

MEDITATIONS

By the Editor

Some six weeks ago this department had the misfortune of starting on a downhill grade toward a hospital confinement which got the better of us, and to the hospital we went, first to San Angelo and later to Galveston.

However, after getting into the island hospital with twelve to twenty-four hours a day to meditate we began pondering if it were truly a misfortune that we had had, for soon after we reached the hospital accompanied by friends, there began arriving a diluge of beautiful flowers, letters, telegrams and cards to show that behind some 500 miles we had left friends whose thoughts, words and deeds followed us there.

Not only did these things cheer us, but in instances cheer was carried to many other patients of the hospital, most particularly to the little girls' section, when a most beautiful array of flowers were delivered to the hospital by a Galveston florist bearing a card with the inscription: "from the Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department." Nurses took an unusual interest in the beauty of the flowers and cared for them ardently, and after they had been enjoyed by us and others in our "ward" several days, a personal worker of the institution requested the privilege of taking the flowering beauty downstairs to a small girls' ward where they "could bring a lot of cheer." We were happy to pass them on, and to this group of thoughted fellows; Sunday school class, and others, we say: Thanks from us and many others.

To all others, not only from Eldorado, but readers of this publication and friends over a wide area, who remembered us and our family in so many ways, we want to say that no words are sufficiently commanded by us to in any way express our appreciation for your noble and unselfish acts.

E. V. White, a college dean of Denton, Texas, once said: "You may count your friends during periods of adversity."

Shakespeare penned: "Sweet are the uses of adversity."

Now that we are back and hope soon to be up on our feet again, our utmost desire is to prove ourself worthy of these kindnesses.

Stanford & Son Sell Corriedales to B. C. Rogstad of Meridian

B. C. Rogstad, Meridian, Texas, was in the county this week and Tuesday purchased from the S. L. Stanford & Son ranch 16 head of Corriedales with which he plans to establish a breeding herd.

The sale included five registered yearling ewes; also one registered ram lamb to go with the ewes, and ten head of yearling ewes. The stock was transported to Meridian by truck.

NOTICE

P.-T. A. night will be changed from Tuesday night, May 15 to Monday night, May 14. All patrons and friends are urged to attend. The hour is 8:30 o'clock, p. m.

Wesley McAlpine Safe After Second Ship Goes Down On Which He Has Served In War II

Wesley McAlpine, now Gunner's Mate First Class, and son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. McAlpine of this county, has written the parents he is safe, and "never felt better in my life."

McAlpine was serving on the U. S. S. Pringle when it was sunk recently in the Pacific on which he was serving as gun captain at the time. On April 30, 1942, he was aboard the USAT Jack when it was torpedoed by enemy subma-

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EUROPEAN WAR ENDS

Dedication Services, Mortgage Burned Sunday Morning At Methodist Church

A large crowd witnessed formal dedication of the First Methodist church here Sunday morning, May 6, at which the Rev. F. H. Hamner, District Superintendent, officiated.

Rev. F. B. Faust, local pastor, was in charge of the ceremonies and he was assisted by the Rev. J. A. Carriker, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, who gave the invocation and the Rev. J. W. Leggett of Odum, who read the Scripture lesson. Rev. Leggett was pastor when the church was erected in 1938. Guests at the service included the entire Presbyterian congregation, members of the other churches and several out of town visitors, former members of the local church.

Special music included an anthem, "Give Thanks Unto the Lord" by the choir and a solo, "The Builders" by Lavelle Meckel. Three of the church officials,

Mrs. Mable Parker, A. J. Atkins and W. F. Meador, chairman of the Board of Directors, took part in the mortgage burning ceremony. Other members of the official board who assisted in the Act of Dedication were Katherine Davis, D. E. De Long, Mrs. S. D. Harper, Mrs. Jess Koy, Sam A. McGinnes, Van McCormick, Mrs. Keno Ogden, Mrs. J. E. Tisdale, Miss Sammie Lee Stewardson, Mrs. V. G. Tisdale, E. H. Topliffe, A. T. Wright, Mrs. L. Wheeler and W. J. Welch. Other board members are J. F. Oglesby, J. E. Hill, Joab Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Breedlove.

Rev. Hamner delivered the morning sermon using as his subject "The Building Beautiful" and the Rev. Leggett preached at the evening service and presented Rev. Faust with a wrist watch, a gift from members of his church.

Sul Ross Dean to Address Eldorado High Graduates

With only a few more days of class room work and final examinations in their way, the 1945 class of candidates for graduation from Eldorado High School are entering the last round of activities of their high school careers.

Baccalaureate services will be held on Sunday evening, May 13 at 8:30 o'clock in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. F. B. Faust, pastor of the First Methodist Church, delivering the sermon.

Twenty-two seniors will receive their diplomas at commencement exercises in the school auditorium Thursday evening, May 17, at 8:45 o'clock. Dr. T. H. Etheridge, dean of Sul Ross College will give the Commencement address.

Thirteen girls and nine boys compose this year's graduating class. The two students holding highest scholastic averages are Donald Gholston, valedictorian, with an average of 94.2 and Paul Page, Salutatorian, with an average of 91.9.

Other members of the class are Walter Roy Davidson, W. F. Edmiston, George Stanley Finley, Joe Turner Logan, Hensel Matthews, Joe Bafley Montgomery, Bobby Oglesby, Ora Ballew, Betty Bullion, Earline Coulter, Helen Craig, Katherine Davis, Jeanette Markham, Patsy Martin, Noweita Matthews, Barbara Mund, Ima Gene Nixon, Clara Lloyd Ochmer, Gertrude Sauer and Gloria Watson.

Members of the eighth grade graduating class will present a three act comedy, "The Haunted Tea Room" at exercises Wednesday evening at 8:45 o'clock in the school auditorium. Members of the cast include Ebba Ann Finley, Patricia Elder, Vaughn Baker, Eugene Gibson, Joyce Ann Van Horn, Betty Sue Williams, Wayne Davis, Harland McAlpine and Patricia Humphrey.

Supt. C. A. Reynolds will present diplomas to a possible 26 candidates. Honor students have not been announced as yet.

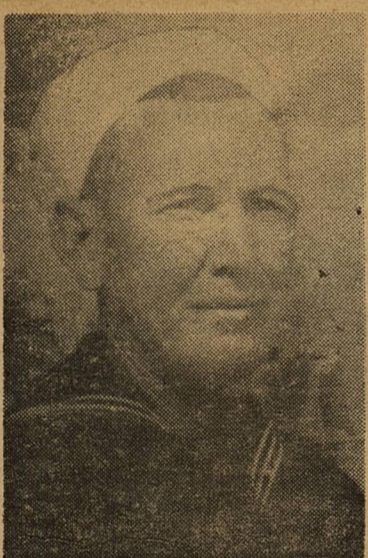
Grain, Ranges and Crops Suffering From Hot, Dry Winds

Described as being very unusual for this time of year, high, hot winds are fast damaging range vegetation and grain crops over the area that is badly needing moisture.

