

## County Agent Files Annual Report Of Farm Population's Accomplishments

A review of the County Agricultural Agent's annual report, made by E. Goule and A. P. Bralley, shows that 1941 was a very good year for the Sherman County farmers. Excessive rainfall at harvest time caused considerable crop loss but the total farm income of the county was well above the average of recent years.

Favorable moisture conditions during the spring months gave the wheat and barley an excellent start, and the farmers produced an estimated total of two million bushels of wheat and barley.

The loan feature of the farm program has increased the income of the farmers, and more than three-fourths of the wheat and barley has gone into warehouse and farm stored loans. Wheat loans in elevators and warehouses total 1,329,000 bushels, with a value of \$1,501,000.00. Farm stored wheat loans amount to 167,000 bushels, with a value of \$156,000.00. Farmers have secured loans on more than 79,000 bushels of barley, at a value of more than \$31,000.00. A recent feature of the loan program includes loans on grain sorghums and silage in trench silos.

The County Improvement Association has proven to be a very worthy organization, according to the agent's report. It gives the farmers an opportunity to express their desires and to coordinate their efforts with that of the Extension agents and other Government employees, who are working in the interest of the farm people. The work of the Association in encouraging the use of better grain sorghum seed is an example of their value.

Thirty Sherman County farmers pooled their orders for 13,000 pounds of certified grain sorghum seed. In this manner they were able to get the best quality seed at the same prices they would have paid for common seed. This encouraged more farmers to use better quality seed. The row crops had very favorable moisture conditions throughout the entire growing season, which resulted in one of the best feed crops in the history of Sherman County. The fields of feed grown from certified seed produced growth in uniform height, which added to its quality and ease in harvesting. The feed from certified seed was also resistant to pythium root rot, which added to the yield per acre, and the stalks remained standing longer for harvest.

At a meeting of the Sherman County Improvement Association, Chairman Sam Wohlford appointed Mrs. Emil Blanck as chairman of a committee to investigate the possibility of having a County Fair, and to secure the cooperation of the other groups in connection with a fair. The committee met on several occasions and arranged a program that gave Sherman County one of the best fairs and agricultural shows in its history.

R. C. Buckles and Chester Guthrie of the Fair Finance Committee originated a plan of the farmers and merchants donating farm products and merchandise to be sold at a public auction during the fair. The money collected by this method was used to pay prizes and other expenses in connection with the fair. The plan worked very well, created additional interest and made \$125.00 above the expenses of the fair. The \$125.00 will be retained for the fair next year.

The spirit of cooperation that exists among farming people, city officials, county officials and business men, as shown by the successful Wind Erosion Control Campaign that was conducted in the county during the recent years of serious wind erosion, was recognized by a feature article, "Sherman County Farmers Tame the Dust Bowl," in the EXTENSIONER. The story regarding this county was selected to represent the twenty-two Texas Panhandle counties of District I.

Thirty 4-H Club boys, in three community clubs, were organized by County Agent E. Goule (left for military service in July). The boys exhibited three beef calves at the Amarillo Fat Stock Show in March, and two boys purchased registered Duroc Jersey Gilts. A livestock judging team and a dairy team were trained. Three club boys attended the District 4-H Club Encampment at Lake McClellan in August. Fifteen boys entered exhibits at the Sherman County Fair in October.

Ten new silos were filled this year, in addition to old silos that were refilled, and an increase in this number is expected next year, due to the loan program. The excellent feed crop and good wheat

## January Tire And Tube Quotas Are Released

Sherman County will be allowed a quota of 5 tires for passenger cars or light trucks, 4 tubes for passenger cars, motorcycles or light trucks, 21 truck or bus tires, and 18 tubes for trucks and buses. Figures released for Dallam county in the same order are: 17, 14, 36 and 30.

Moore county quotas are: 13, 11, 28 and 23.  
Hansford county quotas are: 8, 7, 40 and 33.

## Consumers Company Stockholders Meet January 12

G. R. Garrison, manager of the Stratford Consumers Association, is announcing the annual meeting of the stockholders of the organization for Monday, January 12, to be held at 2:00 P. M. at the Court-house.

## That Reporters May Understand

Each week publishers receive some new regulation as to the news they can print. Under these circumstances, reporters should not feel hurt if their copy is changed to read after a fashion which does not give the story always before based on answering the questions "who? what? when? where? and why?"

Reporters continued cooperation in turning in copy as early as possible will be appreciated by the Star.

## Rev. Miller Opens Services Sunday At Baptist Church

Rev. Fern Miller will begin his pastorate with the local Baptist Church by conducting services at the regular hours Sunday, L. P. Hunter, Superintendent of the Sunday School, announced this week, and requested all members to be present to greet their new pastor.

Sunday School will open at 10:00 A. M. Mornings services will be conducted at 11:00 A. M. B. T. S. will meet at 6:00 P. M. Evening worship services will be conducted at 7:00 P. M.

pasture has encouraged the feeding and pasturing of several thousand head of cattle and sheep in the county this winter. The farmers are beginning to practice the marketing of home grown feeds and wheat pasture through well finished livestock.

A general infestation of second generation Mexican grasshopper broke out over the entire county in August. Officials of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine, at Amarillo, were consulted and they concurred in the belief that the county would need to open one poison-bait mixing station. The bureau officials advised that they would be able to furnish bait-poisoning materials from their supply in Amarillo and near by counties.

The control campaign required more materials than they had anticipated and considerable delay of about six weeks elapsed before adequate materials (sawdust, bran and sodium arsenite) were available for Sherman County farmers to fight the grasshoppers.

According to the mixing station foreman, farmers cooperated in the control campaign by spreading 483 tons of poison-bait on 528,000 acres. A charge of 5c per sack of material was made to the farmers, which amounted to a total collection of \$603.45. The total expenses including storage, labor, drayage, fuel, utilities, and miscellaneous costs amounted to \$751.46. The expenses above the collection from farmers was paid by the Commissioners Court.

The county has about ten carloads of sawdust, one and one-half carloads of bran and several barrels of sodium arsenite left on hand in event that the county has an outbreak of grasshoppers next spring. The Entomology Department has not announced the results of their grasshopper egg survey as to the possibility of an infestation next year.

R. C. Buckles, Chairman of the USDA Defense Board, has received splendid cooperation from the STRATFORD STAR, in publicizing the Food-For-Freedom Program in connection with the signing of the Farm Defense Plan Sheets. Mr. Buckles, assisted by the County and Home Demonstration Agents, conducted three educational meetings at which the 1942 Farm Program and the Food-For-Freedom Program were discussed. Excellent cooperation by the farmers was the response of these meetings.

The Agent's plan of work for 1942 will feature Boys 4-H Club work, livestock feeding and breeding, feed conservation, seed improvement and educational work on the Food-For-Freedom Program, which features the encouragement of increased production of poultry, dairy and home garden products.

## Mrs. G. T. Turner Passes Away At Adams, Oklahoma

Mrs. G. T. Turner, mother of Jesse Turner and Emmett Turner, passed away at the home of her daughter near Adams, Oklahoma Sunday of last week.

The Liberal, Kansas paper gives the following account of her passing:

Funeral services for Mrs. G. T. Turner, age 78, who passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. C. Reuszer near Adams, Oklahoma Sunday morning, were conducted at the Union Center Church Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Interment, in charge of the Miller Mortuary of this city, was made in the Union Center cemetery beside her husband, who passed away in 1916.

Mrs. Turner was in Liberal last week visiting her daughters, Mrs. Fred Reuszer and Mrs. E. L. Vaughn. Saturday afternoon she returned home with her daughter, Mrs. H. C. Reuszer, the latter's daughter, Miss Treva, and Mrs. C. E. Schulze.

She was apparently in her usual state of health, but Sunday morning about four o'clock she was stricken with a heart attack and passed away about eight o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner homesteaded in the Union Center community, east of the present location of Adams, Oklahoma, in 1905.

Mrs. Turner is survived by 13 children; Horace Turner of Booneville, Arkansas; Emmett and Jesse Turner, Stratford; Lester and Wade Turner of Alva, Oklahoma; Ross Turner, Aspermont, Texas; Mrs. Luther Lynn, Roff, Oklahoma; Mrs. W. L. Galloway of Erick, Oklahoma; Mrs. John Miller, Ingalls, Kansas; Mrs. Carl Knight of Elk City, Oklahoma; Mrs. Henry Reuszer, Adams, Oklahoma; Mrs. Fred Reuszer and Mrs. E. L. Vaughn of Liberal, Kansas.

## Frigid Blasts Hinders Hauling Water To Stock

Frigid temperature which has fallen to 3 degrees below zero since the first of January has caused considerable grief for those hauling water to cattle on wheat pasture where wells are not available and some water wells are reported to have frozen.

West Texas Utilities reported Wednesday morning that only 4 of their customers were complaining of not having water. Crews for thawing pipes worked here Tuesday night and Wednesday.

Snow flurries have fallen periodically, but have not been sufficient to register moisture content.

## Mrs. Griffith Broke Leg In Fall Saturday Evening

Mrs. H. O. Griffith is suffering from a broken leg as the result of a fall at their home Saturday evening, according to meager reports. Mr. and Mrs. Griffith live on the Scott farm south of Stratford.

## J. C. O'Brien Walks With Crutches

J. C. O'Brien is walking on crutches this week, resulting from an injury to his left knee last week when a steer ran over him while he was working with his cattle.

## Tire Rationing Board Named

Joe A. Doby, J. B. Craig, and C. B. Dodson have been named as the Tire Rationing Board for Sherman County and their names have been filed at Austin, County Judge, L. P. Hunter, Chairman County Defense Board, announced this week.

The local board will start functioning as soon as they receive proper supplies of applications and complete instructions.

## B. B. Carter Loses Tip Of One Finger

B. B. Carter lost the tip of the second finger on his right hand Friday when he was using the sausage mill at the Watson Grocery & Market. The tip of the finger was cut away and the bone was crushed to some extent.

## Henry Simpson Enlisted In Army

Henry Simpson, son of Mrs. E. M. Simpson, was enlisted in the U. S. Army last week, according to news received here by his friends.

## Methodist Church (J. B. Thompson, Pastor)

Sunday School; 10 A. M.  
Morning Worship; 11 A. M. Sermon by the pastor.

Junior League; 6 P. M. at parsonage.  
Evening Service; 7 P. M. Sermon by pastor.

Youth Fellowship Forum; Following the service each Sunday evening the high school young people meet in a fellowship forum. The subject for January is on "The Home." The pastor leads the forum.

## Mrs. Hose Flores Will Present Pupils In Recital Tonight

Mrs. Hose Flores will present her piano pupils in a recital at the school auditorium Thursday (tonight) at 7:30 P. M. The class in dancing under the direction of Mrs. Edgar Coons will present several numbers on the program.

## Harlond Roper Writes Home

(Editor's Note: Mr. and Mrs. Harlow Lowe have received a letter from their nephew, Harlond Roper, now in service in the United States armed forces. Part of the letter is reproduced for your information as to the life of the boys in camp.)

Dear Aunt and Uncle:  
I finally decided to write you and let you know how I am, and what I am doing. How is everyone around Stratford making out since I left there? Just fine I hope.

They don't let a man have time to get lonesome in the army, but I do miss the home folks. We sure had a nice Christmas. We had turkey and all the trimmings for dinner.

We just had mail call and I received your letter and the Stratford Stars so I will have to take time to read the news. I was glad to hear all of the news from home.

I wish I could be there to help with the work, but you know I was sent here to help with a more important job than farm work. I will stay here and make this a free country to live in when I get out, and to keep the folks at home out of danger, so I will do my part.

I don't know where they will send me from here but I did know that I will be a mechanic. Harlow, I want a job as a mechanic in your garage when I get back. I hope you still have it then.

Tell all the folks that I said, "Hello," and wish them the best of luck in the future. I weighed 164 when I came here and now I weigh 178, so I guess they are feeding me pretty good.

We got our locker trunks yesterday and boy, is it nice? It is big enough to hold all of my clothes and everything else. I have 8 pair of wool and khaki trousers, 8 shirts, 3 pair of shoes, 8 pair of socks, 2 ties, 1 raincoat, one overcoat, 1 dress blouse, 3 caps and 8 pair of underwear, and I do not have all of my clothes yet, so I guess I will have plenty of clothes.

We have a recreation hall and picture show for amusement. We also have a foot ball team and a basket ball team. When I get through with my mechanic school I will be given a little jeep to drive around and go out to fix up trucks, so I guess I will have a lot of fun with it.

Tell all the folks there I would like to hear from them and will answer all the letters I get, when I have time.  
As ever yours,  
Harlow Roper.

## Eddie Arnold Enlists In Army

Eddie Arnold, son of Mrs. Ray M. Arnold, has enlisted in the U. S. Army, it was learned here this week.

## KERRICK NEWS (By Homer Mathews)

Lyllal Murdock and children came home last week from a Christmas trip to California. Lyllal reported a nice trip with the exception of icy roads.

