

Tuesday Is City Clean-Up Day

Stratford Lions in their meeting Tuesday night, completed arrangements for a spring clean up day in Stratford for Tuesday, May 21.

Rubbish which residents desire hauled away should be boxed and placed in or near the alleys. Trucks and pick-ups will go through the alleys, hauling away everything that is placed there free of charge.

The annual clean up day in Stratford is one that has been neglected for several years due to shortage of man-power. This year the Lions Club is requesting that citizens cooperate with men working in cooperation with them and the City in making Stratford a cleaner place in which to live.

Rubbish should not be placed in alleys so that it will block passage as the passageway should be maintained at all times.

Twenty-four members were present at the meeting of the club Tuesday. Next Tuesday night a meeting of the officers and board of directors will be held at 7:00 P. M. preceding the regular luncheon at 8:00 P. M.

TOC Motor Co. Will Open For Business Friday

Chester Plunk will open his filling station to be known as the TOC Motor Co., at the intersection of U. S. 287 and Virginia Street Friday. The new building which houses the station is just south of the former TOC service station building.

Mr. Plunk states that at the present time about all that he has to offer the public is a complete line of Phillips gasoline, oils, and greases. He hopes to gradually secure other merchandise for his station, and will complete arrangements for a complete repair service as soon as equipment is available.

He invites the public to call and inspect his new station.

Mrs. Park Hostess To Priscilla Club

The Priscilla Club met in the home of Mrs. Sid Park Thursday of last week. Though there weren't many members present, the afternoon was spent very pleasantly playing "42", and visiting. Delicious refreshments of ice cream, cake and cokes were served earlier than usual because of the approaching rain cloud. We left the club early and presumably scared the rain away. Those enjoying the afternoon were Mrs. Luther Browder, Mrs. C. F. Moon, Mrs. J. R. Morris, Mrs. Crawford Walton, Mrs. Oscar Watkins, Melvin and Marie, and the hostess, Mrs. Park. The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Oscar Watkins, Thursday afternoon, May 23. We sincerely hope all members will be present.

Joe Doby Adds New Display Counters

New display counters and shelving have been built in the Joe Doby office this week.

Political Announcements

(Authorized Political Announcements subject to the Action of the Democratic Primary to be held Saturday, July 27, 1946.)

For Sheriff, Tax Assessor, and Collector:
JOHN KIDWELL.

For County Judge and Ex-Officio Superintendent of Schools:
L. P. HUNTER.

For District Attorney, 69th Judicial District:
KING FIKE.
FLOYD H. RICHARDS.

For County Treasurer:
MRS. GERTRUDE WOODARD.

For County and District Clerk:
MRS. LELAH BONEY.

For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1:
ROSCOE DYESS.

For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4:
E. E. HAMILTON.

For State Representative, 124th Legislative District:
WILLIAM J. (Bill) CRAIG.

For County Commissioner; Precinct No. 2:
E. W. CARTER.

For District Judge, 69th Judicial District:
HARRY SCHULTZ.

Floyd H. Richards Announces For District Attorney



Floyd H. Richards, Dalhart, who announced his candidacy earlier in the year before the Star resumed publication was here this week in the interest of his campaign. He is using the Star this week to place his candidacy before the voters of this region.

In the summer of 1940, the voters of Dallam County were good enough to elect me to the office of County Attorney. Then came Pearl Harbor, and I was called to the army, and was unable to finish that term or advance to a higher office.

After that election I decided to run for County Attorney a second term, it being my purpose, if successful, to become a candidate for District Attorney, at the completion of the second term.

The War prevented this, as it did the plans of many men.

Now six years later, I am asking you to elect me District Attorney next summer, not because I served four and a half years in the army and flew 40 missions, but because I feel that I am qualified for the job and because I believe I can make you a good District Attorney.

My qualifications and experience are:

Graduate, Texas Technological College; Bachelor of Arts Degree.

Graduate, University of Texas, Bachelor of Law Degree.

County Attorney, Dallam County Texas.

Prosecuting Attorney for the army (T.J.A.) after returning from overseas.

If elected, I assure each of you a fair and impartial District Attorney; each indictment returned by the Grand Jury will be tried as soon as the evidence is available. I assure the attorneys of this district that all will receive the same consideration and none will be favored.

After you have read this announcement and thought it over, and as this campaign goes forward, I would like to hear from you and have your suggestions and constructive criticism. (Box 1328, Dalhart).

I will appreciate your vote and assistance on July 27, 1946.

FLOYD H. RICHARDS.

Mrs Buckles

Mrs. R. C. Buckles was hostess to the El Martes Club Tuesday afternoon.

The entertaining rooms were most attractive and inviting in a setting of fragrant red roses.

The afternoon was delightfully spent playing the club game of forty-two. At 5:00 o'clock the hostess served delicious refreshments. Guests were Mesdames D. L. Buckles, J. Huggins, Gilbert Eastman, and J. R. Pendleton.

Methodist Church

Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Intermediate MYF 6:00 P. M.
Senior MYF 8:30 P. M.
Evening Worship 7:30 P. M.
Woman's Society of Christian Service each Wednesday at 2:30 P. M.

Choir rehearsal each Wednesday at 7:30 P. M.
Youth play night each Thursday evening at 7:30 P. M.

Family Reunion

Sunday At

Ellis Home

A family reunion was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ellis Sunday in honor of their son, W. D. Jr., wife and son, Billie, and nephews, Woodrow Ferguson, Ernest Wright and John Compton, who have returned from service.

After a basket dinner, the evening was spent taking pictures and visiting. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Compton, Mrs. John Compton, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Ferguson and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Buzzard and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wright and son, Derral of Amarillo, M. E. Compton, Hereford; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Farris and Jodie of Four-Ways; Mr. and Mrs. Evert Sabers and Nellie Layton of Sunray; Mr. and Mrs. George Ferguson, Mrs. H. T. Ferguson, and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Stump and children of Texhoma.

WTU Denies

Sale Of Property

Rumors which have in some nearby newspapers appeared in print regarding sale of West Texas Utilities interests to the Southwestern Public Service Company, have been denied by the West Texas Utilities Company.

In reply to these stories, Charlie Coombes, District Manager of the West Texas Utilities Company, gives the following statement:

"There is no sale of any of the company properties as yet, and contrary to rumors on several different occasions, no agreement has yet been entered into by the company directors nor the Securities and Exchange Commission, who have complete jurisdiction.

The West Texas Utilities Company serving one of the largest areas in Texas, one hundred and seventy-seven communities in West Texas, was ordered by The Securities and Exchange Commission to dispose of the properties in the counties of Dallam, Moore, Hartley and Sherman because they were not interconnected with the company's main-cardinal transmission system even though they were connected with each other through the system of an intervening company.

Mr. Coombes states when The Securities and Exchange Commission order requiring the sale of our properties in this area was issued, our customers, the city officials and employees were assured by the Company that the sale would only be made to a purchaser who would be able to maintain the highest standards of service and who would have the best interest of the entire area at heart, and that his Company has been working hard to carry out this promise.

Charlie Coombes further commented that his company would stand by the communities it serves and give them and its employees the first release of information whenever it had completed present prospective sale or any other sale of property subject to approval of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Hail Damaged

Wheat Fields

Thursday
Hail falling in sheets did slight damage to shrubbery and roofs in Stratford Thursday evening, and damaged wheat in fields southwest and east of here, according to reports.

Some damage was reported southwest in fields farmed by J. G. Cummings, Arthur and F. B. Mullins, and east in fields of L. B. Halle, Arline and Lorel Halle, B. B. Carter, and L. M. Price.

Moisture falling with the hail except for a few spotted areas was negligible.

Unconfirmed reports indicate the worst of the hail storm centered in areas near the Hansford County line.