Several farmers and ranchmen calling at this office this week expressed their opinion that if a rain comes in the next few days there will be a fair oat crop made in at least some sections of the county. Just what definitely will be the effects on crops and pastures remains to be seen, depending on when moisture falls and the amount of the precipitation.

Mrs. Patton Enochs and baby daughter, Patricia Diane, and Mrs. Enochs' mother, Mrs. Mabel Schultz, of Somerville, were recent visitors in the Jeff Enochs home. Lieutenant Patton Enochs was serving in Italy at last report.

LOOSES FOOT



Owen (Cap) Fry, CM 2-C, was wounded in action in the South Pacific area recently suffered the loss of a foot in a mine explosion, according to recent information received by his sister, Mrs. G. L. Ballew.

Mr. Fry formerly lived here with his mother, the late Mrs. J. W. Fry, who died in Mertzon, April 2.

Miss Maxine Rampy, accompanied by a friend, Miss Cema Cowley, both of San Angelo, visited in the Clarence Rampy home over the week-end.

Liberation of Schleicher Men Unannounced Todate

No communication to parents of two Schleicher County men who have been held prisoners of war by Germans had been received here at the press time.

Although literally thousands had been liberated the past few days, apparently a small percentage of relatives have been notified of liberations. The Success editor was notified by relatives of a friend who had been prisoner since the first raid over Hamburg, that he had been liberated, and a feeling exists that local relatives will hear from their sons soon.

Schleicher men who were German prisoners are: Lieutenant Jack M. Montgomery, bombardier on a B-24 who went down on his 10th mission on Feb. 22 1944. Sgt. Delbert Edmiston a gunner went down with his crew over Germany on Dec. 20, 1943.

Montgomery is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Montgomery and Edmiston is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Edmiston. His wife and young daughter reside in Mertzon.

Only other prisoner reported in the European theatre from this county was Lt. Wallis Cozzens, who last year went down over Belgium and was soon back in London and the States following his escape through unannounced channels.

Runways of Local Airport Being Used

No doubt Eldorado is now seeing airplane traffic in its infancy on the local field. Several planes have been landing on the port the past few days including one owned locally.

An instructor was here last Sunday and Wednesday of this week to give lessons in flying, taking off and landing may times. There is little doubt that the field will see much usage in the early post-war period, when planes are on the market commercially to civilians

Nazis Defeat This Week Will Increase Strength Against Japan; Eldorado Took Victory Quietly

The unconditional surrender of Germany was signed by Col. Gen Gustav Jodl, who was newly appointed chief of staff of the German army before its surrender. Official time of surrender was at 7:41 Central War Time Sunday, but was not officially proclaimed until 8:00 a. m. Tuesday over radio hookups by President Harry Truman. All firing was ceased in Europe at 5:00 p. m. (CWT) Tuesday.

Following a declaration on Saturday, May 5, by Gen. Eisenhower, that the European enemy was beaten "on land, sea and in the air," it was revealed that Fuehrer Karl Doernitz, on Friday, May 4, surrendered enemy troops in Denmark, Holland and West Germany, described from Paris as having been the greatest mass capitulation since the 1918 armistice.

With over a million troops surrendered to Field Marshal Montgomery and others Friday and Saturday of last week, evidence was that possibly less than 500,000 Germans remained at that time of the army once numbering 8,000,000 men that made all Europe tremble.

Five years, eight months and six days after the "dead" or missing Hitler plunged the continent into history's most terrible war, unconditional surrender came following a horror crime wave never before equalled. Some Russian high officials are extending the belief that Hitler, together with aides have escaped, refusing to believe them dead, since Hitler's body was not found in Reichschancellery where Germans reported he had died on May 1. However, a fire in the chancellery seemed to have destroyed any evidence if the mad Nazi commander died there.

Eldorado, not unlike other communities was anxiously awaiting definite confirmation of total end of war in Europe. Some few businesses remained open Tuesday, but most were closed. School activities went on as usual. Flags were swirling in a moderately stiff breeze with thunderheads above making a picturesque setting for Old Glory.

In the evening Tuesday many residents assembled at the First Presbyterian Church, where local ministers conducted pre-arranged services of Thanksgiving for the end of war in Europe; for the safe return of military men from that theatre and for an immediate end of the conflict with Japan and the sparing of bloodshed and early return of loved ones of all from the final battlefield.

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**Annual Chore Done by Bitterweed
Pullers Here Friday of Last Week**

Friday of last week was "Bitterweed Pulling Time" for the citizens of Eldorado. Some 50 farmers, ranchers, business men, and boys turned out for the "Pulling Party." Compared to last year's pulling, only about 1-4 of the amount of bitterweed was found to be pulled this year. This is in excess to what has already been pulled by the people interested in its control, and in efforts to avoid the spread of the poisonous weeds to clean areas.

After the pulling, approximately 100 persons gathered on the courthouse lawn to eat barbecue and listen to talks given by J. Forrest

Runge, E. B. Keng, Sonora, and Olen L. Fenner, San Angelo, Texas.

Mr. Forrest Runge, chairman of the board of supervisors of the Eldorado Divide Soil Conservation District, discussed the organization of soil and conservation districts. Mr. Runge explained, "Soil conservation districts are organized and operated by the farmers and ranchers of the district. The supervisors are in a position to ask for and receive technical help, grants, machinery, seed, etc., in accordance with the State Soil Conservation Law from any state or Federal agency for use in ap-

plying conservation measures on the land, and this district is receiving technical assistance from the Soil Conservation Service."

The origin of bitterweed, its habits, and its control were discussed in detail by E. B. Keng, representative of the Soil Conservation Service in Sonora. "Bitterweed can best be controlled by running the proper number of livestock on the range, thus making way for the growing of the more palatable and desirable weeds and grasses," explained Mr. Keng.

In rough figures, the city of Eldorado is located in the approximate center of some 900 sections of land which are still free from bitterweed. "Since Eldorado is on 'top of the divide' and because the roads lead in all directions to land free from bitterweed, it is extremely important that the poisonous weeds be controlled on the town section and the roads," explained Mr. Keng. When we real-

ize that the presence of bitterweed lowers the value of land from \$5 to \$10 per acre, the problem becomes of interest to every citizen in the county.

W. T. Whitten, chairman of the meeting, urged landowners and operators to become aware of the seriousness of the poisonous plants and to continue to fight its spread to new areas.

The bitterweed was gathered in sacks by the "pullers," and after the program it was burned. The "Bitterweed Pulling Party" was sponsored by the Eldorado Lions' Club.

Ed DeLong MM1/c, has just been released from a Davisville, R. I., Naval base hospital where he was confined for 16 days, due to a severe attack of influenza. He writes relatives he is recovering nicely and is out with his "Bud-dies" again.



Lincoln Said It...

"let us strive to finish the work we are in—to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and nations..."