Mr. and Mrs. Newton Crabtree motored to Dalhart Saturday night.

Stanley and Mable Murdock returned to school at Stephenville, Texas Sunday, catching the bus from Amarillo.

Miss Mary Taylor and Miss Lois James were joint hostesses at a party Thursday night. Guests included Misses Dorothy Johnson, Paula Jean Wadley, Mable Murdock; Messrs. Stanley Murdock, Elgin Stevens, and Lee Johnson, Jr.

Roger Crabtree and Joe W. Taylor were business visitors in Boise City Monday.

Tom James motored to Lubbock, Texas Monday for a medical examination.

O. H. Ingham transacted business in Stratford Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Allen and son, Bill, took off the week end for a trip to Hale County.

ture show in Dalhart Saturday night.

## Church Of Christ

Bible Study 10:00 A. M.  
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.  
Communion Services 11:45 A. M.  
Young People's Bible Class 6:30 P. M.  
Evening Services 7:30 P. M.  
Song Practice Wednesday 7:00 P. M.

You are cordially invited to come and be with us at each and every service and always welcome.

## Ladies Complete Organization For Active War Time Red Cross Work Assistance

## 2 OIL LEASES, 2 ASSIGNMENTS ARE RECORDED

Two oil and gas leases which were closed in May and June of last year were filed with County Clerk J. R. Pendleton this week, and two assignments of recent leases were also filed.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Flyr sold W. N. Price an oil and gas lease on the southwest 1/4 of section 66, Block 3-B. The lease was dated in May of '41.

W. H. Fuqua, Inc., sold D. D. Harrington an oil and gas lease on section 51, and the Northeast 1/4 of section 33, Block 3-B. The lease was dated in June of '41.

W. N. Price assigned an oil and gas lease to D. D. Harrington on the Southwest 1/4 of section 66, Block 3-B; an oil and gas lease on section 25, Block 2 G. H. & H.; and section 15, Block 3-B.

**Gulf Test Has Trouble**

The latest available reports from the Gulf Cox No. 1 test in the Griggs community which has been forced to shut down on several occasions because of cold weather and loss of circulation, was drilling at a depth reported at 4,575 feet.

## William Green Joins U. S. Naval Forces

William Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Green of Stratford, has enlisted as a volunteer in the U. S. Navy. William made the highest grade in his examination and was charged with the duties of a captain over the men leaving with him for their training camp. War time censorship makes it impossible to list the number of men under his command, but as "Bill" stated in his letter home, it looked like he really got a break to start out with.

## Elks Win Cage Battles With Hartley Teams

Stratford Elks won over Hartley boys and girls basket ball teams on the local court Tuesday night.

Although the electric scoreboard developed trouble causing some disputes over the scores, the girls are thought to have doubled the score and the boys to have won by a safe margin.

## Mrs. Wright And Hollis Harris Were Married December 31

Mrs. Mary Helen Wright, daughter of J. L. Higginbottom, and Hollis Harris of Lockney, Texas were married in Clayton, New Mexico Wednesday of last week, Mr. Higginbottom announced this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris left for Los Angeles, California immediately after the wedding where they plan to make their home.

## Registration Set To Start February 16

President Roosevelt has set February 16, as registration day for all male citizens between the ages of 20 and 45, who are covered by the new draft law.

The President issued the proclamation under the powers granted him by recent Congressional amendments to the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940.

Selectees between the ages of 21 and 35, who have registered previously, will not be required to register.

## Miss Lois Oates And Robert Stell Married Thursday

Miss Lois Oates of Waco, Texas and Robert E. L. Stell, an army officer, were married in the Christian parsonage at 7:30 A. M. Thursday by Rev. L. B. Chaffin.

The army officer was taking his bride with him to his new army station.

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Ladies representing each of the local churches met in the office of Miss Mabel Martin in the Court-house Friday afternoon to elect officers and make plans for active cooperation in the defense of our country through an active Red Cross chapter.

Those present were: Misses Mabel Martin, Pauline Jones and Caroline Hunter; Mesdames Walter Lasley, W. O. Bryant, E. R. Pigg, T. S. Brannan, Shuler Donelson, A. L. Sutton, W. L. Williams, Lena Keenan, Sam Lasley, J. B. Thompson, E. D. Ritchie, Kenneth Eller, E. Hill, L. P. Hunter, and Mrs. Ball of Amarillo.

The following officer and committee chairmen were elected: Vice Chairman, Mrs. Shuler Donelson; Secretary, Miss Pauline Jones; Chairman of Knitting, Mrs. Sam Lasley; Chairman of Hospital Equipment, Mrs. L. P. Hunter; Chairman of Sewing, Mrs. Austin Hood; Reporter, Mrs. J. B. Thompson.

As soon as materials can be secured, each woman will have an opportunity to do her share in the department of her choice. Watch the local paper for further information and announcements. The former office of the Farm Security Administration on the second floor of the courthouse just across the hall from the office of County Judge L. P. Hunter will be used as the Red Cross sewing room.

Chester Guthrie is General Chairman of Sherman County and Mrs. F. L. Yates is Secretary and Treasurer.

Miss Pauline Jones, Mrs. Austin Hood, Mrs. Lena Keenan, and Miss Mabel Martin went to Dalhart Saturday afternoon for a study of the Dallam County Red Cross work room. They state that most of the materials will be furnished but that payment for part of the materials must be met with local funds.

## Will Feed Calves With New Chicken Proof Self Feeders

Several Sherman County 4-H Club Boys plan to use a chicken-proof self feeder in feeding their beef calves. This type of self-feeder has proven to be very successful for the club boys from Mason and other counties, who consistently win prizes in the leading livestock shows throughout the nation.

This system of calf feeding has several definite advantages for club boys, according to A. P. Bralley, County Agent.

1. It provides plenty of clean feed for the calves at all times.
2. Chickens cannot waste or damage feed.
3. Calves eat more feed. The feeder can be adjusted to force the calf to eat slowly and to encourage him to eat more.
4. Boys cannot overfeed calves to get them "off-feed."
5. Boys often feed irregularly in hand feeding.
6. The county agent can check the ration the boy is using by examining the feeder.
7. Sometimes the agents advise boys to hand feed the better calves during the last part of the feeding period. The chicken-proof feeder is then very desirable.
8. Feeders can be built from scrap lumber at little or no cost to the club boy.

A model of these chicken-proof self-feeders is on display at the County Agent's office. This feeder was made by Supt. Guy Tabor's Manual Training Class, of the Stratford School, and the material was given by Paul Lawhorn, Mgr. of the Foxworth Galbraith lumber yard.

The average person in the United States eats about 130 pounds of meat per year, while Uncle Sam feeds his soldiers about 240 pounds per man annually. So the club boys who are feeding beef calves, believe that they will be helping Uncle Sam by providing well finished beef for market and that Uncle Sam might help them get a good price for their calves.

## Mrs. Buckles Entertains LaCiencia Club

The LaCiencia Club met with Mrs. R. C. Buckles December 13 for its Christmas party. Her home was beautifully decorated. The members exchanged Christmas gifts during the afternoon.

Delicious refreshment were served to the members and two guests, Mrs. Mettie Crowe of Alamogordo, New Mexico, and Mrs. David Reid of Amarillo.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Jim Clark January 15.

## Christian Church (L. B. Chaffin, Minister)

Bible School 10:00 A. M. J. R. Pendleton, Supt.  
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.  
Junior Endeavor 6:00 P. M. Mrs. C. R. Bomer, Sponsor.  
Intermediate Endeavor 6:00 P. M. Mrs. S. J. Calvird, Sponsor.  
Senior Endeavor 6:00 P. M.  
Evening Worship 7:00 P. M.  
There will be no orchestra practice until after the holidays.  
The Junior Choir will meet at the parsonage every Thursday at 4:00 P. M.

## CURRENT PROGRAM AT THE ROXY

Tonight, "It Started With Eve," with Deanna Durbin and Charles Laughton.

Friday and Saturday, "Big Store," with the Ritz Brothers.

Sunday and Monday, "Aloma of the South Seas," with Dorothy Lamour and Jon Hall.

Tuesday, "Bullets For O'Hara," with Joan Perry and Roger Pryor.

Jan. 14-15, "Wild Geese Calling," with Henry Fonda and Joan Bennett.

# THE DUSTER

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### STATE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT APPROVE EXEMPTIONS

With mid-term examinations less than two weeks away, a number of students were disappointed to learn that in accordance with the new regulations of the state department, no exemptions will be granted this year.

Mid-term examinations are tentatively scheduled for Thursday and Friday, January 15 and 16.

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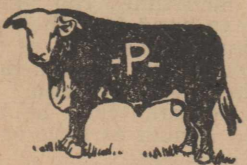
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## Notice!

New Law Requires **CERTIFICATE OF TITLE** When Registering Your Automobile

Owners of Motor Vehicles purchased after January 1, 1936, must have a Certificate of Title before license for the 1942 registration can be completed.

The certificate of title should be in your possession at all times while driving your automobile. Therefore we suggest that you not wait until you are ready to register your car before determining if you have a certificate of title in your possession.

It takes time to obtain a certificate of title, and if you wait until you are ready to register your car before obtaining a certificate of title, you may not be able to complete registration until after the deadline for registration.

Remember a car purchased after January 1, 1936 cannot be registered without a Certificate of Title. A fee of 50 cents is required for each application of title.

**J. W. Garoutte**  
SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR  
SHERMAN COUNTY

### SPEARMAN LYNX vs. ELKS ON HOME COURT TUESDAY, JAN. 13

The Stratford teams, boys and girls, will meet the Spearman teams in the Stratford High School gymnasium at 7:30 on Tuesday, January 13.

### SENIOR REPORT

Since we have all survived last week's dull routine, we can begin to make ourselves useful again, and mind you—I said "again." Although our loving fathers and mothers don't think we are applying ourselves very well, we are doing our best to be young moderns.

This last week we seniors have been busy writing a term theme. Within the next four years, you may be hearing of some outstanding contributions from former S. H. S. students. Among them may be these Miss Bonar, famous woman flyer; Miss Thompson, the second Faith Baldwin; Mr. Hudson, Dick Tracy in person; and Mr. Brown, the Edison of '52. We have many more who are equally capable, but we can not take all of our "Duster" space boasting about ourselves.

The next semester will be our last in "good ole S. H. S." I can't say that our books and desks will be tear-stained, but our hearts may be longing for the wonderful days in high school.

### SPORTS

Flash! Flash! Those Plunk Bros., who once made S. H. S. history, played those rip-roaring Elks last Monday night. By mere luck and more wind the Elks threw a victory of 29-22; a great game it was.

Friday night both boys and girls played Hartley. Our girls won with a score of 31-26, and our boys won on a score of 31-15.

By the time this goes to press, you will know the outcome of our game with Texline on Tuesday night. The Texline boys are the only team who have come within ten points of tying the Elks; they only lacked one point.

We go to Spearman on Friday, January 9, to play in the Spearman Tournament, and we are hoping that both boys and girls will be victorious.

### FRESHMEN

Another substitute, June McDaniel was absent today, so "your reporter" was elected to write this nosey newser.

About those certain upper classmen and the study hall keys. Almost every day at noon, if you will look closely toward the study hall door, you will see some freshman, waiting silently (ahem!) beside the door, just itching to carry the keys back downstairs after they have been used to open the study hall door. Oh well, life is life!

Here's hoping our reporter is back next week, and that we have an assembly program by Friday.

### SOPHOMORE REPORT

I was really not supposed to write this report, but since I am going to get a coke for doing it, I'll try.

Boy! There have been a lot of romances in the air lately. Especially for the sophomore boys. But you know it really isn't serious.

One of our long lost boys has come back home. Fred Denham, Lovita's heart throb, is back again. I wonder if he brought her ring back? Oh! How she hopes so.

I have talked about nearly everybody except Peggy Jean. But don't worry; she is still looking.

### THIS UN THAT

Here's a good one on Coach

Cleavinger. He was at a faculty dinner one night during the Christmas festivities, and someone said:

"Will you pass the nuts, Coach?"  
"Yes, I suppose so," he said, "but I really should flunk most of them."  
Now, I ask you, is that right?

Mrs. Alexander had her freshman English class to write essays on "Parents." Peggy Jean Wilson wrote: "We get our parents when they are so old it is impossible to change their habits. Parents are hard to raise!"

Mrs. Boston asked her class to write a brief summary of the life of Benjamin Franklin. Peggy Morse wrote:

"He was born in Boston, traveled to Philadelphia, met a lady on the street; she laughed at him, he married her, and discovered electricity."

Mrs. Alexander says my columns are good and original, but they don't suit her because what's good isn't original and what's original isn't good. Oh, me!

Mrs. Mullins: Selma, every time you do something like this to worry me, I get another grey hair."  
Selma: Gosh, look at grandmother."

At the concert given by the band clinic at Dumas this was overheard:

"Mamma, why does the man hit at them with the stick. Is he mad?"