Assembly of God Church

Welcome to Assembly of God Church, across street from Court-house.

Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Evangelistic service Sunday evening 8:00 P. M.
Bible study and Prayer Meeting Thursday 8:00 P. M.

Joe And Mary

Crabtree Honored

For 4-H Club Work

Joe and Mary Crabtree, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Newton Crabtree of Kerrick, have won outstanding honors in Dallam County 4-H club work.

Joe, 14, is the winner of the Talent Club award for '45, and this year invested his \$25 prize, and has submitted his essay in hopes of winning the \$50 regional prize for making the best investments. He was voted the state gold medal winner for being the most outstanding 4-H club boy in Dallam county.

Miss Mary Crabtree, 12, a 4-H girl for 4 years, has been honored by being selected as the most outstanding 4-H club girl in Dallam County, for which she was awarded the state gold medal. Her feature work was in presenting the best sewing exhibit for the achievement day award.

Funeral Services

Friday For

Leonidas Fansher

Funeral services for Leonidas Fansher, Boise City, who passed away Monday morning at a Liberal, Kansas hospital will be conducted at the Marillo Methodist Church Friday afternoon at 2:30.

Mr. Fansher was the step-father of Roy Combs of Stratford.

Two Naval

Discharges Filed

With Clerk

Two members of the U. S. Naval Reserve filing their honorable discharges with the County clerk this week were: Carroll Van Wisdom, Jr., Yeoman first class, discharged April 12 at Shoemaker, California; and Harold Benjamin Turner, Electricians Mate second class, discharged May 2 at San Pedro, California.

Fellowship Dinner

Friday Evening

At Methodist Church

Friday evening at 7:30 there will be a fellowship dinner in the newly constructed fellowship hall at the Methodist Church. The dinner is being given in honor of the new members of the Methodist Church. All members of the Church and friends are cordially invited. The occasion will mark the formal opening of the Fellowship Hall.

Mrs. C. D. Plunk

Taken To Amarillo

Hospital Wednesday

Mrs. C. D. Plunk was taken to an Amarillo hospital in the Wilson ambulance Wednesday evening. She was taken suddenly ill Saturday morning and her children were called to her bedside Sunday when her condition was considered serious. Monday and Tuesday her condition improved. Wednesday about noon she started suffering from painful headaches.

R. I. Line To

Stevens Blocked

Thursday Evening

Service on the Rock Island line from Stratford to Stevens was temporarily stalled Thursday evening when a flat car was derailed near Stevens. Trucks gave away allowing wheels of the car to jump the rails.

Wreckers cleared the tracks by midnight.

Mrs. Antone Zimmer

Seriously Ill

In Amarillo

Mrs. Antone Zimmer a former Sherman County resident, is reported to be seriously ill in St. Anthony's hospital in Amarillo. Albert Zimmer was called to his mother's bedside Tuesday night.

Church Of Christ

Every first day of the week.
Bible Study 10:00 A. M.
Worship service 11:00 A. M.
Evening services 7:30 P. M.
Everyone is invited to all services.

Softball Club Wins First Game Of Season

Last Rites This

Afternoon For

W. L. Hubbard

Rev. G. M. Eastman will conduct funeral services at the Christian Church this afternoon at 4:00 o'clock for W. L. Hubbard who passed away at 9:30 A. M. Wednesday in Northwest Texas hospital at Amarillo following an illness of about two weeks.

Mr. Hubbard, 63 years old, was a brother of Mrs. W. F. Wiginton, Mrs. Frank Judd, and Mrs. Fred Poole. He moved to Stratford about two years ago.

His death resulted from complications which set in following an injury sustained when he fell while working at his home in Stratford.

Mrs. Joe Gibbins

Honored With Dinner

A Mother's day dinner was given Sunday evening in honor of Mrs. Joe Gibbins at the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gibbins in Dumas. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gibbins, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Fisk, and the host and hostess and daughter, Sharon Kay.

98 Pipe Line

Options Filed

By Phillips

Ninety-eight options of right-of-way for the construction of pipelines were filed by the Phillips Petroleum Company this week on Sherman County land.

The current rate paid is \$5.00 for an option, and payment of 50 cents a rod at the time the lines are laid.

British Bride Of

Sunray Soldier

Arrives In U. S.

The British bride of a Sunray ex-serviceman was one of the 1-300 wives and children aboard the the Queen Mary when it docked in New York harbor Friday. She is Daphne A. Freeman, 18, of Luton, Bedfordshire, wife of K. M. Freeman, Sunray.

Mildred Crabtree

Visits Parents

Miss Mildred Crabtree is a guest in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Crabtree of Kerrick. She has completed her work at the Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, and will go to Port Arthur, Florida where she will be engaged in religious educational work.

Harold Turner

Discharged

From Navy

Harold Turner, Electricians Mate second class, returned home Thursday of last week after receiving his honorable discharge from naval service at the separation center in San Pedro, California.

W. F. Wiginton

Breaks Ribs In

Fall At Home

W. F. Wiginton fractured three ribs on his right side Saturday evening when he slipped and fell on the edge of the bath tub at their home in Stratford. Mrs. Wiginton took him to Dalhart for x-ray examination Sunday. He is getting along nicely.

New Display

Shelves Built

At Cowdrey's

New display shelves and display windows are being built in the Cowdrey Hardware and Implement building show room this week.

First Christian Church

Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Christian Endeavor 6:30 P. M.
Evening Services 7:30 P. M.
Choir practice 8:00 P. M. Wednesday.
You are always welcome at any and all these services.
G. M. Eastman, Pastor.

Stratford's softball club won its opening game with Dalhart Wednesday night of last week. M. E. Cleavinger, Jr., pitcher, and Ross Wells, catcher, with the cooperation of team mates held the Dalhart team to an 11 to 8 score to win the first game of the season.

Diamond Repaired

Flood lights were relocated and the diamond leveled Tuesday by the City. New bases will be placed for the games.

The local team proudly boasts that with its present record of a 1,000 per cent winning average it ranks fourth in the state.

CEMETERY

GROUNDS

CLEANED

Grounds of the Stratford cemetery were cleaned Monday and work continued Tuesday as fences were built to take in lots recently purchased by the cemetery association.

A beautification program will gradually be put in effect as rapidly as materials become available.

Air-Port Boosters

To Work Friday

Afternoon

Air-Port boosters will meet at the Bennett Implement Co., building Friday afternoon at 1:30 P. M. to finish their work leveling hummocks and removing cactus from the land.

Filling of badger holes and cutting of the cactus was set for Friday of last week, but cold weather following the rain and hail storm prevented the work from being carried out.

Stanley Ullom

Offered Membership

In Premedical Society

Stanley Ullom, son of Mrs. I. D. Divine, Texhoma, has been presented an invitation to become a member of the Texas Beta Chapter of Alpha Epsilon Delta, an honorary pre-medical fraternity of Baylor University.

The invitation states, "Our records show that you have completed at least a year's work with an average of "B" or better in all courses, thereby qualifying you for membership."

"The object of the AED is to encourage excellence in pre-medical scholarship, and to develop leadership and initiative. Because of your superior scholastic standing, character, and the interest you have shown in your work, the Texas Beta Chapter feels that it will be benefited by your participation."

Last Rites Wednesday

For John Renner

Funeral services for John Renner, 73, were conducted in the Community church in Gruver at 3:00 P. M. Wednesday. Rev. Curtis Camp, pastor, conducted the services assisted by Rev. Dale Pearson of Spearman.

Mr. Renner died Sunday afternoon in Amarillo. He had operated a wheat and stock farm near Gruver for 24 years moving to Amarillo about two years ago.

Survivors are his wife, three sons, and one daughter.

Mrs. Cleavinger

Resigns From

AAA Office

Mrs. M. E. Cleavinger, who has been employed with the County AAA office for several years, and recently held the office of administrative officer, has resigned. Mrs. Emma Lou Williams, who has been with the AAA office for some time has accepted the office vacated by Mrs. Cleavinger.