As victory comes in Europe we can more than ever call for the practice of the principles of Abe Lincoln... With these words "let us strive..." in our hearts, we can do nothing less than our utmost to push forward with every fibre of our being to the end that the blessing of world peace may speedily become a fact.

Cash Service Station
Mrs. Jack Elder, Prop.



**V
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A victory for the United Nations has been won... And we of this community are proud of the part we have been privileged to play in the Victory... All together, with our fighting men and women we have helped vanquish a foe...

While a single foe of freedom remains, we must continue as we have begun... we must back up the fight with all our might... There can be no question of ultimate Victory.

HAMBURGER BILL

**VICTORY
In Europe...**

Each of us in our humble way, gives thanks to God for a glorious victory which again, we pray, will "light the lamps of Europe."

Only by working, and buying bonds, can we speed the day of FINAL World Victory...and the return of the men and women of the Armed Forces.

A better world will never forget those gallant Americans who have made the Supreme Sacrifice.

The First National Bank

ELDORADO — TEXAS

VETS TO GET LOAN UNDER G.I. ACT

The necessary machinery for processing applications by veterans of World War II for business loans under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 (G. I. Bill of Rights) has been set up in Dallas Loan Agency of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, L. B. Glidden, Manager of the local Agency, announced recently.

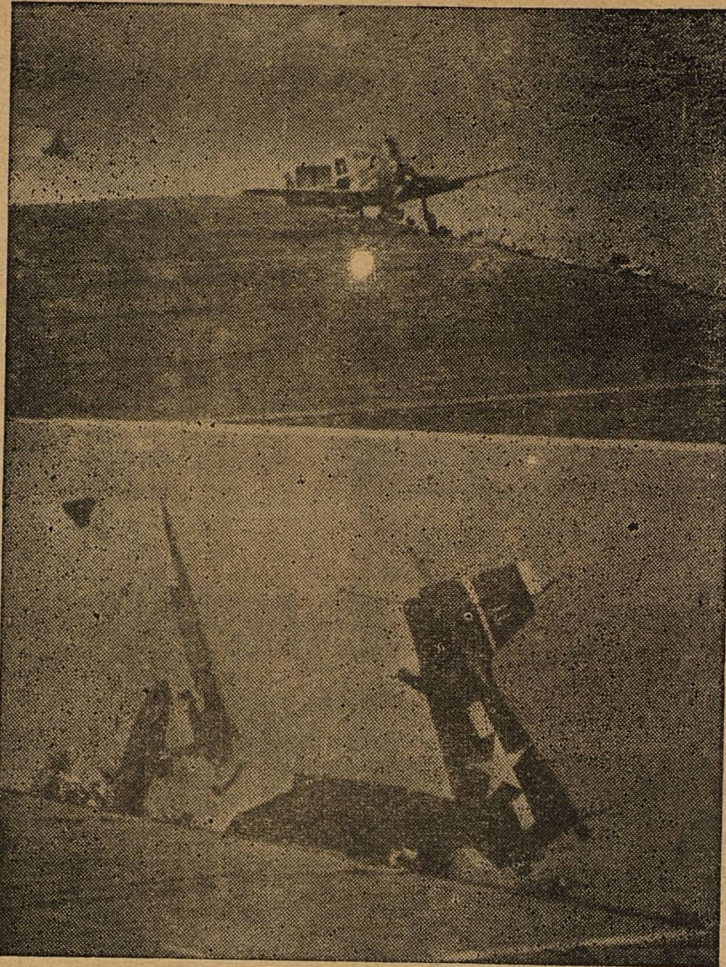
Mr. Glidden's statement followed an announcement from Washington, D. C., that the Veterans Administration had designated the Reconstruction Finance Corporation as an Agency to review applications to banks by veterans for the guaranty of business loans. Under the program RFC will recommend to the appropriate office of the administrator of Veteran's Affairs whether that office should approve or disapprove such applications.

Loans applied for may be used in purchasing any business, supplies, equipment, machinery or tools to be used by the veterans in purchasing a gainful occupation. The Government may guarantee repayment of such loans to the extent of 50 percent, but not in amount exceeding \$2,000 as its maximum guaranty. Thus, the veteran who qualifies for a business loan may obtain a guaranty for 50 percent of any loan up to \$4,000. He may, of course, obtain from his banker a loan of greater amount, for instance, \$6,000; but the guaranty is limited to \$2,000. In loans less than \$4,000, the Government guarantees half; thus, in a \$3,000 loan the guaranty amounts to \$1,500, not more.

Mr. Glidden outlined the following essential steps for veterans desiring guaranteed business loans:

1. The veteran should first contact his local banker.
2. If the veteran is unable to obtain a loan from his local banker,

Hellcat Hits Deck

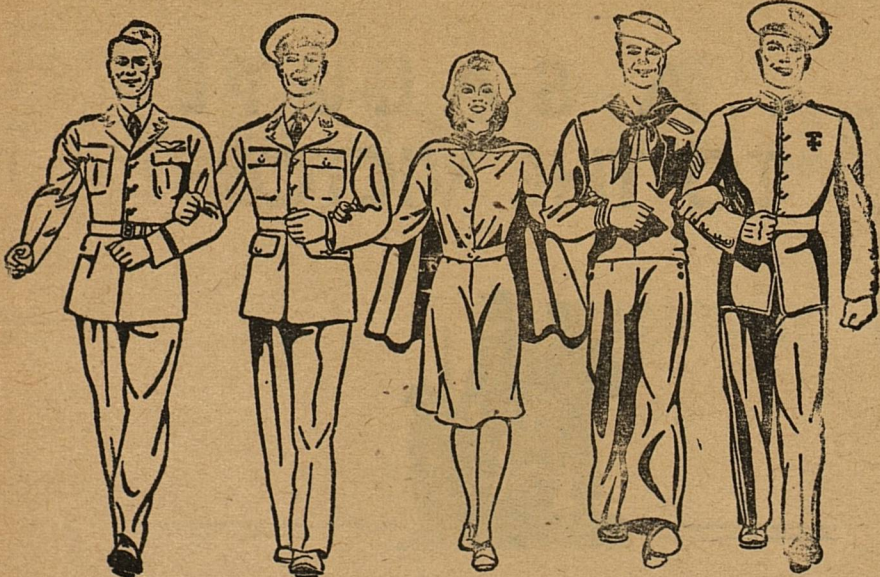


U.S. Navy Photo
PHILIPPINE SEA — Soundphoto — These photos were snapped aboard a light carrier near the Philippines recently. Top photo shows Ensign P. C. Myers of Arbutle, Calif. landing his Hellcat precariously close to the port side of the flight deck as men on the catwalks scurry for cover. Bottom photo shows the plane as it went over the side, breaking apart just back of the cockpit. One wing and the belly tank are still in the air as the other wing smashes into the catwalk. Ensign Myers is still in plane.

he should then apply to his nearest RFC loan agency for a loan. The address of the appropriate agency for this region is 301 Cotton Exchange building, Dallas Texas.