"No. He is the director and he is keeping time with the music. Sit still."

"But mamma, why are they hollering and making so much noise?"

Ermalee Bonar and Stanley Ullom were discussing literature.  
Ermalee: Do you like Kipling?  
Stanley: I don't know. How do you kipple?

### SOCIETY

New Year's brought results on the Stratford adventures, or so report Bill and Doug, with Jick to vouch for the statement.

Couples seen at the ball game last Friday night were Bobbie Wiginton and Bill Garrison; Billy Claude and Peggy Morse; Leona and Edgar.

Glamour Boy Hudson seems to have gotten his part of the cheers from the side lines. Selma appeared to be cheer leader.

Marcella, Bobbie, Selma, Jerry and Ernestine were seen motoring to Dalhart Sunday. They said they were off to see the "wonderful wizard of Dalhart."

Vondell and Dickie with Lenoir and Ira Lee were seen after the show Saturday night gadding about looking for a spot of tea. Ernestine's old flame, Clarence Holly, was seen at school Monday morning. Dickie may remember him.

Pat seems to be going to join the navy. Result of a broken heart. We wonder. We wonder.

June McDaniel threw a New Year's party. Upper classmen present were Dickie, Gerald, Willie D., and Lloyd.

Travis Goodman and Calvin were seen in Dalhart Sunday.

Jerry made some wonderful resolutions for the new year. Do you suppose she has kept them?

Seen at the show last Thursday night were Bobbie Wiginton and Bill Garrison, also Selma Mullins and Douglas Dettle. Selma says she just dotes on college boys.

### GRADE SCHOOL JOTS

So far you have been reading first of the accomplishments of the seventh grade, but this week we are going to tell you first what those little first graders are doing.

Two of them took longer vacations than the others—Charles Green and Joyce Juanell Nixon.

Last week the first grade had the poorest attendance since the beginning of school. Only ninety percent were present. Absences were caused by sickness and Christmas vacation.

Everyone is really proud of the new library books. They form a real incentive for learning to read. Ninety-five percent of the first graders are ready for high first. This is the highest percentage of recent years.

Dorothy Nell Harding has returned to the second grade room after a siege of the mumps.

Don's oldest brother, Earl Riffe, Jr., left Monday after visiting with his family during the Christmas holidays.

The second grade also boasts of delightful new library books.

### Miss Flora Foreman Writes From Belgian Congo, Africa

(Editor's Note: Miss M. Flora Foreman, a sister of W. P. Foreman and Dan Foreman of Stratford, and a daughter of Mrs. I. W. Foreman of Amarillo, who is a Methodist Missionary in Lusambo, Congo Belge., writes the following letter which has been passed by censors without mutilation.)

Wembo Nyama, M. E. C. M., November 3, 1941

Dear friends in the Homeland:

Leaving Amarillo August 16th, I spent a few days in New York doing last-minute shopping for myself and for others (a bicycle, shoes, microscope, and various and sundry smaller articles requested in letters received in New York) and in packing dozens of packages being sent out to Methodist and Presbyterian friends and relatives; also some large boxes of supplies for our maternity work on the four stations. We were supposed to sail 20th, but the date was postponed twice, so we actually left harbor on 22nd. I enjoyed the extra time to get things in better order and to be with my sister Helen and her nurse friend, who

have a miniature apartment near the district where they do their social service work.

Upon arriving in New York, I was very much disappointed when I learned that neither of the two young women who were planning to come with me had been able to get the proper passports and visas, and so I was to start out alone. Only when I came aboard the ship did I learn that the family whose acquaintance I had made in Nashville in the Spring, had also had their passage cancelled. Though my sister, her friend, and two members of the Board of Missions came to see me off, my spirits were somewhere down in the vicinity of my shoes. I might have backed out then, if there had not been a very strong pull from this end of the line. But a pleasant surprise came when I learned that the same captain who brought us home last year had been transferred to this ship, so at least, I knew the captain. Then later, what was my joy when I found some Baptist friends on board whom I had known in Leopoldville in 1936. On examining the passenger list, I found also several other missionaries, some of the Lutheran Church, Seventh Day Adventists, Presbyterian (of South Africa) and Catholics. Before the journey was over we had all become good friends, feeling that we had the same interests, objectives, and problems.

Our ship, the City of New York, being a freight boat, does not carry many passengers, though by crowding they brought fifty-eight of us, counting the children. One passenger had been on the Zam-zam when it was attacked by the German raider. He had many interesting stories to tell of the reaction of the different passengers to that trying emergency, but seemed to have suffered no permanent shock from the experience himself. At that time he was going without his family, in the employ of some commercial firm, to Southern Rhodesia. After being returned. So this time he was bringing his wife and his four children and we were grateful that this journey was made without mishap. Besides the passengers I have mentioned, there were the New American Consul, his young wife and son, coming to Cape Town, several people returning home from trips for their health, others traveling in the interest of commercial firms in various parts of Africa, an anthropologist and his wife, a young African actress and ballet dancer, and some who had been to the States on a vacation.

We had fairly smooth sailing most of the way and did not see land from the time we got out of sight of the New Jersey coast until we came in sight of Cape Town. We must not have traveled the

main highway, as we saw very few ships. We had our life boat and fire drills regularly, but only once did we have any excitement. That was one day in mid-ocean, when an airplane circled around us four times, the last time coming within a few feet of the water and very near the ship. It had British colors painted on the side and four or five men were where we could see them, and waved back at us when we waved at them. We took it for a British plane from a patrol ship, but did not receive any official information concerning it.

Deck games, swimming, and sun bathing were the most popular means of recreation. Everybody took part in the games and there were exciting tournaments toward the end of the journey. Our ship was never blacked out. Instead a powerful spot light was turned on the U. S. Flag, which was kept flying day and night. One seldom experiences a more uneventful ocean voyage than this one from New York to Cape Town which we made in 23 days.

Arriving in Cape Town September 14th, early springtime, we found it cold and rainy, the country having experienced the coldest winter and spring on record, so we were told. A train was leaving for the Congo that night, but as it was Sunday and we had to get some money changed to pounds, get our baggage from the ship, declared and sealed under bond to ship through to the Congo, buy our railroad tickets, and go through other red tape, we had to wait for the next train, leaving the follow-

ing Wednesday.

African trains compare very favorably with American and European trains, but unlike the latter, these have no compartment or car where smoking is forbidden. That is very little worse than the U. S. these days, however. From Amarillo to New York, I rode on only one train where there was even a small nook or corner anywhere, where smoking was not allowed.

For the last several months all South-African trains have been employing girls for dining-car service and seem to find it very satisfactory. Most of these girls come from Canada and England and seem to enjoy their work.

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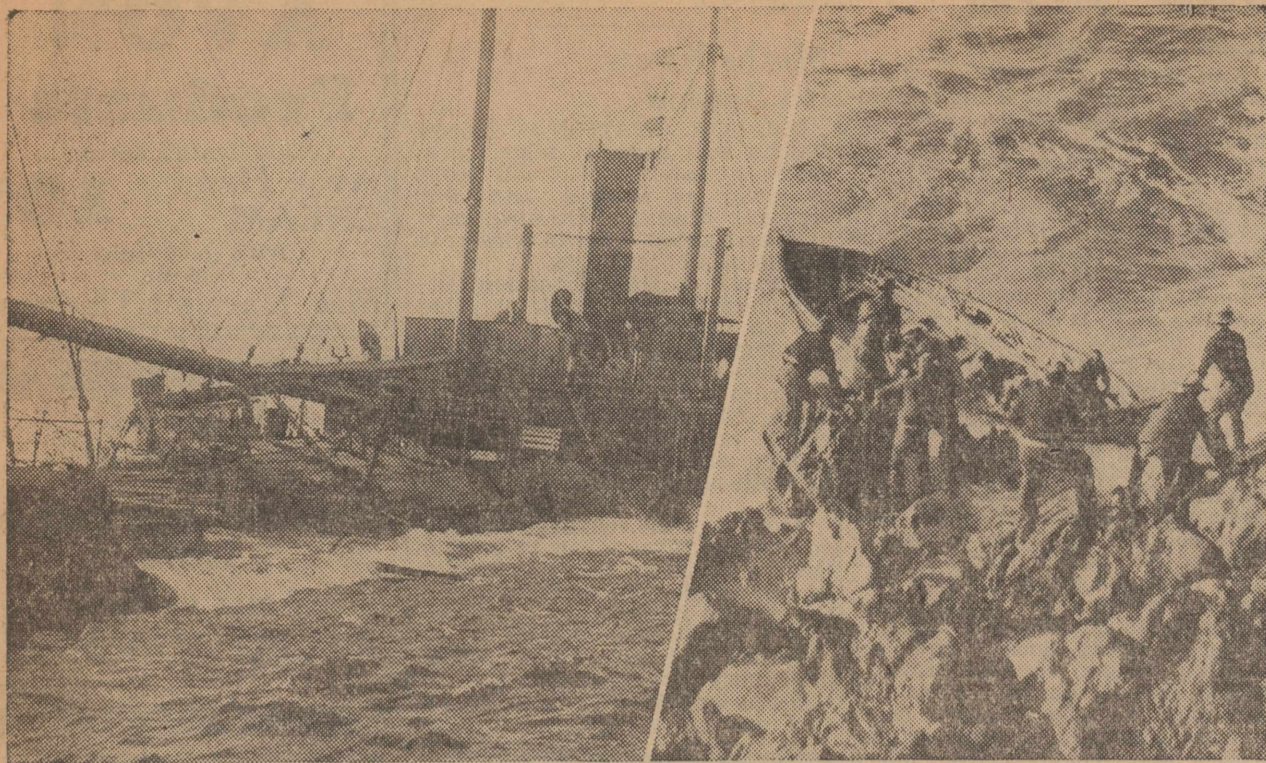
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## The Stratford Star

## Victims of Jap Subs on California Coast



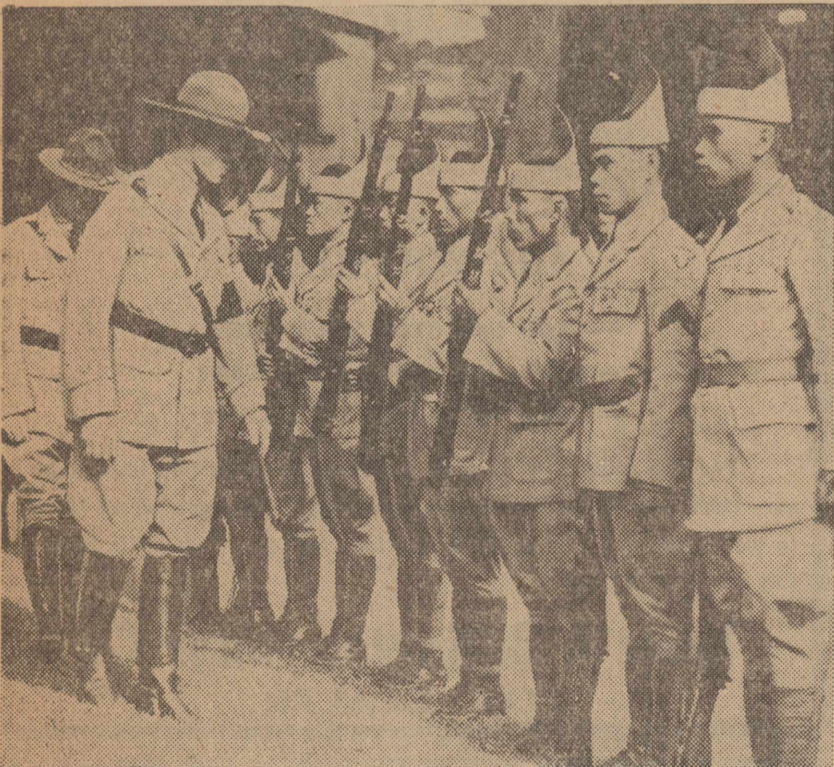
At left, the 5,698-ton freighter Absaroka, hit by a Jap torpedo off the California coast, is shown, with deck awash, as she made some port. One crew member was killed. Right: This photo pictures the thrilling landing of part of the crew of the tanker "Montebello," which was sunk by a submarine off California. Here a lifeboat bobs in the boiling surf, dangerously close to the rocks, as rescuers throw men a line.

## 'Pause in the Day's Occupation'



Smiling cheerfully as they push German forces back the way they came, members of this Russian tank crew (left) halt for brief pause in their march westward, for lunch. Rigors of the Russian winter seem to have no terrors for these hardy soldiers. Right: These Italian prisoners in the Libyan desert seem too miserable to attempt to escape, and yet they are guarded carefully before being shipped to a concentration camp.

## Fierce Moro Tribesmen Fight Japs



A deadly warm welcome was extended Japs who tried to open a second front in the Philippines by invading Mindanao island. On hand to greet them were some of the fiercest fighters known, the Moro tribesmen, to whom fighting is a profession. They are shown being inspected by Col. Ralph McCoy in Zamboanga, P. I.