Baptist Church

Sunday
Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Sermon subject, "Americanism."
Training Union 7:00 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.
Sermon subject, "Why Do You Live?"

Wednesday

W. M. U. will meet at the church at 3:00 P. M.

Adopt New Practice For Saving Wheat

"The world faces a food crisis far worse than anything experienced during the war, and it is important that farmers not only plant every acre possible but also that they prevent waste and harvest every bushel," Van B. Boston, the Massey-Harris dealer stated today at the launching of the "Famine Fighting" program.

"One of the greatest sources of waste is the tramping down of

grain in the opening of fields," Mr. Boston says. The loss to the nation's food supply from this single practice alone averages 20 bushels of wheat for every 40-acre field. In the aggregate this is enough to feed 42,000,000 for 100 days. That grain can be saved.

Because the self-propelled combine prevents this waste, Boston is pledging the operations of self-propelled combines in this vicinity to give extra attention to the opening up of fields. He states that if the 8,000 self-propelled combines of all makes in the United States were to go into the 1946 harvest

specializing in opening up fields and letting the conventional combines cut out the centers, a very large contribution of grain can be made to the stricken world. On the basis of just 50 extra hours of work, or five days during the entire harvest season, this plan would yield 28,000,000 bushels of grain worth \$30,000,000.

a plowed field. Sheltering the world from ugliness and the soil from abuse, the trees whisper to the heavens. They are the living dream of a man whose love for mankind remained after he is gone to conceive more sublime dreams in Valhalla. His monument is more enduring than cold stone; it is a part of men's hearts.

TRAIL DUST

By DOUGLAS MEADOR



Slave of many obsessions, my spirit rattles its chains from the lashing thought that the larger the home, the more time is spent away from it.

Tradition perishes in fires of its own kindling. A saddle-maker has now abused the trust of his craft by producing a saddle of plastic, which he probably truthfully claims to be superior to leather. He will, of course, think of making chaps of the new material to match his boots and spurs. A more durable, and perhaps beautiful, flower can be made of paper; man can be and still deny his soul. Thus another ember becomes ash in the fading fire of a nation's most colorful era. It is better that the wild, free spirits of old cowboys are spared the pain. The music of creaking saddle leather and the smell of salty leather in the sweet-bands of their hats will seek no substitutes in paradise. Any rider knows that his horse is under his saddle without looking through transparent plastic.

Broom of light sweeping the lonely plains, the airplane beacon pulled night's black sheets from distance with a circling, unrelenting hand. A remote windmill was like a timid lady seeking her gown, then quickly hidden again in the darkness. Grazing cattle continued with their heads buried in the pursuit of tender grass, as the tongue of light licked their hides. The revolving blaze reflected on the little windows of an unpainted house, and for an instant they were massive diamonds left on the bureau of a careless king. Somewhere beyond the border of vision it is probable the jeweled eyes of coyotes watched the twirling lantern with the uncertainty of a soul advancing step at a time into eternity.

Unseen strength of the wind was pushing the speeding passenger train in its wake. Smoke from the engine hid half of it from view, like a dark woman with her hair blown over her face.

The man who knows where he is going is half way to his destination.

Darting out from the shore of darkness into the yellow river of light, a confused jack rabbit set four paws flat and skidded on the gravel to a few inches of the wheel's path. Frozen with fear, the animal was motionless for an instant as if debating the advantages of life and eternity while standing in one and looking at the other.

Fragrance of laughing leaves, like children freshly-washed and smelling of soap, rises from the narrow forest. Once barren, the landscape bears a dreamy enchantment since the trees reared their slender fingers skyward. Birds are singing in the swaying branches that filter sunlight across

Blood runs from the fresh brand on the young calf's flank and there is a crimson stain across the snow-white face from the wound left by an iron spoon that gouged out the small horns. Two wide and innocent eyes stare at swinging sagebrush, teased by the wind. The huddled form shakes with pain; two deltas of dust caked tears have dried in their course. The smoke of a branding fire has vanished and the irons are cold.

There are no doors to yesterday; the river does not flow back to its source.

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There is a sermon in the church bell's ringing on a tranquil Sabbath morning.

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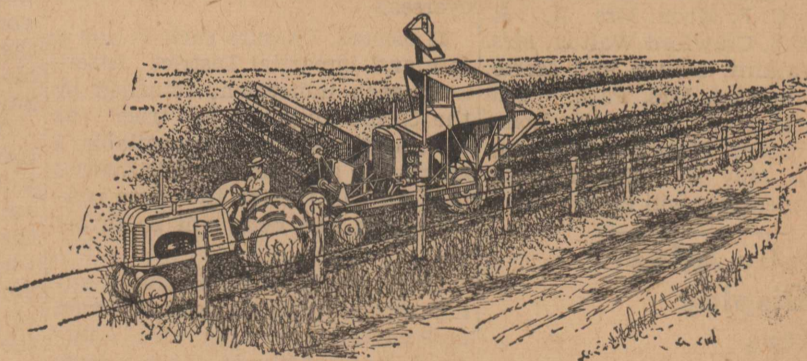
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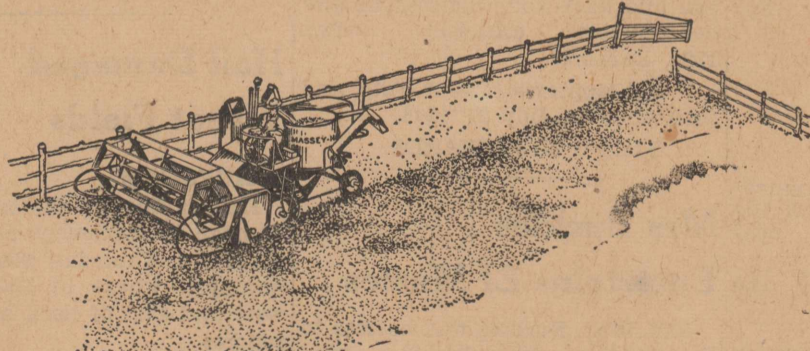
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Van B. Boston

Contestants Give Cross-Section Of Girls' 4-H Work

Nine district contestants for the Maggie W. Barry Scholarship represent the cream of the crop among Texas older 4-H club girls, a

judging committee from the A. and M. College Extension Service said this week after visiting the aspirants. Winner will be announced in the near future. The scholarship, which is considered the highest honor available to a 4-H club girl, is awarded annually by the Texas Home Demonstration Asso-

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ciation.
District winners eligible to compete for the top honor include: Joy Williams, Shamrock; Norma Jean Schuler, Lorenzo; Fay Ryder, Gilliland; Marie Smith, Crandall; Eddie Virginia King, Howland; Wanda L. Weems, Rotan; Lanelle Ridele, Buda; Georgene Laverne Mengers, Skidmore; and Dorothy Requardt, Conroe.

Members of the committee of judges representing the Extension home demonstration staff were Miss Lorene Stevens, 4-H Club specialist; Miss Alice A. Wheatley, assistant 4-H Club specialist; and Mrs. Eloise T. Johnson, specialist in family life education.

Every girl the committee saw excels in one or more demonstrations, food production, home improvement, clothing, or landscaping. Every girl is versatile and useful in the home, and all are prominent in their 4-H club, school and church activities. The judges place considerable emphasis on these leadership indications. Practically every girl has given a demonstration to adults in a home demonstration club, they found. On the days of the committee's visits the girls wore dresses they had made themselves.

Several have done sewing for their families. One exhibited social interest in preparing tractors and farm machinery, while another had shingled and papered her home. Miss Stevens says the girls were modest, but self-assured and gave evidence of good health and nutrition.