Mrs. Ernest Goens of Austin visited last week in the home of her sister, Mrs. E. C. Hill.

Attending dedication services of the First Methodist Church Sunday from San Angelo were Mrs. Ruth Silliman and daughters, Rachel and Ann, Mrs. Ed De Long and Dorothy, Mrs. Ruth Johnson, Mrs. Luke Thompson and the Rev. and Mrs. F. H. Hamner.



" TO THE VICTORS "

"Where Freeman Shall Stand..."

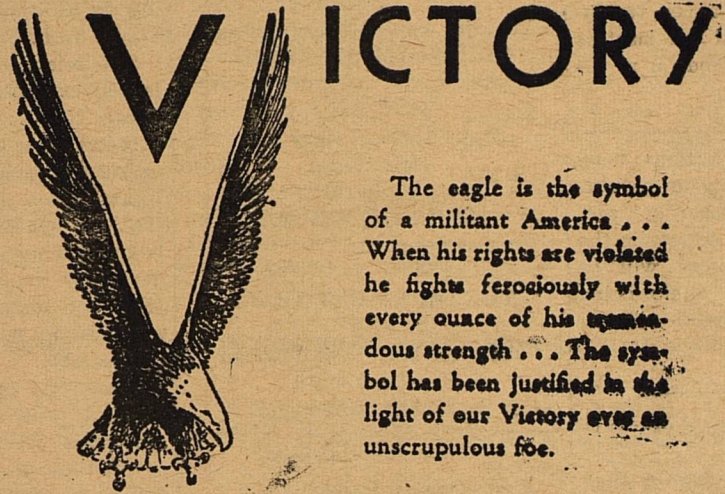
Hail to the men and women of the armed forces who, marching together, have given us a new lease on freedom.

These young Americans have fought to keep a way of life, founded on Liberty and Equality . . . Our faith in them and their faith in these ideals, and the complete unity of American purpose in every effort, together with unselfish sacrifice, has kept America free.

Back of the battle lines has stood a united people . . . A people determined to let nothing stand in the way of victory.

Together with our allies, American youth has again made the world secure for freedom . . . Another victory is won . . . The final phase shall find a complete and total victory for liberty-loving people everywhere.

ELDORADO MOTOR COMPANY

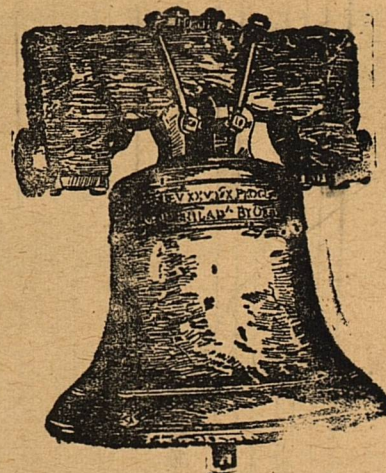


The eagle is the symbol of a militant America . . . When his rights are violated he fights ferociously with every ounce of his tremendous strength . . . The symbol has been justified in the light of our Victory over an unscrupulous foe.

Protector of Liberty . . . The American eagle wishes Liberty for all people . . . He has fought and will continue to fight until the last foe of decency has been removed.

WEST TEXAS WOOLEN MILLS

RING OUT



FOR VICTORY

Just as in 1776, the bells of Freedom have rung out for a new victory for liberty-loving people everywhere.

It is not enough that we be free, and we have been fighting so that all people of the world may be equally free.

In liberty there is that which leads to achievement . . . and to a better world.

We have struggled for months so that all mankind may enjoy our freedom and that struggle has resulted in a noble victory over evil forces.

And yet we will continue to struggle until all people, everywhere, shall be freed from the nations that would enslave them.

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 said!"*



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Sunday - Monday

THE IMPATIENT YEARS
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Thursday - Friday

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Tuesday - Wednesday

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**New Dial Telephone System For
 Town and Rural Area Outlined
 To Lions' Club And Others**

In a letter to the Eldorado Lions
 Club the San Angelo Telephone
 company explains details of se-
 curing a new dialing system for
 this area.

The City council in a meeting
 Tuesday night approved, accord-
 ing to an announcement made by
 Mayor L. L. Baker.

The telephone company's letter
 is self-explanatory, and is as fol-
 lows:

It has come to our attention that
 citizens of Eldorado are interested
 in automatic telephone service for
 the local system, and we give you
 below a summary of conditions un-
 der which the company would con-
 sider the installation of an auto-
 matic system when such equipment
 is available.

Since it is an assured fact that
 R. E. A. lines are to largely cover
 the same territory as that now
 covered by rural telephone lines
 and that considerable reconstruc-
 tion of all rural telephone lines
 must be done to make them at all
 usable once the R. E. A. lines are
 energized, it is highly important
 that the decision be made promp-
 tly if an automatic system is to be
 installed at Eldorado within the
 next decade. because a different
 type of construction would be re-
 quired than that where we con-
 template only avoidance of R. E.
 A. interference. In general, the
 following provisions will be neces-
 sary if we go to automatic ser-
 vice.

Due to anticipated R. E. A. in-
 terference, it will be necessary
 that all telephone circuits be made
 metallic, viz., two wires to every
 telephone, both city and rural.

The above requirement for me-
 tallic circuits necessitates better
 pole line construction for rural

lines than we now have both for
 company owned lines and subscrib-
 er owned lines.

The company will make the nec-
 essary improvements in its rural
 lines provided the rural subscrib-
 ers will make corresponding im-
 provements in their lines. This
 will involve replacement of rusty
 wire.

All telephones will necessarily
 have to be replaced with dial tele-
 phones to be furnished by the com-
 pany.

It will be necessary to adjust
 monthly telephone rental rates oth-
 er than for extension telephones
 by adding \$1.00 to business rates
 and 25c to residence rates, both
 city and rural. Where a sub-
 scriber now owns the telephone it
 will be replaced by a company dial
 phone, involving an additional 25c.
 Where there are less than three
 rural subscribers on a line, the
 city rate will apply.

Regrouping of subscribers on
 rural lines will be necessary in
 some instances in order to hold
 down the cost of rebuilding and to
 avoid having more than ten on a
 line.

It will be necessary that a peti-
 tion be circulated and signed by
 the present Eldorado subscribers
 that the change is being made at
 their request and that the provi-
 sions and conditions under which
 the company agrees to install the au-
 tomatic equipment are accepted
 and approved.

All the above is contingent on
 approval by regulatory bodies of
 the above mentioned rate adjust-
 ment and War Production Board
 approval of the installation.

**WCS MET MONDAY
 AT CHURCH**

"At the Door of the Home" was
 the subject of the Yearbook pro-
 gram when the Woman's Society
 of Christian Service met Monday

afternoon at the First Methodist
 Church.