## President Roosevelt With War Cabinet



The President and his war cabinet, at meeting in White House. Left to right around table: Harry Hopkins, Frances Perkins, Col. F. B. Fleming, Henry Wallace, F. LaGuardia, Paul McNutt, Jesse Jones, Harold Ickes, Frank C. Walker, Henry Stimson, Cordell Hull, the President, Henry Morgenthau, Francis Biddle, Frank Knox, and Claude Wickard.

## To Fill Men's Shoes



First members of the Canadian women's army corps to leave Canada on active service are shown as they left Ottawa for Washington, D. C., where they will take over duties formerly performed by men at the Canadian legation. All are company sergeant majors.

## Tops in Autographs



Chinese ambassador, Dr. Hu Shih, leaves White House with book, "The Personal Papers of Franklin D. Roosevelt," presented by staff and autographed by the President.

## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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

### Lesson for January 11

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#### THE INFANCY AND BOYHOOD OF JESUS

LESSON TEXT—Luke 2:25-35, 39, 40. GOLDEN TEXT—Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.—Luke 2:52.

"Nobody knows what a boy is worth, And the world must wait to see; For every man in an honored place Is a boy that used to be."

Jesus was "only a boy" as He grew through infancy and childhood, but in that baby and that boy rested all the hopes of mankind. While He was not just like any other boy, yet His growth and development were normal, and we may learn much that will enable us to help the boy in our home, in our block, or in our church.

The mother of Jesus, in fulfillment of the law of her people, on the eighth day identified Him with the nation (Luke 2:21), and then at the end of 40 days brought Him, with her humble sacrifice, to present Him to the Lord. There a beautiful and prophetic scene took place as the Holy Spirit revealed to godly old Simeon His

I. Complete Salvation—in a Baby (vv. 25-35).

The Holy Spirit (not yet come as the indwelling presence in believers' hearts) had come upon Simeon, a man right with God and with a deep longing in his heart for the coming of the Messiah—"the consolation of Israel." He was assured of living until that day, and now as he waited in the temple the babe who fulfilled that promise was laid in his arms.

He blessed God as he broke forth in praise and prophetic utterance. Note the full conception of the work of the Redeemer—deliverance from bondage and fear of death, light to the Gentiles and glory to Israel, a stone of stumbling but also of rising again. A revealer of the hearts of men—yes, and One whose sacrificial death would pierce the heart of His mother.

One is glad that Simeon and Anna (v. 38) and "them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem" saw in Mary's infant son the Son of God incarnate, for round about was unbelief (John 1:11), hatred (Matt. 2:16), and indifference (Matt. 2:4, 5).

Is it not so today? Christmas has just been celebrated. How many saw the babe in the manger as Jesus the Saviour?

II. Perfect Development in a Boy (vv. 39, 40).

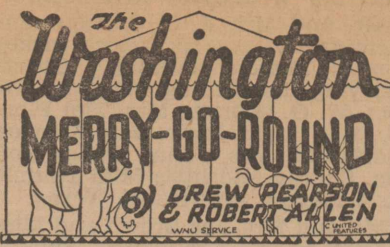
The period from infancy to accountability (12 years) is summed up in the full-orbed growth of the boy Jesus described in verse 40. The one business of every child from birth to 12, or somewhere around there, until the period of adolescence, is to grow without any sense of responsibility except obedience to authority; and obedience in the case of a child is always in order to give the child perfect freedom from everything else, without any sense of responsibility. That is the story of Jesus: He grew! (G. Campbell Morgan).

Growth is, first of all, physical. Jesus stands by the side of every boy and girl as the body grows from babyhood to maturity, for He too knew that experience. We may talk to Him as an understanding friend about the physical needs and problems of our children. Let us remember that here, as elsewhere in Scripture, the physical body is recognized as important.

Mentally, He experienced growth. The strange, apocryphal tales about the child Jesus, representing Him as a man of mature wisdom in a child's body, do not compare even remotely with the beautiful naturalness of a keen-minded boy asking questions, observing, always learning. Boys and girls, you may talk with confidence to Him about your lessons, your growing interest in this exciting world of ours, of your need for guidance in learning. Be sure that He will understand.

The crowning touch upon the growing personality of the child is the spiritual. We read of Jesus that "the grace of God was upon him." "Grace," says Dr. Morgan, "is first, that which delights and charms. Grace, secondly, is desire to impart to others the things that make them happy. Grace, finally, is the activity that does this at all costs." A gracious child is an altogether delightful being; and when that graciousness is the result of the "grace of God" upon him, it is surpassingly lovely, for it makes him Christlike, even in the days of childhood.

Great and grave has been the neglect of the spiritual life of children for whom much has been done physically and mentally. Christian parents must not make that mistake—and they need not, for the Lord Jesus here too stands ready to counsel, guide, encourage, and strengthen them in every good purpose and deed.



Washington, D. C.

### WILLKIE AND F.D.R.

Seldom in political history has a President of the United States received such wholesome support on major foreign policy from a defeated candidate as Franklin Roosevelt has received from Wendell Willkie. Few people know how active Willkie has been behind the scenes.

For instance, Willkie has even done some missionary work on Joe Martin, chairman of the Republican National committee and opposition leader of the house. Willkie remains on very friendly terms with his old campaign manager, even though they differed on foreign policy.

Shortly after the congressional vote to repeal the Neutrality act, in which the Republicans nearly defeated Roosevelt, Willkie phoned Joe Martin.

"Joe," he said, "those Republicans who voted against repeal of neutrality are going to have a tough time being re-elected. They're going to find the country is behind Roosevelt on this."

The Republican national chairman replied that he would not only re-elect all the Republicans who voted against Roosevelt, but he would also elect a lot of new Republicans to fill the seats of the Democrats who had voted with Roosevelt.

"Listen," said Willkie, "if you re-elect 80 per cent of those who voted against the President you'll be the greatest political genius of all time."

"And," said Willkie, in telling the story to a friend afterward, "a few days later there was Joe himself voting with Roosevelt for a declaration of war."

### —Buy Defense Bonds—

#### SHIP-BUILDING PROGRAM

The action of the house naval affairs committee in slashing the proposed expansion of our two-ocean navy was due chiefly to shortages of materials and construction equipment.

However, Rear Admiral Samuel Robinson, chief of the bureau of ships, ran into a blunt barrage of questions about the worth of the battleship under modern combat conditions. Committee members sharply suggested that in view of the battleship's record in this war, the navy might be wise to build no more.

Robinson contended that this would be impractical, since the United States needed battleships "if our enemies continue to use them for combat purposes."

"What is your honest private opinion of the battleship?" he was asked. "Do you think this type of ship is worth all the money it costs and the time and labor required to build them?"

"I'm sorry, gentlemen, but it's not my function to answer that question," sidestepped Robinson with a smile. "I'm not a policy man. My job is to build ships after it is decided they are needed. However, I have my own ideas about the battleship."

This drew laughter, and the admiral was pressed no further.

Robinson also was quizzed closely about the high cost of certain vessels which the navy proposed in the expansion program, chiefly an aircraft carrier at an estimated \$85,000,000.

"Higher labor and material costs are the biggest factors," Robinson explained. "For instance, we have a new type of armor plate for our ships which is far stronger than that used by any other nation. It costs \$60 a ton, three times as much as the armor plate we formerly used."

"How about the labor supply?"

"We have plenty of labor to carry out our shipbuilding program," Robinson said. "Also plenty of facilities. Getting materials and machine tools is our big problem right now. However, the shortage doesn't amount to a bottleneck. In fact, production is running a little ahead of schedule and will be greatly expedited by next spring."

### —Buy Defense Bonds—

#### CAPITAL CHAFF

The outbreak of the war obscured the incident, but the house ate crow in a big way on its action last summer barring David Lasser, former head of the Workers Alliance, from government employment. After a careful investigation, the appropriations committee completely exonerated Lasser of any Communist affiliations. Representatives John Taber, N. Y., J. W. Ditter, Pa., and Everett Dirksen, Ill., who made the original accusation ducked the committee session when Lasser was cleared.

Puerto Ricans wryly recall that U. S. navy's radio towers at Cayey, 25 miles from San Juan, were dismantled three years ago and sold as scrap iron to the Japanese.

Office of Civilian Defense is preparing a handbook on "What You Can Do For Civilian Defense." Author of the handbook is Eleanor Pierson, wife of Export-Import Bank President Warren Lee Pierson.

Australia's able Minister Richard G. Casey drives about Washington in a British car with a transparent top and right-hand drive.

Apparently not having enough to do with the war, representatives of the Pure Food and Drug administration now ask drug firms the question: "How much business did you do last year?"

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PERSONAL

Lt. and Mrs. E. Goule and family and Miss Nina Walker were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leo L. Smith and Miss Walker were the guest of Miss Mary E. Brown from Thursday morning until Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Berry moved to the Culberson ranch near Dalhart Monday.

Miss Mildred Pendleton and Lorraine Ross returned to Lubbock with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Jackson, Sunday.

D. R. Wilson was a business visitor in Amarillo Tuesday.

Archie Arnold is confined to his home with the mumps.

Mrs. Bess Reed and Miss Eudora Farris were business visitors in

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Amarillo Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. O'Brien entertained with a six o'clock turkey dinner Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brown and Miss Marijo Brown returned Sunday from a visit in California with Mr. and Mrs. Baskin Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Malone, in San Diego (nee Jacqueline Tabor) and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Brown in Santa Barbara.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. DuVall and Miss Rowena McAdams were visitors in Amarillo Monday.

Mrs. E. H. Campbell, Hutchinson, Kansas, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Jackson and Miss Ruth Kessie, Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Headrick, Amarillo, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Jackson and Mrs. J. R. Pendleton.

J. G. Cummings is confined to his home with the influenza this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Woodward and daughter, Beaver, Oklahoma spent the week end with Mrs. J. P. Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. O'Brien and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. O'Brien and Miss Bettie Lou O'Brien spent last

Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Alexander in Gruver.

Sheldon Foster was a business visitor in Dalhart Monday.

Mrs. C. V. Collins left Monday for an extended visit with Mrs. Hazel Martin and family in Raymonville, Texas.

Mrs. Arthur Ross, Miss Lorraine, Arthur Lee, Bill and Gene spent Friday afternoon in Dalhart with Mrs. L. B. Steel, sister of Mrs. Ross.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Ingle and Miss Bettie Lou O'Brien left today for their home in Los Angeles, California after a visit here with parents and other relatives.

Miss Helen Gurley returned Tuesday from a visit with friends in Kinston, North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Martin took Douglas Dettle to Amarillo Saturday. He was returning to college at College Station, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Price returned Wednesday from a visit with his sisters in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Richard Crandall and Lewis Higginbottom, Jr., Amarillo, spent the week end with J. L. Higginbottom.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gore visited relatives in Boise City Sunday.

Raphael Garcia was a business visitor in Amarillo Monday.

Mrs. L. P. Hunter accompanied Miss Caroline Hunter to Flagstaff, Arizona Saturday where she plans to remain for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Freeman, Texhoma, were business visitors here Monday afternoon.

Mrs. F. L. Yates and Mrs. H. J. Cooper were visitors in Amarillo Monday afternoon.

Bill Leeper, Sunray, transacted business here Saturday.

Robert Murdock and Newton James of Kerrick have enrolled in the Stratford high school for a post graduate course in Trigonometry.

Mrs. J. D. McDaniel and Mrs. Claude McDaniel of Kerrick were visitors in Amarillo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Goldston of Yakima, Washington were guests of his aunt, Mrs. Bess C. Reed, Sunday.

Mrs. N. D. Kelp, Mrs. William Green, Dumas, and Oleta Gilley were visitors in Amarillo Friday.

Ivan Willey took J. E. Brannan, Johnny Jo Willey, Richard Dortch, and Eugene Harrison to Lubbock Sunday where they are attending college.

Mrs. George Skillin and Mrs. C. R. Roper were visitors in Amarillo Monday.

Hazel Harris, J. Ferguson, D. T. Wadley, J. L. Higginbottom, Earl Riffe, Joe W. Taylor, H. C. Bennett, Sherman County Permanent School Fund, R. B. Everett, J. G. Cummings, Orval and H. McDaniel.

C. T. Watson delivered a load of hogs to Amarillo Tuesday.

4-H Folks Take Over Big Job

COLLEGE STATION, Jan. 7.—Texas' 4-H Club girls and boys have jobs less dramatic than marching off to war, but all 88,000 of them can be depended on doing a task equally as important.

That's the opinion of Onah Jacks, state girl's club agent of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service, who has talked to hundreds of Texas 4-H Club girls in the last seven weeks.

With so many men called to the armed forces and defense industries, there are fewer people left on the farm to feed and clothe our nation and its allies.

That means the young folks not old enough to fight but plenty old enough to do their part efficiently will take over.

"The fact that this job must be done voluntarily makes it all the more important," the state club agent explains.

She points out that it may be only a matter of time before women are drafted to do some farm work, but the farm and ranch boys and girls already have beat the draft.