Government Ready To Accept Wheat Donations

Donations of wheat now will be accepted by the USDA for transfer to UNRRA to use in relief feeding abroad, according to an announcement from Director Ide P. Trotter of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service. The only condition set up is that donations must be in not less than carload lots. The range is from 1,350 bushels to about 2,000 bushels to the carload.

The Government does not intend to take title to such donated relief wheat and it will receive it either on the basis of freight collect or prepaid. In cases where the freight is not advanced by the donors, arrangements will be made for such expense to be met out of UNRRA funds.

Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson has wired explanations of the wheat donations program to a number of leading farm organization and farmer's marketing association heads. Churches and organizations as well as individuals, may arrange to donate wheat in carloads by making direct contact with their area director of the Grain Branch of PMA. Texas donors may contact their area director at Dwight Building, 1004 Baltimore Avenue, Kansas City 13, Missouri.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Trustees of The Lone Star Consolidated School District No. 1 will receive competitive bids up to ten o'clock A. M. on the 10th day of June 1946, to be submitted to J. R. Morris, Gruver, Texas, on the following described school equipment:

One Piano.
The School Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
C. F. KAUFFMAN, President.
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Baccalaureate Services Sunday

Baccalaureate services were conducted in the school auditorium Sunday evening for the senior class of the Stratford High School. Mrs. Martha Harrison played the professional for the entry of the seven seniors, Miss Catherine Hester, Miss Joy Hudson, Miss Florene Heiskell, Dwayne Carter, Roy Lee Malone, and Jerry Frizzell, the smallest senior class to graduate from the local high school for several years.

Rev. G. M. Eastman gave the invocation.

A quartet composed of M. E. Cleavinger, Jr., Earl Bond, Rev. J. W. Rosenberg and C. F. Moon, sang, "Sail On."

Rev. J. W. Rosenberg preached the baccalaureate sermon, using the subject, "When Tomorrow Comes."

Rev. Howard Whatley pronounced the benediction.

The recessional, "Forsythia," was played by Mrs. Martha Harrison.

Miss Dorothy Diven And C. P. Wilson Married Tuesday

Miss Dorothy Diven and Clair P. Wilson of Sublett, Kansas were married at the Baptist parsonage in Stratford by Rev. H. H. Whatley Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Wilson is employed with the Pure Oil Company, now drilling in Cimarron County, Oklahoma.

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Miss Nadine Proctor And Wm. Moore Married May 6

Miss Beulah Nadine Proctor and William Grace Moore of Kansas City, Missouri, who secured their marriage license here May 6, were married in Dalhart the same day by Rev. Charles R. Gates, pastor of the Pine Street Methodist Church, it was learned here this week.

FIREMEN TRAINING CLASSES AT IOWA PARK

A schedule of firemen training classes at Quannah, Crowell, Munday and Iowa Park was released by Texas A. and M. College Industrial Extension Service. A two-week course, led by Itinerant Instructor Paul R. Williams, now is in progress at Quannah and Crowell, on alternate nights.

Munday will have meetings May 20-31 and Iowa Park June 17 to July 12.

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Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Harding and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Biddy had as house guests over the week end their mother, Mrs. Jim Bybee, a sister, Mrs. Esta M. Campbell and Leslie Caldwell of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Another sister, Mrs. Vergil Hawkins and Mr. Hawkins of Melrose, New Mexico. This is all of the immediate family of Mrs. Biddy and Mrs. Harding and the reunion was enjoyed very

much.
H. E. Love, Hereford, was a business visitor here Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal Pendleton attended the Panhandle Historical Society banquet in Canyon Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Price and Mrs. H. B. McKnight were visitors in Amarillo Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kelley visited relatives in Amarillo over the week end.

Rev. Lynn Richardson, former pastor of the First Baptist Church in Stratford, received his discharge from the army where he served as a chaplain and has accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Church at Slater, Missouri.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Pendleton left Wednesday to visit his sister Mrs. L. H. Wilson and Mr. Wilson, in Beeville, Texas.

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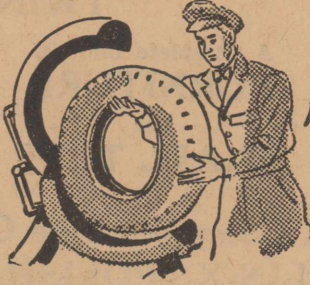
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Mrs. Myrtle Arrowsmith returned last week from California where she has spent ten weeks in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lester Massengale and family, in Richmond, and in Fresno with her son Dorsey Williams, who recently came back from Japan.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parker, Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Blake, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Chisum and Virgil Chisum spent last week end visiting relatives in San Jon, New Mexico.

Mrs. Tom Pugh and daughter, Texhoma, were here Tuesday.

Dick Diehl and Walter Lee returned from El Paso and Old Mexico Thursday of last week.

Week end guests of Mrs. Cora Coffman were her daughter, Mrs. Nannie Moore, and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Roberts of Wayside.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Wakefield entertained a group of their friends Monday night with a Scotch supper. Those invited were Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Dyess, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Biddy, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bond and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Harding. A series of these suppers have been planned by members of the Sherman County Home Demonstration Council to help finance their work for the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harding were Amarillo visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oris K. Gamble, Clayton, New Mexico, spent Mother's day with his mother, Mrs. Osa Gamble.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kelp and Mrs. J. T. Gibbons were in Boise City Sunday.

Neal Jackson Canyon, spent Mother's day at home with his parents. He brought with him as a guest, Robert Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Keener are the proud parents of a baby girl, born May 14, at Northwest Texas hospital in Amarillo. She has been named Granta Ralphene.

Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Divine, Texhoma, visited friends in Stratford Sunday.

B. A. Donelson, Shuler Donelson, and Cone Donelson left Tuesday on a business trip to Colorado.

Visitors this week in the home of Mrs. Cora Coffman are her daughter, Mrs. Lottie Trainham, and her granddaughter, Billie Frank Trent, Maxwell, New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harding and Delbert Cummings were business visitors in Dalhart Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kendricks and children, Phillips, visited Mrs. W. R. Gamble Friday and Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Rosenburg, Ruby Dell Harding, Florine Burgess and Katherine Walden attended a sub-district meeting of MYF in Stinnett, Monday night.

Dick Diehl was a Dalhart visitor Tuesday.

Royal Pendleton was a business visitor in Spearman Monday.

W. E. Blackburn, deputy internal revenue collector, Amarillo, was a business visitor here Tuesday.

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deep appreciation for every act of kindness and expression of sympathy extended to us in our time of sorrow. Several floral offerings were without names and could not be answered personally. May God's richest blessings be on all our friends.

Mrs. J. W. Norvell,
Mrs. Raleigh Blackwell,
Dr. Leta Boswell.

Kersey, Amarillo, transacted business here Tuesday.

W. E. Harp, Abernathy, Texas, was a visitor in Stratford Tuesday.

Miss Jo Wayne Harding left for Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Sunday afternoon to spend most of the summer visiting her grandmother Mrs. Jim Bybee and Mr. Bybee, and an aunt, Mrs. Esta Campbell.

Mrs. Virgie Green is in Amarillo with her sister, Mrs. Ralph Keener, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Garrison spent Mother's Day in Dalhart with their daughter, Mrs. Bobby Gillis and Mr. Gillis.

Mrs. H. B. McKnight and Mrs. Cassie P. Shoun, Oklahoma City, are visiting in the home of their brother, L. M. Price, and Mrs. Price. Mrs. McKnight's son, H. McKnight, wife an daughter, were also visitors in the L. M. Price home last week, having returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Arthur Ross and Mrs. Frank Mehner attended a tea in Dalhart given by Mrs. Vester McCrory Wednesday afternoon, honoring her daughter who is to be married soon.

Dick Diehl and Howard Gibbons were in Sudan, New Mexico Saturday.