Mrs. S. D. Harper was leader for
 the program which opened with
 the prelude by Mrs. Keno Ogden.
 Mrs. Harper gave the Call to Wor-
 ship assisted by Mrs. Reuben
 Dickens. The group sang, "O Hap-
 py Home, Where Thou Art Loved
 the Dearest." Chinese and Indian
 families were discussed by Mrs.
 F. G. Clark and Mrs. J. E. Tisdale
 told of christian family life in the
 African and Latin American
 homes. Mmes. Harper, Ogden

and Faust gave reports from the
 District Conference which they at-
 tended last week at Mason.

Mrs. D. E. De Long was hos-
 tess and served refreshments to
 those mentioned above and Mmes.
 Palmer West, J. F. Isaacs, Ben L.
 Isaacs, W. H. McClatchey, A. L.
 Jones, L. Wheeler, and Miss Tom
 Smith.

L. J. Alexander, SKD, 2-C of
 Camp Elliot, San Diego, Calif.,
 visited recently with his parents,
 Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Alexander.

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**... A SALUTE
 TO THE VICTORS**

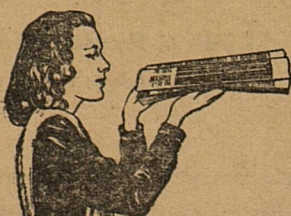
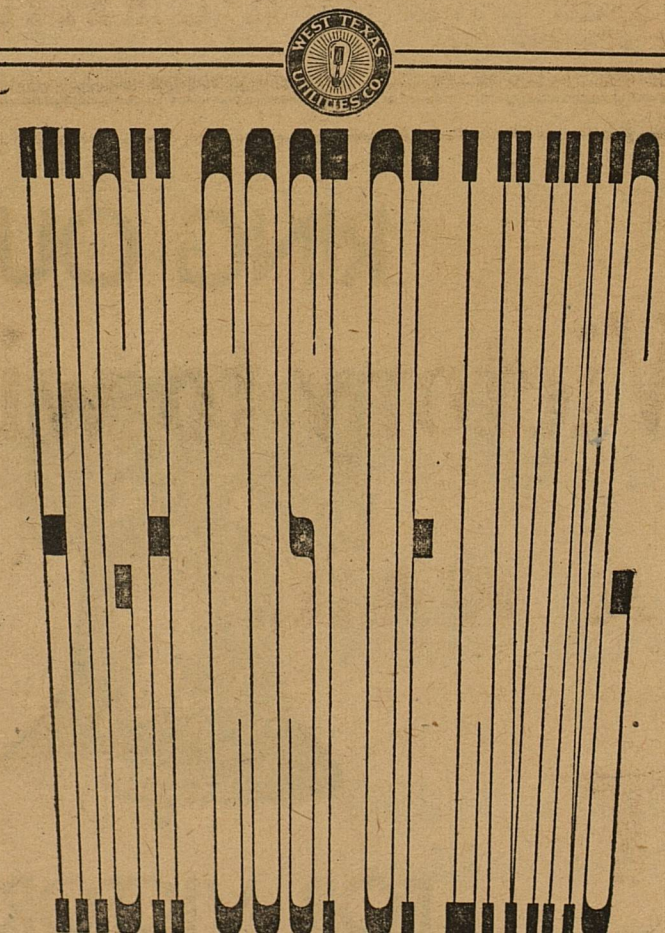


A Salute To The Victors . . . Yes, every
 American has contributed in some degree in this
 first step of our victory over the axis nations . . .
 But the greatest share of the glory must be ac-
 corded the men and women on the fighting fronts
 and the men and women on the production front,
 and to the workers and buyers of bonds on the
 home front.

Every last one has had a part in the Victory . . .
 Americans, we salute you!

We salute you because you will finish the good
 fight by continued cooperation until world peace
 is an established fact.

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**IT'S ALL IN THE WAY
 YOU LOOK AT IT!**

(The lines above may look like a mys-
 tic maze. But if you close one eye and
 tilt this page to the position shown,
 you can easily read four familiar
 words.)

MAYBE you won't thank us for re-
 minding you of the H C of L. But
 it doesn't seem nearly so high when
 you look at it in the light of your
 electric bills!

Almost alone among household necessities, the price of elec-
 tricity has not spiraled upward with war. In fact, official govern-
 ment figures* show that the average price of electricity has
 actually dropped 3.2% since 1939!

That's especially good news now, but it continues a long-time
 trend. Electric prices have been coming down so steadily that
 the average American family gets about twice as much elec-
 tricity for its money today as it did 15 years ago.

If your bill is no smaller, it's because you're using more elec-
 tricity to do more jobs than you did then. But the saving is there.

It has been accomplished by America's light and power com-
 panies in spite of rising costs and taxes—on top of huge war de-
 mands for service that were met without delay, shortage or ra-
 tioning.

It was done by efficiency and experience and sound business
 management—by the same American enterprise which built our
 nation and on which its future depends.

**West Texas Utilities
 Company**

*U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

German Coal Supply Loss Factor In Defeat

The fate of Germany was sealed when he lost the bulk of her available coal producing territory. The National City Bank's monthly news letter describes this loss with grim finality: "With the coal fields of



Hey, Mac, come on in this room. It's got wallpaper from Cameron's.

ELDORADO WOOL COMPANY Feed Department

- PURINA CHOWS—
- EWCO Fortified Feeds—
- BURRUS TEXO FEEDS

Custom Mixing

the Ruhr and German Silesia cut off, Germany now controls only ten per cent of the pre-war bituminous production of her own territory and Czechoslovakia. Altogether it is probable that Germany now controls no more than the equivalent of 70 to 75 million tons of coal annually, compared with 275 million for the greater Reich in 1939. Bituminous coal was the basis for the German war effort. Without plentiful supplies, the synthetic oil plants will be crippled; the operation of new blast furnaces built in Central Germany to utilize local low grade iron ore deposits will be handicapped; and the output of electricity will be affected.

The above comment, while outdated by momentous events, still holds a lesson. It illustrates that a country's rise and fall in these days of mechanized war is in direct relation to its coal output. This nation's annual production of more than 600,000,000 tons of bituminous coal has gone a long way toward assuring total victory for us. No nation can afford for military security reasons if for no others, to have a sick coal industry, largely because Britain coal has been the center of socialistic controversy. Under constant threat of government ownership coal mine operators did not strive to improve production. When war came Britain paid dearly for unnecessarily lost coal tonnage.

In this country coal has been strictly in the sphere of private enterprise. Competition has driven the coal mining forward instead of backward.

CATHOLIC GROUP FORM DISCUSSION CLUB

A group of Catholics met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roach Wednesday evening, May 1 to form a Discussion Club under the direction of Rev. Carol Meyer. The purpose of the club will be to promote a better understanding of Catholic faith and practice as well as to serve as a clearing house for inquiries concerning the Catholic church. The next meeting will be

held Wednesday evening, May 3 at the apartment of Louise Teltow.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roach were hostess to the group which included Mrs. Frank Valis, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tom Roach, Misses Louise Teltow and Dorothy Valis, all of Eldorado and Mrs. John Bunnell, Misses Florine Reiley and Margaret Barton of Sonora.

