort.

In normal times, we could obtain materials needed to increase the capacity of our facilities so that we could meet all demands. Today, that is impossible. That's why we are asking you to help by reducing your use of natural gas to the minimum on very cold days.

Here's How You Can Help

1. Shut off parts of the house not in use.
2. Do not keep your rooms too warm. Train yourselves to become accustomed to lower temperature.
3. Refrain from using the range oven for room heating.
4. Keep your heating equipment in top-notch condition.
5. Install insulation, storm sash, weather stripping, and caulking if possible.
6. Use a low blue flame for cooking, cook vegetables in as small an amount of water as possible, cook more one dish meals, and keep burners clean.

West Texas Gas Company

as director. The Student Council wrote and the student body adopted a Constitution which may be found in the Owllet.

The Student Council is backed by all members of the faculty and students. Any student who has a suggestion as to the improvement of the school has the privilege of talking to the representative from his class who will bring it before the Student Council.

The first act of this body was to remove the locks that had previously been put on the class room doors and to ask for the Student Body's co-operation so that the locks would not have to be replaced.

BE CAREFUL OF STOVES

Marvin Hall, State Fire Insurance Commissioner reports that almost one-third of the fires in Texas during January and February of last year were caused by heating equipment.

In urging carefulness with stoves and other heating units in cold weather usually experienced in Texas at this season of the year. Hall said:

"The record of 1942 reveals that over 31 per cent of all fires report-

ed in Texas cities and towns during the first two months of the year were caused by improper use or installation of heating equipment.

"Heaters too near walls, curtains or room furnishings account for a number of fires each winter. Other causes include overheated stoves; defective flues and chimneys and improper installation.

"Because of an acute housing shortage in many areas, together with the fact that a large number of home fires occur during the winter months. We must of necessity prevent dwelling fires.

"At least 31 persons died in Texas last year from burns received when their clothing caught fire while standing too near stoves or open fire places."

Dr. R. F. McCasland

DENTIST

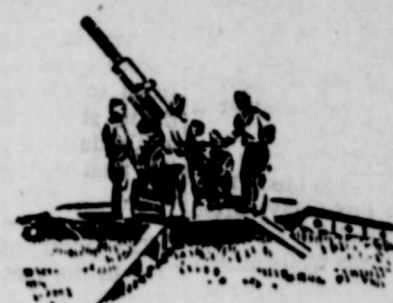
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Kirks Cafe



How's Your conscience? Are you doing your share in backing the boys?

BRISCOE COUNTY NEWS

NOTICE TO CHICK BUYERS:

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Judd Donnell

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PAUL REID

Rock Creek News

Mr. and Mrs. Barrow gave a dinner Sunday in honor of their son Robert, who left this week to join the army. The writer was unable to get a complete list of those that attended.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Biggs and Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDaniel visited in the G. Mayfield and W. W. Martin homes Sunday.

Mrs. McKay and children are moving to the teacherage this week. Mrs. McKay is the mother of Mrs. Preston Woods.

Leon Martin has rented the G. Mayfield place and plans to move there this week.

Glad Mayfield went to Memphis on business Friday.

TRY OUR WANT ADS

Francis Locals

The Helping Hand Club met with Mrs. P. D. Jasper Thursday. Delicious angel food cake and coco was served to Mesdames Virgil Baldwin, F. A. Fische, Frank Mercer, W. A. Rowell, W. Y. Strickland, L. A. Calloway, J. Lee Francis, J. E. Jowell, W. C. Roberson, J. B. Savage and Carl Wimberly. The club will meet January 28th with Mrs. J. E. Jowell.

Misses Ruby and Opal West spent Wednesday night with Carolyn and June Wimberly.

Mr. and Mrs. Berle Fische spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rowell. J. W. left Monday to join the army.

Mrs. Edwin Crass and Mrs. U. D. Brown visited Mrs. P. D. Jasper Sunday afternoon.

Misses Theta Stephens and Lillie B. Brooks spent Tuesday night with Ava Nell and Winona Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wimberly were in Tulia Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bell of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jowell Sunday.

Dinner guests in the H. T. Myers home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Fische and Mr. and Mrs. Bood Myers.

Misses Winona and Wilma Lee Francis, Carolyn and June Wimberly visited Miss Dimple Jasper Sunday afternoon.

Antelope Flat News

Mrs. L. L. Waldrop was ill and in the hospital at Memphis a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Durham visited in Memphis with Mrs. W. R. Durham over the week end.

Mrs. D. W. Evans visited her father L. R. Dean at Clarendon, over the week end and went to Amarillo Saturday.

Mrs. Watson and Mr. Samuel Malone, FSA supervisors of Briscoe County called in this community last week.

Emma Bullock made a shopping trip to Silvertown Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Edens and children made a business trip to Amarillo over the week end.

Miss Frankie Masters visited Friday night with Marian Evans.

Jo Veta Ingram visited Neoma Turner Friday night.