Ben Ray Biddy went to Melrose, New Mexico to spend an indefinite time with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Vergil Hawkins. Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins live on a ranch north of Melrose and at the present time are building a new eight room home. They have many friends here in Stratford. Among them are Floyd Wington and the O. L. McMinn's. Mr. Hawkins' father and Mr. Wington were neighbors in Oklahoma years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Lasley are proud parents of a baby daughter, born in St. Anthony's hospital in Amarillo May 11. The baby weighed 8 pounds and ten ounces, and has been named Imma Jeanne. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Alexander, Gruver, visited the W. G. O'Brien Friday night enroute to Canon City, Colorado to visit their boy who is in school there.

Arthur Lee Ross and Russell Boney were in Lubbock this week making plans to attend school there next fall.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Watson and Charlotte were Dalhart visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fate Morris and Mr. and Mrs. Luther Arnold spent Sunday on a fishing trip to Buffalo lake.

To: MR. FORD:
I am coming to get you.
FRANK JAMES.

Robert Steel, stationed with the army at Camp Polk, Louisiana, is here on a furlough for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Steel, and other relatives.

A. H. Ellison, Max Ellison, and Homer Lithenthaler have returned from a successful fishing trip in Kansas.

Mrs. Lester Plunk returned home Friday after a visit with her par-

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LOCAL NEWS

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J. W. Scott, Kiowa, Kansas, was here this week looking after real estate interests.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Thompson,

San Diego, California, and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Thompson, spent the week end visiting relatives in Ordway, Colorado.

Mrs. Lelah Boney, Russell Boney, and E. Hill were visitors in Amarillo Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Dovel and family, Amarillo, visited relatives

here Sunday.

Walton Wilson, Boise City, attended the state embalmers convention in Galveston Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Slay returned Saturday from a vacation spent at Hot Springs, New Mexico.

Mrs. Vera Toomey, Wade Turner, Sunray; Mrs. Dick Boothby, Texhoma; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Keener and children and Mrs. Virginia Green and son spent Mother's day with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Turner.

C. W. Cowdrey and Archie Arnold left Wednesday on a fishing trip to Eagle Nest Lake, New Mexico.

Clifford Garoutte, S2c, U. S. Navy, will return to Vallejo, California this week after a 21-day leave spent visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Garoutte.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Brannan, Amarillo, were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louie Brannan Sunday.

Aubrey Jones and Bob Walters spent the week end with relatives and friends at Brownfield, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Yates were visitors in Texhoma Friday night.

Miss June McDaniel, Texas Tech student at Lubbock, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McDaniel.

Van B. Boston, O. H. Ingham and F. L. Yates will receive initiation as Shriner's at the meeting of the Masons in Amarillo Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Coulter and daughter, Los Angeles, California, are here for a visit with her mother, Mrs. C. A. Wilson.

Miss Patricia Grimes, who has been ill for several weeks, was able to be out riding Monday afternoon.

Otis J. Milam has returned to Stratford. Otis recently received his discharge from the army. He was last stationed on Luzon.

Mrs. Oswald Stevens and daughter, Karen, Amarillo, were here Sunday for a short visit with her uncle, F. L. Yates, and Mrs. Yates.

Mrs. J. B. McWilliams was a visitor in Amarillo Friday. She was

accompanied home by Miss Marcille McWilliams, Mrs. Eunice Buster and Lester Winningham, who spent the week end in Stratford.

Arthur Folsom, Jr., of the U. S. Navy, is here for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Folsom.

Tommy Walker, a student at the University at Albuquerque, New Mexico, spent the week end here visiting his mother, Mrs. G. Bardwell.

Eual Allen, Amarillo, spent the week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Allen, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Borth of Farley, New Mexico, visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Borth, from Wednesday until Friday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lowe are the parents of a 5 pound 14 and 3-4 ounce son, Frank Russell, born Friday morning at Loretto hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Joda Etheridge and daughter, Micky Jo, Amarillo, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Etheridge, and other relatives in Stratford.

Spurlock News

There were 28 at Sunday School Sunday. Next Sunday is regular preaching Sunday. Everyone is urged to attend services that day.

Mr. and Mrs. Meritt Sweny, Ina Faye and Dean were Amarillo visitors Saturday. Dean attended the premiere of "Boys Ranch."

Arthur Folsom, Jr., home on leave from the Navy, will spend several days this week visiting his sisters, Mrs. Harvey Spurlock and Mrs. Travis Spurlock and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Fedric and children leave Thursday morning for a ten day visit with Mrs. Fedric's mother at Bogata, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Sweny, Carol and Bob attended a Mother's Day program presented by the College Assembly at Canyon, Saturday. After the program Mrs. Sweny and Carol had dinner with Ruby Lea at the dormitory.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Hudson and Sue had as their Sunday guests: Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hudson and Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Foreman and Nell of Stratford, Pvt. Archie Foreman, San Diego, Milton Dovel, Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Hudson and Gary, Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Foreman and Janet.

Mr. and Mrs. Oma Ellison and children left Wednesday for Peoria, Illinois, to visit Mrs. Ellison's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Riggenbach. They will also visit her brother, Raymond Riggenbach in Kansas City.

Portraits

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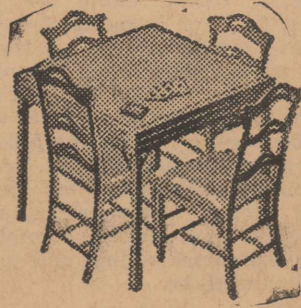
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FOR SALE: 1940 Cabover GMC truck; 1940 Ford Pickup; 1937 GMC Pickup; Electric Thor Washer.— Slay Motor Co. 28tfc

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TURNING POINT

By Mary Imlay Taylor

W. N. U. RELEASE



THE STORY THUS FAR: Jane returned from the cabin, and Jim told her he had phoned the sheriff to come and get Sherwin. Jane turned white. She mounted again and rode off, Jim after her. Soon they could see Stenhart and the sheriff racing ahead. Jim finally stopped Jane's horse. Sherwin was standing on a cliff, Stenhart crawling along a ledge. Sherwin waited, suddenly he confronted his cousin. Then Stenhart crumpled, reeled backward and fell over the ledge. He was caught by a dwarfed tree, limp but not dead. Sherwin looked down and in that moment came the turning point. He uncoiled a rope, tied it, and began to descend the cliff.

CHAPTER X

He found a foothold, a crevice, and found one where the tree had rooted, a wide fissure in the wall of rock. He swung toward it, got his foot into it, and, holding thus to the rope and the cliff, reached down and laid his hand on Stenhart's body. He thought he was still conscious, for his heavy eyelids quivered, but he lay there, a dead weight. Swiftly, cautiously, Sherwin wound the rope around his body and made it secure under the armpits, balancing himself on a foothold so narrow that a touch might hurl him down. Then, grasping the slack of the rope, he began to climb. The ledge seemed a thousand feet above him, but, at last, he lay on its brink, gasping.

He heard sounds now other than the cataract, the crashing of boughs, voices! He took no heed of them, for, as he rose to his feet, he saw the tree that supported Stenhart go down and the motionless body swing out on the end of the rope. Sherwin braced himself and began to haul him up by main strength. Slowly, surely, he drew his enemy out of the abyss, steadied him at the edge of the rock, brought him safe over and laid him down. His own muscles ached and his head swam, but Stenhart still breathed. He opened his eyes and looked up in Sherwin's face. Sheer terror leaped into his eyes, but he was spent, helpless; his white lips moved, but only one word came in a whisper.

"Water!"

A mountain spring was trickling close at hand, and Sherwin cupped the water in his hands and wet his face and lips, and again Stenhart tried to speak; but, as his rescuer bent to listen, heavy hands fell upon him and there was a shout of triumph.

"Get him, Sheriff!"