After the meeting refreshments were served by Mrs. Roach assisted by Mrs. Valis and Mrs. J. T. Roach.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
11:00 a. m. the pastor will bring a special message to High School graduates who are members of the Presbyterian congregation and their parents.

No evening service.

Mattresses

NEW OR RENOVATED

Our truck in Eldorado every other week. Leave calls or mattresses at Roach Furniture and Feed Store.

WESTERN MATTRESS CO.

ELDORADO LODGE A. F. & A. M. No. 890
Stated Meeting Second Saturday night in each month.
Visiting Brethern Welcome

"Hamburger Bill"

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NICE — JUICY
HAMBURGERS
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SAN ANGELO, TEXAS
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FOR SALE— Purebred Delaine Merinos—50 rams, 100 ewes. As good as the best and better than the rest. J. I. Padgett. (adv)

WANTED— Lady finisher. afternoon work only.
See Coulter's Dry Cleaners

LOST—A suit case in Eldorado or between Eldorado and Sonora. Contains baby clothes. Reward to finder.

Mrs. Maxine Hill
Phone 4212, Sonora

WANTED— Two boys to deliver circulars each Thursday after-

noon. The Red & White Store

FOR RENT — Small unfurnished house. See S. L. Stanford or call 249. (15-1)

FOR RENT—Two modern rooms. See Mrs. F. G. Clark. (15-1)

Seaman Gus Green of San Diego, Calif., is visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Green.

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Leggett of Odom, were guests over the week end of Mrs. C. L. Meador, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Meador, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Meador.

T. P. Robinson, Jr., A S, returned to his station at Bainbridge, Md. last week after a visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Robinson.

JUST RECEIVED....

A CARLOAD of HUMBLE CANNED OILS and GREASES

This is the first of these products that we have been able to secure in several months.

For the convenience of our customers, we have been assured by the Humble Company that we will be able to supply your needs of these Oils and Greases in the future.

Other Humble Products

Your Wholesale Dealer

H. L. HAZELWOOD, Agent

Victory! and a Victory to win....

WE'VE WON A WAR...

BUT

We've STILL a war to win!

Now it's two down---and one to go! It was a grand job, but we've work to be done. There can be no resting on our laurels---not until we have gained our goal, completely

Eldorado Wool Company

AND FEED DEPARTMENT

ELDORADO -- TEXAS

Daughters of Early Trail Drivers To Give \$500.00 To First Cowboy To Enter Tokyo

At the meeting of the Daughters of Early Trail Drivers of Texas during Festival Week at San Antonio last week, it was voted to give \$500.00 to the first Texas cowboy to enter Berlin and also the same amount to the first Texas cowboy to enter Tokyo. The lucky chap must be a ranch boy who has left the ranch to enter the service.

Mrs. R. A. King of this place, and a member of the Daughters of Early Trail Drivers, has been appointed as a committee of one in this section to acquaint people with this movement and to accept contributions for the "Cowboy Fund". Anyone wishing to donate to this cause, may see or call Mrs. King at her home here.

Mrs. King attended the Festival in San Antonio and took part in the Daughters' parade which ended at the Alamo where wreaths of flowers were placed in memory of those early pioneers who fought at the Alamo.

KATHERINE DAVIS GETS MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

Miss Katherine Davis, daughter of Mrs. Ora Davis, was awarded a music scholarship in a piano contest sponsored by the San Angelo College at a party honoring West Texas high school seniors Tuesday afternoon, May 1. The Senior Day program, first of its kind, is to be an annual affair.

Contestants from 10 towns in this area participated in the music contest which was judged by Jack Swartz and W. L. Ardis of the SAC music department. The scholarship will pay tuition to the college for one year.

Members of the Eldorado High School 1945 graduating class attended the party at the San An-

gelo College in a group and enjoyed the afternoon which included exhibits of work in physics, chemistry, music, speech, part time training, and library departments with San Angelo College students as guides.

Refreshments were served to the visiting students in the Library and Harrison's Texans played for dancing in the Ram Room, college recreation hall, and a program

Modern Choir, sextet and trio presented several numbers. Mrs. Carroll Ratliff, sponsor, accompanied the Eldorado group.

FOR WHOM WILL BELLS TOLL

Finding itself stuck with a surplus of 20,000 bells, cast in steel and bronze painted, the U.S. Maritime Commission is hoping people will buy them for use as dinner bells, as school bells, on farms, and for camps. The bells weigh 20 pounds, will be sold for \$8.50 each.

Cpl. and Mrs. Lum Davis and baby daughter, Jan Bonalene of Bryan visited the first of the week with Cpl. Davis' father, G. H. Davis and his sister, Mrs. W. C. Doyle and family.

Yanks Amused By Stone Age Wash Board



SOMEWHERE IN INDIA — (Passed by Army Censors) — These members of the U. S. Armed Forces are amusedly looking on as an Indian dhobie (public laundryman) quaintly drubs a garment on his primitive "wash board." This is a far cry from the hygienic and scientific methods used by laundries in the good old U. S. A. Note the serious expression of the swarthy "linen beater's" daughter (center) while the Yanks chuckle.



MINUTE MEN OF VICTORY

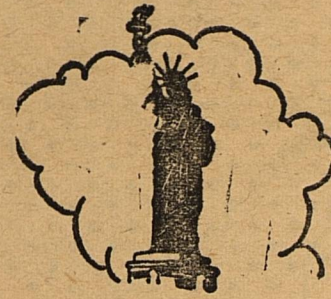
The Minute Man has stood staunchly as the defender of liberty and protector of democracy . . . His faith, fearless and unshaken, has been justified in the results of the first step to total victory by the United Nations . . . The people of this community have all been Minute Men and Women by their unchallengable courage . . . in the face of trying conditions.

You have bought bonds . . . that bought the bombs . . . that has put the hub of the axis out of commission.

We are proud to be neighbors with you fellow fighters in the cause of justice, equality and freedom for all . . . You are Americans All.

LET'S GET THE JAPS

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LIBERTY WINS!

Liberty holds her torch on high . . . still alight with promise of a new world. A light proclaiming an Allied Victory over unscrupulous foes who would have enslaved the world.

Liberty and justice for all is reaffirmed as our victorious armies gird themselves for a final effort to rid the world of those who seek our destruction.

Liberty's light shall continue to enlighten the world.

Coulter's Dry Cleaners



The roar of battle has died in Europe and the Allied nations have been victorious over a foe who would have forbidden freedom in any sense.

We are aware of the grave responsibilities that lie ahead of us for the rehabilitation of a war-torn continent.

No less, are we aware, that there remains another step before we may claim a complete victory.

With undaunted faith we continue the good work so well begun . . . Working together the world shall be made safe for all freedom-loving people.

Wright's Cash Store

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The Biggest War Loan Drive of All!*



Victory comes high!