"A recent trip over Texas visiting in the homes of about 76 4-H girls convinced me all over again that 4-H Club girl can do the work about a farm home," Miss Jacks says.

"For example, Evelyn Young in Carson County took the place of a regular farm hand last summer. Her father is dead, so she is a mainstay at home. Evelyn hauled grain, took care of cows, and other stock. She can handle a tractor, a frame garden, a dairy cow, any sort of canning equipment, and she's a whiz with chick-

ens—even when they have to be wormed."

Texas' 1942 Egg Goal In Sight

COLLEGE STATION.— There seems to be little need for increasing the number of layers now producing to enable Texas farmers to reach the minimum goal set for 1942 by the Texas USDA Defense Board for a 14 percent increase in production over 1940.

According to H. H. Weatherby, assistant poultry husbandman of the A. and M. College Extension Service, proper housing and feeding of existing flocks of hens and pullets should make this possible.

Texas' goal for eggs produced on farms in 1942 is 203,775,000 dozen.

A better balanced ration is helping to bring about increased production, Weatherby explains. Ordinarily the farm rations in sections where corn is the chief feed crop contains too large a proportion of low protein grains.

But with favorable prices for eggs prevailing, farmers are giving closer attention to housing and management of laying flocks, and are feeding more suitable rations.

These rations consist either of commercially mixed mashes or of mashes composed of farm grown grains and commercially mixed protein concentrates.

Egg production in the United States for the first nine months of 1941 was the largest since 1930, and production in August and September was the largest since 1929, with a record high per layer of 12.25 eggs.

Egg prices in August were the highest since 1929; prices for chickens about three cents above a year ago, and turkeys higher than in the past eight years.

To continue the high rate of production throughout the winter, Weatherby says, poultrymen are making provisions for green feed for layers by sowing small grains or winter legumes.

They are vaccinating pullets for fowl pox and starting them in the laying house free of internal and external parasites.

Many poultrymen will use lights and wet mashes to stimulate heavy winter laying.

Weatherby emphasized that an expansion program which would include construction of new buildings is not recommended.

"Converting existing structures into properly ventilated laying houses is a sound program."

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS ANNOUNCED

The Civil Service Commission announces several examinations this week:

Galley Designer; Kitchen Layout Specialist, \$3,200 to \$4,600. A 4-year college course leading to a bachelor's degree in engineering or architecture must be shown, except for the substitution of experience.

In addition, experience in designing galleys on large ships, or kitchens and cafeterias for large institutions, is required. Closing date—March 2, 1942.

Two examinations are for the Agricultural Marketing Service; closing date—February 16, 1942.

Both are open conditionally to senior students who will complete the college work mentioned prior to July 1, 1942:

Agricultural Marketing Specialist, \$2,600 a year for the Assistant grade; \$2,000 for the Junior. Experience is required in the grading and marketing of fruits and vegetables, except for the Junior grade—the experience must have been in the option chosen.

College agricultural courses may be substituted for a part, or—in the Junior grade—all, of this experience.

Junior Supervisor of Grain Inspection, \$2,000 a year. Experience in grading grain in car-lot or greater quantities is required, except for the substitution of certain college work.

Deputy United States Marshal, \$1,800 a year, Department of Justice. Applicants must have had such experience as that of a Federal, State or municipal police officer, county sheriff, or full-time constable, or must have completed certain courses in law, or college courses. Closing date—February 16, 1942.

Printer's Assistant, 66 cents an hour, for employment in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Washington, D. C. Applicants must not have passed their 35th birthday. Closing date—January 26, 1942.

The next three examinations close on February 5, 1942 and require the completion of an apprenticeship or equivalent experience in the trade, and all are for appointment in Washington, D. C.:

Plate Printer (established piece rates), Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

Printer—Proofreader, \$1.32 an hour, Government Printing Office. Experience in reading book, magazine, or daily newspaper proof, is required.

Plumber; Steamfitter, \$1,680 a year.

The next four examinations replace similar 1941 examinations. Applications may be filed until further notice, but qualified persons are urged to apply at once.

Research Chemist, \$2,600 to \$5,600 a year; Associate and Assistant Analytical Chemist, \$3,200 and \$2,600 a year; in any specialized branch of chemistry.

Pharmacologist; Toxicologist, \$2,600 to \$4,600 a year.

Meteorologist (Any specialized branch), \$2,600 to 5,600 a year.

Technologist (Any specialized branch), \$2,000 to \$5,600 a year.

The Commission's Junior Stenographer and Typist examinations have been amended to permit persons rated ineligible to apply again after only 30 days from the date of previously filing application.

Full information as to the requirements for these examinations, and application forms, may be obtained from the Secretary of the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners at the post office or cus-

tomhouse in any city which has a post office of the first or second class, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Moths Know No Season

COLLEGE STATION.— Home-makers who haven't taken precautions against moths will profit by giving all woolens and furs frequent brushing, cleaning, sunning and airing, even in winter, to get rid of all moth eggs.

Cameron Siddall, Extension Service entomologist, explains that the moth knows no season. It goes by temperature. Warm houses give moth eggs a chance to develop, so the best prevention is to clean out cracks and corners of closets and storage places often. Unused articles should be packed in moth-proof containers.

As most of the roughage furnished cows in Texas is low in protein, the grain mixture fed must be high in that element in order to supply the protein needed.

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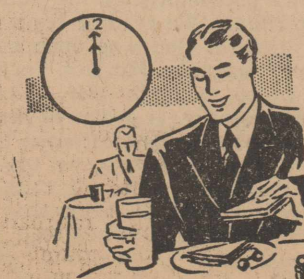
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**Stratford 4-H Girls**

**Study Bedspreads**

"Sleep is an important factor in maintaining your health during the period of growth," Miss Mabel Martin, county home demonstration agent, told the Stratford 4-H girls when they met in the club room Saturday morning.

In her discussion of bedspreads, she told the members that some of the problems to consider in selecting bedspreads were whether they wrinkle easily, soil easily, are too expensive, can be secured in colors and fabrics that launder easily, and how long they are expected to wear.

Dorothy Walsh was selected bed room demonstrator and Dorothy Nelle McWilliams was selected vegetable demonstrator for 1942. The girls received their new year books which were filled in for the year.

After the program, new songs were learned and games were played by the following: Dorothy Nelle McWilliams, Oleta Kelp, Bobby Dortch, Dorothy Walsh, Alice Lowe, May Katherine Woodard, Beverly Smith, Alana Davis, Shela Duby, Marjorie Boney, Dolores Smith, Charolette Ann Wolfrum, Marlene Brown, Betty Jean Bleivins, Christine Williams and Cynthia Wil-

liams.

**ON THE HOME FRONT**

(Editor's Note: The following statements are those released by the Office of Production Management in Washington, D. C.)

America's 27 million car owners can help their country conserve rubber by making their own tires last longer. In an appeal for cooperation of car owners, the OPM listed 10 simple rules by which civilian requirements for rubber can be reduced:

1. Use tires as long as possible by having them retreaded. The cost is about half that of a new tire. Retread wear is about 80 per cent of that of a new tire.
2. Inflate tires weekly. Never let pressure fall more than three pounds below recommended minimums.
3. Reduce speed. Tires run at 40 miles per hour last twice as long as at 60 miles per hour.
4. Avoid short stops and jack-rabbit starts. They burn rubber.
5. Avoid hitting curbs, holes, rocks, bumps. That increases wear and encourages blowouts.
6. Check wheel alignment twice a year. A tire a half inch out of line drags sideways 87 feet per mile and causes uneven wear.
7. Repair cuts, leaks, breaks promptly. Delay increases damage. Use blowout patches only temporarily. Use vulcanizing.
8. Swap tires around every 5,000 miles. Tires last longer.
9. Use only tires that fit your rims. Have your garage man advise you.
10. Cooperate to save rubber. Waste is sabotage. Don't speed around curves. Use your car when essential. Use public transportation where possible. Team up with your neighbors to use fewer cars, make fewer trips. Help the merchants conserve, too, by carrying small bundles instead of asking for delivery.

Procedure for obtaining materials and parts for maintenance, repairs, and operating supplies has been changed under new orders issued through field offices of the Priorities Division, OPM. Procedure as outlined previously under Preference Rating Order No. P-22 as amended was discarded immediately. Replacing it is the new order, identified as P-100.

Manufacturers, processors, fabricators and others who have been operating under P-22 should cease to do so immediately and obtain necessary materials as provided under the P-100 regulations. Copies of the new order are available at the nearest Priorities field office, including those at Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Little Rock, New Orleans, Dallas, Houston, El Paso, and San Antonio.

Utilization of old flashlights by having them repaired, instead of purchase of new, is urged by Leon Henderson, Director of Civilian Supply, OPM. Millions of flashlights in the possession of 70 per cent of America's families apparently have been forgotten, tucked away in attics and cellars, Mr. Henderson said. Needless purchase of new flashlights when the old can be repaired results in a costly drain on critical materials and plastics, he said.

**Paper Salvage Increases**

As an example of the progress being made in salvaging of waste paper—a vital war material—in the Southwest, Office of Emergency Management officials in Dallas have called attention to the increase in salvaged paper in the Dallas vicinity. During December, salvaged waste paper in the vicinity showed an increase of 320,000 tons, or 16 carloads, over September. Schools, Boy Scouts, organizations of many kinds, and charitable agencies are participating in the Dallas campaign sponsored by the Dallas City-County Defense Council.

**Tin Use Curtailed**

Tin consumption for ordinary civilian uses, except in cans and containers, will be sharply curtailed during the first quarter of 1942. After March 31, tin used in 28 specified products will be cut off entirely; until that date, consumption for those purposes will be restricted to 50 per cent of the amount used during the corresponding period of 1940. A conservation order soon to be issued will limit the use of tin in cans and containers, but meanwhile those commodities are subject only to restrictions previously in force. The priorities order covers tins, tin alloys and scrap, with the exception of tin in type metal for re-use in the printing and publishing trades. Where substitutes are impractical, items produced under a rating of A-1-J or higher may be expected

from the 50 per cent limitation. Articles affected include foil, advertising specialties, art objects, automobile body solder, band and musical instruments, beverage dispenser units, britannia metal buckles, building supplies, buttons, chimes and bells, emblems and insignia, eyelets, fasteners, galvanizing, household furnishings, jewelry, novelties and souvenirs, ornaments and fittings, pewter, decorative plating, decorative powder refrigerator trays, seals and labels, slot, game and vending machines, tin-coated paper, tin oxide in enamelware, and white metal.

time and they got ferried across the wide, shallow Sankuru river before dark. Starting out on the next 150 miles they soon came to a closed gate that admitted traffic only from the opposite direction until 8 o'clock, so they rested awhile. These two African young men who had never heard of a car until they were half grown, were now very good drivers and mechanics. If they had any misgivings about making that hazardous journey during the night, they said nothing about it the next morning when they drove into the station shortly after I arrived. To say that I was glad to see them would be putting it mildly!

I had wired for the truck and what was my consternation when I got off the train and discovered that my numerous boxes had been left behind at Elisabethville. "But I asked that they come as baggage and paid for them. How is it that they are not here?" "Never mind, they will come on the next train," was the re-assuring reply. "Well, I guess that is all right. We will wait right here. What time is the next train due?" "Next Wednesday, Madamoselle," casually replied the station master. "Next Wednesday!" Oh, I forgot that I was again in Central Africa. We went to a hotel where I was shown to a huge room opening onto a wide veranda with numerous stools and chairs. The chauffeurs sat down and told me about their trip and about all the missionaries and native friends. Then I sent them to find a place to rest and sleep and find something to eat while I wrote several letters. In the afternoon we loaded my hand-baggage into the huge truck and went to Mutoto, a Presbyterian station about 35 miles from the station. I could only tell them about the numerous packages that I was supposed to have for them, but it was good to see old friends among them. The next morning they had me speak over their broadcaster, and so Wembo Nyama, Tunda and Lodja, our other three mission stations, had their first news of my coming and that I was alone instead of having some

new workers with me. (Some of my letters that were written a month before I left Amarillo have been received since I arrived.) I spoke a word of greeting to our native friends who might be listening, and one of the Chauffeurs also, was permitted to speak to his friends on the four different stations. It was his first experience in speaking over the radio, and also my first. He was probably understood better than I was!

Monday morning we didn't try to get an early start because we would soon come to the gate at that end of the line that would not open until 1 o'clock. We got there about noon, ate our lunch and rested awhile, the gate opened and we came on, reaching the Sankuru about 4:30. The ferry was on the opposite side, as usual, so by the time it came over and took us back it was 6 o'clock, and almost dark by the time we got to Ikoka, our English Baptist friends who take care of us coming and going. Some of the Minga folks were there to meet me and I felt it was only yesterday that I had left for America. It was hard to realize that I had been gone.