Sherwin, on his knees beside the injured man, looked up to find the posse closing in. He shook off the man who had grasped him and rose to his feet just as Jim Keller panted up the trail.

"Hold on, Cutler!" Jim cried, "that man saved Stenhart—I saw him—at the risk of his own life!"

"Ain't taking no chances, Mr. Keller. Here you, Adams, you handcuff him; he's the man we're after!"

Sherwin offered no resistance; he submitted with an iron composure. He had thrown away his dear-bought liberty to save Stenhart.

"I reckon he can walk, after all," said the sheriff. "How you feeling now, Mr. Stenhart?"

Stenhart tried to stand upright, but his eyes had met Sherwin's and his mouth went dry. He wet his lips, shaking all over.

"We'd better carry him," said Jim. "Cheer up, old chap, you're sound, no bones broken!"

"I can walk," said Stenhart thickly, leaning heavily on Jim.

"The ledge is mighty narrow; can you manage without help, Mr. Keller?" The sheriff was solicitous for the man who had helped him make his capture.

"Oh, we'll do!" Jim threw a supporting arm around Stenhart. It was on the tip of his tongue to tell the men to go ahead with the prisoner and bring help from the ranch and car for the injured man, but he remembered Jane; he must go first himself. The thought impelled Jim to look back at Sherwin, and something in his white face made him recoil at the sight of his bound hands. He beckoned Cutler to him.

"Is it necessary—I mean, those handcuffs? By Jove, I saw what he did; he's a brave man!"

The sheriff nodded grimly. "Can't take chances, Mr. Keller, he's a jail-breaker; swore he was going to kill Stenhart. I ain't so all-fired clear in my mind what he meant to do with him anyways—he had him all trussed up with that rope!"

They began the descent slowly. Jim, supporting Stenhart, went ahead; behind came the sheriff, then the men bringing Sherwin. A heavy cloud had risen in the west; its purple edges were sweeping upward. The sunlight went out and, as they entered the steep trail, thunder rolled deeply across the hills. The way, narrow and difficult, grew dim with the darkness of the approaching storm. Stenhart, weak and stunned from his fall, stumbled and set the stones rolling and tumbling ahead of them.

"Steady, old chap," said Jim, and his supporting arm tightened. It seemed to him that Stenhart suffered with some trouble of the mind as deep as the stiffness of his body; not once had he lifted his dark eyes to look ahead of him, and he was ghastrly pale. Jim, glancing back at the steep path, saw the feet of the men following them before he saw

their bodies. The sheriff came next; Sherwin, he knew, was last—with his guards. Overhead the trees locked their branches now, and a dense thicket surrounded them. They could hear the cataract less distinctly, but the rush of wind in the tree-tops made a tumult. Jim, steadying Stenhart, spoke slowly in his ear.

"I saw you—you and Sherwin," he said quietly. "I was out in the road; there's an opening in the trees—one glimpse the ravine. How did you come to fall in that way, Max?"

Stenhart roused himself; he lifted his head and tried to meet Jim's questioning eyes, but he wavered and gasped.

"I—he was going to kill me!" he said weakly; "that was it. I remember now, Sherwin was going to kill me."

Stenhart passed his hand over his eyes with a groping gesture.

"I can't understand it," he muttered; "he was going to kill me—he hates me!"

"Then, by heaven, he did a great thing—he risked his life for his worst

enemy! Are you sure, old chap, quite sure—that he was guilty?"

Stenhart's face took on an ashy whiteness, his lips shook. "I tell you he did it!" he cried wildly. "I—oh, my God, what lightning!"

The heavens had been torn by a jagged flash, the dark woods were, for an instant, ablaze with it; then the roar of thunder rolled crashing around them, echoed from height to height.

Jim, trying to steady him, was suddenly swung aside by the other man's blind agony of terror; the fall had broken his nerve—he was almost hysterical. The rain began to fall in a torrent and Jim, trying to catch up with him again, came abreast of a windswept thicket. He heard the men behind scrambling and shouting and thought of Jane. He had made her stay behind; was she out there still, holding the horses? He grasped Stenhart again and they came to the last lap of the descent. It was dusk in the trail and the rain blinded, but suddenly there was a tongue of flame from the thicket, a sharp report, and Stenhart crumpled up and sagged into Jim's arms. At first he did not sense what had happened; it seemed a part of the tempest, of Stenhart's utter collapse, and then he felt something warm and wet on his hands and knew it was blood.

"Good God, he's shot!" Jim gasped. Then he shouted, but his voice was cut off by a volley of shots. The men behind had been quicker than he; they were crashing into the thicket.

Stenhart, meanwhile, hung heavily against him. "He's got me this time," he murmured. "I'm shot, Jim!" He thought it was Sherwin.

But the sheriff came up, panting. "Hit you, did he? Here, Adams, you hold up Mr. Stenhart. I want you—" he hurried Jim;—"we killed th' fellow who did it, caught him running—"

They pushed into the thicket, rain dripping from their hats and soaking their clothes. Two of the posse were bending down over a prostrate figure. The dead man had fallen face downward, but they rolled him over and Jim saw his distorted face.

"It's Jordan," he said soberly. "He meant to get me—I'm afraid poor Max is done for!"

"By George, then we've killed two birds with one stone—we've got the outlaw and the escaped convict in one bag! Sorry about Mr. Stenhart—maybe the men had better make a stretcher for him, eh?"

"Some one's got to go to the ranch and get a car—I—" Jim stopped short; he saw Jane coming.

She ran to him and clung about his neck, forgetful of the quarrel.

"Oh, Jim, I thought you were hurt

or—" her voice trailed; she knew that it was not Sherwin, for she had seen him standing grimly between his guards.

Jim pointed to Jordan. "It's done with, Jane; I'm going to have the poor devil decently buried. Jane, ride back to Las Palomas, get Mac to send the big car and—if she can come through this, send Fanny. I'm afraid poor Max got it bad, he's collapsed—be quick!"

"Jim!" she cinged to him, whispering, "you know what he did—Sherwin, I mean—don't let them take him away! Do something, say something! Oh, Jim, you—you must!"

Jim loosed her arms from his neck. "Look here, girly, I'll promise to do all I can, but, for heaven's sake, get out of this quick—get a car. Stenhart may be dying—it may mean a lot to all of us. Quick!"

"Jim, I must speak to him—" Her brother caught her sternly by the arm and dragged her to the end of the thicket. "Now—go!" he said, "or—I swear I'll have him sent off now!"

Jane caught the look on his face and saw beyond him the death-like face of Stenhart, leaning against two deputies, only partly conscious.

"He's all in!" cried Jim. "Can't you see? Beat it!"

The girl, half crying, ran out into the road. The storm had nearly spent itself and she loosed Tex from the sapling where she had tied him, and springing into the saddle, turned his head homeward.

Her heart reproached her for the relief she felt. When she heard the shots she had thought only of Sherwin and her brother; Jordan had slipped out of her mind. She imagined Sherwin still bent on revenge, though the miracle of that rescue seemed to lift him above such a thought. They were both safe! Poor Max—well, she could pity him, yet, if he knew he had sworn to a lie about his cousin, wasn't it a judgment of God? In a strange tumult of feeling she galloped home, but, all the while, she seemed to vision Sherwin going down into the abyss to save the life of his foe!

"My heart, you are dripping!" Teresa cried, seizing her as she dropped from the saddle; but Jane scarcely heard her.

"Call Mac!" she said sharply, panting, her hands clasped tightly against her breast. "And you, Fanny, you've got to go in the car—Jordan tried to shoot Jim and wounded Stenhart; they're afraid he's dying—"

"Fanny, suddenly white, gasped. "Jim's safe?"

Jane nodded, at last aware of old Teresa. The little brown woman dropped on her knees, crossing herself.