San Jacinto News

(Last Week)

The farm meeting was held at the regular time Monday night, at the school house. The county Agent Mr. Lem Weaver gave the farmers some helpful information about the AAA program. The Victory tax and the income tax was discussed also. Following the farm

meeting a "42" party was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. T. I. Bond who are going to move near Tulia. Apples and pop corn balls were served for refreshments. The community has enjoyed having Mr. and Mrs. Bond and everyone wishes them the very best of luck as they move to their new location.

Miss Siamaline Hyatt has been on the sick list. She plans to leave to go to Pampa with Mrs. Jack Preston where she will take treatment.

Danny Preston is also under a Doctors care in Pampa.

A surprise birthday party was given for Miss Betty Jo Potter at the teacherage. Games of "42" were enjoyed by everyone. Hot chocolate and cookies were served. Those attending were Naomi Hare, Grace Cope, Siamaline Hyatt, Curtis Latham, Barnie Latham, W. J. Hyatt and Pvt. Arnold Schuster.

Frank Anderson suffered a leg wound while hunting with a party of men Saturday.

Mrs. Howe McMurtry and baby daughter are visiting Mr. and Mrs. McMurtry's sister in Ballinger.

Rev. Wright, the Baptist pastor of Vigo Park is reported ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Burnett are the proud parents of a new daughter Ellen Marie, who was born December 27, 1942.

I Give You "Texas"

When I was a little fellow, my father and I were in El Paso, a way back in 1908. He died the next year. It was not until a long time afterward that I revisited the Pass of the North; in fact there were three visits in fairly close succession but each was only for a day. Recently it was my good fortune to spend three days there and at last to walk along the very streets of yesteryear and to pick out the old buildings that were there when a man and a little boy strolled past.

One landmark was a Chinese cafe. I was told it has been in that

location for 40 years. I had a cup of coffee for auld lang syne.

There are unusual signs in El Paso — Pronto Plumbers and "Correct Time" Martin. By the way, the time is an hour slower than in the rest of Texas.

A highway cafe says it is not a certain number of miles from the center of the town but "seven pints of gas" out. And a movie advertise, "No screen ads."

The city is modern and bustling but with touches of the quaint and colorful-curio shops with silver work and shawls and ties woven by hand by Indians; other shops with turquoise topaz and semiprecious stones — El Paso is the center of a mineral empire a fact that makes it the logical location for the beautiful Texas College of Mines.

In the plaza is a pool with alligators. It seems to me that I can remember reptiles being there in 1908 — perhaps the very same ones, for they live a long time.

And looking down upon the busy city is lordly Mount Franklin.

The Cortez, they told me, is the hotel of tourists; the Hilton of business travelers — but the Paso del Norte is the rendezvous of the cattle kings. You see more leather jackets white hats and cowboy boots there than you do in Cowtown's Hotel Texas lobby. In fact you're conspicuous if you aren't dressed that way. These monarchs of the range are not all from Texas, by all means; many are from New Mexico and Arizona; no doubt, some holdings in Old Mexico.

Streets run at angles and sometimes a building is shaped like a wedge of pie. At an intersection of streets that slant in from all directions, right out in the middle of traffic is the stump of a cottonwood tree. There is a bronze tablet that the first "newspaper" was on that spot — a cottonwood where notices were posted. One such notice in 1860, denounced three citizens as "willful and malicious scoundrels" for calling the signer of the notice an Abolitionist.

In the United States Courthouse is a mural which conveys some idea of the romantic history of El



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Paso. In the painting are Spanish priests and soldiers, Indians in war paint, hunters, a pioneer couple, a cowman in the saddle and a gentleman with a sweeping mustache and on his long black coat is pinned a star.

The inscription of the painting reads: "O, Pass of the North, now the old giants are gone. We little men live where heroes once walked the inviolate earth."

PRESBYTERIAN NEWS

An interested group met at the Presbyterian Church Monday afternoon for their Bible Study which was led by Mrs. Gordon Alexander. The devotion was given by the leader, and Mrs. O. T. Bundy offered prayer.

The lesson was from Leviticus with special thought on the holy feasts and their relation to present day religious forms and rites.

There was round table discussion of ancient and modern customs.

Mrs. Kemp Thompson was hostess for the day and pleasantly surprised everyone by producing a large thermos jug of hot coffee, delicious sandwiches and cakes, red white and blue napkins, paper plates and cups, and even plate favors of candy. It was a joyous social time by the fire, while snow flurries slashed at the windows, and pleasant conversation hummed.

The next meeting will be a study of the Book of Numbers on February 1.

The Supper Club met Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Luke. After a very hearty supper the evening was spent in playing Liverpool rummy. Defense stamps for low scores were won by Mrs. J. W. Lyon Jr. and Mr. Jeff Peeler.

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Your 1942 TAXES are now due and must be paid before the first of February, 1943 to avoid penalty.

Both men and women are required to pay their poll tax. Unpaid poll taxes are a lien upon any real or personal property you may own or come into possession of

Those who were 60 years of age or more on January 1, 1942, are required to have an exemption to vote; those who have moved to the county since January 1, 1942 are required to have an exemption; those who have become 21 years of age since Jan. 1, 1942 are required to secure an exemption certificate during January, 1943, before they may vote in any of the elections during the year. No charge is made for these exemptions.

N. R. HONEA
Tax Assessor and Collector