I spent about ten days at Minga helping the nurse there until she could get her quarterly reports made out, then came to Wembo Nyama, where I spent my first term and am to remain here for this conference year, at least. I thank the many friends who have made it possible for me to come back and I hope and pray that I may make the best use of the many opportunities for service among these people.

Mary Flora Foreman  
P. S. The missing boxes arrived by regular commercial truck line the following week.  
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Admiration	28	pound	
1 lb. tin		Brimfull, whole	
3 lb.	82	PEACHES	29
Glass jar		No. 2 1/2 tin, 2 for	
BEEF ROAST	18	PINEAPPLE JUICE	
lb.		12 oz. tall can	
Bulk		Del Monte	19
POP CORN	25	2 for	
3 lb. for		GRAPEFRUIT	
Morton		JUICE	19
SUGAR CURE	79	No. 2 can, 3 for	
10 lb. can		YOUNGBERRIES	
Brimfull		No. 2 can	25
CORN	23	2 for	
No. 2 can, 2 for		National	
Del Haven		OATS	25
PEAS	25	3 lb. box	
No. 2 can, 2 for		Dinner plate, cup and	
PORK & HOMINY		saucer, bowl and plate	
Armour's Star	19	NOODLE SOUP MIX	
29 oz. can, 2 for		Lipton	25
CORN		3 pkg. for	
Pine Grove Field		VANILLA WAFERS	
Cream Style	5	N. B. C.	15
9 oz. can		Large box	
SPAGHETTI		Hi-Ho	15
Del Haven	19	CRACKERS	
22 oz. can, 2 for		1 lb. box	
SPINACH		RITZ	21
Gingham Girl		N. B. C.	
California pack	25	1 lb. box	
No. 2 can, 2 for		RINSO	
SYRUP		Large Box	37
Penick		2 for	
Crystal White	33		
5 lb. bucket			

**THE DUSTER**

It has been so cold in the third grade room that it has been difficult to keep the plants alive. The water in the fish bowl keeps freezing and the fish have been having a hard time too.

New library books are their biggest news this week. Garry's mother, brother, and sister are visiting him.

Aneta Kelp visited her aunt and uncle in Elkhart, Kansas.

Alvin Engelbrecht went to Amarillo Saturday.

Millie Bennett had visitors over the week end.

The fourth grade received fourteen new books. They have been catalogued, supplied with cards, and are now ready to be checked out to students.

Charlotte Wolfrum went to Texhoma Sunday.

Patsy Ruth went to Hereford Monday.

Donna Jean's mother is visiting her.

As a result of his resolution to stop being trudy, David DuVal was actually on time Monday morning.

Dale McWilliams missed school for the first time this year. She is ill from a skin infection caused by Christmas candy.

Adolph Scott went to Amarillo on New Year's Day.

Ida and Vida Bachman went to Texhoma.

Fifth graders are really enjoying new library books.

Ophelia and Francis Jewel are back in the seventh grade after their long absences.

Louise Carter went to Amarillo Saturday.

Nine new books have been added to the seventh grade library.

Several students received new books for Christmas and are bringing them to school in order to share the adventures of reading.

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS: COUNTY OF SHERMAN: TO THOSE INDEBTED TO OR HOLDING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF OSCAR FILMORE FOSTER, DECEASED.

The undersigned having been duly appointed Executors of the Will and Estate of Oscar Filmore Foster, deceased, late of Sherman County, Texas, by L. P. Hunter, Judge of the County Court of said County, on the 8th day of December A. D. 1941, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said Estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to Arthur Ross, Executor, within the time prescribed by law at his Residence in Stratford, Texas, where he receives his mail, this the 16th day of December A. D. 1941.

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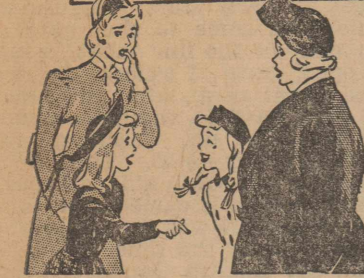
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CHAPTER XVII—Continued

Benning gave a groan and, as a brooding silence settled back over the night, hurried on. He knew now that the worst must have happened. On reaching Mendi, Benning got a speeder to take him to Cristobal. He got a military car to spin him to Col. Cove. Reports were coming in to Naval Intelligence. The damage at Gatun Locks was undetermined. Miraflores Locks had been dynamited by an American steamer that had put in past Balboa from San Francisco. Dynamite had cascaded huge slides of rock and earth into Culebra Cut in the region of Gold Hill. Ahajuela Dam, at the storage lake on the upper Chagres, had been crippled.

When he reached Panama Department headquarters, Benning found Cove feverishly taking reports from half a dozen assistants whose ears were glued to telephones. "What's the latest information on damage to the Canal, Colonel?" Benning inquired.

Cove tragically shook his head. "Pretty bad from all reports. My men make the guess it will take months to make any kind of repairs."

Benning asked, "May I get a code message through to Washington tonight, Colonel?" "The wires are swamped," Cove said dubiously. "The War Department is pounding the C.G. for all details of the attack on the Canal. I'll sandwich your dispatch in at the very first chance."

Benning borrowed the Department code book and prepared a brief report of eventualities for Colonel Flagwill. Reports from over the Canal Zone kept pouring in. Suspects were being arrested in growing numbers.

It was after 3 A. M. before Cove was able to put Benning's report on the wires. He offered Benning a cot in a near-by office and sent Grimes to the barracks. Benning fretted himself to sleep at dawn and woke to a hot sun. Cove was standing over him, tense with excitement. "Did any of our fleet get through from the Pacific yet?" Benning inquired.

The question brought an agonized grimace from the G-2 chief. "Part of our Pacific fleet was due through the Canal next week, Benning. Now check this over for yourself. In the Atlantic, four old battleships, a few destroyer divisions, and some submarines. Proud names those battleships—New York—Arkansas—Texas—Wyoming. But they've seen their day for fighting purposes, and it'll take weeks to get some squadrons of our Pacific fleet around the Horn."

"While the matter is in my mind," Benning changed the subject, "I want to know if you'll enlist for me a man named Grimes. He was turned down in New York for flat feet, but otherwise he's really a fine physical specimen. I'm under obligations to him, since there wouldn't be a finger-nail left of me except for Grimes."

"Glad to fix him up," Cove agreed promptly. The morning summary came in over the wires from the United States. President Tannard was closeted with Army and Navy chiefs.

The country was in a fresh panic over destruction of the Canal. Eastern centers of population were in an uproar, demanding naval protection for the Atlantic coast. War census of males of military age was instituted. First draft of a million men was being planned. Volunteer enlistments, after passing the 400,000 mark, had slowed down. Another thirty days needed to fill volunteer quota of 500,000.

On the Texas front the Third Army had finally halted Van Hasek's advance after five days of desperate fighting in which American casualties were estimated at twelve thousand men.

An aide-de-camp came into the room and spoke to Cove. Cove jumped to his feet and went over to Benning. "The commanding general wishes you to report to him immediately," he said. Benning followed the aide to a spacious office at one end of which a grave, weary little man sat over a litter of reports and complications.

As the aide announced Benning, the general looked sharply up and delivered himself in a crisp, official voice. "I have instructions from the War Department, Major, to drop you into Mexico City. Colonel Flagwill wishes you to find out what you can about the enemy's Guaymas troops and the trouble in the Orient. You are to report to Flagwill as quickly as possible. Arrangements will be made for a plane to pick you up at a point designated by you in the vicinity of Mexico City. Your plane will take off from Albright Field in one hour. That is all."

CHAPTER XVIII

Behind him, as Benning took off from the Guatemala terminal airport on the last leg of his flight into

INSTALLMENT SEVENTEEN

pared for this sudden attack, and could only retreat in the face of overwhelming force. Posing as a fellow agent, U. S. Intelligence Officer Benning accompanied foreign spies bound for the Panama Canal. He learned that their ship carried dynamite which would be exploded when they entered the canal, but was

Mexico City, reposed the camouflaged observation plane that was to pick him up on the second night thereafter at a secret rendezvous south of Chapultepec. These final plans, as he checked them over, seemed coldly academic in detail, like the laying of a field gun for indirect fire upon an unseen human target. But Benning did not minimize the dangerous complications that lay ahead.

Midnight brought the lights of Mexico City into view. From the observer's cockpit Benning caught the toss of the pilot's arm in signal and bon voyage. His heart was pumping as he lifted himself erect and climbed out of the cockpit. Into the starlit void he plunged, falling in a backward arc and tolling off three seconds before his hand tore at the ripcord handle of his

parachute. Shortly the straps gripped at armpits and legs to tell him the parachute had fed safely out. Above the rush of air he could hear the plane roaring on its way. There came to him a moment's envy of the pilot who would flash back along the friendly route to a safe landing at Albright Field.

The moon had not yet risen, but the capital's masses were outlined in myriad light clusters, which told Benning the American air service was still too busy at home to strike at Mexico City. Through the starlight he presently caught the black earth toward which he was rushing. He freed himself of straps, and rolled and secreted the silken chute. Half an hour's brisk walk brought him to the dark little Calle del Nogal, which told him he had landed to the north of Chapultepec. He found a sleepy cabman to drive him direct to Jesus Maria.

Benning's plan was set as he reached the street on which he had lived with Mlle. Ducos.

There was a light in the little Ducos apartment when he reached there shortly after one o'clock. He walked resolutely up to the door and knocked. The immutable law of averages, he argued hopefully as he waited, dictated an occasional bit of luck in his operations.

In a moment the door opened and Benning saw the French girl's diminutive figure framed against the lighted room. But at recognizing Benning, terror flashed into her eyes and she stepped quickly back. "But no, señor!" she exclaimed. "No such person as you mentioned lives here."

Before she could close the door, a figure strode up from behind her, a gaunt man with shaggy, unkempt beard and bloodshot, haunted eyes in which there was now the gleam of mingled terror and jealous suspicion. The man's disheveled aspect and wasted face did not rob Benning of instant recognition. It was Bromlitz, the American renegade and murderer, the man in whose shoes Benning had masqueraded in Mexico.

A snarl told Benning that Bromlitz had recognized him. Benning sprang past the French girl to the attack, reaching Bromlitz before the man from Luxembourg could extricate himself from the shock of surprise. Benning drove his fist against the Bromlitz jaw, but did not floor him. A knife flashed from Bromlitz' belt, Benning dove in and pinned his antagonist's arms to his sides.

Bromlitz shook himself with a frenzied strength. Benning clung through one spasm of resistance after another until he felt that his own endurance could not last much longer. With a carefully co-ordinated

movement he released his hold and caught Bromlitz' knife hand, twisted it suddenly, and tripped the fellow to the floor. There was a howl of pain from Bromlitz' throat as the sharp blade crept through his shirt into the flesh of his breast. Benning cast the weight of his body into the lunge. There followed the rasping cry of a mortal wound. Bromlitz' strength relaxed.

Benning stood up. The French operative's face was chalky white, but her blue eyes were cold and unmoved as she observed Bromlitz in the convulsions of his last breath. "I'm sorry this had to happen here, mademoiselle," Benning told her.

"She said with calm indifference: "You've only done me a service, monsieur. Bromlitz has been very difficult of late and I did not dare let him show himself at the palace. Of course, you'll dispose of his body as soon as he is dead."

"Is Bravot now in Mexico City?" Benning interrupted. "That needn't matter to you. You are leaving Mexico City immediately."

"Of course, as soon as I get the information I came here to get."

"Impossible! I can't play the danger of having you here now. In a few days I hope to be ready to leave for France. Nothing must interfere with my success now."

"I'll make a bargain with you, mademoiselle. I'll leave at once if you can find out when Van Hasek attacks from Guaymas. Also anything you can learn about what is going to happen in the Orient."

Her face lighted up and she gave a gasp of relief. "If that is what you want to know, I can tell you, monsieur. Van Hasek's Guaymas force will move up the Gulf within the present week to attack north with his mechanized and motorized regiments through California. Their objective is to freeze your feet out of its great bases on the Pacific coast."

Benning's brows knotted. "But such an attack doesn't make sense unless Van Hasek is to have prompt reinforcements."

"To be sure, monsieur. But Van Hasek's whole plan is working out right close to pattern. Denied its bases, a heavy part of your Navy will have to sail at once around the Horn to protect your Atlantic coast from the Mediterranean fleet. At the same time with Van Hasek's attack will come the invasion from the Orient, which is already moving east."

"Benning gasped, "Do you know those things for fact?"

"I know that Van Hasek expects me in San Francisco within the next few weeks when he is to take supreme command over your Pacific coast. But by then I will be in France—if only I can learn when the attack upon my own country is to launch itself. In a few days I am to meet Van Hasek at San Antonio—in the meantime, I gather what straws I can from his man Boggio."

"Boggio, you say!"

The words drove fiercely from Benning's throat. He felt the bristling of his hair under the surge of feeling aroused by that name, for the instant lost the thread of portentous disclosure that Mlle. Ducos made. Promptly he recovered his composure and attempted to cover his show with a smile.