"Sangre de Cristo!" she whispered, awed, "it is a judgment—his dreams, his terrible dreams!"

Jane looked down at her, white-lipped; it was her own thought voiced again. She shivered. Fanny had sped upon her errand, and she was alone with the little old peon woman. The wind swept over them and she looked up; storm-clouds, black and threatening, were rolling around them and the shining peaks were swathed in a mantle of purple. Now and then a red flash tore the black mist asunder, as though some hidden furnace was belching fire in the midst of the canyons. Jane, who knew that Sherwin had given up his hope of freedom to save a life, felt suddenly a thrill of utter pride and thankfulness; nothing mattered so much as that he had cleansed his soul!

They brought Stenhart back to Las Palomas through the driving storm. The wind was snapping branches off the great trees and whipping the rain across the long slope in mighty gusts. The big car came swiftly, followed by the dripping horses and men of the posse. Jane, watching from the veranda, saw Stenhart's white face and closed eyes as they bore him in, but her own gaze was following the drenched figures going down to the men's quarters. She made out Sherwin's tall head, and then the others closed up about him. She drew a quick breath of relief; he was here—Jim had not let them hurry him away. Then she was aware of other things. She, herself, had telephoned for a doctor, but it would be two hours or more before he could reach them; meanwhile Jim and Cutler had carried the wounded man in and laid him on his bed. Fanny, quiet, competent, greatly concerned, was doing all she could; Stenhart had lost consciousness, but now, under her ministrations, he was slowly coming back to himself. Mechanically, Jane obeyed the young nurse's behests, helping as best she could.

Fanny, quietly and deftly at work, suddenly saw the girl's face, and she went over to Jim. He was standing by the door helplessly, staring at Stenhart.

"Take Jane away," Fanny whispered to him, her kind eyes grave and admonishing. "She's borne a good deal today. I can do it all now—until the doctor comes, if he comes in time."

Jim's face fell. "You think—?" She nodded. "He's going to die, Jim, slowly—perhaps it will be bad;—take her away."

(TO BE CONTINUED)



Legs and Inflation

Milady's legs have a bearing on inflation, reconversion, prosperity and economics. Those "gams," it seems, are definitely related to the state of the union.

By being a little skippy on clothes a girl may be helping America over the crest and hastening a more stable economic order. The less she wears the more she may be lessening the burdens of the President, his cabinet, OPA, the Democratic National committee and perhaps the Big Three.

All of which is apparent from the news that the subject of one inch more or less of the female knee has been causing huddles and debates in Washington. Whether or not to lengthen skirts has been agitating the Civilian Price Control administration and its advisory committees no end.

The advisory committee have suggested that Washington permit skirts to be an inch longer, but CPA has been extra cautious. Even a half inch more of leg may mean millions of yards of skirt material. Hence the committee sessions, administration conferences, policy makers' huddles and frantic debates among national leaders, lobbyists, congressmen, etc.

President Truman's "Hold the Line!" ultimatum may be taken as applying to the kneecap of American womanhood. (Harry has not personally made any public announcement of his convictions on knees. But unofficially he is said to believe them a good thing for the nation.—Ed. note.)

But the news that they figure in OPA ceilings, inflation problems, etc., and that OPA and CPA are in fact right in milady's boudoir, and that Chet Bowles thinks the legs of our women are definitely involved in the war to stop runaway inflation comes as news to most people.

The United States Agricultural Department's Division of Marketing and Transportation Research incidentally reports that the length of skirts is a barometer for depressions and prosperity. Possibly along this line:

Full length skirts . . . Hard times.

Two inches above ankles . . . Things picking up.

Four inches above . . . Carloadings improve. Bankruptcies decline.

Six inches . . . Stock market rallies.

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Ten inches . . . Barney Baruch suspends park bench deliberations.

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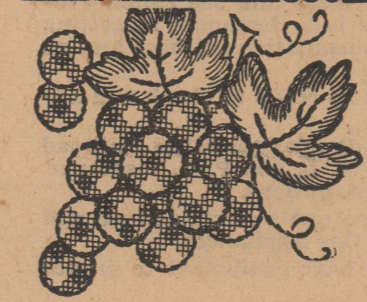
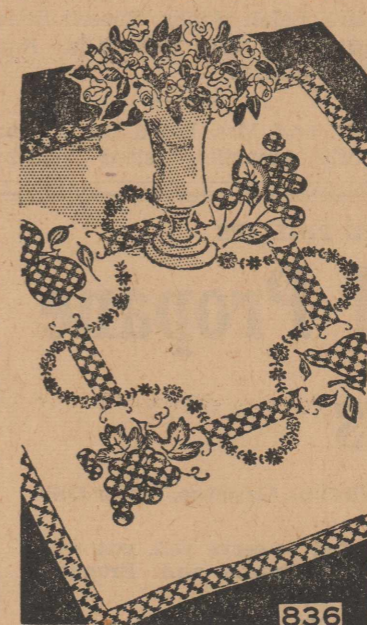
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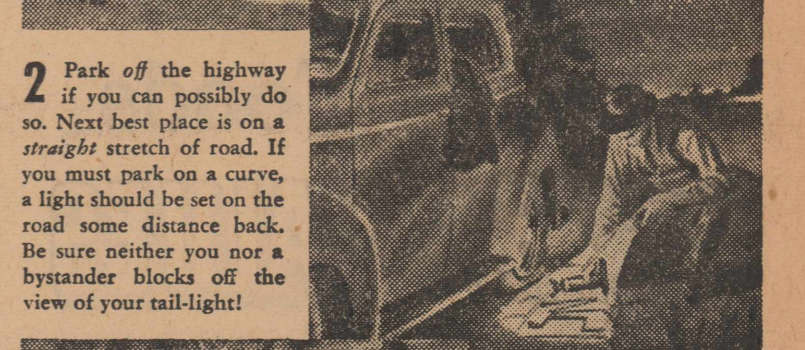
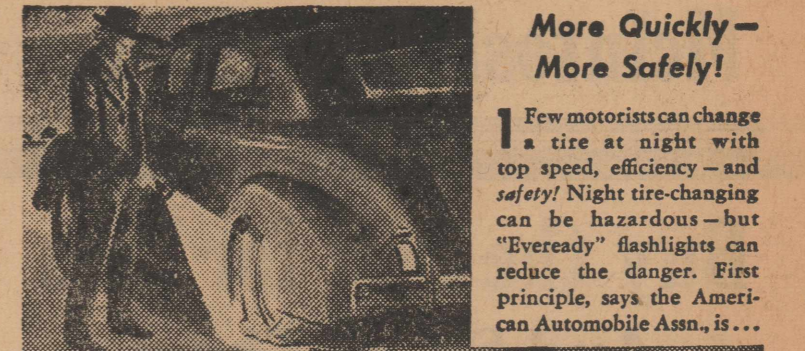
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A FRIEND WHO LEARNED TO BELIEVE

LESSON TEXT—John 11: 7, 8, 16; 24-29.

MEMORY SELECTION — Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.—John 20:29.

Doubt and faith—both seem to come to the hearts and minds of men. Yet they are directly contradictory to one another and cannot exist together. To believe is to drive out doubt, and when doubt comes in, faith loses its grip.

Thomas, and his experience following the resurrection of our Lord presents a lesson on what a man can do to meet honest doubt and how such a man can come out into the sunshine of faith.

We find in Thomas, first, an expression of

I. Fearless Loyalty (John 11:7, 8, 16).

Unafraid of the threats of men, Jesus was about to go once more into Judea. On his last two visits there, the Jews had sought to kill him, namely, at the feast of tabernacles (John 8:59) and at the feast of dedication (John 10:31).

He was not one to draw back for the fear of men when the Father's will led him forward in his service to humanity. Lazarus was dead, and Mary and Martha needed him and he was going to them.