FIND YOUR QUOTA...AND MAKE IT!		
IF YOUR AVERAGE WAGE PER MONTH IS:	YOUR PERSONAL WAR BOND QUOTA IS: (CASH VALUE)	MATURITY VALUE OF 7TH WAR LOAN BONDS BOUGHT
\$250	\$187.50	\$250
225-250	150.00	200
210-225	131.25	175
200-210	112.50	150
180-200	93.75	125
140-180	75.00	100
100-140	37.50	50
Under \$100	18.75	25

Their "Quota" may be DEATH Your Quota is Bigger Bonds

AS THE tempo of the war increases . . . as the lines of communication grow longer . . . as the need for new guns, new tanks, new planes grows more urgent . . . the cost of the war is at an all-time high.

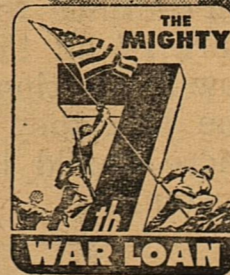
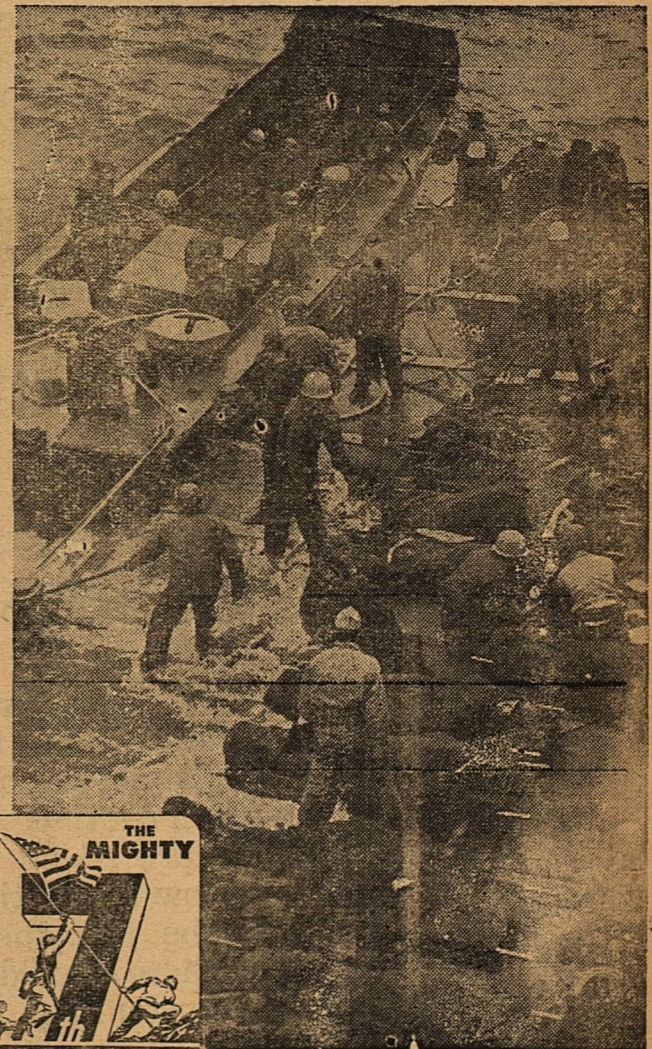
That is reason Number 1 why every true American must back this MIGHTY 7TH War Loan Drive beyond all limits of what he thinks he can afford.

Reason Number 2 is that this drive is really two drives in one. By this time last year, you had subscribed to two War Loans.

Yes, the need is greater than ever before. And YOU . . . everybody . . . must invest a greater portion of your income . . . of your cash reserves . . . in War Bonds Now! Study the chart on this page. Figure out your personal quota—and make it!

BUY MORE AND BIGGER BONDS

You already know that War Bonds are the best and safest investment in the world . . . that you get back at maturity \$4 for every \$3 you invest . . . that they safeguard your future security . . . and that you can cash them in on a moment's notice in case of emergency. So let's go, Americans! Let's back those gallant boys who are fighting and dying for us on far-flung battlefields the world over. Let's all buy bigger bonds and more of them, right now!



*People's Quota: Seven Billion Dollars

Everybody.. Everywhere.. Buy More-MORE-MORE!

This advertisement sponsored by the following firms and individuals in cooperation with the county's 7th War Loan Drive.

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WHOLESALE GULF PRODUCTS

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AT THE CHURCHES

First Baptist Church
J. M. Hays, Pastor
 Sunday school and sermon, 10:00 and 11:00 A.M. Training Union and preaching, 7:30 and 8:30 P.M. Our mid-week service each Wednesday evening at 8:30. Our Missionary Society meets each Monday afternoon at 3:00

FUNDAMENTAL BAPTIST CHURCH
Don Miller, Pastor
 The regular schedule for Sunday services will be as follows:
 Sunday School—10 a. m.
 Morning worship—11 a. m.
 Young people's meeting—7:30 p. m.
 Preaching service—8 p. m.
 Prayer meeting Thursday, 3 p. m.
 Workers meeting Friday 8 p. m.
 Choir practice Saturday, 8 p. m.

First Methodist Church
F. B. Faust, Pastor
 Sunday School at 10:00 A.M.
 Morning Worship at 11:00 A.M.
 This service will have particular MYF at 7:30 P.M.

On sure way to double your money is to fold, and put in your purse.



VICTORY for PEACE

Victory has come and we can now understand in greater measure than ever, the wise words of Washington.

It is with hearts full of gratitude that we give thanks for this Victory which serves us with a deep responsibility to help make an everlasting peace that may be enjoyed by all people, everywhere.

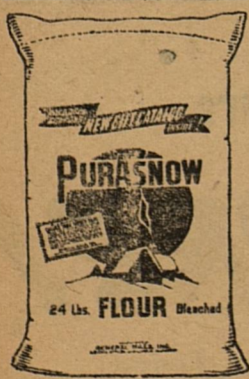
The first step has been successful . . . No less shall be the second and final step in preparing the world for a peaceful future.

Jeffrey Gulf Station

A. C. Jeffrey, Prop.

Wright's Cash Store

Another 11 sets of dishes arrived this week and have been distributed as best we could, and if you did not get any you will later on, as we will continue to get dishes until we take care of all tickets out. The factory is slow in meeting the demands, but doing the best they can. They are free and there should be no complaints from the customer.



We have received this week another large shipment of Purasnow Flour with a nice glass bowl with each 24-lb. sack at \$1.55

No flour has a better guarantee than this, and is second to none.

BUY PURASNOW!

Old Fashion Cane Syrup, qt. 7c	Ice Cream SALT, 4 lbs. 10c
K. C., 10 lbs. \$1.35	Ice Cream POWDER, pkg. 5c
CALUMET, 2 lbs. 26c	Lipton-Admiration TEA, lb 95c
Double-bit Ax Handle 30c	EYE SHADES 30c
APPLE JUICE, gallon. \$1.20	METAL SPRAYERS 35c
GRAPE JUICE, gallon. \$1.40	OIL MOPS, \$1.00
Quality Spaghetti, 2 lbs. 18c	WAX PAPER, roll 25c
Roundly Macaroni, pkg. 5c	NAPKINS, 1,000 65c
Skinner's Egg Noodles 10c	NAPKINS, 80 count 10c

Fresh Vegetables and Fruits—and Fresh Meats

"See us for your family eats."