He said, in an easier voice, "So Boggio is here in Mexico City?"

"You should learn, in this business, to conceal your feelings," Mlle. Ducos said with a thin smile, and added: "But I can very well understand just how you feel on the subject of Boggio. Boggio has done nothing but boast of the bombing of the White House, ever since—"

"Mademoiselle, I can't leave Mexico until I've seen Boggio. A minute alone with him will be enough—and I'll promise to be very discreet as far as your interests are concerned."

"If your Government doesn't know already what I've just told you," she countered, "you should waste no time on Boggio now."

"I have no possible means of leaving Mexico until tomorrow night," Benning confessed. "My Government and I will be eternally grateful to you if you will add this last little service. I promise the greatest discretion in handling Boggio."

The French girl pondered his proposal, testing its play against the risks to her own obligations. Presently a smile played at the corners of her mouth and a cold glitter shone in her eyes. "At four o'clock tomorrow afternoon, monsieur," she decided, "Boggio and I will drive together south from Chapultepec on the highway to Tacubaya. Boggio will be at the wheel and we will be alone." She extended her hand and added "I will say good-bye to you now monsieur, and bon voyage"

(TO BE CONTINUED)



"It was Bromlitz."

GRASSROOTS by WRIGHT A. PATTERSON (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

CIVILIAN EXPENDITURES SHOULD BE CAREFUL

WHILE WE must spend many billions for war, Senator Byrd is insistent that civilian operations of the government be reduced to effect a saving of two billion dollars a year. Secretary Morgenthau, whose job it is to find the money to pay for ships, planes, tanks, guns and all the equipment needed to defeat the Axis powers, is also insisting on less expense for the civilian activities of the government. He would be fairly well satisfied with a saving of one billion dollars.

It was not so many years ago when America experienced its first billion-dollar congress. As I remember it, it was shortly after the turn of the present century. It created a roar, especially from the rural sections. People believed we were headed straight for the rocks of national bankruptcy. Even before we were spending as much as a billion dollars any peace-time year, we seemed to have all the governmental activities we needed. While we must, and will approve of every needed war expenditure, we might try a bit of the simple life of yesteryear as it pertains to civilian activities of government. Aside from some of the minority groups, people undoubtedly would approve.

RUSSIA'S 'COMMUNISM'

THE WORLD thinks of Russia as "communist," but it is not. Communism in Russia died with Lenin and the "liquidation" by Stalin of thousands of Lenin followers, big and little. Today Russia is more totalitarian fascist than Italy. The Soviets do not rule Russia. Stalin, alone, is the ruler. He is more dictator than Hitler or Mussolini.

Hitler did not attack Russia because of a fear of communism, but because he did fear Stalin as a powerful European rival who was not providing sufficient support for the Hitler cause. It was a case of the falling out of two of a kind and the allied nations can well accept the result as an aid to democracy in time of need. We can do that without approving totalitarianism in Russia, any more than we approve of it in Germany, Italy or Japan. We are but the beneficiaries of a fight between rivals.

CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM

IN TIME OF WAR there is no place, or no excuse for the carping fault finder. Then, of all times, there is need for sane, constructive criticism. In the spring of 1918, George Creel told me that President Wilson had instructed him to encourage constructive criticism, as out of it much good could come to the American cause. President Wilson then had, as President Roosevelt has now, the unified support of the American people.

TOURISTS WARY

THE WAR interfered with America's winter vacation plans. Vacation spots are largely on the East, West and South coasts, and tourists visualize any of these points open to a possible German or Jap blitz. Early tourists jammed transportation facilities in their efforts to get back home, but neither the Germans nor the Japs have as yet arrived, and our army and navy are on guard.

JOBS AND INVESTMENT

TO PROVIDE for the average job in America, an investment of more than \$8,000 in factories and tools is necessary. The job is not possible without the investment, and the investment is worthless without the worker. On an average, the investment receives less than \$400 a year, and the average worker receives some three times that amount.

MONTHS AT A TIME ALONE WITH BIRDS

WHEN AT HOME, Duke Trempe lives at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., but he is seldom at home. Usually he is off somewhere following his hobby, and that hobby is birds.

I first met Duke in Honolulu. He had just returned there after a three-month stay on a small, uninhabited coral reef several hundred miles north of Hawaii. For those three months his only companions were the birds, of which there were millions. Duke wished to know where they come from and where they go. To get that information he catches birds when young, places bands on their legs, and in time some of them may be picked up in some far corner of the Pacific, and Duke may hear of it.

Duke wanted to go with Admiral Byrd to Little America to study penguins, but the admiral did not think penguins of sufficient importance to warrant such a study.

LABOR 'RACKETEER' WANTED

PROFESSIONAL WRITERS of America should form an A. F. of L. or C.I.O. union and force those connected with the government to pay dues for the privilege of competing in the writing field. From the President and his family and cabinet, on down, employees of the government are filling the pages of magazines and periodicals and causing professional writers' children to go without shoes. The professionals need a labor racketeer to properly organize the profession.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

It's better to wash soiled woolen garments through several sudsy waters instead of just one. It is easier on the garment.

One teaspoon of onion juice or half a sliced raw onion added to mashed potatoes gives them a different flavor.

When setting the table for guests, allow from 24 to 30 inches of space to a person. This makes for comfortable seating and serving. A crowded table is uncomfortable and somewhat confusing to both hostess and guests.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

By Edward C. Wayne

FDR Pledge to Philippine Islands: U. S., Britain, Dutch, China Resources Will Aid in Defeat of Jap War Lords; Manila Hard Hit by Bombing Attacks

(EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.) (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

PHILIPPINES: Full Scale

While the United States anxiously scanned bulletins from Manila, and frowned at the increasing seriousness of the situation, there were reasons for a general belief that the army and navy high commands were not blind to the situation, but had agreed on counter measures of some sort.

Obviously these had not been made public, as to do so would be to "tip our hand" to Japan. But the meeting of Churchill and Roosevelt in Washington, and the presence in the United States of the now-famous party of 80, which included all the British military and naval, as well as economic leaders, was assurance enough that something was in the wind.

A message from President Roosevelt to the people of the Philippines pledged the aid of "the resources of the United States, of the British empire, of the Netherlands East Indies, and of the Chinese Re-



MANUEL QUEZON Everybody 'assured' him.

public have been dedicated to the utter and complete defeat of the Japanese war lords. . . . We are engaged in a great common cause. . . . I count on every Philippine man, woman and child to do his duty. We will do ours."

The navy at the same time announced that the fleet was already in action "following an intensive and well-planned campaign against the Japanese forces which will result in positive assistance to the defense of the Philippine islands."

Another reason for increased American confidence as to the outcome of the war with Japan was a message from Secretary of War Stimson to President Manuel Quezon of the Philippines in which he assured him that as soon as American forces were organized, the Japanese invader would be driven from the islands.

That sounded like reinforcements by sea, land and air, reinforcements much needed by the little army of Americans plus a fair-sized army of Filipinos who were giving a good account of themselves against considerable odds.

Further Plans

A further bit of news which contributed to the feeling in many quarters that some definite plan was in progress was the statement by the Australian premier that he was now intending to go to Washington. He said he had been assured by the United States of complete co-operation in the war effort.

There were signs, however, that the West coast feared that Churchill might have persuaded the United States to regard the Pacific war as a minor affair and to concentrate on the battle of the Atlantic.

Churchill indeed did say the latter, but the former he did not say, nor did he hint at any but an all-out effort on the part of the British to save Singapore, keep the Burma road open, and do all in their power to defeat the Japs.

Those whose homes, families and properties rested on the Pacific slope were becoming nervous over the smashing attack on Pearl Harbor, the loss of Pacific island strongholds, the nearness of Jap submarines, and the unchecked landings of Japanese on the Philippines.

And the Churchill statements about the battle of the Atlantic being the most vital of the whole war, together with his prediction of reverses in prospect for 1942, and the turning of the tide in 1943, did not allay the Pacific coast nerves at all.

VICHY:

And Washington

The Vichy-Washington talks concerning the St. Pierre-Miquelon episode showed that there was much confusion about the whole situation, and while the "man in the street" wanted De Gaulle's forces to have the islands with American co-operation, and while Canada seemed much in this frame of mind also, there was some in the situation which was the same man in the street did not know anything about.

MANILA:

Jap Frightfulness

Close observers of the war in China had brought back horror stories concerning the brutality of the Japanese war machine, the bombings and machine-gunnings of helpless civilians; attacks on Chinese women, rapine and pilage of towns.

Any desire the Philippines population might have had to disbelieve the general tenor of these reports had been rudely dispelled by the bombing of Manila just as General MacArthur had officially declared it an undefended city, had moved the government and the military away.

Japan's answer was (first) to carry out their heaviest unscathed bombing of the metropolis (second) to inform the world that it was "unthinkable" that Manila should be considered undefended.

This was tantamount to calling the Americans liars, and then killing off a few helpless ones with well-directed bombs.

Newspaper men at the principal offices of the large services stood fearlessly and watched while scores of Japanese bombers rained death and destruction about them.

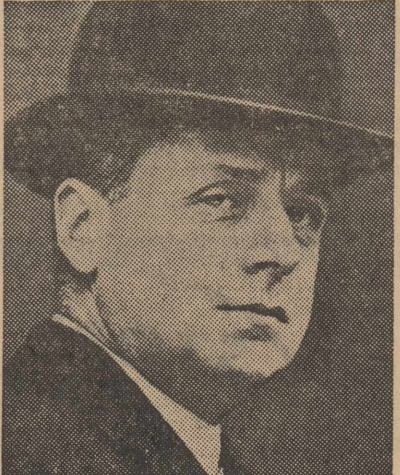
Fortunately they lived to write unforgettable reports of the raid, the damage it caused, the mint watchman slain and buried under huge heaps of silver coins, the priceless Catholic rosary destroyed in the direct hit on the Church of Santo Domingo, the flames, the crunch of the bombs, the thunder of the planes, the explosions, the death and disaster.

They also were able to describe the spirit of the people, digging out of the bomb horror as though from one of the frequent earthquakes that have visited the city, and of the defiant mood which resolved them to die to the last man rather than surrender the islands to the little brown invaders.

NEW YEAR: Predictions

While President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill were setting 1943 for the "turning of the tide" in favor of the Allies, New Year's greetings were being handed back and forth between Rome, Berlin and Tokyo.

Von Ribbentrop said: "The tri-partite Powers approach the decisive battles of 1942 con-



JOACHIM VON RIBBENTROP He didn't recall Hitler's statement.

vinced that it will bring final victory over their adversaries.

"Then they will work in common for a new order in Europe and East Asia."

He did not recall that on January 1, 1941, Hitler had said, in an "order of the day":

"Soldiers, the year 1941 will bring consummation of the greatest victory of our history."

Ribbentrop blamed President Roosevelt for "aggression" which brought Japan into the war.

CHURCHILL: And Roosevelt

Prime Minister Winston Churchill, in his dramatic address, tinged with his famous humor and flashing with his matchless oratory, had completely captured the senate and house.

After a week of solid conferences, from early morning until nightfall, the President climaxed the visiting prime minister's speech with a statement. He said:

"We have advanced far along the road toward achievement of the ultimate objective, the crushing defeat of those forces which have attacked and made war upon us."

It was his first full communique, and followed almost immediately after a conference which included representatives of the 33 nations and British dominions aligned in the fight on the Axis.

"Much has been accomplished," the President said, "through the medium of many conferences held in the meetings of supply and production officials, military and naval leaders, and in discussions. . . ."

"I know the position of the United States and of all nations aligned with us has been strengthened immeasurably."



A SHORT while back we collected the opinions from over 40 well-known football coaches and trainers along the line of physical fitness — of getting back in shape. Without exception they featured the legs and the stomach, especially the latter.

As Tom Keene, the veteran trainer at Syracuse told me, "When the belly's okay you don't have to worry about the rest of it, for here's the center of most good health and most bad health."

We've printed their diets and their suggestions — plain foods, simple foods—and not too much of it. But many of these coaches and trainers, who know their trade, brought in another angle—this was the mental side, which has direct bearing on the all-out war today.

"The best football player," a leading coach wrote me, "needs something more than size and speed and physical fitness. He must be able to sacrifice himself for the good of the team. He must be able to take punishment—and like it—for the cause he is fighting for. He must be willing to give up all outside pleasures that conflict in any way with the main idea, which is to win. Only those who have this frame of mind or really worthwhile. The others are only good when things are rolling their way."

"Football is no game for those easily discouraged. Mental fiber is even more important than physical fiber—and mental fiber means giving all you have in the direction of victory, no matter what the odds. We might call it 'intestinal fortitude,' a phrase the late Dan McGugin of Michigan and Vanderbilt invented."

The Big Word

Words, as a rule, are unimportant, when the air is full of flying steel. But in this same connection we still recall a conversation with a hard-bitten colonel of the First division in France early in 1918, when the German army, apparently, was about to break through.

I happened to bring up the matter of courage. The First division colonel gave me a cold look.