Then came a fine expression of the loyalty of Thomas. If his Lord was going to face death, he was willing to go along and die with him. Let us recognize that here was a man of real courage, willing to show his loyalty even by giving his life.

There is something fine about that attitude, and something which shows us that when this man later expressed doubt, it was not the silly and shallow unbelief of a trifler. This man loved the Lord and served him, and yet he failed him.

When we think we are strong, we had better watch out lest we fail. Let us be clear and triumphant in our declaration of loyalty to Christ, both by word and by life. And then let us set a double guard against the enemy of our souls.

Thomas next appears in

II. Faithless Failure (John 16:24, 25).

He had been willing to die for his Lord, or with him, but now the Lord had been taken by wicked hands and crucified. He and the disciples were alone to face a hostile world; at least so it seemed to them.

The awful day of crucifixion preyed heavily upon the mind of Thomas. That is evident from verse 25. He had been thinking of those awful bleeding wounds, and had forgotten about the promises of resurrection.

Jesus died, and that is a precious truth; but one must not stop there, for a dead Saviour is no Saviour at all. Thomas got sidetracked in his thinking. Let us not make the same mistake.

Another reason for his failure was that he did not go to the meeting of his brethren. Perhaps he did not feel like going, and did not think it was any use to go. Ah, but that's just the time one needs the fellowship of other believers. Go, and you will meet the Lord!

The Lord was there and Thomas missed him. We, too, will miss the Lord and his blessing if we stay away from his house and the meeting of his people.

Having gone thus far in discouraged unbelief, it was easy for Thomas to take the next step and demand physical proof of the resurrection. His despondency had now reached the place of making unreasonable demands and of discrediting the witness of others.

We are glad that we can close our study on the note of renewed faith and of

III. Full Confession (John 16:26-29).

Note that the Lord was ready fully to meet the demands of Thomas, even though they were on the unreasonable side. That was undoubtedly because he knew the essential fineness and truthness of Thomas.

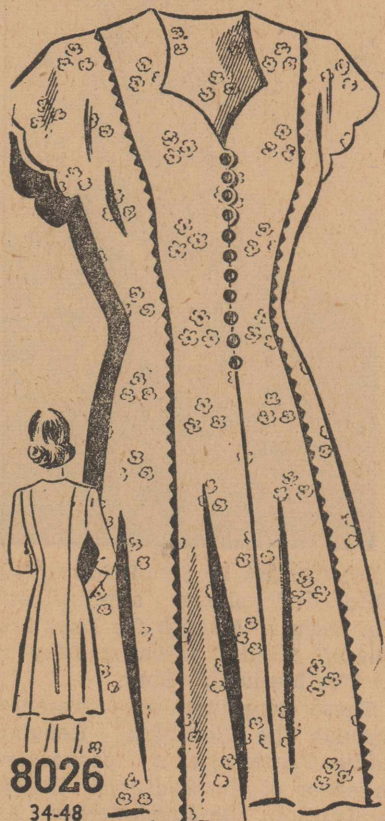
His doubts were unfortunate and entirely unnecessary, but they were genuine. No real doubter will ever remain one long, for if he brings a genuine doubt to the Lord, he will find it fully met. It is the triflers, those who use their doubts to hide their sins, and those who are unwilling to bring their dark thoughts into the light of the presence of Jesus, who go on doubting year after year.

Notice the comment of Jesus following the glad and complete confession of faith by Thomas. It is a good thing to believe because one has seen and been convinced. That is proper and blessed.

But the real fullness of blessing comes to the one who can rise to faith in Christ because of his word, quite apart from the visible or tangible evidence. This is real Christian faith which declares Christ to be our Lord and our God, the one whom having not seen, we love (I Pet. 1:8).

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The club met with Mrs. Raymond Borth. Several members were absent because of the bad cloud, although we escaped the hail that went through that day. The prize was won by Mrs. Dyess at whose home the club will meet

May 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Borth went to Amarillo last week, Mr. Borth getting some new glasses.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed O'Quin received word that their son, Elmer, was to be shipped overseas in about six weeks.

Russell Fallis went to Amarillo last week to have his eyes tested and get some new glasses.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Borth of Farley, New Mexico were here last week visiting friends and relatives.

They report a good rain at Farley.

Robert Bolster and E. F. Buster were visitors in Selling, Oklahoma last week where they attended the dog and horse races.

The "Bunny" Pronger ranch has been greatly improved the last few days with a new coat of paint.

The American Way
Air Power Will Insure Peace
(By George Peck)

In my column release of August 23, 1944 (eight months before the end of the war with Germany and a year before Japan capitulated) I said:

"If and when war comes to America again, it will strike so fast that, unlike in 1917 and 1941, our Allies will not have an opportunity to hold off our enemies until we can get men and equipment into action.

"To guard America against such a catastrophe, the aircraft industry recommends the following procedures: That America maintain a superior air force; provide aviation training for youth; maintain air bases essential to commerce and security; expand domestic and foreign air transport and personal flying; continue a strong aircraft manufacturing industry, with great emphasis on continued American leadership in research

Speaks Sunday



Dr. Charles E. Schofield, author, editor and college administrator will discuss "A Faith for Days Like These," Sunday morning, May 19, on The Methodist Hour.

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and development.

"If these things are carried out, there is a reasonable assurance that the United States will maintain its superiority."

The wars are ended, and the world concedes that air power was the decisive factor in bringing victory to the Allies. Even the leaders of our vanquished enemies have attested to this in battlefield reports. Said Field Marshal Albert Kesselring: "Allied air power is the biggest single reason for Germany's defeat." Japanese military leaders likewise admitted that United States aerial supremacy decided the outcome of the Pacific war.

The United States emerged from the war as the greatest single national air power in history. Our supremacy in aircraft was won in a close race and at high cost because America started with a ten-year handicap in aeronautical research and development. We were, in the space of five years, able to catch up with and pass our enemies, only because our Allies held the enemy at bay in the early stages of the war, while we mobilized our production know-how. The margin of air power was in the production of overwhelming numbers of aircraft which matched the enemy's in most cases, and in many cases proved superior.

But it would seem that we have not as yet learned our lesson. Again we are allowing our air strength to fall to a dangerous level. Today, just one year after Germany gave up, our military aircraft production is less than 2,000 planes annually, and this by the same country that produced 96,000 planes in 1944.

Over a period of a year, a most authoritative study of our military aircraft production requirements has been made by a committee composed of the Assistant Secretaries of War, Navy, State and Commerce Departments. It recommends that the minimum level of military aircraft production should be 3,000 planes annually, and this minimum only if world peace has been reasonably assured.

In its reports this Committee stated: "We are deeply concerned because prospective production over the next 12 months will be appreciably below this level, it is eroding the base for any future expansion to a point from which it will be impossible to achieve the required volume of production."

Senator Hugh B. Mitchell (Dem., Washington) has introduced a bill calling for appointment by the President of a nine-member board of distinguished and able citizens to look into our state of unpreparedness in the air, to make plans

for the future, and to recommend an over-all national air policy.

By the time this appears in print, hearings will have commenced on this Mitchell proposal. Not discounting the possibilities of UN as a force for bringing about and maintaining world peace, nevertheless, it is my sincere conviction that air power is our most effective peace insurance. An air

power study such as proposed by Senator Mitchell deserves the earnest support of every peace-loving American.

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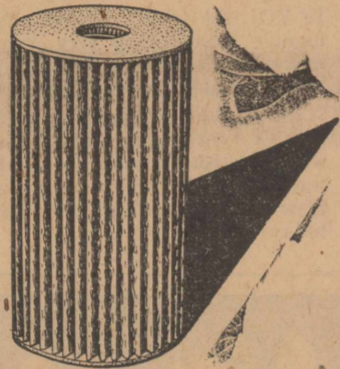
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