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 —The Loss May!

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GENERAL INSURANCE

TELEPHONE 163
 ELDORADO, TEXAS

School Students Are Enjoying Series of Final Entertainments

Before settling down to the serious business of reviewing, last minute "burning of midnight oil" and exams, school students have enjoyed a series of picnics, barbecues and parties sponsored by room mothers.

Room parties with refreshments of ice cream and cookies were enjoyed by the first, second and third grades, with several mothers present at each. Teachers of these grades are Miss Mae Ellington, Mrs. Ruth Prince and Mrs. Bennie Watson.

The fifth, sixth and eighth grades enjoyed picnics at the Roadside Park with room mothers as sponsors and teachers present included Misses Ina Mae Lightsey, Doris Johnston, Annie Herbert, Oma Ford and Mrs. James A. Page.

The seventh grade were honored at a swimming party at the Roy

Davidson farm with refreshments of cookies and ice cream, and again at a barbecue supper and swim Friday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Henderson as hosts at their ranch home. Room mothers sponsoring the picnic were Mrs. Carl Ellington assisted by Mrs. Edwin Jackson and Mrs. Ray Alexander. Teachers present at the barbecue included Mrs. Kenneth Cheek, Mrs. Jams Page, Miss Doris Johnston and Miss Annie Herbert.

Freshmen students enjoyed a barbecue on the courthouse lawn last Friday afternoon with Miss Jewel Shelton, sponsor, C. A. Reynolds, superintendent, and six mothers present.

Room mothers honored the sophomore class with a picnic at Christoval. Skating, swimming and boating were diversions for the group. Thirty students were present and they were accompanied by Mrs. Willie Ruth Johnson, sponsor and Messrs. and Mmes. L. D. Ochsner, A. J. Mund, Henry Speck and Mrs. Lewis Ballew.

The senior class enjoyed a barbecue supper at the ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Edmiston Friday evening of last week. There were 22 students present, Mrs. Carroll Ratliff, sponsor, a number of guests and the hosts.

School Choral Club Work Outstanding

One of the outstanding events of the school year was enjoyed by a large crowd who listened with rapt attention to the beautiful program presented by the High School Choral Club in their annual spring concert Thursday evening of last week in the school auditorium.

The program which consisted of a round-up of the years' work, reflected the fine training received by the girls and placed the credit on their very able and capable director, Mrs. James A. Page, public school music instructor.

A home town girl, Mrs. Page, the former Maxine Wilton, has drawn from the high school personnel, a group of girls whose voices were good and trained them into a choir which any school in Texas, large or small, may be proud.

Other programs presented by group this year included a concert at the USQ Club in San Angelo and a 20 minute program over Radio Station KGKL recently. They have also sung at the various churches during the year and in school assembly programs.

Misses Ruby and Elsie Lee Harper of Santa Anna spent the past Sunday with their brother, S. D. Harper, Jr., and family.

Sgt. Wallace Joiner Injured In Fall

A communication from the War Department recently to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Joiner here informed that their son, Sgt. Wallace D. Joiner, serving with the 5th Army and in charge of motor pool, was slightly injured April 12.

A letter from Sergeant Joiner to his parents later stated that the accident occurred when he fell down steps while carrying a case of ammunition and resulted in contusion of the left wrist.

PFC MATTESON BACK IN STATES

Pfc. Bill Matteson, who was wounded in action some few months ago, called relatives here Monday stating that he had arrived safely in Charleston, S. C. His mother, Mrs. E. H. Coulter, is visiting at present with a daughter, Miss Wanda Matteson, in Schenectady, N. York.

Pfc. Matteson has been convalescing in a hospital in England since he was wounded.

H. D. CLUB HELD MEETINGS, PROGRAMS

A demonstration on the making of quick cheese was given by Mrs. Charlie Suddeth when the Bailey Ranch Home Demonstration Club met recently in the home of Mrs. Aaron Steward.

Roll call was answered with "Something I've learned from another club member." It was announced that the club would send cookies to an Army hospital at San Angelo May 12, and also that the group will sell cake, pie, sandwiches and coffee down town on Saturday, May 19.

Mrs. E. H. Dannheim led the club in a recreation period and refreshments were served to 8 members and one new member, Mrs. Truett Stanford. The next meeting will be on May 17 in the home of Mrs. Charlie Suddeth.

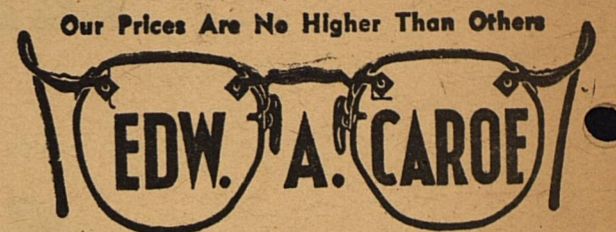
A new president and council delegate was elected and standing committees appointed when the Country Woman's Club met May 2 in the home of Mrs. Raymond Dickens.

Mrs. Ray Alexander was elected

CURSE OF MIDDLE LIFE

Faulty kidney function. Trouble starts by the ph. of the body fluids getting out of balance. Chemists find that if the ph. is corrected, balance restores—the body repairs the damage, removes the pain. CIT-ROS is the answer. Supplied by your druggist. For sale by

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217 S. Chadbourne 21 Years in San Angelo

president and Mrs. Dickens will serve as council delegate. Committees include: Finance, Mmes. Fred Gillaspay and Gordie Alexander; Exhibits, Mmes. Marion Wade and Raymond Dickens; Expansion, Mrs. Tom Alexander and Year-

book, Mmes. Savola Bolt, Alexander and Fred Watson. A short recreation period was enjoyed and refreshments were served to 8 members and Mrs. Fannie Pittman, Home Demonstration Agent.



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See Us For Your Poultry Supply Needs

WILLIAMS HATCHERY

LIGHT BULBS

New Stock of light bulbs.

60 watt 11c 100 watt 17c
 150 watt 22c

REA Wiring Materials

We have just received a new shipment of REA wiring materials.

House wiring estimates cheerfully given without obligation.

Topliffe Gas & Electric Service

"We Invite You to Pay Us A Visit"

Mothers Day GREETINGS

Cane Syrup, 18 oz. New Orleans	can 5c
Tea, Lipton, 1 lb.	98c
Washo, large box	23c
Soap Flakes, R. & W.	23c

BLACK-EYED PEAS, SQUASH, LETTUCE CAULIFLOWER, TOMATOES. PINEAPPLE, BEANS, NEW SPUDS

W. T. PARKER'S GROCERY

THE RED & WHITE STORE