"Courage," he said, "is secondary. Most people and most nations have courage. The big word is 'fortitude.' This is a far more important word than courage."

"Fortitude, of course, includes courage. But it goes far beyond. Fortitude means both physical and mental stamina. It means the ability to carry on a job that might be dull and uninteresting. It means giving all you've got to give, outside of the spotlight. In a football way, it means the blocking back, who clears the road for the ball carrier. It means sacrificing yourself for the cause."

"In this war, those up around the front may get killed, but they get all of the excitement. Those back of the lines get the drudgery, minus the thrills. You'll find that almost all of those back of the lines would much rather be up where the excitement is. It takes more fortitude to do your work in a place where there is little chance for any thrills, little chance for any publicity or any reward."

A Leading Example

Some years ago I was talking with Bobby Jones about the brilliant golf record he piled up from 1922 through 1930. Bobby made no claim to any superior skill with wood or iron.

"Tournament golf," he said then, "is a game in which you just can't afford to be easily discouraged when you step into trouble, as everyone does. So I had to make up my mind to take a hard nerve beating—not a physical beating, of course. No one will ever know the time I felt like chucking it all, and may-be wait for another chance."

"I may be wrong, but I believe you can take more of a beating on the mental and nerve side than you can on the physical side. When I used to pick up those sevens in a championship round, and I got more than my share of those, the temptation to ease up and forget it all was pretty strong. You get the feeling there's no use fighting it out at that particular time."

This is all true. I recall Gene Sarazen, one of our finest golf competitors, once saying you can't win a big championship with 'sevens.' "I battle to try to keep from getting any sixes," Gene said.

But Bobby Jones' championship cards were studded with sevens. He had a seven at Hoylake in his Grand Slam march—when it took him five strokes to get down after he was only 40 yards from the green in two. He had a killing seven at Scioto, but he won. He had two sevens on the last 10 holes at Winged Foot, but he went on to win the playoff.



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ASK ME ANOTHER? A General Quiz

The Questions

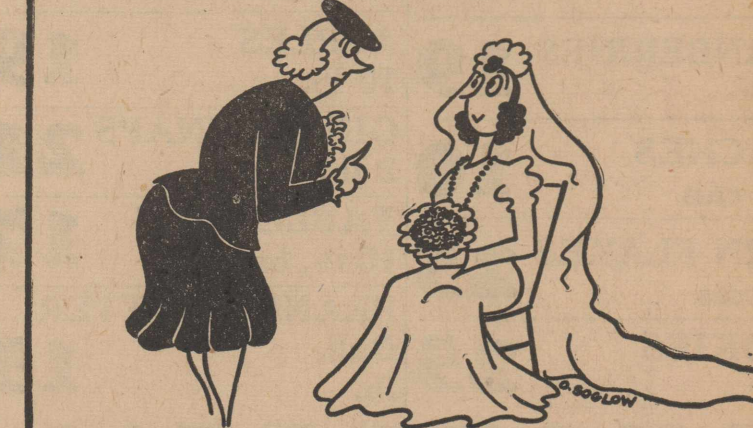
1. What is the mile-high city in the United States?
2. Why do air travelers have trouble with their fountain pens in higher altitudes?
3. What country is called Mizraim in the Bible?
4. During the war with Spain who was commander-in-chief of our forces?
5. The core of the earth is believed to be composed of what?
6. What is perique?
7. When did Benjamin Franklin receive his first airmail letter?
8. "Aye, tear her tattered ensign down!" is a line from a poem about an American warship named what?
9. What mythological youth was beloved by Venus?

The Answers

1. Denver, Colo.
2. The air in the pen (if pen is but partially full) expands, causing a leakage of ink.
3. Egypt.
4. William McKinley.
5. Nickel and iron.
6. A strong flavored tobacco.
7. In 1785, when in France. It was sent from England by balloon.
8. The Constitution ("Old Ironsides").
9. Adonis.

Needed Solitude Solitude is as needful to the imagination as society is wholesome for the character.—James Russell Lowell.

AND, JANE, REMEMBER, IF YOU BAKE AT HOME, THE ONLY YEAST WITH ALL THESE\* VITAMINS IS FLEISCHMANN'S



\*Per Cake: Vitamin A—3100 Units (Int.) Vitamin B<sub>1</sub>—150 Units (Int.) Vitamin D—400 Units (Int.) Vitamin G—40-50 Units (Sh. Sour.) Vitamins B<sub>2</sub>, D and G are not appreciably lost in the oven; they go right into the bread.

Working to Forget I do not value fortune. The love of labor is my sheet anchor. I work that I may forget, and forgetting, I am happy.—Stephen Girard.

RANCHERS KNOW THEIR ROLLIN'!

SAYS Gahm a. Norris, Jr.

SHUCKS, WHO COULDN'T ROLL 'EM FAST AND EASY WITH PRINCE ALBERT! THAT CRIMP CUT SNUGS DOWN IN THE PAPER WITHOUT BLOWIN' ROUND OR MESSIN' UP. NO WONDER THERE'S SO MANY SMOKES IN A P.A. POCKET TIN—AND EVERY ONE FEATURES MILDNESS WITH GOOD TASTE—IN PIPES, TOO!

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Your Troubles Do not grieve upon your own troubles: you would not have them if you did not need them. Do not grieve over the troubles of "others"; there are no others.—Bolton Hall.

### USDA Announces Grain Sorghum Loan Program

The Department of Agriculture announced today that the Commodity Credit Corporation would make available loans on the 1941 crop of grain sorghum to aid producers in holding their feed and seed supply and in marketing their surplus in an orderly manner.

The program is similar to that already announced for rye and barley. Producers who have complied with the 1941 Agricultural Conservation Program acreage allotment provisions will be eligible for loans. The principal grain sorghum-producing areas are in Colorado, Kansas, and parts of New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas.

The loan rate on grain sorghums stored in approved farm structures is 40 cents a bushel for No. 1 grade, 38 cents a bushel for No. 2 grade, 35 cents for No. 3 and 30 cents for No. 4. The rate for grain sorghum grading "Mixed" will be two cents less per bushel. Weevily or smutty grain, as well as grain with moisture content in excess of 13 percent, if stored on the farms, and 14 percent if stored in elevators will not be eligible.

The rate on grain sorghum stored in approved warehouses will be 7 cents a bushel less than the rate when stored on the farm. This deduction represents the estimated average storage charges

which would be paid by CCC on grain sorghums delivered to the Corporation.

Applications for loans will be handled through the County AAA Committees, as in the case of wheat, rye and barley and may be directed to an approved lending agency or to the CCC. Loans will be available up to January 31, 1942. All notes will mature on demand or on June 30, 1942.

The grain sorghum crop this year is estimated at 128,731,000 bushels, which is approximately 7,500,000 bushels more than last year's crop and nearly 38,500,000 more than the 10-year average production for 1931-40. Consumption, as a result of increased feeding of grain sorghum on the farms, has been about equal to production, and consequently the carry-over has been negligible.

The planting of grain sorghum in the Great Plains States has increased appreciably since the crop has proved an effective means of preventing wind erosion and has at the same time been dependable as feed during the drought years.

### Stop Sale Of 1942 Cars And Trucks

County Judge L. P. Hunter, chairman of the County Defense Coordinators, releases the following order from Gov. Coke Stevenson of Texas:

"I have received from Frank Bane, Office of Price Administration, the following message which

I transmit to you for whatever action you feel is indicated:

"A freeze order was issued today by the Office of Production Management immediately stopping the sale of all new passenger cars, light and heavy trucks, throughout the nation. The order read in part as follows: 'It is hereby ordered that until January 15, 1942, no producer, dealer or other authorized channel of distribution of passenger automobiles, light and heavy trucks, shall sell, lease, trade, deliver, ship or transfer any passenger automobile, light or heavy truck except to other producers, dealers or other authorized channels of distribution and resale; and no person with the exception of other producers, dealers, or other authorized channels of distribution or resale shall accept any such sale lease, trade, loan, delivery, shipment, or transfer of any passenger automobile, light or heavy truck. For the purposes of this order, passenger automobiles, light and heavy trucks, mean 1942 models or any such vehicle which has been used less than 1,000 miles. This order shall take effect immediately.'

### Christine Williams Tells Of Her 4-H Work

Christine Williams is 13 years old and a member of the Spurlock 4-H club, according to Miss Mabel Martin, county home demonstration agent. She has completed her goals for this year and has written the following report of her work.

"This year has proven to be a successful year, and having completed my goals I have started working toward a better year next year.

This year I made a print dress a piece for mother and my two sisters and three for myself. The time, cost and date are recorded below.

January 6, 1941, in 6 hours at a cost of 56 cents for herself.

June 25, 1941, made in 6 hours at a cost of 75 cents for her sister.

July 1, 1941, made in 5 hours for 57 1/2 cents for her sister.

July 2, 1941, made in 5 hours at the cost of 95 cents for herself.

August 6, 1941, made in 6 hours at the cost of 85 cents for her mother.

November 28, 1941, made in 7 hours at the cost of 96 cents for herself.

I also made a pot holder and started a cup towel set. I made a pair of curtains for the kitchen windows and a pair for the dining room shelves.

I helped in the family garden (25 by 55) and a 4 acre truck patch. Vegetables were furnished for the table through the latter part of spring and all summer. I canned 13 quarts of snap beans from the garden, three jars of early carrots, 55 jars of green snap peas, 10 jars of corn, and three jars of tomatoes from the truck patch.

This spring and summer I had a total of 228 sq. ft. of flower beds. I had zinnias, cosmos, marigolds, morning glories and four-o'clocks. I started a lawn this year and plans are under way for flowering shrubs and rambling roses to be set out.

During the year, in cooking I made approximately ten cakes, three pies, three batches cookies and I took the responsibility of breakfast and dinner when mother was in the hospital.

In dairy work, I made it my goal to get my quart of milk a day and to have butter at each meal. I took care of the separator and milk things when my mother could not or did not have time. I churned at least once a week and I made cream and cottage cheese occasionally.

In poultry work I raised twenty turkeys and twenty chickens. The turkeys were hatched at home under turkey hens and the chicks, which were AAAA chicks, were bought in early spring. They are now laying. Regular run chicks were hatched at home for eating.

I improved my bedroom closet and the living room."

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### Naval Aviation Board Says "No" To Boys Under 20 Years

(Editor's Note: Earl Riffe, who was a visitor in Dallas last week, clipped the following news story from a City edition of the Dallas Morning News.)

Bill May Get Chance If Present War Lasts As Long As Last One

An ambitious lad from Stratford, Sherman County, high on the Panhandle of Texas, will have to wait a few years to start on his way toward being a flight commander of flight surgeon, the Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board here said Wednesday.

"I want to be a naval aviator for Uncle Sam," wrote Bill Ross, who gave his age as 16. "It means more than anything else in the world. Is there any possible way of getting in at any age under 20? There isn't."

Young Ross said he wants to help the Japanese, Germany and Italians off the face of the earth.

"Please help me get in soon," he wrote, "so I can help defend the shores of America and defend our country from dictatorships. I sure want to be a naval aviator before the war is over."

### Increased Demand For Farm Records

COLLEGE STATION. —Need of adequate farm business "tools" resulted in the purchase during the first six months of 1941 of more Texas Farm Record books than in the 12 months of any previous year, says Tyrus R. Timm, economist in farm management of the A. and M. College Extension Service.

In addition to the Texas Farm Record book for keeping systematically the records during 1942, the Extension Service now has available two companion "tools." These are a budget form, "Farm or Ranch and home production plan," of value in planning farm operations for 1942, and a summary form, "farm business analysis sheet," for summarizing and analyzing the farm business at the end of the coming year.

Timm finds reasons for the increased demand for the Texas Farm Record book in the fact that 12 times the number of farmers

now ask county agricultural agents for guidance in keeping farm records than in 1930, and that county agents are emphasizing farm records more than heretofore.

"Farmers need additional facts regarding regular and new government programs, more leasing arrangements now are used, budget statements are being requested by some lending institutions in connection with loans, greater distribution of crop and livestock on many farms, lower income tax brackets and, not the least important, the higher cost of living demands closer attention by everyone to the details of their business," Timm adds.

The economist believes that the Farm Record book and the record forms are a real help to farmers and ranchmen desiring to know more about their business. "When you know more you have to guess less."

"Pneumonia is recognized as a dangerous and often fatal disease," Dr. Cox pointed out, "and competent medical care with skilled nursing in measles and influenza will materially lessen the danger of pneumonia."

In spite of bad breaks here and there, 1941 will go into the books as the year of greatest total agriculture so far in the history of the United States, says Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard.

The United States used more rubber than any other country and about three-fourths of it goes into tires and tubes for motor driven vehicles.

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### Epidemics Bring Dangers Of Complications

AUSTIN.—With a high incidence of influenza and measles over the state, the public should be awake to the danger of pneumonia as a complication of these diseases, according to Dr. George W. Cox, State Health Officer.

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